

NEES Schedule:

Friday, October 8, 2010

- 6 – 7 pm Registration, Finger Lakes Institute (FLI), 601 S Main Street
7 – 9 pm Dinner, Faculty Commons Dining Room, Scandling Center

Keynote Session: Climate Change & Our Obligations to the Future

Andrew Revkin, Michael Nelson & Scott Brophy (Moderator) A discussion about some of the issues raised in the new book edited by Nelson and Kathleen Dean Moore, *Moral Ground: Ethical Action for a Planet in Peril.*, and in overlapping issues in Revkin's work. Complimentary copies of their books will be given to all NEES conference participants at registration. See details below.

Saturday, October 9, 2010

Breakfast on your own

- 8-9 am Registration & Refreshments, FLI Building

9–10:30 am Breakout Sessions

 AESS (Assoc Environmental Studies & Science) and NESS Interface
 Richard Wallace, Ursinus College, Moderator

 Curriculums – The Good, The Bad and the Ugly

 John Halfman, Environmental Studies, HWS, Moderator

 Sustainability & Presidential Climate Commitments on Campus

 Jamie Landi, HWS Campus Sustainability Coordinator, Moderator

10:30 – 11 am Coffee Break Seneca Room, 603 S Main Street

11–12:30 pm Breakout Sessions

 Community Based Problem Solving

 Ben Marsh, Bucknell, Moderator

 Global / International Environmental Studies

 Darrin Magee, Environmental Studies, HWS, Moderator

 GIS in Environmental Studies Programs

 Eugenio Arima, Environmental Studies, HWS, Moderator

12:30–2 pm Lunch, Seneca Room, 603 S Main Street

2–5:30 pm Field Trips

 Seneca Lake – William Scandling – Halfman

 Watkins Glen State Park – Kinne & Magee

 Zurich Bog – Newell

 Wind Farm – Drennen

- 7 pm Dinner, Faculty Commons Dining Room, Scandling Center
 Afterwards wine tasting, music and conversations at FLI

Sunday, October 10, 2010 – Meals and activities on your own

Keynote Session: Climate Change and Our Obligations to the Future

Andrew Revkin, Michael Nelson and Scott Brophy (Moderator)

Andrew Revkin

After nearly 15 years reporting for The New York Times, Andrew C. Revkin left the staff at the end of 2009 to become a senior fellow at Pace University's Pace Academy for Applied Environmental Studies. He continues to write the Dot Earth blog, which has moved from the news side of The Times to the Opinion section. He reported on the global environment in print and on Dot Earth. He has spent a quarter century covering subjects ranging from Hurricane Katrina and the Asian tsunami to the assault on the Amazon and the troubled relationship of climate science and politics. He has been reporting on the environment for The New York Times since 1995, a job that has taken him to the Arctic three times. In 2003, he became the first Times reporter to file stories and photos from the sea ice around the Pole. He spearheaded a three-part Times series and one-hour documentary in 2005 on the transforming Arctic and another series, "The Climate Divide," on the uneven impacts of climate change. He has written books on the Amazon rain forest, global warming and the once and future Arctic. Before joining The Times, Mr. Revkin was a senior editor of Discover, a staff writer for the Los Angeles Times, and a senior writer at Science Digest. Mr. Revkin has a biology degree from Brown and a Master's degree in journalism from Columbia. He has taught at Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism and the Bard College Center for Environmental Policy.

Revkin is author of two recent books we will have available at the conference: [*The North Pole Was Here: Puzzles and Perils at the Top of the World*](#) (Kingfisher, 2006), awarded an Outstanding Science Book, Children's Book Council, and an NSTA Outstanding Social Studies Book; and

[*The Burning Season: The Murder of Chico Mendes and the Fight for the Amazon Rain Forest*](#) (Island Press, 2004), a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year; and awarded Second Prize, Robert F. Kennedy Book Awards; made into prize-winning HBO film, starring Raul Julia

Complimentary copies of either of these books will be provided to all NEES Conference participants upon arrival.

Michael P. Nelson

As an associate professor of environmental ethics and philosophy at Michigan State University, Prof. Nelson holds joint appointments in Department of Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Philosophy. In addition to many essays and articles, he is the co-author or co-editor of four books in and around the area of environmental philosophy: *The Great New Wilderness Debate* (1998), *The Wilderness Debate Rages On: Continuing the Great New Wilderness Debate* (2008), and *American Indian Environmental Ethics: An Ojibwa Case Study* (2004), all with J. Baird Callicott.

Nelson is also resident philosopher of the Isle Royale wolf/moose project – the longest continuous study of a predator-prey relationship in the world – and spends part of each summer working with the animal ecologists on the island. He is currently at work on a book focused on the history and philosophical implications of the project. He is the co-creator and co-director of the Conservation Ethics Group, an environmental ethics and problem solving consultancy group. Nelson's research and teaching focus is environmental ethics and philosophy: from the concept of wilderness to topics in the philosophy of ecology, from hunting ethics to theories of environmental education, from topics in wildlife ecology and conservation biology to questions about science and advocacy. Nelson holds a Ph.D. in philosophy from Lancaster University, England.

Most recently, Nelson is co-editor, with Kathleen Dean Moore, of [*Moral Ground: Ethical Action for a Planet in Peril*](#), an interesting collection of short essays that includes 80 high-profile contributors (Trinity University Press, 2010)

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Scott Brophy

The Keynote Session will be moderated by Scott Brophy, Professor and Chair of the Philosophy Department at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, who is also member of its interdisciplinary programs in Environmental Studies, Public Policy, and Law and Society, and Founder of the nationally acclaimed Environmental Studies Summer Youth Institute. He writes about philosophy and public policy, especially in the areas of the Environment, Law, and Education. Active in international and domestic educational improvement projects, he is the recipient of many foundation grants, and has served as an advisor and consultant to a number of schools and foundations. He is currently working on energy and climate education.

The conference organizers wish to thank the Betsy and Jesse Fink Fund for supporting the Keynote Session and for providing copies Michael Nelson and Andrew Revkin's books to NEES Conference participants.