

## 2016 FMCS Workshop

#### **Population Genetics and Conservation of Freshwater Mollusks**

### **URGENT NEED FOR FMCS SYMPOSIUM SPONSORSHIPS!**

The Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society's (FMCS) 2016 Workshop will be held in Shepherdstown, WV from February 16-19<sup>th</sup>. This two-day Workshop will provide a basic understanding of population genetic tools and their application in the conservation of freshwater mollusks. The Workshop curriculum will include morning lecture sessions providing a basic understanding of population genetic theory, and afternoon sessions built around case studies that will allow attendees to apply their new knowledge using actual data on freshwater mollusks. The Workshop also will include a series of presentations from experts in conservation genetics, a poster session, and mixers with opportunities for conversation among presenters and attendees. The history of the FMCS dates back to two UMRCC-sponsored symposia that were held in 1992 and 1995 in St. Louis, Missouri, that examined the status, conservation and management needs of freshwater mussels. These symposia ultimately resulted in the formation of the FMCS in 1999. The theme for this workshop is *Population Genetics and Conservation of Freshwater Mollusks*. Each day will be finished with either a social gathering, or the poster session, offering multiple opportunities to network among attendees.

The FMCS is a not-for-profit, dedicated to the advocacy and conservation science of freshwater mollusk resources. The FMCS workshop provides a great opportunity to network and build relationships with conservation professionals from state and federal government, industry, and conservation organizations. The Society has a membership of 500, and 250 members generally attend the biennial symposiums. These professionals are constantly working to conserve freshwater mollusks, and we need your help. We are requesting monetary sponsorship to help cover the costs of the symposium facilities.

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Thank you		

Thank you,

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See page 2 for the Sponsorship Agreement form.



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