

STUDENT NEWS

August 2014

Greetings!

Welcome back to or welcome to the Entomology Department at The Ohio State University! We are glad to see old friends and to welcome new ones.

This academic year will bring exciting new adventures for us all. Please join us for as many events as you can. We look forward to working with all of you. Please don't hesitate to contact us if we can help you in anyway.

Best regards,

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Newsletter Debut

The Entomology Department now has a newsletter to stay in touch with our students, and this is our first issue. Please feel free to send us announcements of general interest.

Kottman Hall Cookout

Entomology, Plant Pathology, and Horticulture and Crop Science will hold a welcome back cookout on **September 4th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** on the patio (west side) of Kottman Hall. Complimentary burgers, chips, cookies, and drinks will be provided. Come and enjoy!

Career and Internship Fair

All students are invited to a career fair **September 10-12** at the Ohio Union from 11 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. each day.

<http://careers.osu.edu/students/buckeye-careers-network/>



2014 Fall Events

Welcome Back Cookout
September 4

Graduate Career and Internship Fair
September 10-12

Farm Science Review
September 16-18

Deep Woods BioBlitz
September 20-21

Cycle Tavern Event
September 22

Ohio Valley Entomological Association Student Paper Competition
October 31

Borlaug Fellows Apps Due
November 10



Farm Science Review – Volunteers Needed

We are looking for students (graduate and undergraduate) interested in attending the Farm Science Review to assist Drs. Joe Raczkowski, Wendy Klooster, and Carol Anelli with our departmental booth. The Farm Science Review for 2014 runs from **September 16-18**.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Dr. Carol Anelli.

Deep Woods BioBlitz

All students are invited to join Dr. Joe Raczkowski for a collecting/overnight camping trip to Deep Woods, a 280-acre tract of land in Hocking County that features terrestrial and stream ecosystems. The trip is part of this year's Deep Woods BioBlitz, which runs from 3:00 p.m. Saturday, **September 20**, until 3:00 p.m. Sunday, **September 21**. See details at the end of the newsletter. Contact Dr. Raczkowski (Raczkowski.2) for arrangements.

OVEA Student Paper Competition

The Ohio Valley Entomological Association (OVEA) announces the Student Paper Competition for 2014 which will be held at the Ohio Union on **October 31**. The details for the call for papers will be announced soon. Visit the OVEA website at <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/OVEA/>.

Borlaug Graduate Research Grant

Purdue University's Center for Global Food Security is accepting applications for the 2014 Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security program. The application deadline is **November 10th**. For further information, visit <http://www.purdue.edu/borlaugfellows>.

2015 Triplehorn Challenge

The 2015 Triplehorn Challenge is a friendly competition to showcase entomological collection and presentation skills in one of three divisions: scientific reference collection, still art, and timed tournament. The event is part of the 2015 NCB-ESA meeting (**May 31-June 3, 2015**) in Manhattan, Kansas.

Guidelines are available online at

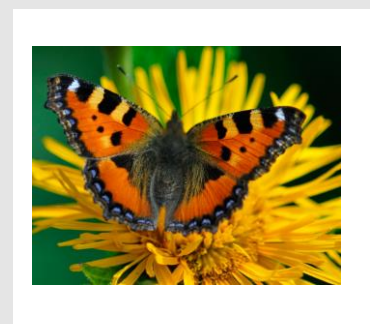
<http://www.entsoc.org/PDF/NCB/2015NCBESATriplehornChallenge.pdf>.

Columbus graduate students, please be reminded that mailboxes are located in 216 Kottman Hall and should be checked regularly.



2015 Spring Events

Tripplehorn Challenge
May 31-June 3,



12th Deep Woods BioBlitz: September 20-21, 2014

Deep Woods is a 280-acre tract of private property in Hocking County owned by the Blyth family who has graciously allowed OBS to conduct an All Taxa Biotic Inventory (ATBI) on their land. The area is a model for terrestrial and stream ecosystems in the unglaciated Allegheny Plateau region of southeastern Ohio. Relatively complete surveys exist for algae, bryophytes, lichens, macrofungi, vascular plants, spiders, some beetles, butterflies and larger moths, reptiles, amphibians, birds and mammals. Most taxa have not been exhaustively surveyed, and much remains to be done despite documentation of over 4,700 species. Deep Woods is a valuable research and educational resource, and groups and individuals with an interest in Ohio's flora and fauna are encouraged to visit the site and to contribute to the ATBI.

The Ohio Biological Survey hosts an annual "BioBlitz," a productive and enjoyable event contributing to the ATBI and to networking among professional scientists and dedicated amateur natural historians. A BioBlitz is an attempt to document as many animal and plant species as possible in a 24-hour period. Biologists and citizens scour the area for samples, and as the weekend progresses a competitive element is often present as participants seek to beat the "record" number of a taxon from past years, or to find species new to the ATBI.

This year's Deep Woods BioBlitz is scheduled for 3 pm Saturday September 20 until 3 pm Sunday September 21. Participants may join for all or part of that time. There is limited primitive camping available on-site and other overnight options exist. Participants bring their own food and often there is considerable potluck-style food-sharing.

Anyone with a serious interest in natural history and the outdoors is welcome. It is helpful for us to know who is coming, so to RSVP or for more information please contact Dave Horn (davehorn43@columbus.rr.com or 614-262-0312).

The record species total for a Deep Woods BioBlitz is 907. Can we top that in 2014?

WELCOME BACK COOKOUT



11:30 - 1:00 PM
September 4, 2014

**Kottman
Hall
Gazebo**



Hamburgers and
veggie burgers for
faculty, staff, and
students!

JOIN ENTOMOLOGY, HORTICULTURE & CROP SCIENCE, AND PLANT PATHOLOGY
FOR THEIR

ANNUAL FALL SEMESTER COOKOUT!