

## **Hydrologist to speak at AU's environmental series**

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William Kappel will present the next lecture in the Environmental Studies Speakers Series Friday (Sept. 17) in room 228 of the Science Center. His title is "The Good, the Bad and the Brine - Hydrogeology of the Onondaga Valley, Syracuse, N.Y." Employed as a hydrologist by the U.S. Geological Survey in Ithaca, N.Y., Kappel also worked for several years at the U.S. Forest Service in Missouri and Wisconsin. Kappel served as project chief of the Rochester, N.Y. National Urban Runoff Program study and of the West Valley, N.Y. nuclear waste site study. He has done several groundwater mapping investigations throughout New York state, studied mudslides in central New York and researched potential contamination of lake bottom sediments in Lake Ontario due to the disposal of World War II material during the 1940s and '50s. Kappel earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees in physical sciences and forest hydrology from Pennsylvania State University. The Environmental Studies Speakers Series, held every Friday while the University is in session, is from 12:20 to 1:10 p.m. in room 228 of the Science Center. The public is invited with no charge. Refreshments will be served.