

2009 POLGAR FELLOWSHIP STUDIES – PRESENTATIONS OF FINDINGS

Agenda

September 1, 2009

Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Millbrook, New York

- 10:00 Welcome and Introduction to the Polgar Fellowship Program – Dr. David Yozzo, HDR; Tibor T. Polgar Fellowship Administrator
- 10:15 Keynote Speaker – Dr. Karin Limburg, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry: *The Polgar Fellowship Program: (some) Pathways of Progress, and "Grand Challenges" for the Next Quarter Century.*
- 10:45 George Jackman, CUNY - Queens College: *Population Structure of Winter Flounder (Pseudopleuronectes americanus) in the Hudson River Estuary Investigated Through Otolith Microchemistry.* Supervisors: John Waldman and Karin Limburg
- 11:15 Cleo Chou, Columbia University: *Environmental Change in the Hudson Valley as Recorded by Iona Marsh, NERR Wetland.* Supervisor: Dorothy Peteet
- 11:45 Caroline Girard, SUNY Albany: *Effectiveness of Intensive Rotational Sheep Grazing as a Control on the Spread of Persicaria perfoliata.* Supervisor: Gary Kleppel
- 12:15 Lunch
- 1:15 Keynote Speaker – Mr. David Nemazie, University of Maryland, UMCES Program: *The Road to Restoring Estuaries – the Chesapeake Bay Model.*
- 1:45 Cornelia Harris, SUNY Albany: *The Ecology of Wrack along Hudson River Shorelines: Decomposition Rates and Use by Invertebrates.* Supervisor: David Strayer
- 2:15 Alexandra Kanonik, Hofstra University: *Demographic Analysis of the Jamaica Bay Diamondback Terrapin (Malaclemys terrapin) Population: Implications for Survival in an Urban Habitat.* Supervisor: Russell Burke
- 2:45 Shahriar Rahman, CUNY – Brooklyn College: *Evaluating the Effects of Nest Protectors for Turtle Conservation.* Supervisor: Russell Burke
- 3:15 Sarah Mount, Bard College: *Habitat Competition Between the American Eel (Anguilla rostrata) and Crayfish (Native Orconectes limosus, and Invasive O. rusticus)* Supervisors: Catherine O'Reilly and David Strayer
- 3:45 Concluding Remarks – Betsy Blair, Manager, Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve
- 4:00 Reception

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