

## Spring 2008 Entomology Seminar Series

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**MONDAYS at 3:30pm, with refreshments served at 3:15,**

**Alexander Conference Room, 2nd floor of Fernald Hall**

<b>February 4</b>	<b>Cole Gilbert, Cornell University. Blinding speed: visually-guided predation by tiger beetles.</b> Host: Beth Jakob.
<b>February 11</b>	<b>Evan Preisser, University of Rhode Island. Interaction and spread of hemlock woolly adelgid and elongate hemlock scale.</b> Host: Joe Elkinton.
<b>February 25</b>	<b>David Mausel, UMass Amherst. Laricobius nigrinus (Coleoptera: Derodontidae) establishment and impact on hemlock woolly adelgid in the eastern US.</b> Host: Roy Van Driesche.
<b>March 3</b>	<b>Yanping (Judy) Chen, USDA Bee Research Lab, Beltsville, MD. Honey bee viruses and viral diseases in honey bees.</b> Hosts: John Burand and Anne Averill.
<b>March 10</b>	<b>Wayne Hynes, Old Dominion University. The role of defensins in the innate immune response of the hard tick Dermacentor variabilis.</b> Host: Stephen Rich.
<b>March 24</b>	<b>Fred Stephen, University of Arkansas. Ecology and population assessment of red oak borer, an indigenous and unique tree-killing cerambycid.</b> Host: Joe Elkinton.
<b>March 31</b>	<b>Andy Stephenson, Penn State. Interrelationships among inbreeding, herbivory and disease dynamics in wild squash.</b> Host: Lynn Adler.

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<b>April 7</b>	<b>Charles Henry, UConn. The ghost of sexual selection past? Sexually dimorphic homosexual duets in the green lacewing, <i>Chrysoperla plorabunda</i> (Neuroptera: Chrysopidae).</b> Host: Ben Normark.
<b>April 14</b>	<b>Duane McKenna, Harvard University. Diversification at the plant/insect interface: the evolutionary radiation of beetles (order Coleoptera).</b> Host: Ben Normark.
<b>April 23 Wednesday</b>	<b>The Spring 2008 Alexander Seminar Speaker. Anthony A. James, UC Irvine. Engineering pathogen resistance in vector mosquitoes.</b> Host: Stephen Rich. Please note: UMass Amherst follows a Monday schedule today
<b>April 28</b>	<b>Sarah Lewis, Tufts University. Integrating sexual selection in polyandrous mating systems.</b> Host: Beth Jakob.
<b>May 5</b>	<b>Aaron Haselton, SUNY New Paltz. Eating and aging: lessons from the Diptera.</b> Host: John Stoffolano.