

Hello little Zebra fishies,

Today we learned about Vampire Squid (*Vampyroteuthis infernalis*) which is neither a squid nor an octopus. It was given its name for its red color and cape-like skin. When it is disturbed it inverts its cape and shows its spines. Could it beat up the MSU ZSA E-Board? On land definitely not, we would punt that sucker like a football 0/10. In the water we give it a 7/10 as it is not large but due to the spines and the ocean depth it would 100% have the upper hand. The Vampire Squid lost 3 points because we may still be able to punt it like a football underwater if the water pressure doesn't crush our skulls first.

Dr. Julia Ganz was our guest speaker tonight discussing her research on the enteric nervous system using zebrafish. The recording of this lecture is posted above if you missed the meeting. Contact Dr.Ganz at ganz@msu.edu if you have more questions.

Apply for the spring marine conservation internship through the Reef Environmental Education Foundation. The internship runs from January to May and the deadline date to apply is November 1st. Here's the link to the application and more information:
<https://www.reef.org/reef-marine-conservation-internship-description>

Annica's joke corner:

Q: How can you make an octopus laugh?

A: you give it ten tickles!

Make sure to pay your dues. 30\$ annually or 20\$ per semester can be paid to our venmo @MSUZSA.

Our fundraiser for the Diane Fossey Gorilla Fund International continues. Return cans and bottles and send the proceeds to the ZSA venmo account. Whoever collects the most cans will win a prize.

See you next week!

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