

Sharing the harvest: A honeybee near Montgomery City takes advantage of the generous September nectar flow from yellow ironweed (Verbesina alternifolia), seemingly oblivious to the cucumber beetle (Diabrotica undecimpunctata) just a few florets away. This cute little beetle can easily be mistaken for a variety of ladybug, but is in reality a voracious pest, spied just as often munching the leaves of cucumbers, tomatoes, squash, beans and other crops. Its larva, known as the Southern corn rootworm (Diabrotica undecimpunctata howardi), destroys young corn plants by tunneling through their root systems.

## Join us at the Lake of the Ozarks!

#### Register now for Fall Meeting October 28-29

Our annual Fall Meeting takes place this year at

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Please see page 11 to register, and pages 6-9 for complete information and the meeting agenda.

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### From the President by Grant Gillard

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I confess I'm a conference junkie. I love going to conferences and conventions. I recently attended the Heartland Apiculture Society's conference in Vincennes, Indiana and on the drive back I got to thinking about why I had such a good time.

First and foremost, conferences give me a break to get away. Yeah, it means eating strange food and sleeping in a strange bed. But the value of getting away from the constant, and often times, incessant demands of my job is grossly underrated. We all need a change of pace, which for me, reorients my brain to think differently. That's probably why I find vacations to be creative and stimulating ... and my wife is always on my case for bringing my work along on vacation. But that change of scenery helps me to think outside the box, probably because I'm literally outside the box. I see things differently from a distance. It's good to get away.

Second, and the legitimate reason I like conferences, is the education. The opportunity to learn is everywhere. At the HAS I had some wonderfully insightful conversations with the vendors -- and not just about their products and what they were selling, but also about beekeeping, their philosophy on life, their take on religion and politics, even some juicy gossip about which I pretended to know who they were talking about.

The seminars were excellent, of course, but some of my best learning comes from conversations in the hallways and over dinner. David Burns gave me a couple of brilliant tips for my queen rearing. An older gentleman enlightened me on the benefits of garlic. I gathered some new considerations on how to run our monthly bee meeting. I was inspired with new ideas on marketing honey. Everyone I bumped into was a walking seminar, and many times our classroom was the sidewalk between the main building and the dormitory. The opportunity to learn something new, or re-learn something old, is everywhere.

But I also like conferences for the people. It doesn't matter what conference I've attended or what the context has been,



I'm at a place with like-minded individuals who collectively share the common interests that bind us together. I remember I'm part of a larger community. It's like a family reunion replete with those crazy uncles retelling the same old joke and overly affectionate aunts who think you're one of the other cousins.

We have a wonderful occasion coming up to get away and reconnect with other beekeepers at the end of October at the Lake of the Ozarks. The Fall Meeting is scheduled for the 28th and 29th with special events on the 27th. We'll have many opportunities to learn and socialize and gain new insights into how we manage our bees. It will be a time to renew friendships and listen to each other's "war stories" from this summer. It will be like a family reunion. I only hope people don't think I'm the crazy uncle, but please correct me if I mistake you for one of the other cousins.

All the best. See you at the Lake of the Ozarks. Grant

## 2011 Missouri State Fair report by Dean Sanders

This year's fair was not as successful as we had hoped. A lot had to do with the weather. It was either very hot or rainy with storms. The storm that hit Sedalia on Thursday night did a lot of damage including power outages which closed the fair grounds until 3 pm the next day. Of course all of this affected our sales. Financially the end result has not been determined, but will be announced at the fall meeting this month.

We did have a lot of inquiries about where to buy local honey and gave out our map of the clubs in the state. This seemed to be very helpful to these folks. The booth was redesigned to use our space more efficiently since half of our space is supposed to be used for educational purposes. As a result we also had more people looking at our honey competition display. The winners are acknowledged elsewhere in this newsletter.

Based on the sign-up sheets, listed below are the faithful volunteers who made it possible to operate our booth. I apologize if I've missed anyone.

Those who volunteered one day were: Don Bernskoetter, Lawanda Branson, Kathy Buckley, Larry Buckley, Mary Campbell, Roni Carpenter, Glenn Davis, Jim Duever, Valerie Duever, Lynn Fahrmeier, Samuel Fahrmeier, Dave Faust, Laura Faust, Jean Fisher, Pat Fletcher, Pete Fletcher, Vera Gelder, Domenic Giofre, Mrs.Giofre, Mike Godfrey, Ken Heitkamp, Rhea Helmreich, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Joyce Justice, Brian Murphy, Kathy Murphy, Tom Parker, Tom Patterson, Rod Richter, Sue Schoening, Irish Spring, Jack Thieme and Yvonne Von Der Ahe.

Others who volunteered two days were: Tony Axtin, Ralph Dickinson, Ed Fisher, Jim Fisher, Tanya Fisher, Art Gelder, Bob Justice, Steve Moeller and Tom O'Neill. Three-day volunteers were Tim Hyde and Cathy Misko. Lillian Misko, our Honey Queen, was there for four days, and Deena Beebe for six. Tenday volunteers were Ron and Dolores Vivian. Deena, Ron and Dolores also helped set up the booth before the fair started. Steve Harris and I were there thirteen days as managers.

So to recap, here is the local club representation (with days volunteering): Boone Regional (16), Eastern (7), Golden Valley (4), Mid-Missouri (2), Midwestern (68) and Three Rivers (15).

I do appreciate each one of you who spent time and worked in the booth. Our booth would not exist if it weren't for all of you helping make it possible. Thanks also goes to the Oak Grove QuikTrip store for the sacks they donated to put Honey Sticks in. And of course our vendors provided wonderful products again this year. Thank you! I also want to thank all the people who stayed and helped tear the booth down on the last day.

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INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES							
Candied Honey	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
<b>v</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Ron Vivian	Bates City				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Yvonne von der Ahe	Washington				
Cut Comb	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Michael Godfrey	Valley Park				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
Section Comb	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Fred Meder	Troy				
Light/Amber Extracted	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Ted Jansen	Chesterfield				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Samuel Fahrmeier	Wellington				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Bob Finck	Fenton				
	5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Michael Godfrey	Valley Park				
	6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Laurie Miller	St. Louis				
	7 <sup>th</sup> Place	MRH Middle School	Maplewood				
	8 <sup>th</sup> Place	Paul Lammert	Chesterfield				
Dark Extracted	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Ted Jansen	Chesterfield				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Ken Heitkamp	St. Louis				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Jackie Marcoux	Creve Coeur				
	5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Jeanette Beishir	Farmington				
	6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
Light Bulk Comb	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
Yellow Beeswax Cake	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Bob Finck	Fenton				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Ken Heitkamp	St. Louis				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Deena Beebe	Independence				
Art Designs in Beeswax	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Yvonne von der Ahe	Washington				
Beeswax Candles	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Yvonne von der Ahe	Washington				
Sealed Honey, Shallow Frame	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Ken Heitkamp	St. Louis				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Michael Godfrey	Valley Park				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
Sealed Honey, Brood Frame	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Deena Beebe	Independence				
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	MRH Middle School	Maplewood				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Jim Fisher	Raymore				
Observation Hive	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Steve Moeller	Columbia				
-	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Tim Hyde	Wildwood				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Dean Sanders	Oak Grove				
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Ron Vivian	Bates City				
INDIVIDUAL GRAND		Jim Fisher	Raymore				



# MISSOURI STATE FAIR 2011 Apiculture Judging Contest Results (continued)

LOCAL ASSOCIATION ENTRIES					
Cut Comb Honey	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
Section Comb Honey	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
Light Bulk Comb Honey	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
Light/Amber Extracted	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Three Rivers	Ted Jansen		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Boone Regional	(no name listed)		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Three Rivers	Michael Godfrey		
	5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Three Rivers	Paul Lammert		
	6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Eastern	Yvonne Von Der Ahe		
	7 <sup>th</sup> Place	Eastern	Ken Heitkamp		
	8 <sup>th</sup> Place	Eastern	Bob Finck		
Dark Extracted	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Three Rivers	Ted Jansen		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Eastern	Michael Godfrey		
	4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Eastern	Jackie Marcoux		
	5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Three Rivers	Michael Godfrey		
	6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Eastern	Tim Hyde		
Yellow Beeswax	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Midwestern	Jim Fisher		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Eastern	Bob Finck		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Eastern	Yvonne Von Der Ahe		
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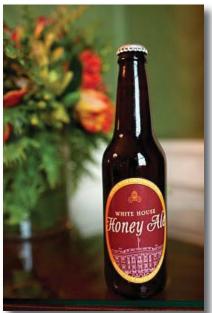
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**Eastern MO Beekeepers** 

# Brewin' with Barack by Eugene Makovec

As it turns out, Barack Obama and do I have some things in common.

A few years ago I decided I could not live without the goodness of home-grown honey. So I got some bees and made my own. Last year, when the new Prez moved into the White House, one of the first things he and Michelle



did was plunk down a hive of bees on the lawn. (Evidently their neighbors are a bit more open-minded than mine about stinging insects.)

Since one of my other favorite things is beer, it occurred to me this past summer that it would be nice to make that for myself too. So I combined these two favorite things into a tasty honey wheat ale. Then last month, to my great surprise, I heard on National Public Radio that none other than POTUS is serving homemade honey wheat ale to his house guests! And he's been doing so since early this year, rolling out the first batch at his Super Bowl party in February. (I should have known of this sooner, but I was not invited to said party, probably because that Bears fan did not want this Packers fan whooping it up with every Green Bay score.)

To the Obamas' credit, they paid for their brewing supplies themselves, though reportedly it is the White House kitchen staff doing the actual brewing. I guess that last part is understandable given the demands of his job, though if I had unlimited staff at my beck and call, I'd do the brewing myself and let the help handle more mundane tasks, like tinkering with the economy and bombing two-bit dictators.

Two weeks ago I started my second brew. It's the same basic recipe as before, but this time I'm adding blueberries.

Shhhh, don't tell the President!





# Missouri State Beekeepers Association



Fall Meeting preview: Lake of the Ozarks, October 28 & 29, 2011 (with special events October 27)

Why is it good to attend the semi-annual MSBA meetings? People at our meetings are going to be interested in beekeeping and our environment. You can make invaluable connections with such soulmates, and friendships which can last for decades. We used to call this "making the connection". We now tend to call it "networking". Either way, it is heartening to know that others are interested in the same things you are, so take the time to meet new people and enlarge your circle of beekeeping connections.

Our special guest speakers are:

Distinguished McKnight Dr. Marla Spivak, Professor, Department of Entomology, University of Minnesota. Marla's interest in bees began when she worked for a commercial beekeeper from New Mexico in 1975. She later completed her B.A. in Biology from Humboldt State University in northern California, and her PhD from the University of Kansas, under Dr. Orley "Chip" Taylor, in 1989. She spent two years in Costa Rica conducting her thesis research on the identification and ecology of Africanized and European honey bees. From 1989-1992 she did postdoctoral research at the Center for Insect Science at the University of Arizona. She began as Assistant Professor at the University of Minnesota in 1993. Influenced by Martha Gilliam and Steve Taber from the USDA Bee lab in Tucson, she became interested in hygienic behavior of honey



Marla Spivak

bees. This interest has expanded into studies of "social immunity", including the benefits of propolis to the immune system of honey bees.

**Ed Levi**. Having started keeping bees in France in the early 1970's, Ed is now the State Bee Inspector for Arkansas, and has been Secretary of the Apiary Inspectors of America for many years. He is a Master Beekeeper, certified through the EAS program.



Ed Levi

Ed keeps bees, produces honey and raises queens. He is a highly sought-after speaker, having traveled the world conducting beekeeping extension initiatives in third world countries. He is knowledgeable about beekeeping and promotes the use of IPM methods and minimizing the use of chemicals. Ed also does a lot of consulting in developing countries throughout Asia, Eastern Europe and Africa.

**C. Marina Marchese** is founder and owner of Red Bee Honey; she sells honey and natural products to gourmet food shops and fine restaurants all over the United States. Certified by the American Apitherapy Society, she has trained as a honey judge at the University of Georgia and serves on the board of Back Yard Beekeepers Association of Connecticut. Marina has written for Bee Culture magazine and the Journal of the American Apitherapy Society, and Red Bee Honey

was the cover story of the American Bee Journal in 2004. Marina lives and tends bees in Weston, Connecticut. Book signing.



Michael Arduser, Natural History Biologist, Missouri Department of Conservation.

C. Marina Marchese

# October 2011

#### Fall Meeting preview (continued)

#### **Bob Finck** – Making Mead

- Started beekeeping in 1980, currently maintains around 125 hives
- Markets honey and beeswax, numerous State Fair Blue Ribbon awards for honey and wax last 25 years

• Spent 42 years working as a Food Chemist for Allen Foods (25), Arcobasso Foods (6) and Pevely Dairy (11). Retired May, 2010, can now enjoy beekeeping at its fullest "every day", twenty-four-seven. Enjoys mentoring new beekeepers and "talking bees and honey"

Started making mead 2000

• Served two 5 year terms as president of Eastern MO Beekeepers Assn., and served in other board positions most of his 30 year membership.

**Steve Moeller** – Managing Bees in Single Brood Chambers; Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer - He began keeping bees in 1974 while living near Odessa. Shortly thereafter Steve joined the MSBA and in 1983 became a member of the Midwestern Beekeepers in the KC area where he is still a member. Today he lives just outside Columbia, is a member of the Boone Regional Beekeepers and is currently serving as secretary of the MSBA.

Art & Vera Gelder – Lunch and Tour of Their Bee Operation and Agri-Tourism Farm in Columbia.

**Fred Meder** - How to Build a Better Mouse Trap (Catching Swarms) - Fred is a 48 year old beekeeper from Troy, MO., was born in St. Louis, MO, but grew up in Farmington, MO until he moved to Arizona. He joined the U.S. Army and served for 12 years on Active Duty. In 1999 he was placed on Medical Retirement. Fred moved to Troy, MO in 2004. With the help and supervision of lan Brown, Fred began beekeeping in 2009 with one hive of Russian Bees. Fred now has around 65 hives. He has bees in Troy, Elsberry, and Montgomery City, Missouri. His favorite season is "Swarm Season".

#### **Competitions:**

**Cooking** (white yeast bread, candy [no fudge], chili, popcorn) **Needle work Soap** 

#### Special events:

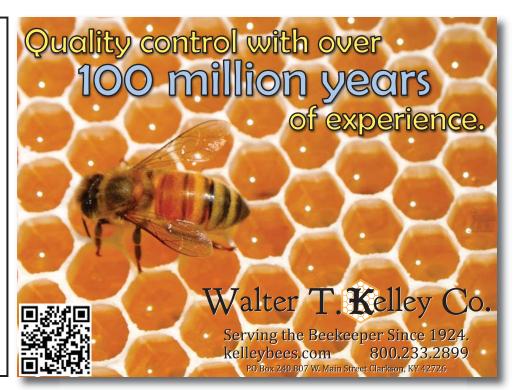
**Thursday** – Tour & Lunch at Walk About Acres, wine social with 7C's wine, movie "The Secret Life of Bees" **Friday** – Spouses' card party, cooking contest, needlework contest, soap contest, chair massages, Honey Queen Reception **Saturday** – Ladies' shopping

#### UPCOMING STATE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Our next few semi-annual meetings are in the final planning stages, here are some updates:

March 9 & 10, 2012 with special activities on March 8, Marriott. West St. Louis. Special speakers: Dr. Greg J. Hunt (Indiana), Dr. May Berenbaum (Illinois) and Jerry Hayes (Florida). Contests to be held: Cooking with Honey, bread (machine), brownies/blondes, jam/ jelly, cheesecake, mead, and Beeswax Art.

October 26 & 27, 2012 Special speakers, David Burns (Illinois)





# Missouri State Beekeepers Fall 2011 Meeting Agenda

(subject to change)

#### Thursday, October 27

- 12:00 PM Lunch (\$15) and tour of their bee operation and Agri-Tourism Farm in Columbia. Make reservations and payment directly to Art & Vera Gelder, Walk About Acres, 6800 N. Kircher Rd., Columbia, MO 65200-7652, walkaboutacres@hughes.net
- 4:00 PM Free Wine Tasting Social
- 8:00 PM Board Meeting
- 8:00 PM Movie w/Queen Latifah The Secret Life of Bees
- 9:35 PM Eastern Director's Meeting With Eastern Area Beekeepers

#### Friday, October 28

7:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet – ticket required
8:30 AM	Western Director's Meeting with Western Area Beekeepers
9:00 AM	Vendors open
9:00 AM	Set-up for Cooking, Needlework and Soap Competition
10:00 AM	Welcome - Grant Gillard
10:30 AM	What's in Your Wax? - Ed Levi
11:20 AM	Scales, Weights, Measures, Labeling – MO Depart of Agriculture
12:00 PM	Lunch - ticket required
1:10 PM	Native Pollinators – Michael Arduser – MO Dept. of Conservation
2:00 PM	Concepts of Integrated Pest Management - Ed Levi Spouses' Card Party
3:00 PM	My Journey – C. Marina Marchese
4:00 PM	Book Signing C. Marina Marchese – Honeybee Lessons from an Accidental Beekeepe Q&A –Ed Levi
4:10 PM	Bees and Bears in Missouri
5:20 PM	Southwest Director's Meeting with Southwest Area Beekeepers
6:30 PM	Honey Queen Banquet – ticket required – Ed Levi
9:00 PM	Southeast Director's Meeting with Southeast Area Beekeepers Honey Queen Reception
Saturday,	October 29
6:45 AM	Breakfast – ticket required
7:30 AM	Q & A and Book Signing – C. Marina Marchese
8:00 AM	Welcome – Grant Gillard
8:15 AM	Patriotic Presentation – Honey Queen
8:40 AM	Socialized Medicine in Honey Bee Colonies – Marla Spivak, PhD

- 9:45 AM Concepts of Integrated Pest Management Ed Levi
- I I:00 AM Bee Health Marla Spivak
- I 2:00 PM Lunch ticket required





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# Missouri State Beekeepers Fall 2011 Meeting Agenda

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I:00 PM Breakout Sessions

Managing Bees in Single Brood Chambers – Steve Moeller Mead Making – Bob Finck How to Have Your Book Printed - C. Marina Marchese How to Build a Better Mouse Trap (Catching Swarms)

– Fred Meder

1:00 PM Bus Trip - Ladies' Shopping at Bagnell Dam Historic Area

4:45 PM Business Meeting

# From the Queen Chair by Joyce Justice

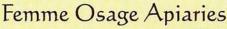
Lillian is doing a wonderful job of promoting honey and the beekeepers of Missouri. We are proud to have her as our Missouri Honey Queen.

Now the problem is, we do not have a candidate for the coming year. We gave out applications

at the state fair and I have followed up on some names I had that could be a possibility. So far, no one has come up with an application or expressed interest.

If a beekeeper knows of anyone who would be interested, please let me know and I will follow up quickly.

Joyce



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#### 2 Boone Regional Beekeepers Association

3rd Sunday of month, 3:00 p.m., Columbia Insurance Group, 2102 Whitegate Dr. (back door), Columbia President Jim Duever 573-254-3373 http://beekeeper.missouri.org

#### 3 Busy Bee Club

4th Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Cedar County Health Center, Owens Mill Road, Stockton Neal Lee 417-276-3090 Neil Brunner 314-276-4252 grnthumb@alltel.net

#### 4 Eastern Missouri Beekeepers Association

2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Powder Valley Nature Center 11715 Craigwold Rd., Kirkwood Bob Sears, President 314-479-9517 www.easternmobeekeepers.com

#### **5** Golden Valley Beekeepers

2nd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (but varies)Henry County Courthouse, Clinton MOContact Kathy Murphy660-678-5171murftk@copper.net

#### **6** Jackson Area Beekeepers

4th Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. First Pres. of Jackson, 206 E. Washington Contact Grant Gillard 573-243-6568 gillard5@charter.net

#### 7 Jefferson County Beekeepers Association 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., Hwy B & 21

Jefferson County Extension Center, Hillsboro Contact Scott Moser 636-285-7295

#### 8 Joplin Area Beekeepers Association

Last Tue. of each month, 7 pm, SM Bank Community Building (7th and Duquesne Rd), Joplin Contact Gene Foley 417-624-6831

#### 9 Mid Missouri Beekeepers

3rd Sunday of each month, 2 pm, St. James Tourist Ctr. Charlotte Wiggins, President charlotte@bluebirdgardens.com

## **10** Midwestern Beekeepers Association

Nov-March, 2nd Sunday of each month, 2:30 p.m. April-Oct, 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (Schedule varies; please call first to confirm.) Bass Pro Shop, Independence, Conservation Room Andy Nowachek, President 913-438-5397

# Mississippi Valley Beekeepers Association Last Tuesday of Month in Quincy, IL Contact Bernie Andrew 217-938-4975

12 Missouri Valley Beekeepers Association 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. Location varies, call contact number below if unsure Contact Stephany Sullivan sasullivan55@yahoo.com

#### **13** Parkland Beekeepers

3rd Tuesday of month, 7pm, Ozark Federal Savings & Loan President Bob Brenneke 573-518-1997 or 573-631-2782

#### 14 Pomme de Terre Beekeepers 2ndThursday of each month, 7 pm Missouri Extension Office, Hermitage Contact Bessi Shryer 417-745-2527

#### 15 SEMO Honey Producers 2nd Thursday of month, Poplar Bluff Extension Office Contact Ernie Wells 573-429-0222

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# South Central Missouri Beekeepers Association Ist Friday of month, Howell Electric Coop, West Plains Monty Wiens, President 417 257-3994

#### 17 Southern MO Beekeepers of Monett "MOBees")

3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.United Methodist Church, Hwy 37 NW of MonettLeon Riggs, President417-235-5053

#### 18 Southwest Missouri Beekeepers Association Ist Tuesday of month, Neosho High School FFA Building Contact Glenn W. Smith 417-548-2255

#### **19** Three Rivers Beekeepers

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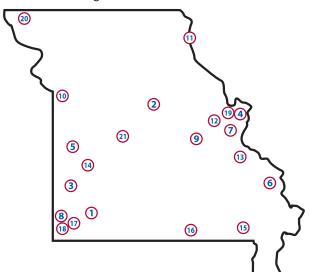
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Ist Monday of odd months, 7:00 p.m.511 4th Street, Conception Junction, MO 64434Gerald Auffert, President660-944-2535

#### 21 Lake of the Ozarks Beekeepers

3rd Saturday of month, 1:00 p.m.UMC Extension Office, 100 E. Newton, Versailles MOContact Russell Kasnick573-372-3122

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# Honey Queen report

#### by Lillian-Grace Misko

Greetings all,

After working hard all summer long, the bees are finally starting to slow down (if you can say that they slow down at all). That is how this past season of mine has been. Things have been very busy, yet productive, and it is about time to transition another Honey Queen in for 2012.

What a pleasure it was to represent

beekeepers, honey, and the MSBA this year at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia! I was there a total of four days meeting, greeting, and educating people with an observation hive. It always amazes me how frightened people are when they first see live bees behind glass. But after I would kindly communicate that the bees cannot get out, and welcome them to come closer, there is a sense of calmness that overcomes their first reaction of fright. It is rewarding to see their appreciation grow for these mighty little insects.

I am happy to announce it was another successful year at the 2011 7C's Winery Mead Fest. They were so kind to arrange numerous media interviews (including print, radio and television) to spread awareness about honey, bees, and beekeeping to nearly 800 people! I also had a marvelous time promoting and serving at the Ozark Empire Springfield Fair with the Beekeepers Association of the Ozarks and Dave Kayser.

Another unique opportunity I had this past season was to provide an observation hive and to present my introductory PowerPoint on honey, bees and beekeeping to a group of ladies participating in a one-day convention with the Women in the Outdoors, supported by the National Wild Turkey Federation, at the Bass Pro Shop in Independence. While at the convention, I also had the privilege of taking a special class on designing and making uniquely crafted earrings. What an artsy, adventurous and pleasant group this was to work with!

It was also quite rewarding to go to the Missouri Veterans' Home in Warrensburg to bring honey sticks, candy, and a jar of local honey to Harold Shanks for his 99th birthday. When asked his secret to life, he said, "Of course honey!" He claims he eats five pounds a month!

I have a few last events this semester before all comes to an end. On October 15, along with Mr. and Mrs. Brown, I will be appearing at the Dutch Days festival. Late October, I will be attending the MSBA Fall Meeting - there is a great program set up! I look forward to seeing and visiting with you all soon.

With care, Lillian-Grace Misko 2011 Honey Queen



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