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Subject: PABIODIV: PA Institute for Conservation Education

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Founded in 2002, the Pennsylvania Institute for Conservation Education is a not for profit organization dedicated to advancing natural history and conservation of natural resources by building an ecologically literate and engaged public. The Institute encourages hands-on discovery of ecosystems and watersheds of the Commonwealth while instilling stewardship of our natural resources. It serves adults and youth of all regions by providing natural history seminars, teacher workshops, conservation internships and summer youth camps. We believe that people need intimate, informed contact with the natural world in order to value and conserve wild landscapes within their communities.

If you have not yet received the 2003 Program Catalog, I would like to personally introduce you to this catalog and upcoming programs of PICE. For those of you interested in receiving a PDF version by email or hard copies of this catalog please contact me by email (naturecorp@enter.net) or at the phone number below. The electronic version contains an update from the print copy. The Leopold Education Project Facilitators Workshop in Pennsylvania will be held on June 29 - July 1 at Juniata College's Raystown Field Station.

The PICE is dedicated to partnering with conservation and outdoor organizations to provide quality conservation and natural history programming. Your participation and support are important to our efforts. The PICE Board of Directors and I hope that you will choose to deepen you commitment to the PICE program with any of the following:

- a.. announcing PICE and its program to your constituency, friends and family
- b.. sponsorship of participants within your region or local community
- c.. scholarship support
- d.. financial gift
- e.. in-kind support
- f.. sponsorship of the Leopold Education Project
- g.. donation of equipment (contact PICE for our wish list)
- h.. participation in the PICE program

Please feel free to pass on this email on to your listservs, mailing lists, membership, family and friends. To be included in future PICE mailings, please send your most up to date address and contact information. If you would like additional information on PICE program or need a PICE representative to speak with teachers, youth and community members within your area, please contact our office.

In recognizing the growing need for conservation education, we hope that you will join us in partnering with the PICE. I look forward to working with you to provide quality program.

Warmest wishes from the Pennsylvania Institute for Conservation Education,

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