

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Single - \$15.00       Family - \$20.00

Group - \$30.00       Other

Donation:

*Donations to EKES are tax deductible.*

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The Golden Branch of E.K.E.S. meets on the second Wednesday of every month except July and August. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Golden Secondary School. Everyone Welcome!

**THIS IS YOUR LAND  
CARE FOR IT NOW  
TOMORROW  
MAY BE TOO LATE**

## SOME ISSUES -

### OLD GROWTH FORESTS

Current forestry information reflects the growing awareness of the importance to the environment of old growth forests. These vanishing stands of ancient trees are no longer viewed as decadent but are now acknowledged to be of critical importance to wildlife, especially to some endangered and threatened species.

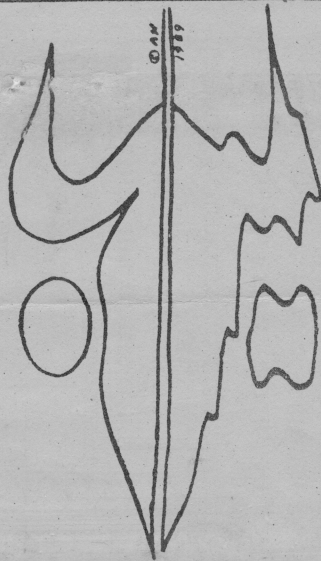
Old growth forests provide habitat for predatory insects that aid in the control of pests species in adjacent plantations of young trees. Plant species that may some day prove to be of crucial medical value, can survive only within the ecosystem of an old growth forest. EKES supports the preservation, within the Golden Forest District, of a viable amount of old growth forests for present and future benefit to both people and wildlife.

### RECYCLING

Over 80% of the garbage in our landfill is recyclable. Over 50% is paper. The solutions are simple: reduce, reuse, recycle, compost. People everywhere are looking for ways to promote environmental health and awareness. Since 1989, the Golden chapter of EKES has provided glass recycling for the community. Increasingly, businesses and government make use of recycled paper, creating a demand that will certainly encourage paper recycling province-wide. EKES continues to promote environmental awareness and education while lobbying governments for comprehensive recycling.

### COLUMBIA RIVER MARSHES

EKES supports protection for these internationally significant wetlands, important winter habitat for large animal populations and critical nesting and resting areas for migratory and resident birds. The Columbia River Marshes represent one of the last untouched examples of wetlands in a world where these important habitats are daily lost to flooding behind dams and draining for developments. Environment Canada's wildlife service has identified our Columbia River Marshes as a wetland of international importance as defined by the International Conference on the Conservation of Wetlands and Waterfowl held in Ramsar, Iran in 1971.



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