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The Frozen Ramblings of a Marine Biologist

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The Final Countdown

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Hello Friends!

Well it is that time of year again. In just about a week, it will be time to pat the cats , kiss the husband goodbye, and start my trek to the Antarctic.



Pancake ice here I come!

It is a bittersweet moment for me. I am insanely excited to be headed back to the Ice, and see my cruise friends again. There is something very Zen about picking, clicking, and debating amphipod leg shape with friends. I have heard a rumor that the food on the ship has improved. That would be sweet! I so hope it is true! I will keep you posted



Disco balls and dance parties make endless hours of 'scopin fun.

The bitter part is that this is the last year of NOAA's winter survey. Over the course of the cruise I will set my last net, seal my last sample jar, fill in my last datasheet, and say goodbye one last time to my ship friends. Along the way to all those lasts there will be heaps of tows, lots of fun zooplankton, and good times for all. Who can forget the half a krill we kept alive for more than 24 hours?



Do you remember franken krill from last year?

So get ready for more photos of ice, zooplankton, and seals. Hopefully the weather will be grand and there won't be several days of silence followed by a long explanation of how horrid the weather was.

Alright friends, you know what to do. Watch this space. I will start regularly posting in early August. If you read a blog and have questions- harass my long suffering husband. He can get the questions to me (and you are doing me a favor by encouraging him to read the blog!)

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