

# American Fisheries Society Fall Meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter

November 15, 2005

Location: Delaware City, Delaware – Grass Dale Center

Registration: 0900 – 0930

Welcome: 0930

## *Atlantic Sturgeon: Past, Present, and Future*

0930 – 0945 *Sturgeon fishing on the Delaware River – Port Penn Museum Film*

0945 – 1015 Phil Simpson – Delaware State University  
*Adult Sturgeon Survey and Habitat Monitoring*

1015 – 1045 Greg Murphy – DE Fish and Wildlife –  
*Contemporary Status of Atlantic Sturgeon in the Delaware Estuary*

10:45 – 11:00 – Break

11:00 – 11:30 Andy Lazur – University of Maryland, Center for Environmental Science -  
*Looking ahead and working together to advance sturgeon research and recovery efforts.*

Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

## *Horseshoe Crabs: Management, Research, and Outreach*

1:00 – 1:30 Stewart Michels – Delaware Fish and Wildlife –  
*Overview of Horseshoe crab Management*

2:00 – 2:30 David Smith – USGS  
*Sex-Specific Growth Among Juveniles, Age-Specific Spawning Behavior Among Adults, and Other Observations From a Tagging Study of Horseshoe Crabs in Delaware Bay.*

2:45 – 3:15 Kevin Kalasz – DE Natural Heritage Program –  
*Simultaneous Tracking of Horseshoe Crabs and Shorebirds to Study Species Interactions using a Bay-wide Radio Telemetry Array*

3:15 – 4:00 Gary Kreamer – DE Fish and Wildlife; Cindy Etgen, ARE Coordinator, MD Dept. of Natural Resources, Katy O'Connell, Education Coordinator, DE National Estuarine Research Reserve  
*Green Eggs and Sand: a Collaborative Effort of Aquatic Educators, Biologists and Fisheries Managers in Educating About the Mid-Atlantic Horseshoe Crab/ Shorebird Controversy”*