Catlett-Burruss Research and Education Laboratory

Dedication Ceremony

The College of William and Mary
Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve in Virginia

Gloucester Point, VA

Monday, September 12, 2005
2pm
Catlett-Burruss
Research and Education Laboratory

The Catlett-Burruss Research and Education Laboratory at the Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve will support water quality monitoring of Chesapeake Bay coastal waters, watershed and shallow water habitat research, and targeted student, teacher, and coastal decision-maker education. In recognition of John W. Catlett, Charles Catlett, Mary Armistead Catlett Burruss and Alex Burruss of Gloucester, Virginia, the building is dedicated to the Catlett and Burruss families for their generous support over the years to the Reserve and to the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

NOAA Environmental Hero Award

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will present Dr. William Reay, Director of the Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, with an Environmental Hero Award. Dr. Reay has been recognized by NOAA as a local and national leader in the effort to improve water quality, weather, and habitat monitoring in estuarine environments.

Program

Welcome and Opening Remarks
Dr. John T. Wells, Director
Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Institute and College Accolades
John Gerdeman
Member of the Board of Visitors of the
College of William and Mary in Virginia

Dedication of the Building
The Honorable Harvey B. Morgan
Representative to the Virginia House of Delegates

Introduction to the National Estuarine Research Reserve
Laurie McGilvray, Chief
NOAA Estuarine Reserves Division

Presentation of the NOAA Environmental Hero Award
Timothy R. E. Keeney
NOAA Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Oceans and Atmosphere

Closing Remarks
Dr. John T. Wells, Director
Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Reception immediately following. Exhibits will be on display during reception.