

INVITATION TO THE 35th ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ACAROLOGY

“Let Us Celebrate Together and Honor Our Friends”

Dear Friend,

We invite you to join us for a meeting and dinner on Saturday, 24 October 2009, to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the *International Journal of Acarology*. All events will take place at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel, 31525 West 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (phone: 248-553-0000; fax: 248-553-7630; e-mail: autumn.shaw@transinns.com). We shall be honoring those who have devoted their lives to the study of mites and ticks. Our reception will include Hawaiian orchid leis, as at our previous anniversary gatherings in Morgantown, West Virginia, and Columbus, Ohio. For those planning to stay overnight, a block of rooms is available at reduced rates: \$74.00 (king), \$84.00 (double), and \$94.00 (suite). When reserving, please mention the “acarology meeting on 24 October.” Reservations for hotel will be accepted until 1 October. Note that there is no registration fee to attend the anniversary meeting.

At our meeting, we shall also be honoring those of our friends who have made donations to the Acarology Development Foundation, a non-profit educational foundation dedicated to fostering research on mites and ticks worldwide. The ADF was founded here on 24 October 2004. Seven ADF fellowships of \$500 each, named for our donors, have already been awarded to investigators from Albania, Germany, India, Kenya, the Netherlands, Turkey, and the USA; two more will be awarded during 2009.

Please promptly contact us by phone, fax or e-mail to let us know whether you will be attending. This celebration is formal and spouses are welcome. Photography, videography, and music are planned. We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

Vikram Prasad, M.D.
Family Physician, Fowlerville Family Practice Clinic, and Acarologist

Program:
Reception (2:00 pm)
Meeting (3:00 pm)
Award ceremony (5:00 pm)
Dinner (6:00 pm)
Music and dance (8:00 pm)
Closing (10:00 pm)

Note - Directions will be sent to you as soon as confirmation of your attendance is received.

Your name and e-mail: _____

_____ Yes, I will be attending the dinner meeting; _____ person(s) will attend.

_____ No, I will not be attending the dinner meeting.

_____ Yes, I will be attending the "Workshop"

_____ No, I will not be attending the "Workshop"

_____ Fax to: 517-223-7814 (V. Prasad)

_____ E-mail to: v.prasad@ix.netcom.com

NOTE - A 3-day "Workshop" for acarologists on "Phytoseiidae, Eriophyoidea, Varroa mite control, Tick morphology and Videographic acarology" is planned to take place before 24 October 2009. The cost will be \$600.00. Free books of about \$500.00 on Eriophyoidea and Phytoseiidae will be provided to workshop participants by Indira Publishing House. Those interested in attending, should register soon by contacting Vikram Prasad (v.prasad@ix.netcom.com).

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