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Mrs. May Weis, 89, of New York City, a pioneer activist in environmental issues, recently donated funds to Ramapo College which will enable two students to serve as interns at the Weis Ecology Center in Ringwood, N.J.

A graduate of Barnard College, Mrs. Weis serves as honorary chairman of the environmental committee of the National Council of Women of the United Nations which works with 72 member-nations. She is the author of two booklets, "Water and Arid Lands" and "The World Meteorological Organization."

"We look to college-age students to carry on the concern for our environment," said Mrs. Weis at a recent luncheon in her honor at the four-year state college. She added, "Environmental ethics are the basis on which we can learn international peace."

Mrs. Weis established the Weis Ecology Center in 1974 on a 120-acre site which includes an old iron mine, cascading waterfalls, and forested wilderness. It was her founding hope that the center will help people to realize the importance of safeguarding our environment.

The two Ramapo College students who will benefit from Mrs. Weis' generosity this summer are Nancy Theissen, a junior human ecology major from Franklin Lakes, and Diane Hynes, an environmental studies co-major from Westfield.