

Kalamazoo American Chemical Society Science Café
Martini's Restaurant
7:00-8:30 pm, Tuesday, Feb 22, 2011

Eleven local members and guests were treated to an excellent presentation by Professor Stephen Hamilton of Kellogg Biological Station (Michigan State University) entitled "Kalamazoo River oil spill: Overview and prospects for recovery." Dr. Hamilton is a biogeochemical ecologist who has studied river and flood plain ecosystems in South American tropic, Australian dryland and Michigan wetland regions. He also serves as president of the Kalamazoo River Watershed Council (KRW).

At 7 pm, local chair Doug Williams gave a brief summary of upcoming local events. Dr. John Miller (KACS Treasurer and Science Café organizer) introduced Dr. Hamilton. Dr. Hamilton's presentation gave a comprehensive overview of the Kalamazoo River Oil spill in July 2010 and the clean up efforts and techniques deployed in the ensuing months.

Complimentary hors d' oeuvres and cash bar were provided and several members had time for informal conversation with Dr. Hamilton and KRW coordinator Jeff Spoelstra. For more about the council go to: www.kalamazooriver.org.



L to R: Jeff Spoelstra (KRW), Doug Williams (KACS Chair), Prof. Steve Hamilton (KBS/MSU), John Miller (KACS treasurer)

Other photos compliments of Dr. Andre Venter.



Clockwise from top right: Steve Hamilton, John Miller (back), Robert Always, Joe Timko, Lynn Timko, Jeff Spoelstra



Steve Hamilton



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