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NEW COLLEGE NEWS RELEASE

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John Nash Ott, a retired banker whose interest in time-lapse photography has led him into a whole new career, will show the results of some of his work to students, faculty and guests of New College Friday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Ott's work in time-lapse photography, an avocation during a 20-year banking career, now has taken him into the field of research in studying the effects of light on growth responses in both plants and animals, including human beings.

Dr. Ott's pictures show that variations in the periodicity, intensity, and wavelength of light energy control certain plant growth processes such as setting of buds, opening of flowers, determination of sex, and maturing of certain fruits. He points out similar responses in animals and suggests how these may be brought about as the result of light entering the eyes.

Dr. Ott is the second speaker in the college's newly instituted Friday night dinner and forum series. Special guests are invited to a candlelight dinner with students to be followed by a discussion with them.

Professor of Philosophy Douglas Berggren is making arrangements for the dinners and forums along with student Rick Kainz.

A limited number of guests will be admitted to the showing of the slides and the talk by Ott.

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