The Environmental Education Advisory Committee (EEAC) is a group of volunteer professionals in active support of environmental education in New York City with the following goals:

1. To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and methods among professionals in the environmental field;

2. to bring together and support existing programs for cooperation and complementary efforts;

3. to undertake, encourage, and/or facilitate further study of environmental education;

4. to advise the New York City Board of Education and other educational institutions in matters of environmental education;

5. to act as an advocate for the establishment of environmental educational programs;

6. to disseminate environmental education information; and

7. to be a catalyst for positive change in environmental education and environmental management.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

This message comes not from the desk but the chair of Bernard Kirschenbaum since I do my best thinking in a semi-reclining position.

I am pleased that this first newsletter of the year has reached you through the efforts of our editor, Lillian Lesser and contributing members. Most importantly, it serves the vital role of disseminating information related to EEAC and constituent member organization activities which you want to know about.

The program committee, chaired by Bob Finkelstein and Ruth Eilenberg has planned an exciting series of meetings and events for the months ahead. Check the calendar and plan to attend all of them. Every member is invited to attend Steering Committee meetings as well.

The effectiveness, indeed the strength, of EEAC is founded upon the active participation of the members. You will find a membership enrollment form elsewhere in the newsletter. If you haven't received your membership by now, please clip the form, complete the information required and forward with your check to Ruth Eilenberg. If you have joined, pass the form along to someone you think will be interested in becoming a member. We hope you will become active by joining and working on one or more committees. Contact the listed chairperson and you're included.

My best wishes to you & those you love for a Healthy, Happy New Year!

Bernard Kirschenbaum, Chairman
### EEAC Calendar of Events

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<td>Environmental Science: Ninth Grade - An Introduction to a New Curriculum</td>
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The nation's most complete Energy Information Center for consumers was opened by Con Ed recently at Lexington Ave. and 42nd St. in the Chrysler Bldg. It is open Monday-Saturday, 10 A.M.-6:30 P.M., admission free.

The center is devoted to helping consumers save money through effective energy conservation practices and includes displays on insulation, efficient appliances, weather stripping, storm doors and windows.

Special presentations are available for schools, community groups. Phone 599-3435 for information.

City school children and teachers visited Gateway beaches and wetlands and participated in gardening and nutrition workshops this fall at three different campsites including the new and distinctive Ecology Village. Teachers were able to take in-service training in camping skills, birding, marine environments.

There will be a teacher workshop on alternative gardening and solar energy, Jan. 19. The second annual Winter Wonders program for teachers, Jan. 26, will include indoor and outdoor activities on marine environments, nature photography, energy conservation, other related topics. Teachers who attend either workshop (Jan. 19/26) may bring classes to Gateway for special winter programs.

During the spring semester, the Center will again offer in-service courses for teachers. They will include a series in beginning photography, coastal environment and a camping skills course.

In Feb. 1980, EEAC members will receive the Center spring brochure describing available class visits to various Gateway locations. For additional information, call Ruth Eilenberg, 252-7307.

*Secondary school teachers will have the opportunity to attend a 6-session course introducing the new environmental science curriculum for grade 9, given by Alan Ascher, one of the curriculum guide authors & an EEAC member.
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this year's dues, there is still time to do so.