Dear Readers,

*Wrack Lines* is proud to be the recipient of an Apex Award 2011 for Excellence in Publications, for its Fall/Winter 2010 issue on climate change adaptation in Connecticut. We’d like to continue reporting on this topic in the future, so please, if your town is taking action, keep us posted on what’s happening.

This issue is especially exciting because it reminds our readers about the multitude of fascinating larger animals that call Long Island Sound and its shores home. Of course, we couldn’t include them all in one issue, but it’s a nice potpourri. The suite of stories includes a citizen monitoring effort for blue crabs that you can volunteer to participate in.

We also take a close look through the virtual magnifying glass at a small cove as it makes its way through woodlands, housing developments, and under highways and parking lots, through the watershed. Its tributaries, some of which don’t even have names, overcome such challenges to continue to exist that I thought of *The Perils of Penelope*. I wanted to rename Syma Ebbin’s article “Trials and Tribulations of a Cove and its Tributaries,” but decided to spare you the over-use of alliteration. The example of little Baker Cove, Connecticut, may serve as a microcosm for the challenges faced by water bodies connecting to estuaries everywhere. As we went to press, a bit tardy this time, *The Day* newspaper also published a great article and video on this topic, with the recommendations for managing the cove in the future, which you can find at http://theday.com, entering “Baker Cove” in the search bar.

As always, we hope you enjoy this issue of *Wrack Lines*, and we welcome your feedback on the content as well as suggestions for future stories. Please email your comments and contributions to peg.vanpatten@uconn.edu.

Your editor,

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