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EHRlich, FULLER TO HIGHLIGHT
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(FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE)

Paul Ehrlich and R. Buckminster Fuller---one of the nation's leading environmentalists and the designer of the geodesic dome---are among many speakers and events scheduled for the University of Minnesota during its forthcoming Festival of Life Week, April 20-26.

The week has been planned in conjunction with a nationwide environmental teach-in taking place on Wednesday, April 22. Major planners are the Environmental Teach-in Committee, headed by Karim Ahmed, a research associate in laboratory medicine at the University, and Tom Griffin, a graduate student in history, along with members of Students for Environmental Defense (SED), a student group.

Highlights of the week, in chronological order, include:

- * The building of a geodesic dome on the plaza in front of Coffman Union (CMU), to be opened officially at 10 a.m. Monday, April 20, by University President Malcolm Moos and others:
- * The planting of a "tree of life" at 11 a.m. Monday, April 20, in front of CMU.
- * An artcraft sale on the Mall from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. all week.
- * An environmental multi-media show from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, in CMU main ballroom.
- * "The Electric Commune," performance from 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, by Columbia Heights High School students in CMU main ballroom.
- * Mass rally outside Northrop Auditorium at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 22, followed by a Jazz Funeral Bicycle Caravan from the Minneapolis campus to the Minneapolis Auditorium where a General Electric stockholders' meeting will be taking place.

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- * Health Sciences Forum on Environment, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 22.
- * Film, "See You at Mao," produced by Jean-Luc Godard who will be in attendance; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, CMU main ballroom. (Admission.)
- * "The Pesticide Crisis," St. Paul convocation speech by Robert van den Bosch, at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 23, North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center.
- * Paul Ehrlich speaking on "The Population Crisis: Where We Stand," at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 23, in Northrop Auditorium.
- * "Genetic Engineering and the Future of Man," talk by Robert Sinsheimer, at noon Friday, April 24, North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center.
- * R. Buckminster Fuller speaking on "Planetary Planning" at 3 p.m. Friday, April 24, in CMU main ballroom.
- * Legislators Forum on the Environment, featuring Minnesota congressmen, moderated by George Rice, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 24, CMU main ballroom.
- * Forum on "Hennepin: The Future of an Avenue," 8:30 p.m. in the Radisson Trade Mart, featuring architects, planners, designers and artists. (Continued at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25) (Admission.)
- * High School Congress, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 25, CMU main ballroom: booths, displays, speakers, drafting of resolutions.
- * Environmental Rock Festival, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 26, on top of the River Road parking ramp; featuring local and national rock groups including the Paisleys, the Delcounts, Pepper Fog, the Mojo Buford Blues Band, and Bear, Beaver, and Peacock.

In addition to the featured events, some 28 to 30 workshops and forums will be taking place throughout the week on various topics.

All events of the week are free with the exception of the Godard film on Wednesday night and the forum on Hennepin Avenue, Friday and Saturday.