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**F** MID-ATLANTIC CHAPTER  
*American Fisheries Society*

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Dear Colleague:

The spring meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will be held on Friday, June 12, 1987 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the University of Delaware, College of Marine Studies (CMS) campus in Lewes, Delaware. The theme of the papers to be presented at the meeting is "Delaware Bay."

In the morning from 10:00 to 11:00 attendees will have an opportunity to go on a tour of the CMS facilities and see a slide presentation describing the ongoing research programs and graduate academic organization at CMS. Registration and lunch will be from 11:00 to 1:00. The presentations will begin at 1:00. There will be five 30 minute papers. Jon Pennock, CMS, will discuss the present and historical patterns of water quality in Delaware Bay, including nutrients, phytoplankton production and pollution effects. Joe Dobarro, New Jersey D.E.P., Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife will speak on results of the NJ blue crab surveys. Enrico Villosio, CMS, will discuss his work on patterns and timing of reproduction in weakfish in the bay. Paul Greccay, CMS, will present results of his research on feeding and condition factor in juvenile weakfish from various portions of the Delaware Bay nursery ground. Ron Smith, Delaware D.N.R.E.C., Division of Fish and Wildlife, will compare results from Delaware Bay finfish trawl surveys conducted in the late 1960's with results from the early 1980's.

The cost of the meeting will be \$9.00 which includes a buffet lunch. Deadline for registration is June 8. Please send your check, made payable to Mid-Atlantic Chapter-AFS to Dr. Harvey Katz, Mid-Atlantic Chapter, AFS, 49 Lyons Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. If you wish to pay at the meeting, advance registration must be made by phone to either Dr. Katz (201) 377-3000, ext. 355 or to myself (302) 645-4396. This must be done prior to the deadline in order to assure that a lunch will be available. Also, if you wish to be included in the 10:00 tour and slide presentation, please indicate when registering by either mail or telephone, so that space can be reserved.

A map is enclosed, showing the location of Lewes, CMS, and the Cannon Laboratory building (#1 on the map) where the meeting will be held. Registration will be outside Room 104. For people who will arrive via the Cape May-Lewes Ferry, the ferry leaves Cape May at 7:30, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Departures from Lewes are at 5:00 and 8:40 p.m. The crossing takes approximately 70 minutes. For people who come by ferry and do not bring their car across, or arrange to ride with someone else, rides to CMS from the ferry can be arranged, if you indicate when registering.



The meeting is being held on Friday to allow attendees (and their families) an opportunity to stay over into the weekend on the Delaware shore. Therefore, arrangements have been made for people to go on a weakfish fishing trip on Delaware Bay on Saturday morning. An information brochure is enclosed. The 6 hour trip will cost \$18.00 for adults and \$14.00 for children. Rods can be rented for \$5.00. Plan on doing some fishing on Saturday. Sign-up will take place at the registration desk on Friday.

There are three motels in Lewes: Vesuvio Motel (302) 645-2224, Angler's Motel 645-2831, and Cape Henlopen Motel 645-2828. There are also a large number of motels and hotels in Rehoboth Beach. The Chamber of Commerce (227-2233) could provide information on accommodations there.

It should be an enjoyable meeting. Hope to see you there.

Sincerely yours,



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