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CONSERVATION CAFÉ TO DISCUSS “CLIMATE CHANGE AND SEA LEVEL RISE” AT PACE

In recent years the frequency and intensity of storms in our area has been on the rise, and as we are still in the midst of clean-up from Hurricane Sandy, climate change and its effect on sea level rise is top of mind. Find out what climate change is, what its effects are on our oceans and rivers, and the impacts of extreme weather in our local communities, as the Conservation Café presents “**Climate Change and Sea Level Rise: What can we expect?**” on Friday, June 7, at the Student Center of Pace University, Pleasantville, NY.

The program will start with a brief introduction by Carolyn Cunningham from Federated Conservationists of Westchester County, and will feature the following speakers:

- **Andy Revkin**, Senior Fellow for Environmental Understanding at Pace University's Academy for Applied Environmental Studies, who will give a broad overview of climate change, rising oceans, and their possible impact on New York State.
- **Adam Whelchel**, Ph.D. Director of Science at The Nature Conservancy/Connecticut Chapter, who will speak about how sea level rise may impact Long Island Sound.
- **Mark Lowery**, Climate Policy Analyst in the office of Climate Change at New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, who will talk about the sea level rise along the Hudson River and how New York State can respond to it.

A panel discussion with a question-and-answer session will follow the formal presentations.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; the program runs from 8:45 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Conservation Café programs provide a forum for dialogue about current environmental issues. Sponsors are Westchester County Parks, Friends of Westchester County Parks, Pace University, Grassroots Environmental Education, Teatown Lake Reservation, the Greenburgh Nature Center, Federated Conservationists of Westchester County, Mianus River Gorge and Westchester Land Trust.

Pace University is located on Bedford Road (Route 117) in Pleasantville. Go to www.pace.edu.

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