Nematology 100 – Fall 2012

Schedule for the Dear Becky Letter Presentations and Annual Song Contest, 12/7/2012

Thursday Evening: Email PowerPoint presentations to me, or bring to classroom between 7:30-8:00am on Friday morning to load on computer and test. Even if you emailed the file, bring it to class on a flash drive in case there were any transmission problems. The computer used in class has PowerPoint 2007 so if you develop in a later PowerPoint version, but it does not seem to have a problem opening .pptx files. I suggest that if you are a Mac user, you test your presentation on a PC before Friday.

Friday – General Procedure:

Prior to 8:00am: Test your presentation on the class computer, locate your file on the desktop, familiarize yourself with advancing slides, use of the pointer, controlling the lights, etc.

Turn in your Lifetime Nematode List (I will return them at the final exam).

Dear Becky presentation sequence will be generated by random number selection at the start of the class period. ***Each speaker is allotted an absolute limit of 15 minutes***. Hopefully you can complete your presentation in **10-12 minutes** to allow 3 minutes for class questions, discussion and comment, and for summary comments by Dr. Westerdahl. Practicing your presentation in advance is very important for familiarizing yourself with the material and for determining the amount of material that can be covered in the allotted time.

Your Dear Becky Presentation should be delivered with the rigor and attention to detail that you would use at a formal professional seminar; dress appropriately, check slides for accuracy, incorrect spelling and grammatical errors, avoid nervous and distracting mannerisms. Make sure that nematode names, which will not be recognized by a Spell Checker, are spelled correctly.

When it is your turn to speak, *hand your written Dear Becky Letter to Dr. Westerdahl*, go to the front of the class, start up your PowerPoint file, *introduce yourself by name and by the topic that you will address* and commence your presentation. The timer will be started when you introduce yourself.

Schedule:

The following times will be adjusted if presentations are shorter

　　7:30-8:00 – loading and testing files
　　8:00-8:15 – course evaluation
　　8:15-10;00 – seven student presentations
　　10:00-10:10 – Break
　　10:10-11:25 – five student presentations
　　11:25-11:30 – Break

　　11:35 -12:10 – Annual song contest with the following categories:
　　　　1. Individual performance of original song
　　　　2. Group performance of original song
　　　　3. Pre-recorded song played in class

　　Remember that songs must have a nematode focus and be biologically correct.