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## **Save the Date: Sunday, 21 September 2014**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual MES All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feast/Meet-&-Greet J. KING'S Restaurant, Gambrills, Maryland**

A Maryland Entomological Society All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feast/Meet-&-Greet will be held on **Sunday, 21 September 2014**, at J. KING'S Restaurant, 329 Gambrills Road, Gambrills, Anne Arundel County, Maryland. The event is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. Complete details will follow in the August issue of the *Phaëton*.

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## **How You Can Participate in MES**

### **• Submit information to the *Phaëton***

The *Phaëton* needs to receive more submittals from the membership. Much of what is printed in the e-newsletter is found by the Editor searching various internet websites. Occasionally a local event receives no publicity in the *Phaëton* because nothing was ever submitted to the Editor. If you are aware of a local entomological event for another organization of which you are a member, please submit the information. Are you giving a lecture? Are you leading a field trip? Are you coordinating a count? Are you going to be in the media? Have you published a paper? Did you receive an award? Did you receive a promotion? Have you discovered a rare insect in Maryland, or a first state or county record? Have you acquired a new book that you could possibly review? Are you doing anything entomologically-related that would be of interest to the membership? If any of this applies to you, please e-mail the information to me at [ejscarp@comcast.net](mailto:ejscarp@comcast.net). Thanks.

### **• Submit articles and notes to *The Maryland Entomologist***

*"It benefits no one if your natural history records remain in your field notebook, computer database, or insect cabinet."*

Do you have first Maryland records or first county records? Does your data document a geographic area? Does your data show trends over time? To reiterate, if you do not put it into print, your data is benefiting no one. Publish your data and put it into the permanent record.

Many MES members have been conducting studies or surveys on their entomological specialty. If that is you, please consider submitting an article or note for an upcoming issue of *The Maryland Entomologist*.

If you have never published before, no worry, I will walk you through the process. If you would like to submit for the 2015 issue, please notify me and plan to submit your draft by 1 April 2015. Please send your submittals to me at: [ejscarp@comcast.net](mailto:ejscarp@comcast.net). Thanks.

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**DAVID A. FLORIN IN AUSTIN, TEXAS**

In February 2014, MES member **Dave Florin** retired from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine in Bethesda, Maryland, where he served as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Preventative Medicine and Biometrics. Since retirement, Dave has moved to Austin, Texas, where he accepted the position of State Medical Entomologist in May.

**MICHAEL J. RAUPP ON NPR**

On 16 June 2014, MES member **Mike Raupp** was interviewed, along with Customs and Border Protection agricultural specialists, on a National Public Radio (NPR) *Morning Edition* segment titled "Hunting for Alien Bug and Seed Invaders at Baltimore's Port". The audio and text of the segment can be accessed at:

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/thesalt/2014/06/16/319499925/hunting-for-alien-bug-and-seed-invaders-at-baltimores-port>.

**GEORGE H. HARMAN WINS GOP PRIMARY**

On 24 June 2014, MES member **George Harman** won the Republican primary election to become the party's nominee for Baltimore County Executive. George will be running against Democratic incumbent Kevin Kamenetz. You can read more about George on his website:

<https://www.facebook.com/electgeorgeharman/info>.

**TRANSLATORS NEEDED**

MES member **Gene Scarpulla** has two hymenopteran publications that he would like to have translated into English. Would anyone know of any potential translators that might provide this type of service? Of course, Gene is willing to pay for the translation services. The two publications are:

GERMAN

Peters, D.S. 1969. Phänokopierende Mißbildungen des Flügelgeäders bei akuleaten Hymenopteren. *Deutsche Entomologische Zeitschrift* 16(4-5):367-374.

SPANISH

Baker, C.F. 1906. Halictinae de Cuba. Pp. 253-274, in: *Primer Informe de la Estación Central Agronómica de Cuba*. La Universal de Ruiz y Hermano, Havana.

If you know of anyone that might be able to provide these services, please contact Gene at [ejscarp@comcast.net](mailto:ejscarp@comcast.net).

**NATIVE BEE HOME BUILDING WORKSHOP**

**Sat, 12 July 2014; 10:00 a.m. - Noon**

**Jason Martin**

Welcome pollinators into your garden by providing a native bee home. Learn how to build a simple native bee home using natural wood and bamboo materials that you can decorate and take home to help stem the tide of habitat loss. A great activity for parents and children! Materials and tools provided. The workshop will be held at Club 125, 125 Centerway, Greenbelt, Maryland. This event is free. Space is limited, reservations are encouraged. To reserve a place, email

[greenbeltforestpreserve@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltforestpreserve@gmail.com) or call Susan Barnett at (301) 474 7465.

This event is sponsored by [Celebrate the Greenbelt Forest Preserve](#) and the Butterfly Brigade in partnership with Club 125, the Greenbelt Community Makerspace.

**MARSHY POINT NATURE CENTER**

**Sat & Sun, 12 & 13 July 2014; 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. each day**  
**"Edible Insects and the Pizza Pie"**

Insects consumed throughout the world. Join us as we prepare an earth oven pizza topped with six legged treats! \$3 per person, \$2 for members.

Marshy Point Nature Center, 7130 Marshy Point Road, Baltimore, MD

Additional information about Marshy Point Nature Center can be found at: <http://www.marshypoint.org/>.

**NORTH AMERICAN BUTTERFLY ASSOCIATION**  
**BUTTERFLY COUNTS**

**Sat, 12 JUL 2014 – VA: Reston**

Contact: Katie Shaw, [naturecenter@reston.org](mailto:naturecenter@reston.org); (703) 476-9689.

**Sat, 12 JUL 2014 – VA: Richmond**

Contact: James Shelton, [James\\_Shelton32@yahoo.com](mailto:James_Shelton32@yahoo.com); mobile: (804) 301-4102.

**Sat, 12 JUL 2014 – MD: Prince George's County**

Contact: Clearwater Nature Center; Glenda Jordan, [glenda.jordan@pgparks.com](mailto:glenda.jordan@pgparks.com) (alternate: [ClearwaterNatureCenter@gmail.com](mailto:ClearwaterNatureCenter@gmail.com)).

**Sun, 13 JUL 2014 – VA: Shenandoah National Park**

Contact: Mike Smith at [foresmiths@comcast.net](mailto:foresmiths@comcast.net); (540) 298-1913.

**Tue, 15 JUL 2014 – NJ: Cape May**

Contact: Michael O'Brien, [tsweet@comcast.net](mailto:tsweet@comcast.net).

For detailed information on each butterfly count visit the Lep Log website at: <http://leplog.wordpress.com/2012-season-mid-atlantic-count-and-field-trip-calendar/>.

**NATIONAL MOTH WEEK**  
**19-27 JULY 2014**

National Moth Week offers everyone, everywhere a unique opportunity to become a Citizen Scientist and contribute scientific data about moths. Through partnerships with major online biological data depositories, National Moth Week participants can help map moth distribution and provide needed information on other life history aspects around the globe. For information about events in your state, visit:

<http://nationalmothweek.org/>.

**THE INTERNATIONAL HETEROPTERISTS' SOCIETY**  
**5<sup>TH</sup> QUADRENNIAL MEETING**

**Mon-Fri, 21-25 July 2014**

The Fifth Quadrennial Meeting of the International Heteropterists' Society will be held at the National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC.

Additional information can be found at:

<http://ihs.myspecies.info/content/5th-quadrennial-meeting-july-2014>.

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**BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BUTTERFLY FIELD TRIPS**

**Sat, 2 AUG 2014 – Near Lake Ontelaunee. 10:00 a.m.**

This is a joint walk of the Mengel Natural History Society and the Baird Ornithological Club. Meet at Dam Breast on PA-73. Participants will drive to a nearby location. Participants often see 20 species on this walk. LEADERS: Ryan Woolwine, (610) 777-2333, Ken Lebo, (610) 856-1413, and Karl Gardner, (610) 987-3281.

**Sat, 30 AUG 2014 – Angelic Park. 10:00 a.m.**

The first walk at this location maintained by the Berks County Conservancy. Take PA-10 south from Lancaster Avenue 1-1/4 miles. The park entrance road is on the right at the big masonry sign for Alvernia University. Turn right and park at the first parking area on the right. LEADERS: Karl Gardner (610) 987-3281, Ken Lebo (610) 856-1413, and Ryan Woolwine (610) 777-2333.

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**HOWARD COUNTY DRAGONFLY COUNT**

**Sat, 16 August 2014**

A one-day event where we count and identify every dragonfly and damselfly we see. Each group, led by an experienced person, visits sites within the county. The group leader chooses the place and time to meet and the count sites to visit. To participate, contact the coordinator for a group assignment. Additional information can be found at:

<http://howardbirds.org/howard/DragonflyCount2014.pdf>.

To sign up or get more info, contact Beth Johnson: [bajohnsonjohnson@verizon.net](mailto:bajohnsonjohnson@verizon.net) or (301) 949-6338.

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**HOWARD COUNTY BIRD CLUB  
“BUTTERFLIES THROUGH BINOCULARS”**

**Sat, 30 August 2014**

Lake Elkhorn Powerline Vegetation Management Study Tract. Meet 9:30 a.m. Elkhorn Garden Plots, Oakland Mills Road opposite Dasher Court. No facilities. Leader: MES member **Dick Smith**. [Richard.Smith@jhuapl.edu](mailto:Richard.Smith@jhuapl.edu) or (410) 997-7439.

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**CENTRAL MARYLAND BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERS MEETINGS**

**Tue, 2 September 2014; 7:00 p.m.**

**“Report from the Front Lines: Bee Informed Partnership and UMD Research”**

**Karen Rennich** (MES member and Project Manager of the Bee Informed Partnership and the APHIS National Survey)

**Tue, 7 October 2014; 7:00 p.m.**

**“On Ground-nesting Bees”**

**Sam Droege** (MES member and Head of the USGS Bee Inventory and Monitoring Laboratory, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center)

Members meetings are held at the Oregon Ridge Nature Center, 13555 Beaver Dam Road, Cockeysville, Maryland. Additional information can be found at:

<http://www.centralmarylandbees.org/meetings-3/membership-meeting-schedule/>.

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**“THE GREAT INSECT FAIR”  
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Sat, 13 September 2014; 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Bryce Jordan Center, Penn State University  
Admission to the fair is FREE, but donations are accepted and greatly appreciated! Additional information can be found at: <http://ento.psu.edu/public/kids/great-insect-fair>.

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**2014/2015 PROPOSED MES EVENT SCHEDULE**

Regular MES lecture/meetings are held at UMBC on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each of the 6 months coinciding with UMBC's academic year. Proposed events for the upcoming MES membership year are:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Speaker</u>                                  | <u>Topic</u>                               |
|-------------|---|--|
| Sep 21      | Crab Feast/Meet-&-Greet at J. KING'S Restaurant |  |
| Oct 17      | Lecture   | TBA  |
| Nov 21      | William Cooper                                  | The Butterflies of Iguazu Falls, Argentina |
| Feb 20      | Lecture   | TBA  |
| Mar 20      | Lecture   | TBA  |
| Apr 17      | Lecture   | TBA  |
| May 15      | Members' & Students' Presentations & Elections  |  |
| TBA         | Survey/Field Trip                               | TBA  |

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**OCT 2014 – SEP 2015 MES MEMBERSHIP YEAR  
OFFICERS**

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Co-Presidents       | Timothy Foard & Frederick Paras   |
| Vice President      | Philip J. Kean                    |
| Secretary           | Richard H. Smith                  |
| Treasurer           | Edgar A. Cohen, Jr.               |
| Historian           | (vacant)                          |
| Faculty Sponsors    | Frank E. Hanson & Austin P. Platt |
| Publications Editor | Eugene J. Scarpulla               |

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**SUBMITTAL DEADLINES**

AUG 2014 issue of the *Phaëton*:

Please send member news items by 1 August 2014.

SEP 2015 issue of *The Maryland Entomologist*:

Please send first drafts of articles and notes by 1 April 2015.

Send drafts for both publications to [ejscarp@comcast.net](mailto:ejscarp@comcast.net).

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