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VERMONT CONSERVATION BANQUET

The Honorable Russell W. Peterson, former Governor of Delaware, will be the guest speaker at the Vermont Conservation Banquet on Saturday evening, October 27, 1973. Named 1971 Conservationist of the Year by the National Wildlife Federation and the 1971 recipient of the World Wildlife Fund's Gold Medal award, Governor Peterson received national recognition in June 1971 when he banned further heavy industrial development of Delaware's coastline. It has been reported that Governor Peterson is in line to succeed Russell Train as Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality.

The Vermont Conservation Banquet will mark the Tenth Anniversary of the Vermont Natural Resources Council. In addition to Governor Peterson's address, the after-dinner program will feature a tribute to the following individuals who were instrumental in the Council's founding and prominent in its early years -- Justin Brande, Cornwall; Dick Brett, Woodstock; Lucy M. Bugbee, Bradford; Kit Foster, Bennington; Jim Marvin, Burlington; Perry Merrill, Montpelier; Fred Mold, St. Johnsbury; Sam Ogden, Landgrove; Belmont Pitkin, Marshfield; Fred Sargent, S. Burlington; and Jim Wilkinson, Barre. The Banquet will take place at the Woodstock Inn in Woodstock, and will commence with a cash bar social hour at six o'clock. Dinner will be served at seven o'clock to be followed by Governor Peterson's address.

A Tenth Anniversary Fund with a goal of \$10,000 has been established to provide needed capital as the Council begins its next ten years. Monies received from Banquet ticket sales and additional tax-deductible contributions will be deposited in the Fund and be used for VNRC program support.

DAVIS JOINS VNRC BOARD

Governor Deane C. Davis was elected to the Board of Directors of the Vermont Natural Resources Council. The action was taken by the Council's Board at its quarterly meeting, September 25, in Brookfield.

VNRC Chairman, Jonathan N. Brownell expressed delight at Governor Davis's election saying, "The Governor is known and respected nationally for the forward looking environmental programs developed in Vermont during his administration. The Council is extremely fortunate to have a person of his interest and experience in environmental affairs on its Board of Directors."

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