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The Arctic exhibit script has been officially approved, the exhibit graphic panels have been finalized, and our fabricators are back in full swing. The Arctic: A Friend Acting Strangely exhibit is scheduled to open to the public on Saturday, April 15 with an advance press preview on Tuesday, April 11. Whew!

I think it would be good to have a meeting to coordinate our respective PR efforts. When would you and your media people be available?

Barbara

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**Subject:** [Fwd: ARCTIC EXHIBIT RECEPTION]  
**From:** Chet Koblinsky <Chester.J.Koblinsky@noaa.gov>  
**Date:** Mon, 13 Mar 2006 17:32:25 -0500  
**To:** Richard Spinrad <Richard.Spinrad@noaa.gov>

Rick, Head's up. John Calder et al have developed a proposal for an Arctic Exhibit Reception. I am going to ask John C and John K to chop this and try to get it to you by end of week. If you are ready to decide now, please let me know, otherwise expect some input by end of week.  
Chet

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**From:** John Kermond <John.Kermond@noaa.gov>  
**Reply-To:** John.Kermond@noaa.gov  
**Organization:** NOAA  
**To:** Chester Koblinsky <Chester.J.Koblinsky@noaa.gov>  
**CC:** John Calder <John.Calder@noaa.gov>, Kathy Crane <Kathy.Crane@noaa.gov>, Jana.Goldman@noaa.gov

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Four of us met last week with the Smithsonian folks involved in the new Arctic exhibit that is to open to the public on April 15. The meeting had two purposes: to orchestrate the media briefing for the 11th; and to discuss the merits of an opening reception. The latter was well received by the Smithsonian, but the federal agencies would have to pay for it. The NSF rep. indicated that they were not able to do so. That leaves us and NASA as potential sponsors of the reception. I have had an email from someone out at Goddard looking into this on their behalf.

Kathy, Jana, John Calder and I think that the reception could be a wonderful opportunity to honor the Alaska delegation for their work in support of the Arctic. We envisage an evening where Senators Stevens and Murkowski and Rep. Don Young received an award from NOAA (at a minimum). Given the HQ push to appease the senior senator --

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The evening of April 11 is already taken, so the 12th will be the next best opportunity.

If you are in agreement, we need to very quickly put in place the request for the VADM to consider. I suspect that you will have to contact Spinrad, who in turn runs the request downtown. By making the above mentioned awards appropriated money can be spent on the evening. Or the VADM's ADF could be utilized. or Spinrad might like to host it...or even we could support it. The Smithsonian folks have come back with their cost estimates which included \$3.5K for administration, \$4.8K for security, cleaning etc; and I have guessed that for 200 persons the catering will run about \$60 per head. So we are looking at \$20K -- give or take.

Time will be critical on this especially (if we go ahead) as invitations will have to be printed, sent out, RSVPs tabulated etc etc. We are in no way obligated to do this. That was made clear at the meeting. If we get the funds, then it's OK by the Smithsonian. No funds, then it was just another good idea!!

John

Richard Spinrad

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**Subject:** [Fwd: Re: Tour of Arctic exhibit]

**From:** John Calder <John.Calder@noaa.gov>

**Date:** Wed, 12 Apr 2006 12:54:50 -0400

**To:** Richard Spinrad <Richard.Spinrad@noaa.gov>, Chester J Koblinsky <Chester.J.Koblinsky@noaa.gov>

**CC:** Kathleen Crane <Kathy.Crane@noaa.gov>

Do you think that any NOAA officials would want a private tour of the Arctic exhibit at the Smithsonian? I understand that NSF is going to do that.

-- John

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**Date:** Mon, 13 Mar 2006 17:51:47 -0500  
**To:** Chester.J.Koblinsky@noaa.gov

This could be a good idea, but I do not have funds available for it.

RS

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