

# NEWS

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A visit to the magnificent sand dunes along the picturesque Oregon Coast will be offered ~~April~~ <sup>May</sup> 12 during the "Wednesday Evening Lecture Series" at The Evergreen State College.

The program, "The Oregon Coastal Dunes", will be presented by Faculty Member Dr. Alfred Wiedemann, a biologist. Open to the public free of charge, the presentation will begin promptly at 8:00 p.m. in Auditorium One of the Evergreen Lecture Halls Building.

Dr. Wiedemann's lecture will focus on sand-wind-plant interaction along the Oregon Coast. Slides and motion pictures depicting the various dune forms, the plant communities of the sand dunes, and the major dune areas along the coast will illustrate the talk.

A biologist, Dr. Wiedemann joined Evergreen in 1970 as one of 18 faculty members charged with designing the college's initial academic programs. He has taught environmental studies since the college's opening a year later, introducing students not only to basic skills and scientific theory but also to a wide range of field research experiences. He was instrumental in Evergreen's establishment of a field research station on the Nisqually River Delta and in obtaining a lease which allows study of the Mima Mounds, a strange set of geological formations in Southern Thurston County.

Immediately prior to joining Evergreen, Dr. Wiedemann was an Assistant Professor of Range Management at Oregon State University. He also has taught--under various educational exchange programs--in Australia, Indonesia, and Malaysia and has been an instructor at the University of Oregon and North Dakota State University.

An experienced field research and author of numerous scientific articles, Dr. Wiedemann is a specialist in agronomy, coastal dune vegetation, and tropical ecology. He has authored a book, "Plants of the Oregon Coastal Dunes", which serves as a handy guide to dune visitors.

Dr. Wiedemann received his bachelor's degree in crop science from Utah State University, his master's in agronomy from the same institution and his doctorate in plant ecology from Oregon State University.