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Major Goals: This award supported a mid-scale scientific conference that brought together experts, graduate students, and early-career scientists working in the field of electromagnetic scattering. Broadly, the purpose of this conference was to provide a forum for participants from a worldwide venue to present cutting-edge advances in theoretical and experimental topics related to sensing and characterization of aerosol chemistry and microphysics. The conference featured reviews from subject-matter experts as invited speakers, contributed oral and poster presentations covering substantial scientific advances, and discussions at-large among the participants that has spurred collaborations.

Accomplishments: The main objective of this conference was to assemble scientists, engineers, and PhD students researching various aspects of electromagnetic scattering by particles and particle groups and to provide a stimulating atmosphere for in-depth discussions of theory, measurements, and applications. The conference featured 143 presentations by 132 registered participants from 18 countries. The program and the abstracts of conference presentations are available at the official conference web site:
<https://www.giss.nasa.gov/staff/mmishchenko/ELS-XVI> .

Following the well-established ELS tradition and with the publisher's (Elsevier) encouragement, we solicited full-size papers for a topical issue of the Journal of Quantitative Spectroscopy and Radiative Transfer (JQSRT). As always, every paper ultimately included in this topical issue has undergone the same rigorous peer review process as any other manuscript published in the JQSRT.

The specific topics covered by ELS-XVI included (but were not limited to) the following:

- new theoretical developments, numerical simulations, and laboratory measurements of light scattering by nonspherical and morphologically complex particles and particle groups
- detection and characterization of atmospheric particulates using laboratory, in situ, and remote sensing techniques
- scattering of light by terrestrial aerosols and clouds
- scattering of light by oceanic particulates
- scattering of light by solar system objects, exoplanets, and exoplanetary environments
- scattering of light by various astrophysical objects
- applications of light scattering methods in biology and biomedicine
- light scattering in densely packed particulate media
- near-field and coherent effects in light scattering, optical trapping, and manipulation
- light scattering methods to control material properties and technological applications

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In addition, two special sessions were held:

- Study of aerosol and environmental chemistry through analyses of light scattering
- Tropospheric aerosols: the NASA perspective .

An important part of the ELS-XVI conference was the presentation of several Elsevier awards, including the fourth Hendrik C. Van de Hulst Award. This major professional distinction is granted by Elsevier for landmark original research contributions to the field of Electromagnetic Scattering and is administered by the JQSRT via a Van de Hulst Award Committee appointed by Elsevier. The 2017 Van de Hulst Award Committee was chaired by Professor George W. Kattawar of the Texas A&M University and was composed of 19 distinguished world-renowned experts.

As a result of the vote by the Committee, the 2017 Van de Hulst Award was granted to Dr. Petr Chýlek of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (USA) (Fig. 2). An integral part of the official award ceremony was a highly instructive Van de Hulst Lecture given by Dr. Chýlek on March 23. The prestigious Peter C. Waterman Award is presented annually to exceptional early-career scientists in the category of Electromagnetic Scattering, while the annual Richard M. Goody Award is presented in the category of Atmospheric Radiation & Remote Sensing. Both awards are administered by JQSRT via an expert committee appointed by Elsevier. The 2016 and 2017 Waterman awards were presented, respectively, to Dr. Feng Xu of the NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (USA) and Professor Chao Liu of the Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (China). The 2016 and 2017 Goody Awards were presented, respectively, to Dr. Sergey Korkin of the NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center (USA) and Professor Rajan Chakrabarty of the Washington University in St. Louis (USA).

Training Opportunities: A total of 7 graduate students, 1 postdoc, and 5 senior scientists were given travel support from this award. We view the support to the students as training in that many of them had not attended a conference at that point.

Results Dissemination: The program and the abstracts of conference presentations are available at the official conference web site <https://www.giss.nasa.gov/staff/mmishchenko/ELS-XVI> .

In addition, a special issue of the Journal of Quantitative Spectroscopy and Radiative Transfer (JQSRT) was solicited and published including many of the attendee work.

Honors and Awards: Nothing to Report

Protocol Activity Status:

Technology Transfer: Nothing to Report

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Participant Type: PD/PI

Participant: Matthew Berg

Person Months Worked: 1.00

Funding Support:

Project Contribution:

International Collaboration:

International Travel:

National Academy Member: N

Other Collaborators:

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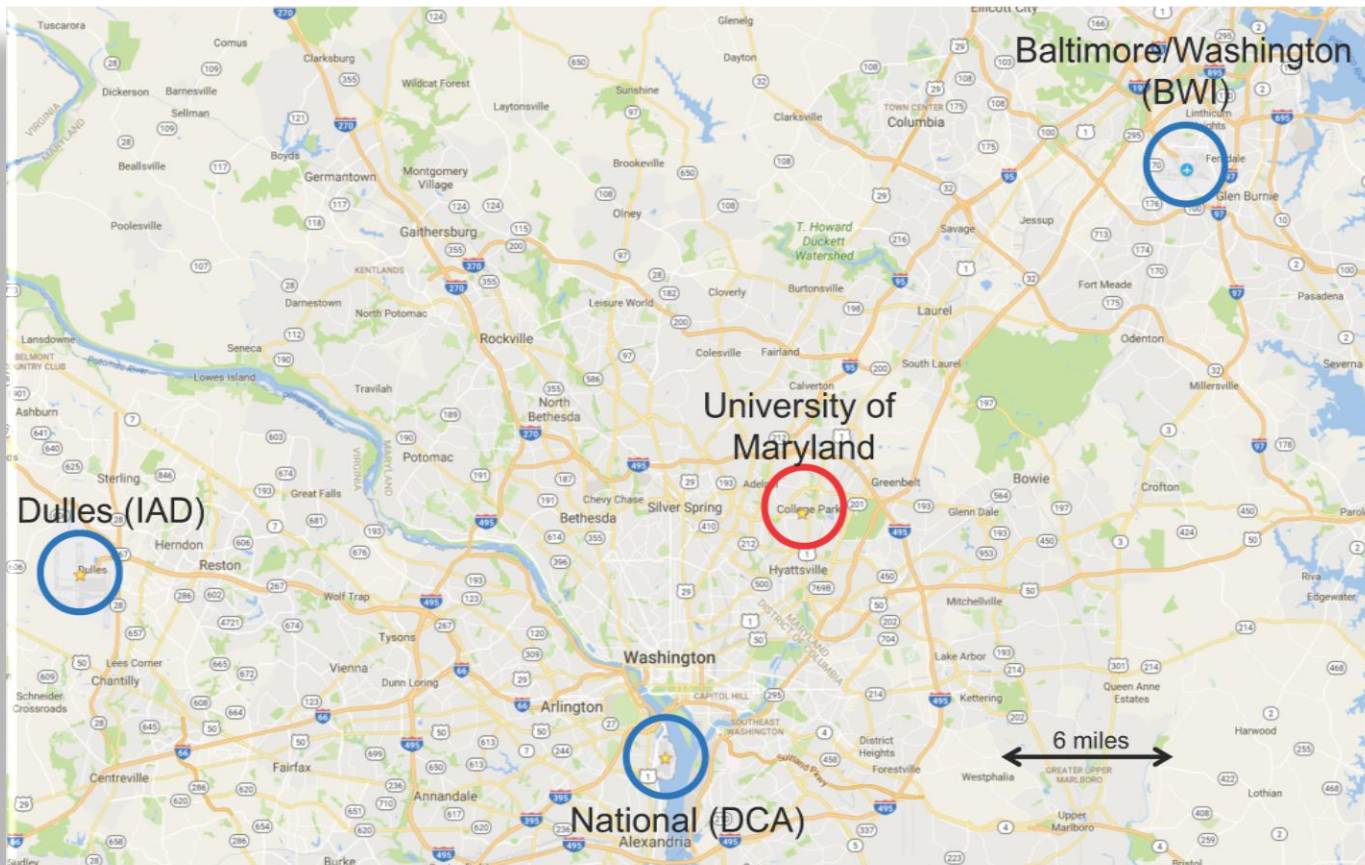


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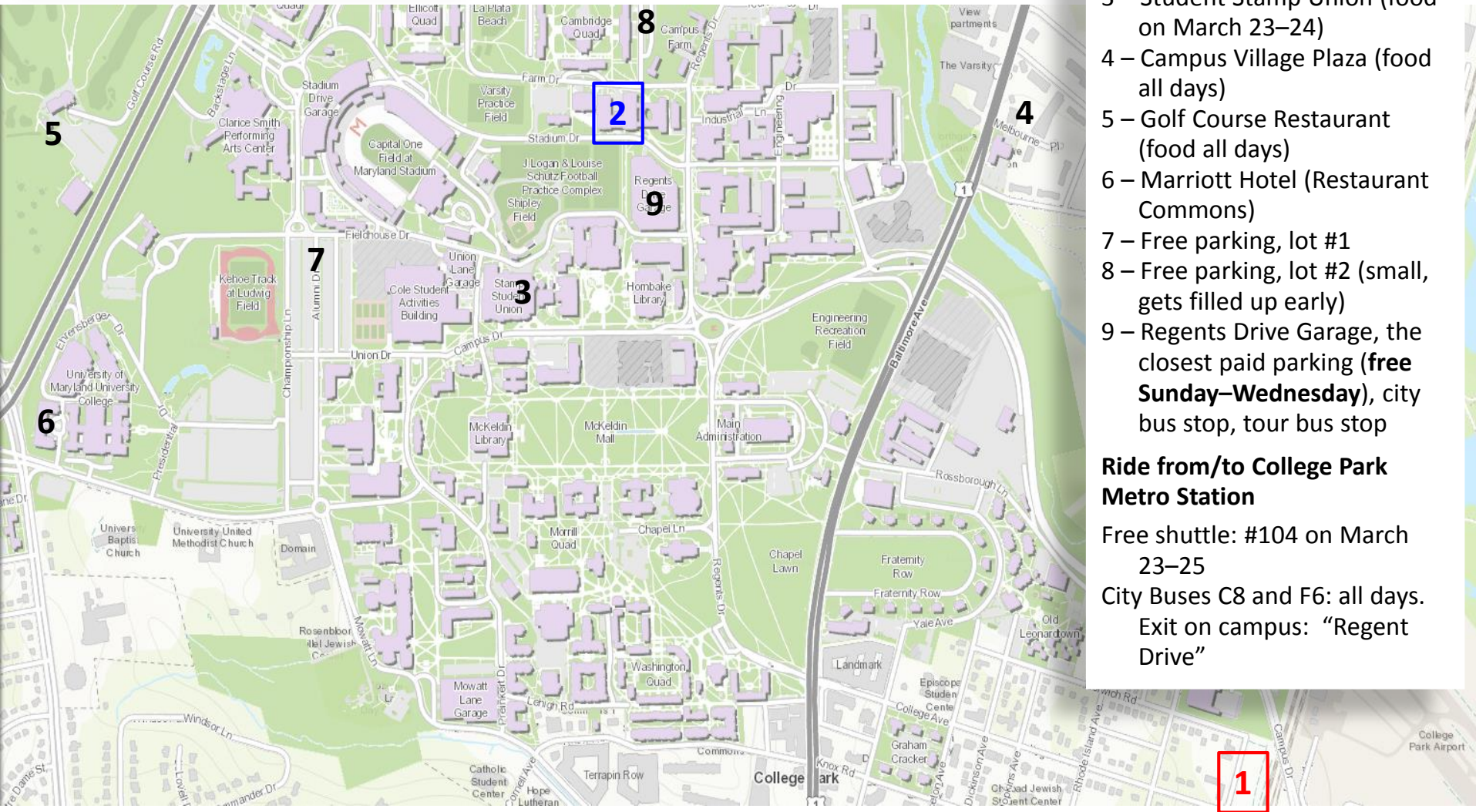
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Metro map



Key locations

600 ft



1 – College Park Metro Station
(approx 2 km from
conference site)

2 – Atlantic Building
(conference site)

3 – Student Stamp Union (food
on March 23–24)

4 – Campus Village Plaza (food
all days)

5 – Golf Course Restaurant
(food all days)

6 – Marriott Hotel (Restaurant
Commons)

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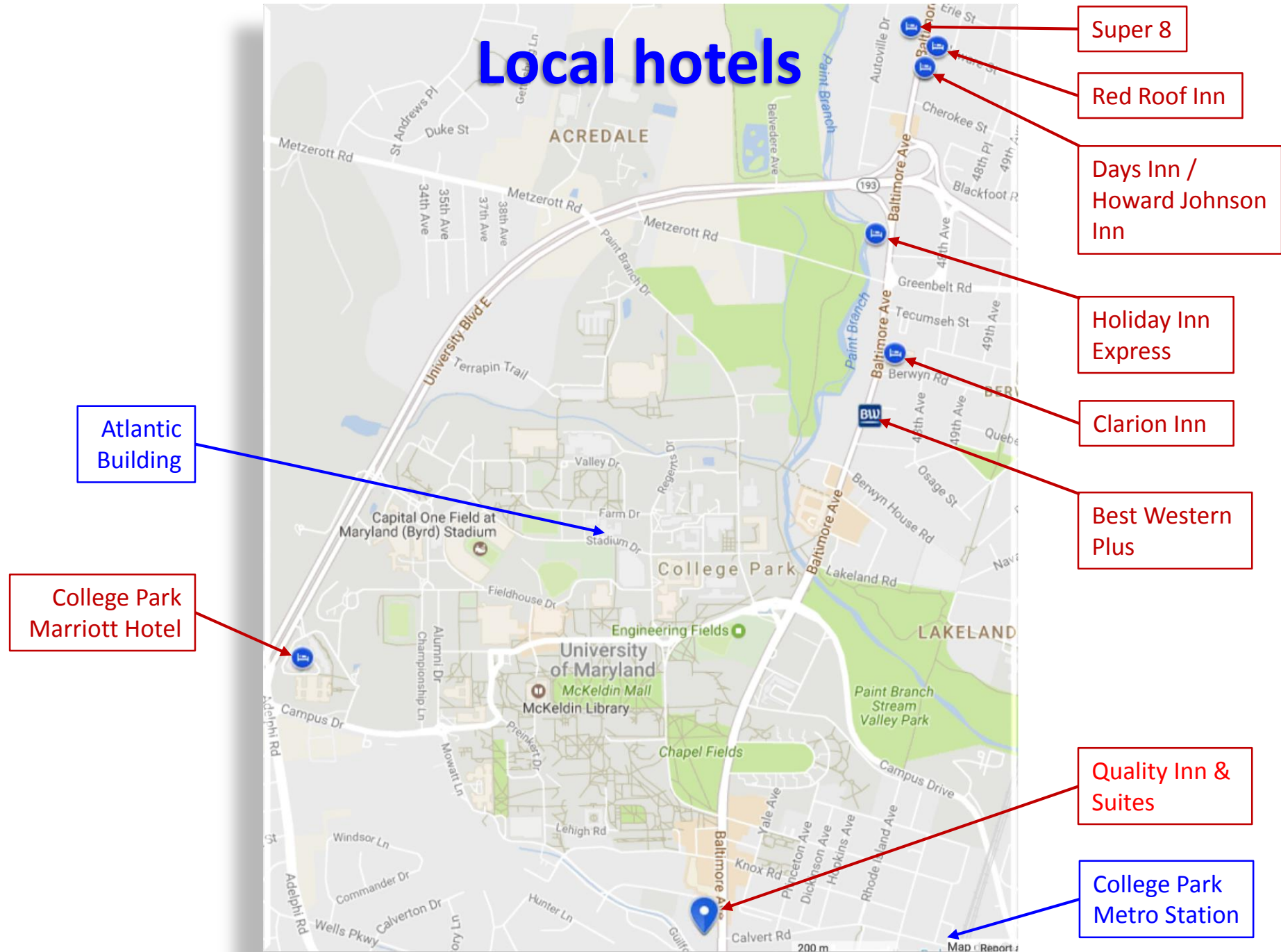
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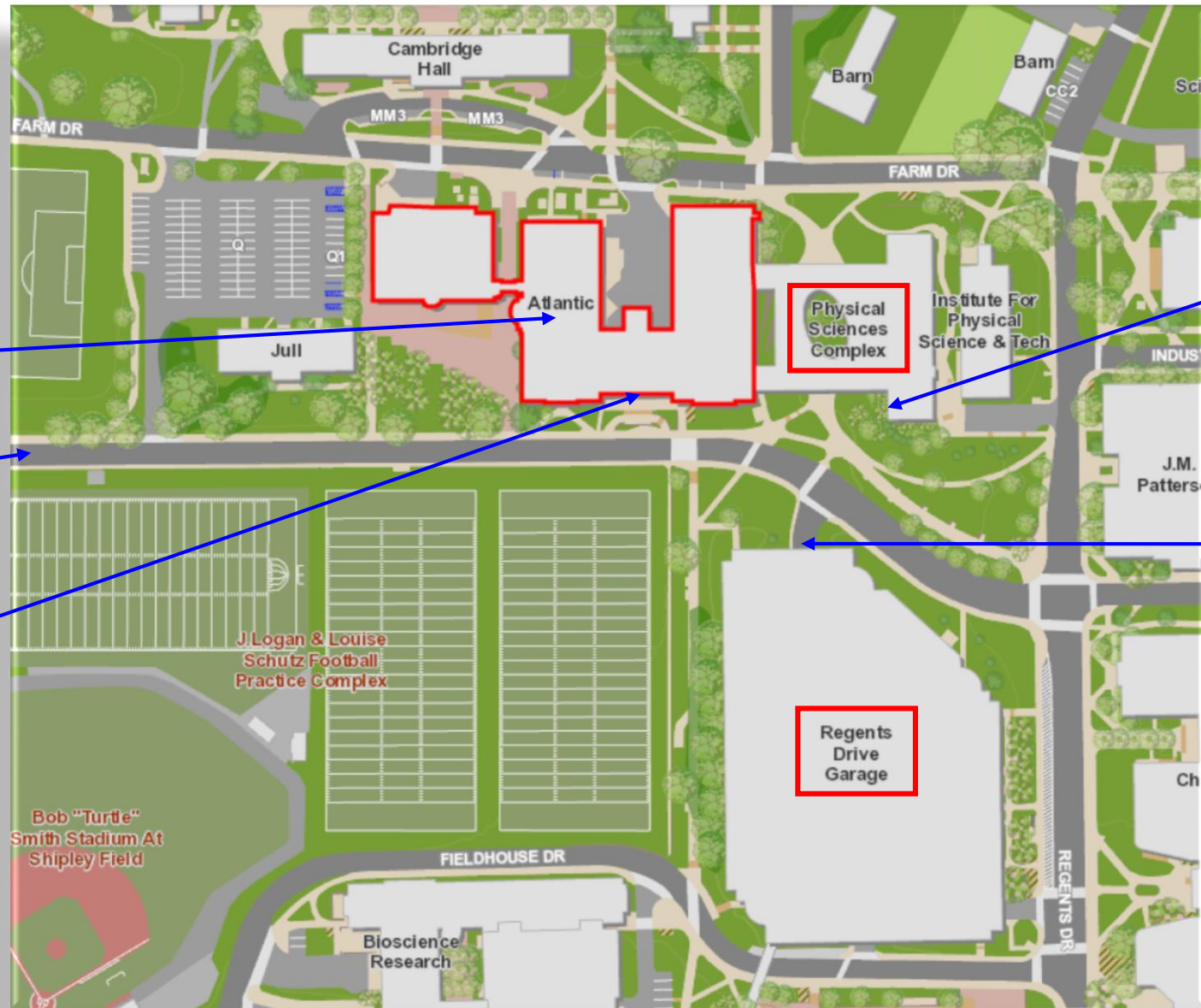
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Exit on campus: “Regent
Drive”

Local hotels



Conference venue



Conference room

Stadium Drive

Entrance

Opening Reception and Poster Session

Closest paid parking (free Sunday through Wednesday)

On-site registration (starts 5:30 pm)
Opening Reception (starts 6 pm)
Sunday, March 19



Atlantic
Building

Quantum Café,
Physical Sciences
Complex

You can park for free in the Regents Drive Garage

Atlantic Building, second floor



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before your session starts!**

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Regular talks: 15 min

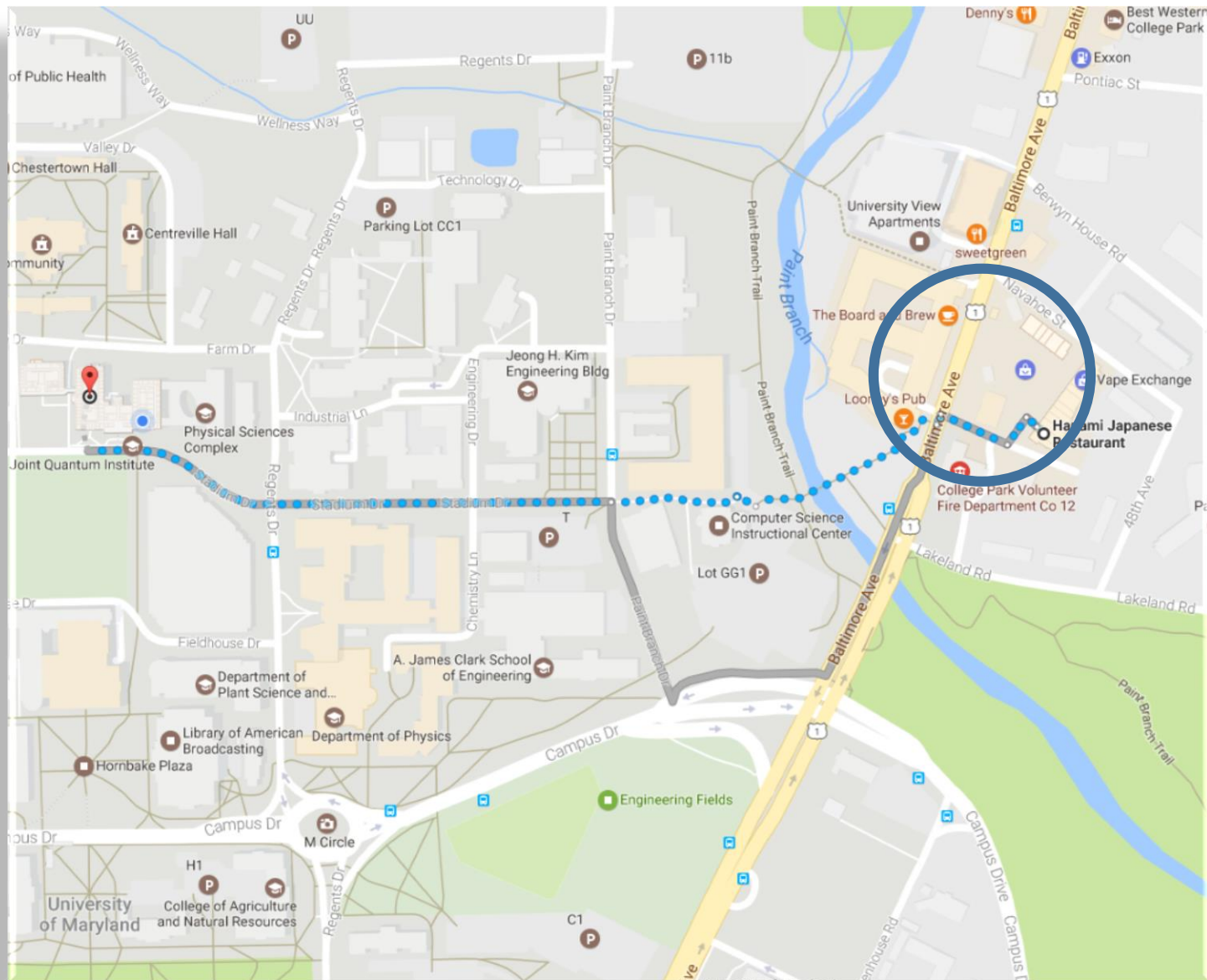
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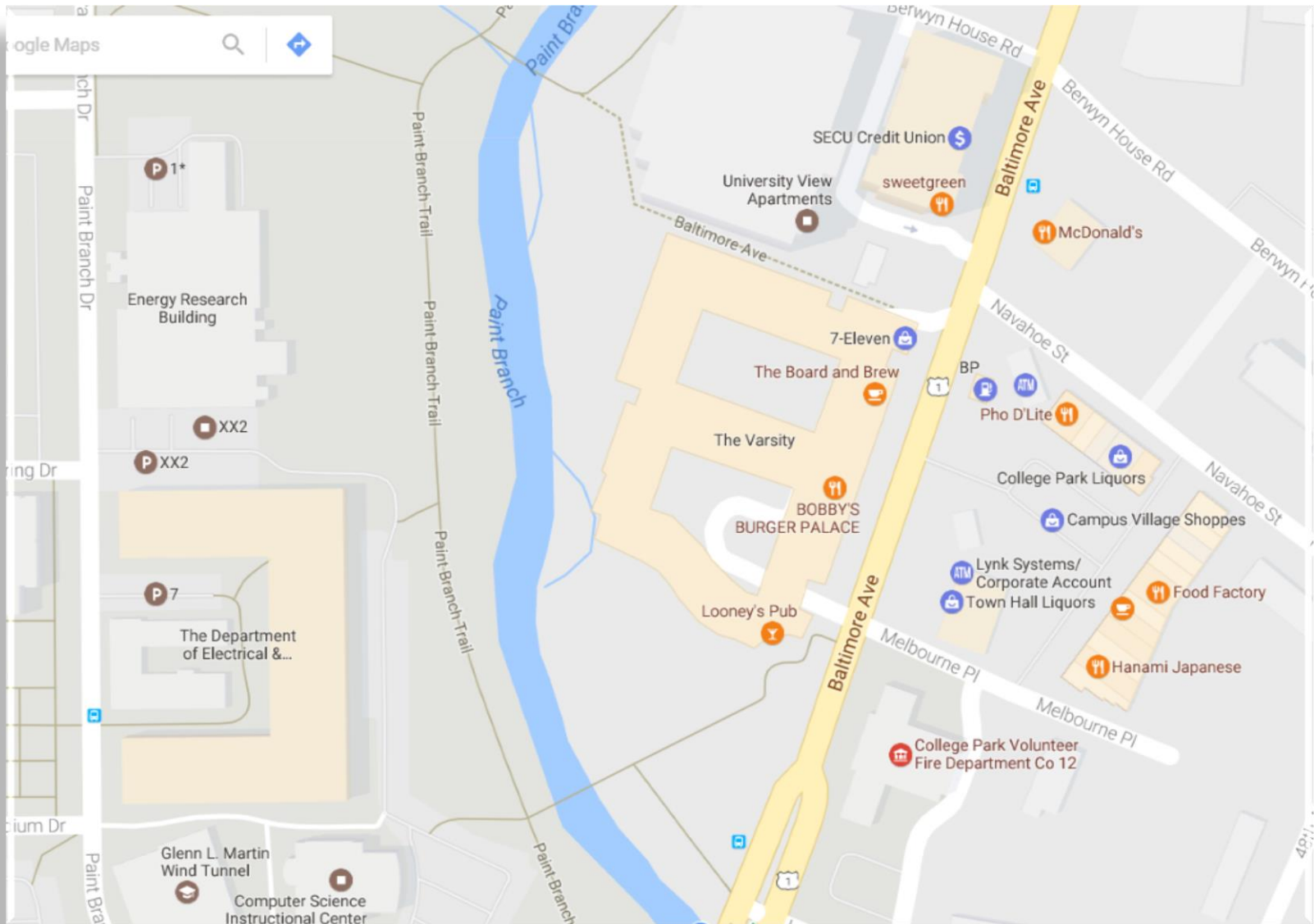
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Walking to Campus Village Plaza

(lunch on March 20 and 21)



Campus Village Plaza



Poster Session

Wednesday, March 22, 12:00 noon – 3:15 pm

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Building

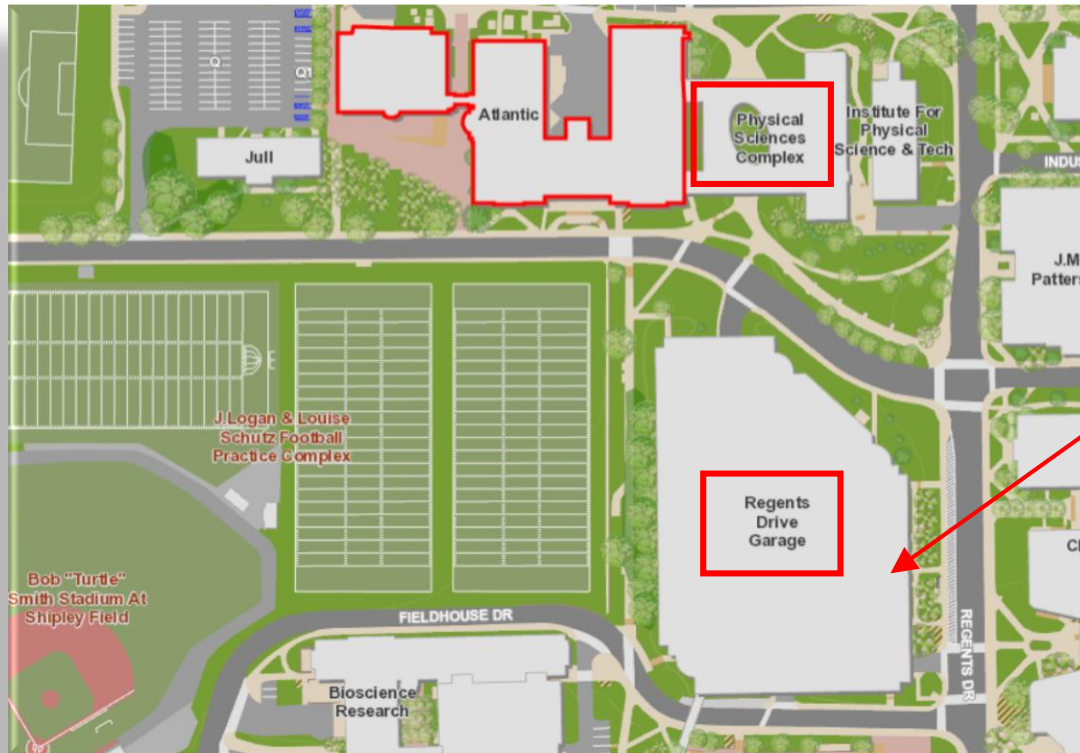


Quantum Café,
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Bus tour and Conference Banquet

March 22

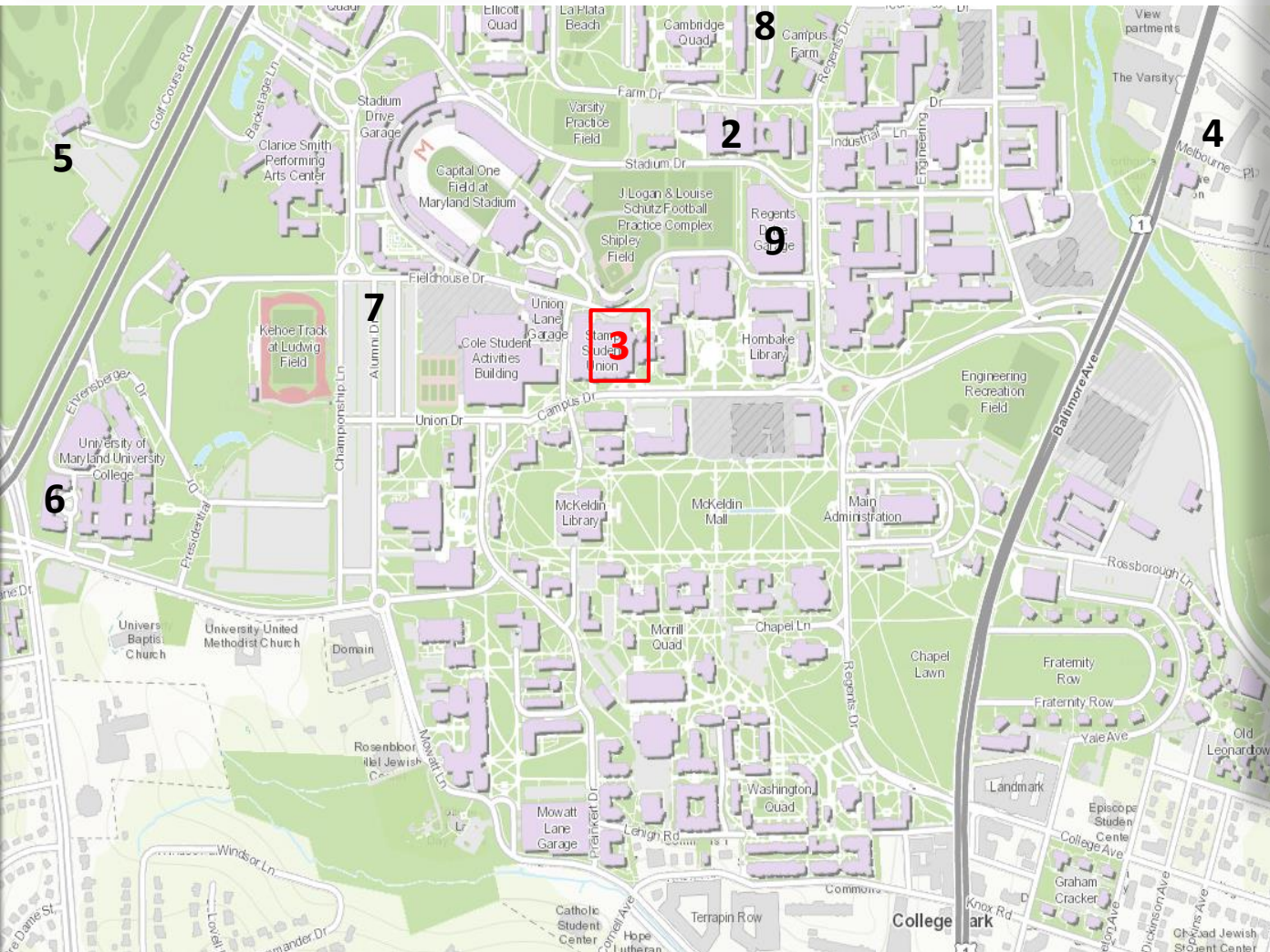


Buses will depart at
3:30 pm sharp
from the Regents
Drive Garage

Banquet location:
Annapolis Marriott Waterfront Hotel
80 Compromise St., Annapolis, MD 21401
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm

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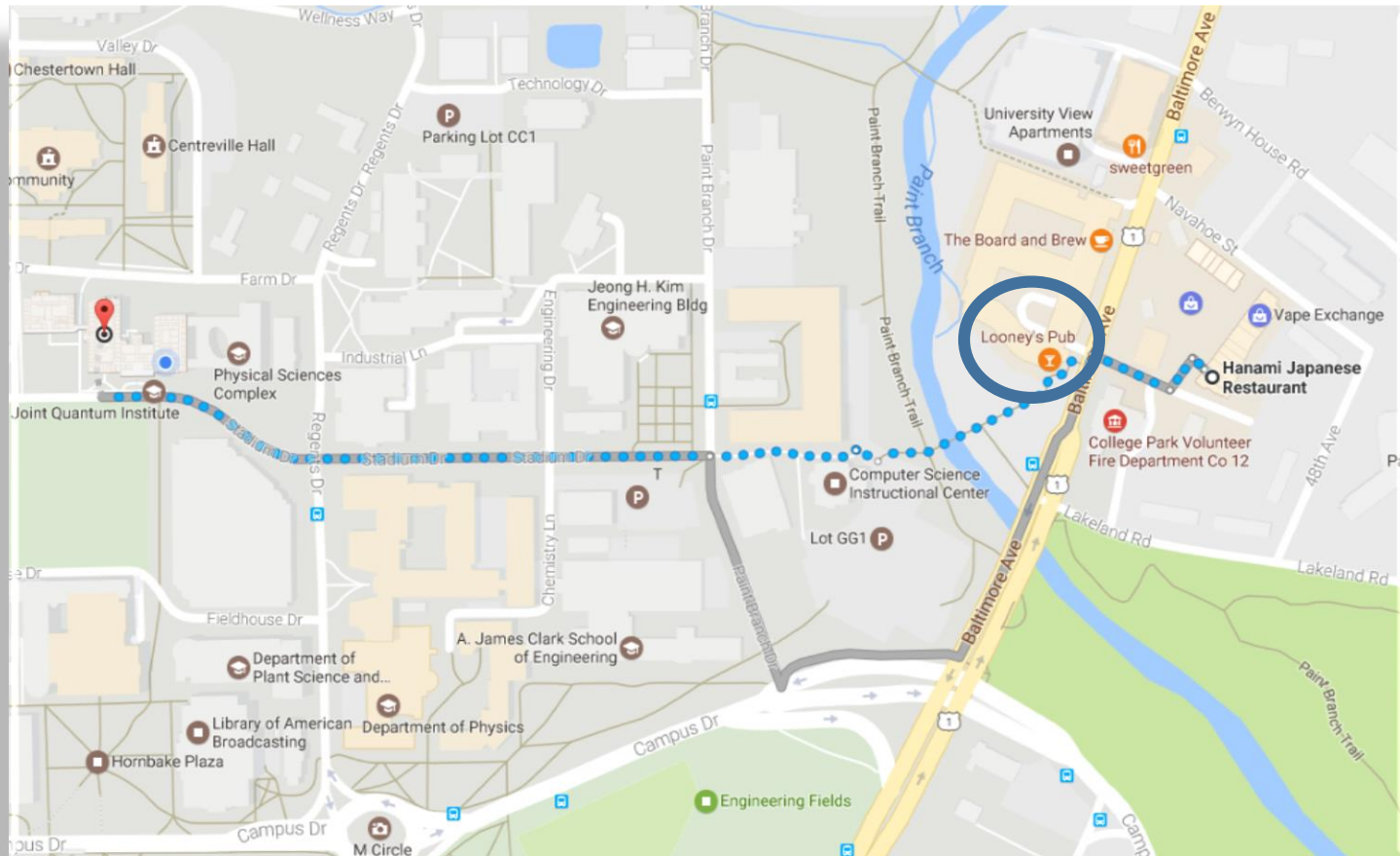
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Drive”

Farewell Party

Friday, March 24, 5:45 pm

Looney's Pub @ Campus Village Plaza



Web access

The password will be provided at registration

Topical issue of *JQSRT*



**Submission deadline:
15 June 2017**

**Expedited publication
process**

ELS Business Meeting

(to discuss our future)

Tuesday, March 21, 5:30 pm



Edward Fry
Distinguished Professor
Associate Department Head for Development
Applied Physics
Quantum Optics - Experimental



George W. Kattawar
Professor
Applied Physics
Atomic - Theoretical



Ping Yang
Professor
Department Head
David Bullock Harris Chair in
Geosciences



Organization Team: Patrick Stegmann, Guanglin Tang, Irene Martinez, *et al.*

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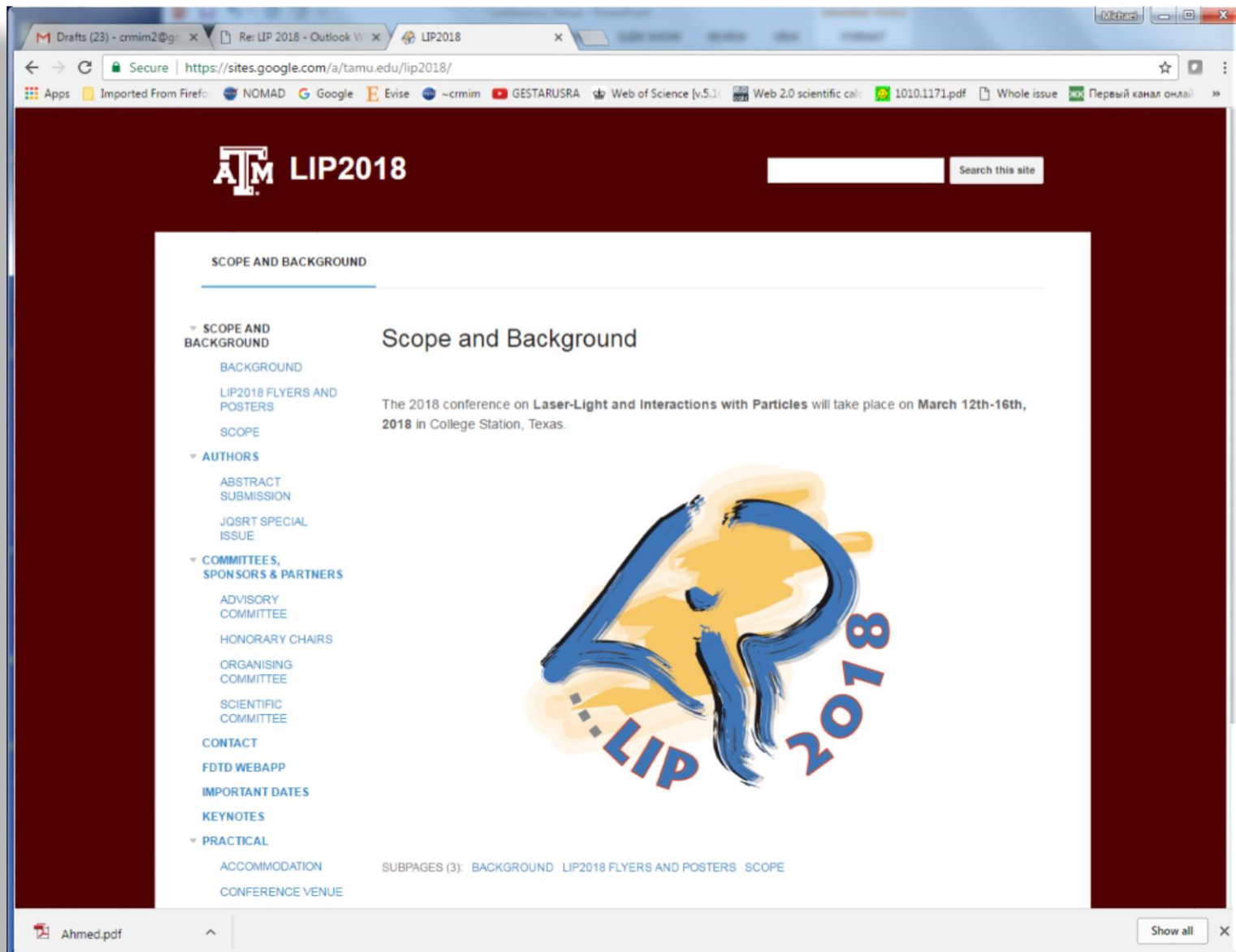
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Scope and Background

The 2018 conference on **Laser-Light and Interactions with Particles** will take place on **March 12th-16th, 2018** in College Station, Texas.

LIP 2018

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