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Master Gardener speaker series returns

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Dave Kollen, who does educational and outreach work for the Xerces Society, will discuss nocturnal pollinators in a free class sponsored by the Josephine County Master Gardeners.

Kollen will explain the importance of nocturnal pollinators in natural and agricultural settings, give an introduction to nocturnal pollinating groups, explore moth history and diversity, describe how to help conserve nocturnal pollinators and give a brief introduction to the Xerces Society.

The class will take place on Sept. 19, 1-3 p.m. in Room J-1 at Rogue Community College's Redwood Campus in Grants Pass. For more information, call the Master Gardeners at 458-291-7301.

Kollen is also an Oregon Master Naturalist and a Master Melittologist apprentice. His involvement in community science includes the Pacific Northwest Bumble Bee Atlas, the California Bumble Bee Atlas and the Oregon Bee Atlas.

He also writes pollinator-related articles for the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs' newsletter.