Appalachian Alternatives

Appalachia – Science in the Public Interest

MARK SPENCER BIDS GOODBYE

Our in-house calendar designer (1987-91) and calendar promoter (1988-89) Mark Spencer is moving to his paternal roots in Massachusetts. He plans to continue his higher education and his environmental pursuits. Mark will be missed by all for he added a dash of Irish humor. His rock and trail work remain as a permanent sign of his devotion to ASPI. Mark has spent January and February completing the 1990 sales campaign and designing the 1991 "Simple Lifestyle Calendar", with a theme of "Appalachia: Land and People". He has compiled a collection of favorable comments from over 30 states and a dozen foreign lands, for as one French woman said, "this calendar tells my neighbors that Americans are human and more than what Hollywood portrays".

Mark is not about to forget environmental calendars. He is working with our trusted editor, Angela Cox of New York, to develop a national environmental calendar. He also wants to continue designing the Appalachian Simple Lifestyle Calendar by returning for short periods each year. He has formed a good working relationship with Warren Brunner, who is devoting more of his free time to public interest photographic work. Watch for our 1991 calendar.

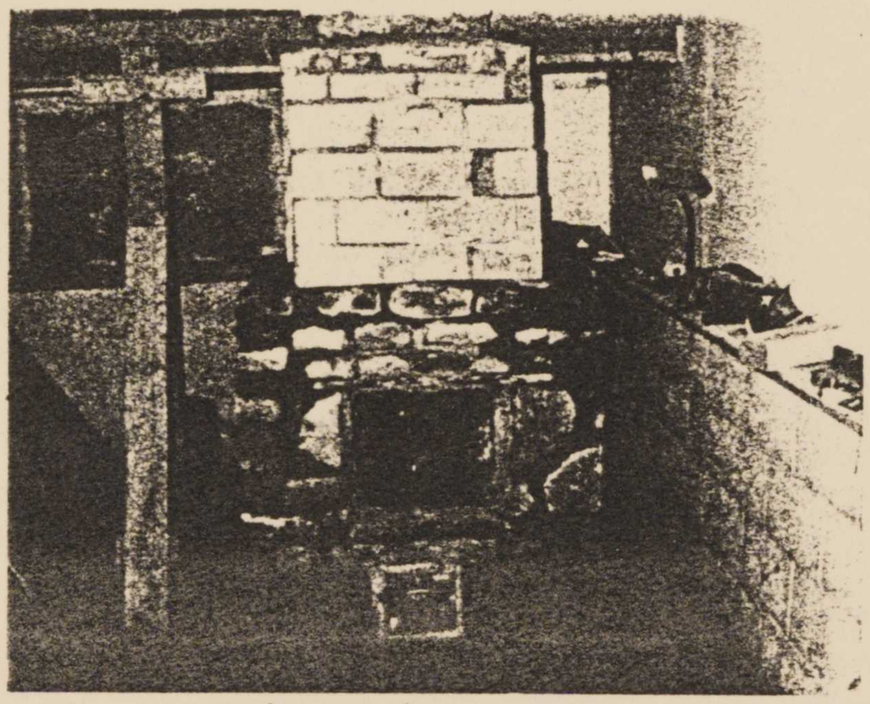
... AND TO THE ROGERS "HELLO"

The Solar House is now being turned over to a family that will acquire ownership after a tenure of demonstration/residence. Arnold and Sonja Rogers are not only excited about the possibility of home ownership, but have come with several years of working with a Rockcastle County summer outreach program.

A LIBRARY ANNEX

ASPI's periodical library has outgrown its former space. Lewis VanWinkle and Kenny Rogers have polished their environmental management skills in the ditching, guttering, insulating, wiring, dry-walling, building of periodical shelves, installing a window, completing the concrete floor, assisting Eddie Stallsworth in building a chimney and highly efficient Finnish/Russian style masonry stove, painting, caulking, installing rugs and siding, and creating a pleasant reading and guest space in the former ASPI storage building.

Robyn Arnold has done a superb job computerizing book titles, reorganizing the library and arranging periodicals for use. You are welcome weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



ASPI'S FINNISH/RUSSIAN STYLE MASONRY STOVE

RESOURCES AUDITING SERVICE

During early winter we have been busy auditing the 150-acre Lutheridge (the conference center and camp of the Southeastern Synods of ELCA) at Arden, North carolina and the 640-acre