Scientist-initiated public outreach in local communities 2010

IRA Council and Community meetings in Gambell and Savoonga, January (Cooper, Grebmeier) supported by NPRB
Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission, Barrow, February (Ashjian, Pickart, Hutchinson, Edwards, Coakley)



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AEWC Meeting February 10, 2010 - Barrow, AK

- Research plans presented:
 - Ashjian (Pickart/Ashjian Cruise on Polar Sea (now on Healy)
 - Pickart (NASA Cruise on Healy)
 - Hutchinson/Edwards (ECS Cruise on Healy)
 - Coakley (Coakley Seismic Cruise on Healy, now delayed)
- Presentations followed one by D17 CG regarding last year's activities in the Arctic and their plans for 2010 (CAPT Carl Uchytil, CDR Michelle Webber)
- Attendance was coordinated together with the AEWC executive director (Janice Meadows), AEWC legal counsel Jessica Lefevre and Earl Comstock, Carin Ashjian, and LCDR Greg Somers. Greg was most helpful in insuring that the CG and the scientists presented on the same day and in sequential time slots.

Near Future Assistance for Foreign Flag Cruises in 2010

Informal assistance being provided by US International Arctic Science Committee representative Jackie Grebmeier as part of efforts for internationally coordinated sampling at distributed biological observatories

Korea: Identification of potential local polar bear guards for on-ice work

Canada: Identification of local contact points on St. Lawrence Island and on North Slope



