

NYSMEA ANNOUNCEMENTS 9/29/04

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The SEPT NYSMEA Executive Board meeting will be at the Freudenthal's house in Massapequa Long Island on THURSDAY Sept. 30th at 5:30PM.

Please become active. We need members to help with the June 2005 conference at Dowling College and the NMEA Conference in July 2006.

If you cannot make it - email us to volunteer

Call Anita 516 798 2545 [Directions](#)

Congratulations to our own Maxwell Wheat who presented "Enjoy the Salt Marshes with Poetry," featuring round-robin reading by everybody of poetry about the salt marshes, which was offered Sunday, Sept. 26, at Cedarmere, home of the 19th Century poet, William Cullen Bryant, 225 Bryant Avenue. Roslyn Harbor, NY (Phone: 516-571-8130)

[Join us in Mexico!](#)

1. The IDEAS Institute at Hofstra University
2. Final Report, An Ocean Blueprint for the 21st Century,
3. Activities at the New York Aquarium at Coney Island
 - Educators Open house Oct 2nd
 - Marine Protected Areas Workshop Oct 30th
4. Communications workshop for environmentalists.
5. NOVA Presents "The Perfect Pearl" (R)
6. NOAA Workshop Boston
7. Employment Opportunity - Program Assistant The Wildlife Conservation Society's
8. EPA Grant Announcement

1. JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING GEOLOGY EXPERIENCE!

The IDEAS Institute at Hofstra University is currently receiving applications to join the two-day *Geology Field Trip* through Southeastern New York State on October 16-17. The trip is being facilitated by (NYSMEA members,) Bret

and Gail Bennington and promises to be a wonderful opportunity to explore the geologic history of New York State. The two-day course may be taken for graduate credit (2sh) or for inservice credit. There will be a follow-up assignment for those wishing

graduate credit. Please contact Dr. Janice Koch, Director of IDEAS for further information. Janice.Koch@hofstra.edu 516-463-5777

2. As mandated by the Oceans Act of 2000, the [U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy](#) will submit its Final Report, *An Ocean Blueprint for the 21st Century*, to the President and Congress on Monday, September 20, 2004. Details of the release will be posted on the Commission's website when they are available.

Under the Act, the President must then submit his statement of proposals to implement or respond to the Commission's findings and recommendations to Congress within 90 days.

The Final Report will be available electronically on the [Documents](#) page of the Commission

website once the report is released. Please note: pre-publication copies of the Final Report will be extremely limited. However, interested individuals and groups may download and reprint the pre-publication version of the report from the website as needed. The Commission is planning on a wider distribution of the Final Report when it is published later this year.

3. Activities at the New York Aquarium at Coney Island

[Educators Open house Oct 2nd](#)

[Marine Protected Areas Workshop Oct 30th](#)

4. CERC is hosting two workshops entitled "The 7 Habits of Highly Successful Communicators" as part of our Workshops in Conservation series. Effective conservation requires effective communication particularly by those who deal directly with our children and in our communities. The first two workshops (a duo) were developed for graduates of our professional development program for K-12 teachers, but will be useful as well to community leaders, advocates and university-level students. The workshops are held on Saturdays from 9 am -3 pm on October 9 and October 23 Registration is \$60 for both workshops. The [attached document](#) has details of this and future workshops in the series. RSVP

212-854-8310/8664 or rj136@columbia.edu

5. NOVA Presents "The Perfect Pearl" (R)

Broadcast: October 5, 2004, 8:00PM

<http://www.pbs.org/nova/pearl/>

6. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of Ocean Exploration Learning Ocean Science through Ocean Exploration Curriculum Professional Development

Who: Teachers of Grades 6-12 Interested in Ocean Exploration

When: Saturday, October 16, 2004 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Where: New England Aquarium Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110 617.973.5200

From bioluminescent corals to deep vent worms, from tropical underwater volcanoes to the Arctic Ocean floor, we know more about the Moon than our ocean. Bring the excitement of current ocean science discoveries to your students using this new Ocean Exploration curriculum and a CD-ROM of the Ocean Explorer Web site (<http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov>) from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Join Dr. Valerie Chase, Biologist and Science Education Consultant formerly with the National Aquarium in Baltimore; and Paula Keener-Chavis, National Education Coordinator for NOAA Ocean Exploration as you do inquiry- and standards-based activities tied directly to ocean expeditions described on the CD-ROM by ocean science explorers. Receive a copy of Learning Ocean Science through Ocean Exploration and the CD-ROM interpreting these multidisciplinary ocean discovery voyages using "new technological eyes" to study life and earth science on the ocean floor. Ocean scientists share their explorations directly with your students, clearly articulating the excitement of scientific discovery. Activities written and tested by scientists and educators enable your students to model ocean science exploration in your classroom. Use these inquiry-based exercises in biology, earth or marine science courses to connect your students to the excitement of NOAA Ocean Exploration as they travel from the Galapagos Rift to the Arctic Ocean, from Alaskan seamounts to those in the Hawaiian Islands. Lunch provided.

Please contact the New England Aquarium at 617.973.6590 or email

jrubin@neaq.org to register. The Institute is limited to a total of 24 participants.

7. Employment Opportunity Program Assistant The Wildlife Conservation Society's International Division at the Bronx Zoo seeks a Program Assistant for its Institute, and Science and Exploration programs. Rsblt's include: Liaising with WCS units and outside orgs to coordinate programmatic functions: publications, meetings, travel, report production, etc; Create Powerpoint presentations; Perform all administrative functions; Maintain the vacation and travel schedules for the staff; Coordinate publication/ distribution of newsletter; Draft programmatic materials and update website; Assist in prep of annual budget and track rev/expense. Qualif: BA, min 3 yrs exp, degree/exp in acctg/ finance preferred. Business lang and exp. writing/editing. Self-starter, multi tasker, strong interpersonal skills and ability to work w/ wide variety of people. Hlth benefits, 15 days vaca, salary mid-high \$30's. Please send resume/cover letter ATTN: LKPA, Wildlife Conservation Society, 2300 Southern Blvd. Bronx, NY 10460/ e-mail hr@wcs.org, subj: LKPA

8. Announcement soliciting proposals for the [EPA Environmental Education Grants](#) Program. \$3 M are available. Proposals are due on November 15.