**Biology for Non-Majors Self Guided Field Trip**

I. Each student will take a self guided field trip and present an oral report to the class during the 14th week of lab. You must visit your chosen site a **minimum of 2 times.**

II. Students may take a field trip anywhere they wish. The report should emphasize some of the points listed below, but it is not limited to these.

   a. What did you observe during your field trip?
      - Organisms observed / Ecosystem representatives.
      - The overall appearance of the landscape and habitat.
      - Human activity observed.
      - Seasonal change.

   b. What human impacts did you observe during your field trip?
      - Natural resources that were being used or that were available.
      - Detrimental human impact.
      - Positive human impact.
      - Possible improvements that you think could be made to the way that humans were interacting with their environment.

   c. What concepts have you covered during this course which were brought to mind during your field trip?

III. Your field trip report should last about five minutes. Have a brief introduction that describes where you went and why you went there. Follow the introduction with the observations you made. Draw a brief conclusion which emphasizes what you think were the most interesting or important things you learned or observed during your field trip.

IV. Some potential field trip sites.

   - ETSU University woods
   - Buffalo Mountain (Johnson City)
   - Bays Mountain Park (Kingsport)
   - Steele Creek Park (Bristol)
   - Roan Mountain
   - Unaka Mountain
   - Grocery or Department store
   - Small local parks
   - Greenhouse or nursery
   - Dairy farm
   - Tobacco field

   (If you decide to take your field trip on private property not open to the public, such as a farm, be sure you have permission of the owner.)