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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, 20 September 2015**, at J. KING'S Restaurant, 329 Gambrills Road, Gambrills, Maryland. The event is scheduled to begin at **1:00 p.m.**

Location: J. KING'S Restaurant, 329 Gambrills Road, Gambrills (Anne Arundel County), Maryland Coordinator: Gene Scarpulla, Maryland Entomological Society Publications Editor

Come join fellow MES members for an All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feast/Meet-&-Greet. There are approximately 125 members in the Society. This is an opportunity to come out of the lab or field and get to know your fellow members. Please feel free to invite your spouse to this event. J. KING'S is centrally located between Baltimore, Washington, Annapolis, and Columbia. And if you are sports oriented, J. KING'S has an abundance of televisions on their walls. (Note: The St. Louis Rams @ Washington Redskins game is at 1:00 p.m. and the Baltimore Ravens @ Oakland Raiders game is at 4:05 p.m.).

Date and Time: Sunday, 20 September 2015; 1:00 p.m. (Once steamed crabs are on the table, the "all-you-can-eat" lasts for 2 hours.)

Menu: The All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feast menu includes steamed hardshell Blue Crabs, *Callinectes sapidus* Rathbun (Decapoda: Portunidae); corn-on-the-cob, *Zea mays* Linneaus (Poales: Poaceae); and Maryland crab soup, *Soupa callinectes marylandica*.

J. KING'S purchases their hardshell crabs from close to 15 different purveyors. They are one of the largest purchasers of hardshell crabs in the region. They do everything within their power to ensure that each and every crab that they serve is fresh, heavy, and cooked to perfection.

Cost: The All-You-Can-Eat Crab Feast menu is \$34.99 per person. If you are not interested in eating steamed crabs, you can order off of the regular menu at regular prices. If you plan to attend, please contact Gene at ejscarp@comcast.net by Friday, 11 September 2015 to make a reservation. (Gene needs to give the restaurant a head count for crab ordering purposes and for space allocation.) Also, please indicate if you will not be eating steamed crabs and will be ordering off the regular menu instead.

Parking: There is ample free parking behind the restaurant.

Directions from Annapolis

- •Take I-97 north to Exit 7 to MD-3 south Bowie.
- •Turn right at 1st traffic light (MD-175 West).
- •Go 1 mile, turn right onto Gambrills Road.
- •They are 1/2 mile on the right.

Directions from Baltimore

- •Take I-97 south to Exit 7 to MD-3 south.
- •Turn right at 1st light (MD-175 west).
- •Go 1 mile, turn right onto Gambrills Road.
- •They are 1/2 mile on the right.

Directions from Columbia and MD-295

- •Take MD-32 east to Burns Crossing Road exit.
- •Turn left onto Burns Crossing Road.

- •Turn left onto MD-175 east.
- •Take a left onto Gambrills Road.
- •They are 1/2 mile on the right.

Directions from Washington, DC

- •Take I-95 north to MD-32 towards Fort Meade.
- •Turn right onto MD-175 toward Odenton.
- •Take a left (4 miles) onto Gambrills Road.
- •They are 1/2 mile on the right.

Directions from US-50

- •Take MD-3 North.
- ${}^{\bullet}\text{Go }8$ miles to MD-175 West (traffic light) and turn left.
- •Go 1 mile, turn right onto Gambrills Road.
- •They are 1/2 mile on the right.

COLMAR MANOR COMMUNITY PARK/DUELING CREEK NATURAL AREA BIOBLITZ

The Colmar Manor Community Park/Dueling Creek Natural Area BioBlitz was held on Saturday, 18 July 2015. The following MES members participated: **Sam Droege**, **Gary Hevel**, **Julie Hevel**, **Gene Scarpulla**, **Warren Steiner**, **Jil Swearingen**, **Marcia Watson**, and **Jim Young**.

A MEADOW NATURE EVENT

Sun, 16 August 2015, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Join regional butterfly specialist and amateur entomologist (and MES member) **Dick Smith** to observe and identify resident butterflies, caterpillars, and bee and beetle groups during their life cycles this summer. Also learn how they interact with specific garden and meadow plants and assist in pollination.

Fun and educational for kids and adults (under 12 to be accompanied by adult).

Location: Elkhorn Gardens and edge of adjacent BGE specially managed butterfly meadow off Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, Maryland

Registration required. Please RSVP to:

RichardSmith9070@verizon.net.

FLIES, MONARCHS, MOSQUITOES: INSIGHTS USING GENETIC TECHNOLOGIES

Insect Genetic Technologies Research Coordination Network (IGTRCN) Special Symposium

Wed, 19 August 2015, 5:00-9:00 p.m.

The Universities at Shady Grove, Building 1 Auditorium, 9640 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20850

"Tools for Functional Genomics in Drosophila"

Norbert Perrimon, Ph.D. (Professor of Genetics, Harvard Medical School, and Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute)

"Neural and Genetic Basis for Monarch Butterfly Migration"

Steven Reppert, M.D. (Higgins Family Professor of Neuroscience, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Department of Neurobiology)

"The Neurogenetics of Mosquito Behavior"

Leslie Vosshall, Ph.D. (Robin Chemers Neustein Professor, Laboratory of Neurogenetics and Behavior, Rockefeller University)

Please register at the website below if you plan to attend.

Additional information can be found at:

http://igtrcn.org/symposia/flies-monarchs-mosquitoes-insights-using-genetic-technologies/ or contact: Valerie Saffer at (240) 314-6210 or admin@igtrcn.org.



Central Maryland Beekeepers Association

Supporting and promoting beekeepers and the viability of honeybees in central Maryland

MEMBERS MEETINGS

Tue, 1 September 2015; 7:00 p.m.

"Panel discussion with experts to get hives ready for winter"

Tue, 6 October 2015; 7:00 p.m.

"Mayan Beekeeping"

Susan Langley, Ph.D. (State Underwater Archeologist, Maryland Historic Trust)

Tue, 17 November; 7:00 p.m.

Topic: TBA

Clare Densley (Head Beekeeper, Buckfast Abbey,

Buckfastleigh, Devon, United Kingdom)

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/.

ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC MEETING

Thu, 1 October 2015; 7:00 p.m.

Topic: TBA Speaker: TBA

National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution,

Washington, DC http://entsocwash.org/.

PROTECTING POLLINATORS IN ORNAMENTAL LANDSCAPES CONFERENCE

Mon-Wed, 12-14 October 2015

Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville, North Carolina

Hosted by Michigan State University and North Carolina State University, this conference is intended for extension educators, academic and industry researchers, growers, and representatives of related industries interested in or involved with ornamental plant production or maintenance. Sessions will include research presentations and discussions on topics such as: Function of urban/ornamental pollinators, threats to pollinators, impacts of neonicotinoids and other pesticides, pollinator-safe products and strategies, and educating the public about pollinators. Full details can be found at: http://www.ornamentalpollinators.org/.

AMERICAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY PUBLIC MEETING

Wed, 28 October; 4:00 p.m.

Topic: TBASpeaker: TBA

The University of Delaware, Allen Lab Conference Room 101, Newark, Delaware (The Allen Lab Building is east of Townsend

Hall. See: http://maps.rdms.udel.edu/map/index.php)

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Wed, 2 December; 7:00 p.m.

Topic: TBASpeaker: TBA

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Ewell Sale Stewart Library, Second Floor, 1900 Benjamin Franklin

Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania For additional information, go to:

http://darwin.ansp.org/hosted/aes/mtgSched.htm.

2015/2016 PROPOSED MES EVENT SCHEDULE

Regular MES lecture/meetings are held at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) on the 3rd Friday of each of 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 20	Crab Feast/Meet-&	-Greet at J. KING'S Restaurant
Oct 16	David Rivers	Forensic Entomology
Nov 20	James Brighton	Maryland Biodiversity Project
Feb 19	TBD	Lecture
Mar 18	TBD	Lecture
Apr 15	TBD	Lecture
May 20	Members' & Students' Presentations & Elections	
TBD	Survey/Field Trip	

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SUBMITTAL DEADLINES

SEP 2015 issue of the *Phaëton*:

Please send member news items by 4 September 2015.

SEP 2016 issue of *The Maryland Entomologist*:

Please send first drafts of articles and notes by 1 April 2016.

Send drafts for both publications to ejscarp@comcast.net.