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Memorial Fund Donations

In March 2006, CCEA established a memorial fund to honour the life and work of Dr. Stan Rowe. Dr. Rowe, was a founding member of CCEA.

Proceeds from the memorial fund will provide for an annual memorial lecture (at the University of Saskatchewan) and a scholarship to be awarded annually to a graduate student studying in Canada and engaged in a research project that is directly related to CCEA's Mission. Further details are available at our website: CCEA.org

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What's in it for Me or My Agency

By contributing to the Stan Rowe Home Place Memorial Fund you will be honouring the life and work of a most highly regarded ecologist and philosopher.

Your contribution will support the propagation of Stan Rowe's ethical viewpoint which seeks to reconcile people to Earth. Stan's viewpoint was always aimed at reconciliation, not conflict.

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The Stan Rowe Home Place Memorial Fund



Stan Rowe
June 11, 1918 to April 6, 2004

The realities of the world are ecological systems of which no organisms are components and without which no creatures of any kind could ever exist. The missing attitude is sympathy with and care for the land and water ecosystems that support life. It will come when we make the concept of a planetary home part of our daily thought, part of our hearts and imaginations.

J.S. Rowe



forest ecology at the University of Manitoba in 1956. He then took a job as research forester with the Canadian Forestry Service. In 1967 he accepted a call from his friend Bob Coupland to take up a professorship in Plant Ecology with the University of Saskatchewan. For almost 20 years his lectures on boreal forest ecosystems and the big questions in land and natural resource management were a magnet for students wanting to combine a passionate interest in nature with rigorous training in plant ecology.

His landmark course in Wildland Ecology was an eye-opener for all those lucky enough to be part of the class. He retired in 1985 and moved to New Denver in 1990 where he continued to write and correspond with his many friends and colleagues.

The Life and Times of Stan Rowe

Dr. John Stanley Rowe was an outstanding Canadian thinker and teacher on ecology and ecological ethics. His eloquent words, books, articles, and films convinced a generation of ecologists, foresters, and land managers that it is possible to live harmoniously with our "home place" Earth. Stan always respectfully and convincingly advocated for both people and nature. He persuaded a generation of students, friends, and decision-makers that to be a responsible and gentle ecosphere-participant requires an ecocentric point-of-view. His philosophy held that respecting and thinking about the whole ecosystem - air, water, plants, animals and land could lead to peace among humans and all participants. Beyond his formidable intellect, Stan was a kind, wise, cheerful and gently witty person... an inspiring teacher to students and his many friends.

Stan grew up near the Alberta foothills. His peaceful and gentle demeanor spoke of his youth in the big sky of the Alberta prairie. At the onset of WWII, he declared himself a conscientious objector working in a government logging camp and then instructing children in the Japanese internment camp in New Denver, B.C. Stan studied at the universities of Manitoba and Nebraska, completing his Ph.D. in

Publications and Films

Stan's most influential scientific writings were the "Forest Regions of Canada" (1972) and his many scientific and popular papers on his unique philosophy and approach to understanding the place of people in nature. His popular books "Home Place: Essays in Ecology" (1990) and "Earth Alive: Essays on Ecology" (published posthumously in 2006) present his convincing perspective on understanding the Earth and our relationship with it.

Although we are wholes in relation to our inner organs, we are parts in relation to the outer world - parts dependent on the whole Earth for our existence. (from Earth Alive, 2006)

The four-film series "Home Place: Exploring Human Ecology with J. Stan Rowe", shot by Bob Long and Rob Ramage in the 1990s, is one of the best expositions of why we ought to think of Earth first and it remains a brilliant and influential introduction to thinking ecocentrically.

His internet publications have been influential: *We should feel more pain at the destruction of wild ecosystems... for with destruction of ecosystems we cut away the very root of creativity, of life* (The Global boreal Forest 1997). "The Manifesto for Earth", co-authored with Ted Mosquin, is a landmark document on the new way of seeing our place on Earth. The titles from his essays illustrate his unique perspective and contribution:

What on Earth is Environment? Ecosphere Thinking; The Ecology of Cities; Wilderness as Home Place; The Living Earth and Its Ethical Priority; An Earth-Based Ethic for Humanity; Ethical Ecosphere; Ecocentrism, The Chord that Harmonizes Humans and the Earth; This is your Mother Calling; Ethics and the Sea; An Ecological Worldview: Earth=Life.

Awards

Dr. Rowe received a number of awards, including the Rosalie Early Memorial Award, the Canadian Forestry Achievement Award, and the J.B. Harkin Conservation Award (1994) for his significant contribution to protecting Canada's parks and wilderness areas. The Canadian Botanical Association has also established an award in his name.

