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Happy New Year! from the Board and friends!
(from the Holiday Meeting at the Science Museum of L. I.)



Everyone is invited to the Board of Directors meetings.

Start off the New Year right by attending our next meeting, January 21st at 11:00 at The Nature Conservancy's Uplands Farm in Cold Spring Harbor.

Meet in the barn. That's the building with the silo attached!

Directions: <http://www.nature.org/wherewework/northamerica/states/newyork/preserves/art10995.html>

Gold! The new exhibit at The American Museum of Natural History, Feb 3rd, <http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/gold/> Just in time for Valentines Day - You will be visiting this exhibit containing more than a ton of gold - all in one place!

Lisa Breslof and the staff at AMNH will once again host NYSMEA members.

to reserve tickets, call Bob Abrams, (516 333-7830) or Lisa Breslof (212 769-5169) Leave your name, telephone number, time and date that you called, so that we can assure availability of tickets for this program. If you plan to bring a guest, there is a \$15 fee which includes membership for the year. (www.NYSMEA.org/membership.htm) Meet at the Museum's Main Rotunda Information Desk at 12:00 Noon where a NYSMEA representative will meet you. (Enter at the Central Park West entrance. Go to top of the outside Great Staircase into the second floor. The Rotunda and Info Desk are in front of the dinosaurs.)

Believe it or not we are organizing this years' NYSMEA conference. It will be a fantastic, event filled single day, June 3rd, split between the **American Museum of Natural History** and the **South Street Seaport Museum**. Merryl Kafka (New York Aquarium,) Lisa Breslof (American Museum of Natural History,) Maggie Flanagan (South Street Seaport Museum,)

need your help. Some of the areas requiring assistance are ticketing and name tags, registration, exhibitions, auction, website, conference program, publicity and more. Please email Lisa to offer your help. breslof@amnh.org

Remember our great NMEA Conference this past summer. - Come to Maine for 07!
Call for Presentations: Be a part of Downeast 2007!

National Marine Educators Association Conference in Portland, Maine, July 23- 27, 2007
Hosted by the Gulf of Maine Marine Education Association

We invite educators, researchers, explorers, writers, artists, conservation managers, and anyone with a passion for the World of Water to share their **Ideas, Innovations, and Inspirations**. Also, enjoy inspirational keynote speakers, exciting field trips, hilarious entertainment, great auction items, and delicious food, all with a Downeast flavor.

Fill out the Call for Presentations Form online at <http://gommea.org/downeast2007/> or contact Mark Wiley at (603) 749-1565 as soon as possible.

Deadline for Call for Presentations: March 1, 2007.
All applicants will be notified by April 15, 2007.

For more information, visit <http://gommea.org/downeast2007> or email Downeast2007@gommea.org.

Tony Dilernia is running a student conference on Global Warming on April 19 similar to the ones he has run in the past. NYSMEA is a co-sponsor. Please contact Tony for further details(adilernia@kingsborough.edu)

South Shore Estuary Reserve Learning Facilitator Program

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The New York State Marine Education Association (NYSMEA,) has received a grant for the “South Shore Estuary Learning Facilitator Program (SSELF)” from The ERM Group Foundation, Inc. Environmental Resource Management (ERM,) is a globally active environmental consulting firm. The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization formed by the employees. The stated goal of the Foundation is “*To provide human resources and financial assistance to projects that contribute to the improvement of the earth’s environment, the quality of life and sustainable development throughout the world through appropriate charitable, educational and scientific endeavors.*” Under this \$8,000 grant for the 2007 calendar year, NYSMEA, in cooperation with the SSER office, will provide guidance to several schools and/or environmentally oriented groups on stewardship projects within the SSER. Lou Siegel, the grant writer and long time NYSMEA board member will be the Estuary Learning Facilitator (ELF) coordinating activities carried out under the grant.

For more information on
NYSMEA <http://www.NYSMEA.org>
The ERM Group Foundation <http://www.erm.com/ERM/foundation.nsf/pages/foundation>
South Shore Estuary Reserve <http://www.estuary.cog.ny.us>
SSELF Program, contact SSELF@NYSMEA.org

CRESLI has announced their great overnight, offshore trips for this summer! [details](#)

Interested in being a coastal resource specialist - take the exam. [details](#)

Armada Project **Application deadline is February 5, 2007**

For more information about teacher qualifications, responsibilities, and to download an application see the ARMADA Project website www.armadaproject.org or contact Andrea Kecskes at 401-874-6211 or armada@gso.uri.edu.

Great winter seminars for teachers from Nassau BOCES. [details](#)

Connecticut Sea Grant (CTSG) requests your help in identifying which Long Island Sound (LIS) resources you use in your classroom or institution. Over the next several months, CTSG will be collecting and conducting an inventory of LIS resources. Resources may include, but are not limited to, lessons and activities, CDs and DVDs, posters, field sites, magazines, newspapers, newsletters and human resources. [Details](#)

Bowdoin College Coastal Science Institute for Middle School Teachers Summer 2007

<http://academic.bowdoin.edu/csc/bccsi/index.shtml>

NYSDEC held a conference "Climate Change in New York's Hudson Valley" on December 4 in Poughkeepsie. Proceedings and some great presentations are located at: <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/hudson/hvcc.html>

ASBPA's 2007 Coastal Summit

America's Coasts, America's Treasures: National Perspectives and Policy

March 21-23, 2007 Washington Court Hotel

525 New Jersey Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C.

\$150,000 for science and tech research

Grant Title: Science and Technology Studies

Organization: National Science Foundation

Eligibility: Educators

Value: \$6,000-\$150,000

Deadline: February 1, 2007

The STS Program provides a range of funding opportunities designed to support the full spectrum of research, educational, and scholarly activities undertaken by scholars within science and technology studies. Projects may include individual scholars, collaborative research, post-doctoral fellowships, professional development fellowships, dissertation research improvement, grants for training and research, support for conferences and workshops.

Contact: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=13453

More than \$10 million in cash and equipment

Grant Title: HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative

Organization: Hewlett-Packard Development Co.

Eligibility: U.S. and Puerto Rico K-12 and higher education institutions

Value: Undisclosed

Deadline: February 15, 2007

Hewlett-Packard Co.'s 2007 Technology for Teaching Grants support efforts to improve student achievement in U.S. schools through the innovative use of classroom technology. K-12 public schools are eligible for \$3.9 million in cash and equipment from HP; proposals will be accepted from all subject areas, but preference will be given to projects with a focus on math or science. Two- and four-year colleges and universities are eligible for grants totaling \$2.8 million in cash and equipment to support the redesign of math, science and engineering courses, with the ultimate goal of increasing the number of students graduating with high-tech degrees. This year, extra consideration is being given to proposals related to environmental engineering and green product design. Based on the outcomes of the projects funded through this initiative in 2007, HP may offer grant recipients the opportunity to receive higher-value grants in 2008.

Contact:

http://www.hp.com/hpinfo/grants/us/programs/tech_teaching/index.html

**Calling All Educators! The National Park Service
and the NYC Department of Education**

Announce Two FREE PROJECT WILD Workshops

Saturday, January 27, 2007

Basic WILD 9:00am -12:00pm

Aquatic WILD 1:00pm -4:00pm

(Register for One or Both)

Includes the Project WILD K-12 Activity Guides upon Completion

The Gateway Center for Science & Environmental Studies Bldg. 272, Floyd

Bennett Field, Brooklyn, NY

Light Morning Refreshments Will be Served

Call (718) 354-4560 for Reservations, Information & Directions

More than \$20K for science-oriented essays

Grant Title: DuPont Challenge Science Essay Competition

Organization: The DuPont Center for Collaborative Research and Education

Eligibility: Grades 7-12

Value: More than \$20,000 total

Deadline: February 12, 2007

Students write a 700 to 1,000 word essay discussing a scientific discovery, theory, event, or technology application that has captured your interest. Over the years, the judges have noted that winning essays reflect the several attributes, including creativity, originality, readability, thorough research, and appropriate choice of subject matter. Awards are given in junior, senior, and teacher divisions; the science teacher who sponsors the winning student receives a prize.

Information about feeding children a healthy diet including seafood, is now available thanks to a new collaborative effort of chefs, pediatricians and sustainable seafood experts. The collaboration, called KidSafe Seafood, identifies some of the healthiest seafood choices for kids, and provides easy recipes and resources for busy parents. KidSafe Seafood is a program of SeaWeb, an independent communications-based nonprofit organization focused on advancing ocean conservation.

KidSafe Seafood can be accessed at

<http://www.kidsafeseafood.org/home.php>

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EPA Region 2 Solicits Nominations for 2007 Environmental Quality Awards

Each year, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recognizes and honors those individuals and organizations who contributed significantly to improving the

environment during the past year in Region 2 (NJ, NY, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands) through its Environmental Quality Awards.

The awards recognize achievement in six categories:

- Individual Citizen
- Non-Profit Organization, Environmental or Community Group
- Environmental Education
- Business and Industry
- Federal, State, Local or Tribal Government or Agency
- Press and Media.

Nominations for the awards are solicited from both within and outside EPA. Nominations must be submitted by February 14, 2007. For more information on award criteria, prior winners and nomination instructions, visit EPA's Environmental Quality Awards Web page [here](#). Self-nominations are welcome. For more information, please contact Chris Sebastian, Public Affairs Division at 212/637-3597 or sebastian.chris@epa.gov.

2007 California Science Education Conference
details at <http://www.cascience.org/conference.html>

National Environmental Education Week April 15-22, 2007
<http://www.eeweek.org/>

The federal Minerals Management Service (MMS) is hosting a regional stakeholders meeting on January 23, 2007 at Monmouth University on the development of the alternative energy and alternate use program on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), as authorized by Section 388 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

We have been told that the MMS meeting is by invitation only. Clean Ocean Action has been invited to attend, but also has been asked to suggest other groups that may be interested. If your organization is interested in the agenda (see attached) and would like to attend, please contact me (include name, organization, address, phone, email) and I will forward your information to MMS.

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NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program: A Free Teacher Research Experience

<http://teacheratsea.noaa.gov>

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NERRS EDUCATION BULLETIN add link

a service of NOAA's National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS)

<http://nerrs.noaa.gov/> December 8, 2006 Volume 1, Issue 5

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for further details and more listings

Job - Summer Naturalist The WaterFront Center in Oyster Bay go to www.nysmea.org/jobs for details

Part Time Naturalist and Outdoor and environmental Education Nassau BOCES 516 396 2264 www.nassauboces.org/enviroed

Naturalist at Connetquot river State Park Preserve, Oakdale Contact Gary Lawton@oprhp.state.ny.us 631 581 1072

Tenure-track/tenured job opening in Marine Biology that is currently being offered through the University of Alabama and the Dauphin Island Sea Lab. Go to <http://www.nysmea.org/jobs>

The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium is currently hiring for three positions--an Aquarist, Educator, and Volunteer & Public Programs Coordinator. For more information, please check the following link for the descriptions located in the sidebar. Jobs will be posted until filled. <http://www.healthebay.org/smpa/jobs/default.asp>

Clearwater Position <http://www.clearwater.org/news/envassist.html>

Position available at The Museum of the Hudson Highlands Seeks Business & Facilities Manager details at:

<http://www.museumhudsonhighlands.org/SpecialEvents.ivnu>

Marine Science Educator w/ Salish Sea Expeditions go to www.NYSMEA.org/jobs

Communications Specialist position for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration go to www.NYSMEA.org/jobs

Job announcement Seacamp Science Program Director go to www.NYSMEA.org/jobs

Camp SEA Lab, based out of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary area in Central California, is currently seeking applicants for the position of Education Coordinator. This is a full-time, (40 hours/week) non-benefited, seasonal position. Dates of employment range from February 2007 to September 2007. Benefits and continued employment are contingent upon availability of funds.

Please distribute the following announcement and flyer attachment to your colleagues or potential candidates. Applications for the position (#FP2006-262) will only be accepted via an on-line submission process at: <http://uhr.csumb.edu/jobs/db/fp/>

Application Deadline: January 12, 2007

Sanctuary Superintendent

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary in Savannah, Georgia.

<http://jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=51730120&AVSDM=2006%2D12%2D21+10%3A24%3A18&Logo=0&q=nos-ocrm-2007-0007&FedEmp=N&sort=rv&vw=d&brd=3876&ss=0&FedPub=Y&SUBMIT1.x=0&SUBMIT1.y=0>

Sanctuary Superintendent

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary

<http://jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=51697068&AVSDM=2006%2D12%2D20+16%3A10%3A20&Logo=0&q=NOS-OCRM-2007-0006&FedEmp=N&sort=rv&vw=d&brd=3876&ss=0&FedPub=Y&SUBMIT1.x=0&SUBMIT1.y=0>

New York University's Steinhardt School of Education The Department of Humanities and the Social Sciences in the Professions is seeking a Visiting Associate/Full Professor to help lead and teach in the program in Environmental Conservation Education. This program offers an interdisciplinary course of study in environmental education at the masters level.

For more information see www.nyu.edu/wallerstein in Careers Section

Our membership begins on June 1st. If you attended the NMEA conference your NYSMEA membership has been renewed. Contact Bob Abrams at 516 333-7830 if you are still confused. Better yet - membership is only \$15 per year if you are already a member it will be applied to next year. Go to www.NYSMEA.org/membership.htm to join using by check or *Paypal*

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