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## Spring workshops, meetings kick-start the year in beekeeping

### Dadant and Sons to celebrate anniversary with tri-state meeting in Hamilton

**Dadant and Sons**, publisher of *American Bee Journal* and the nation's largest purveyor of beekeeping equipment, will mark its sesquicentennial by hosting a tri-state meeting (Illinois, Missouri and Iowa) March 15-16 in Hamilton, Illinois. Attendees are invited to tour the Dadant headquarters on Friday afternoon, then attend a welcome banquet that evening. Saturday will feature beekeeping lectures by such notables as Randy Oliver, Jerry Hayes, Jim Tew and others. More details and registration information appear on pages 8-9 of this newsletter.



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The full agenda, hotel information and registration form appear on pages 10-11 of this newsletter. Early registration is recommended, as this event is expected to draw a sizable crowd.

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**From the President** by John Timmons

It's at about this time of the year - soon after holiday gifts have been opened, considered, rejected, returned and finally settled on - that I begin evaluating my beekeeping equipment inventory. Now's the time to consider my beekeeping plans for the new season and begin making decisions for my newest needs. The beekeeping supply catalogs are scattered across the living room floor as I carefully and methodically consider what's new, what's missing, what needs to be replaced, and what needs to be tried. This, for me, is Christmas all over again. It's a new year with a fresh start for a new beekeeping season and the opportunity to correct the many mistakes made in the previous months.

In a similar fashion, this is the time of the year when the Missouri State Beekeepers Association begins considering goals for the coming year, and beyond. By the time you read this, the MSBA Officers and Directors will have already met once in Columbia to discuss goals and objectives for the coming months. As many of you know, the MSBA Board begins 2013 with an encouraging mix of new leadership, combined with long established wisdom. Our organization launches into the new year with high energy, innovative ideas, a sound fiscal foundation and a strong determination to develop creative programs and services for our members.

Over the past several months phone calls and emails have been flying across the state as MSBA officers and directors consider bold, new ideas. New website designs, online video instruction, streamlined membership services, beginning beekeeper training programs, governmental liaison programs and mentoring services are all on the table for discussion and consideration. This is the time for the MSBA to step up to the plate and assume a fresh and innovative new role for all beekeepers across the state.

As we continue to build and strengthen our organization, it is my strong conviction that our strength and direction begins with our

valued members. We will be reaching out to our membership over the coming months to provide us with new ideas and new initiatives designed to support the state-wide beekeeping community. No matter your slant and style as a beekeeper - commercial, hobbyist, conventional or alternative - you'll find a welcome home with the MSBA. Don't be surprised to receive a survey asking for your input and guidance. And don't be surprised to discover your MSBA Regional Director in attendance at your upcoming local association meeting, soliciting your input and offering assistance.

As most of you know, we have decided to forgo the Spring, 2013 Membership Conference. After many hours of discussion, and in consideration of the Dadant 150th Anniversary Celebration on March 15th and 16th in Hamilton, Illinois, we have decided that two major beekeeping events, held at approximately the same time of the year, is too much. So, to ease everyone's need to make the decision (and also to ease your travel budget), we have decided to put all our energies this year into a fall conference that will "knock your socks off". We'll soon be announcing the location and date for the fall event.

I encourage everyone to consider attending the Dadant Celebration. It features a tremendous lineup of speakers and is certain to be highly attended by beekeepers from across the region. You can get more information on the MSBA website at [www.MoStateBeekeepers.org](http://www.MoStateBeekeepers.org).

I would be seriously negligent in my remarks without thanking our outgoing president, Grant Gillard, for his leadership and guidance of the organization over the past two years. He leaves us with a strong and sturdy ship, heading in the right direction and ready to challenge new seas. Grant will remain on the board as Past-President and will continue to play a vital role in the organization as we plan and implement future programs. I look forward to his invaluable advice and consultation as challenges arise and opportunities are presented.

This is also the time of the year to catch up on all the many beekeeping articles and books that have been stacking up at the side of my favorite chair, waiting for times when the bees are not calling for my attention. This past year was, once again, filled with lots of media interest in honey bees and beekeepers. It was next to impossible to browse the magazine stands without discovering a feature article, or two, related to beekeeping. It's my nature to purchase every magazine and every book that has the slightest reference to bees and beekeeping. As a result, my reading stack is tall and imposing. As I peer across the room from my computer, I see it looking back at me ... screaming for attention. I'd better get to it!

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John



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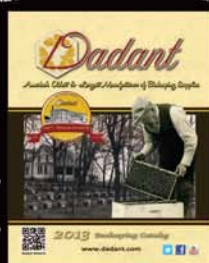


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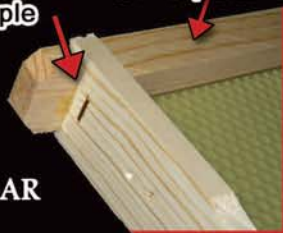


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## Upcoming meetings and workshops promise an early spring

### Eastern to host second annual Mardi Gras banquet

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**Three Rivers Beekeepers** and the University of Missouri Extension Center for St. Charles County are offering a Beginning Beekeeper Class on February 1st and 2nd (Friday 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.). Come learn about the fascinating honeybee and how to manage them and their home, the beehive.

In two class sessions, you'll learn from experienced beekeepers, videos, written material, and hands-on demonstrations. You'll receive full instructions on the kinds of equipment you need, where to get it and where to get your bees. You'll also be invited to join Three Rivers Beekeepers for continuing education and mentoring.

The classes will cover the following topics: Honeybee Biology, Basics of the Hive, Basic Equipment, Purchasing and Maintaining Hive Equipment, Swarming and Installing Honeybees, Feeding and Managing the Hives, Solving Common Beekeeping Problems, and Preparing Your Hives for Honey Collection.

Cost for the program is \$75.00 per person. Register online at [www.ThreeRiversBeekeepers.com](http://www.ThreeRiversBeekeepers.com), or call the Extension Center at 636-970-3000.

The **Eastern Missouri Beekeepers Association** (EMBA) will offer courses of instruction for beginners and experienced beekeepers on Saturday, February 9, 2013, at Maritz in Fenton, Missouri.

The Experienced Beekeepers' course will be tailored towards intermediate and expert level beekeepers, and will place special emphasis on biology, queen rearing, swarming, and colony behavior.

The Beginners Beekeeping course is intended for persons with no prior beekeeping experience, and will cover all aspects of basic beekeeping to prepare students to start beekeeping in 2013.

Featured instructors will include: **Jamie Ellis**, Assistant Professor of Entomology at the University of Florida and one of the country's preeminent extension

and research entomologists; **Jerry Hayes Jr., Ph.D.**, well-known author, lecturer, American Bee Journal columnist and Beeologics Commercial Lead at Monsanto; **Heather Rose Matilla**, Knafel Assistant Professor in the Natural Sciences, Department of Biological Sciences, Wellesley College, and a leading environmentalist recognized for her teaching and prolific research on honeybee genetic diversity, nutrition, hive communication, foraging and swarming; and **Juliana Rangel**, Assistant Professor in Apiculture, Department of Entomology,

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## Apimondia 2013 to be held in Kiev, Ukraine

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Billed as "the most prestigious, massive and comprehensive event in beekeeping, both on domestic and global level", Apimondia will be held this year in Kiev, Ukraine, with the motto: "Discover the European Honeyland".

Here is more from the Apimondia website:

- Participants: More than 12,000 beekeeping industry representatives, from over 100 countries - the leading industry experts and specialists, scientists, international and national organizations' representatives, public figures, manufacturers of beekeeping equipment and veterinary products and other products related with beekeeping; exporters and importers of beekeeping products and also beekeepers both amateurs and professionals.
- Scientific program: The scientific direction of Apimondia Congress will be carried under the title: Beyond the Hive: Beekeeping and Global Challenges, and will be dedicated to studying of the potential of beekeeping industry in solving of the global problems facing humanity today. We believe that in today's dynamic and globalized world the beekeeping science have to reach beyond the narrow field of specialization and take an active position in finding solutions to such important issues as environmental pollution and exhaustion of natural



resources, poverty and social inequality, cultural barriers, pandemics, and diseases of human civilization. Having discovered one of the greatest wonders of nature, bee family and its products, we have to think how we can use their miraculous power to make our world better.

- Honey World Championship: More than 100 nominations for honey, beeswax, honey drinks and other beekeeping products with new, harmonized quality standards, as well as for innovations, inventions, collections, printing etc.

### You can meet beekeepers from around the world! by Ann Harman

You could start now making plans for meeting beekeepers from all over the world. How? By attending the 2013 Congress of Apimondia from September 29 through October 4, 2013. Where? In Kiev, capital of Ukraine. Kiev is both a vibrant modern city and a beautiful old one. Beekeeping has a long history in Ukraine. You can see this for yourself at the fascinating beekeeping museum.

At the Congress you have many choices of presentations on various beekeeping topics -- bee health, bee biology, diseases and pests, and more! Don't worry -- the official language of the Congress is English!

For more information on the Congress, visit the website: [apimondia2013.org.ua/en/](http://apimondia2013.org.ua/en/) and for more information on Apimondia itself, visit: [Apimondia.com/en](http://Apimondia.com/en)

The next Congress in 2015 will be in South Korea and that's a long way from here. So make your plans now for 2013 and I'll see you there!

*Ann Harman is a well-known lecturer and columnist for Bee Culture.*

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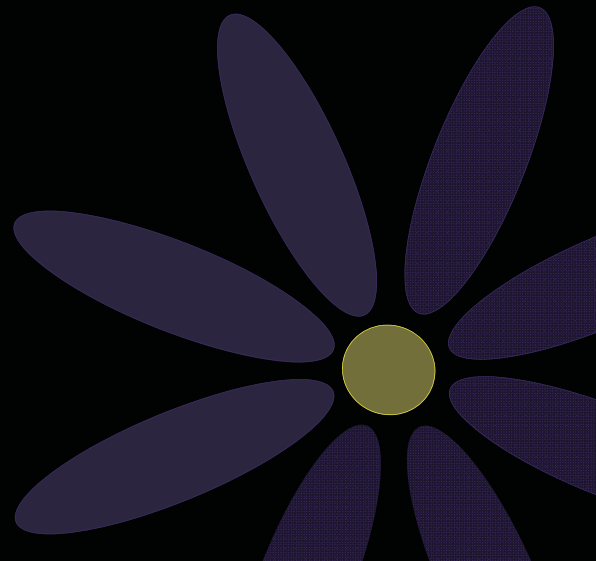
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## Local clubs to jump-start spring with workshops, meetings

### BeeSpeakSTL.com to present first speaker in series

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Texas A&M University, who is in much demand as a teacher of biology and behavioral ecology and the reproductive behavior of honeybee queens.

Tuition is \$90 per person, including lunch and refreshments. Registration closes February 2nd unless filled sooner. See [www.easternmobeekkeepers.com](http://www.easternmobeekkeepers.com) for registration and additional information.

Additionally, Eastern is hosting its Second Annual **St. Louis Beekeepers Mardi Gras Banquet** on Friday, February 8 at

Maritz. It is open to all beekeepers in St. Louis and the surrounding region. Dinner features New Orleans style food and music, a cash bar, and door prizes including nucs, queens and beekeeping equipment. After dinner remarks are by Dr. Jamie Ellis from the University of Florida. Cost is \$35.00, or \$30.00 for those attending the next day's workshop. Details and registration are available at [www.easternmobeekkeepers.com](http://www.easternmobeekkeepers.com).

The Kansas City-area **Midwestern Beekeepers Association** will hold a Beginner's Beekeeping Class on Saturday, March 16, at 3 Trails Camp in Kansas City. The cost is \$60, which includes a box lunch and club membership. More details are available by calling Cathy Misko at 660-656-3485, or visiting their website at [www.midwesternbeekeepers.org](http://www.midwesternbeekeepers.org).

#### New beekeeping speaker series debuts in St. Louis

**BeeSpeakSTL.com** will present the first speaker in its series, **Michael Bush**, author of *The Practical Beekeeper: Beekeeping Naturally*, on February 23, 2013 at the University of Missouri - St. Louis. Cost is \$17.00 in advance, \$20.00 at the door.

Michael Bush is one of the leading proponents of treatment-free beekeeping. He has been keeping bees since the mid 1970s, usually from two to seven hives up until the year 2000. The growing prevalence of the Varroa mite forced more experimentation and his numbers have increased to about 200.

Michael will be joined by a panel of local beekeepers who will share their swarm luring and catching techniques. A Question and Answer session will allow you to directly engage Michael and our local panelists with seasonal management questions.

BeeSpeakSTL.com is a St. Louis regional speaker series dedicated to advancing and promoting beekeeping throughout the area. BeeSpeakSTL.com is jointly sponsored and hosted by Saint Louis Beekeepers and Three Rivers Beekeepers. Come join the growing number of St. Louis area beekeepers. All are welcome at whatever level of experience!

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## 150th Anniversary Celebration

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March 15th & 16th, 2013



### TENTATIVE AGENDA

#### Friday, March 15th, 2013

12:00-4:00 p.m. Open House at Dadant & Sons, Inc. manufacturing locations: Hamilton, IL, Dallas City, IL, Kahoka, MO.

5:30 p.m. Welcome & Banquet Dinner at Sullivan Auction Site, Hamilton, IL.

6:30 p.m. After Dinner speaker: Dr. James Tew, *Bee Culture* Columnist, Author, Beekeeping Extension Specialist - Wooster, OH.

7:30 p.m. Close

#### Saturday, March 16th, 2013

8:00 a.m. Registration - Sullivan Auction Site- Hamilton, IL.

8:45 a.m. Coffee and Rolls

9:00 a.m. Welcome by Tim C Dadant, President, Dadant & Sons, Inc.

9:15 a.m. Randy Oliver - *ABJ* Columnist, Commercial Beekeeper and Bee Researcher - Grass Valley, CA.

10:05 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Dr. James Tew - *Bee Culture* Columnist, Author, Beekeeping Extension Specialist - Wooster, OH.

11:20 a.m. Jerry Hayes - *ABJ* Columnist, Bee Research at Monsanto - St. Louis, MO.

12:10 p.m. Lunch Break

1:30 p.m. Randy Oliver - *ABJ* Columnist, Commercial Beekeeper and Bee Researcher - Grass Valley, CA

\*All 3 Sessions (A, B, C) will be running in all 3 time slots

A: Setting up a Honey House - Kent Robertson, Manager of Dallas City, IL. metal Plant

B: Honey & Hive Product Marketing - Charles and Karen Lorence - Aurora, IL.

C: Queen Rearing and Making Spring Splits - Ray Latner - High Springs, FL. Branch manager, Beekeeper

2:15 p.m. Sessions: A, B, C

2:45 p.m. Sessions: A, B, C

3:15 p.m. Sessions: A, B, C

3:50 p.m. Raffle drawing

4:00 p.m. Close

\*If session exceeds room capacity, attendees will be moved to another session.

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**Randy Oliver** He has 40 years of practical beekeeping experience, plus holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Biological Sciences. Randy researches, analyzes, and digests beekeeping information from all over the world in order to not only broaden his own depth of understanding and knowledge, but to develop practical solutions to many of today's beekeeping problems, which he then shares with other beekeepers through his various articles in the *American Bee Journal*, his speaking engagements worldwide, and on his website: [www.ScientificBeekeeping.com](http://www.ScientificBeekeeping.com)

**Dr. James Tew** He is currently the Beekeeping Specialist for the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, Auburn University. In 2011 he retired after 34 years as the Ohio State Extension Beekeeping Specialist at Ohio State Univ. He has taught and has conducted applied research on honey bees and their behavior, specifically pollination behavior. He writes monthly articles for *Bee Culture* and has written two books, *Beekeeping Principles* and *Backyard Beekeeping*. He enjoys woodworking, photography and feeding ungrateful birds. He can be reached at: [tewbee2@gmail.com](mailto:tewbee2@gmail.com), [twitter.com/onetewbee](https://twitter.com/onetewbee) and [facebook.com/tewbee2](https://facebook.com/tewbee2).

**Jerry Hayes** Jerry Hayes took an Apiculture Program under Dr. Jim Tew at the Univ. of Ohio. Then went to work at the USDA Bee Breeding and Stock Lab in Baton Rouge where at the time African Honey Bees were on the horizon and ID techniques were being studied. He later became a Regional Dadant Branch manager in Michigan and eventually moved to Dadant's Headquarters in

Hamilton, Illinois. In 2003, he moved to Florida to become the Chief of the Apiary Inspection Section. He has written, with many writers' help, the "Classroom" in the *ABJ* for 20 plus years. He is on several science advisory boards for Colony Collapse Disorder and research funding projects. Starting in late January of 2012, he began a new beekeeping disease research job at Monsanto Corporation headquartered in St. Louis, MO.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday afternoon conference attendees will have an opportunity to tour the facilities of Dadant and Sons in Hamilton, IL. Tours will include visits to the company's office, showroom, library and warehouse. In addition, guided tours will allow visitors to see the production of wax foundation. Tours also available at our Kahoka, MO. candle plant and the Dallas City, IL. metal plant.

Also on Friday evening, at the Sullivan Auction site, there will be a kick-off banquet dinner for meeting registrants who have pre-registered. Following the banquet dinner, all meeting pre-registrants will have an opportunity to hear Dr. James Tew. In order to participate in the Friday evening banquet, participants need to pre-register. See the registration form for details.

On Saturday, in addition to hearing three nationally recognized keynote speakers, attendees will have an opportunity to participate in all three break-out sessions that will address beekeeper needs and interests. A Saturday luncheon, provided free of charge by Dadant & Sons, will be available to all meeting pre-registrants.

There will be a raffle for door prizes at the meeting.



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## SESSION PRESENTERS

**CHARLES and KAREN LORENCE** - ABJ Columnist  
Honey & Hive Product Marketing

**RAY LATNER** - Dadant-High Springs, FL - branch manager, beekeeper  
Queen Rearing and Making Spring Splits

**KENT ROBERTSON** Dadant-Dallas City, IL - metal plant manager  
Setting Up a Honey House

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## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Pre-registration will allow your hosts to make adequate preparations for meals. Only those who pre-register by the deadline date of Feb.15, 2013 will be eligible to attend the free Friday evening banquet dinner and the Saturday luncheon. Etc.

*Registration will be limited*

## Dadant 150th Anniversary Celebration Pre-registration Form

One household per pre-registration form only, please. If you need additional preregistration forms, you may either photocopy this page, or contact Dadant and Sons by phone or e-mail to request that additional copies be sent to you. Be certain to give your mailing address when requesting additional preregistration forms.

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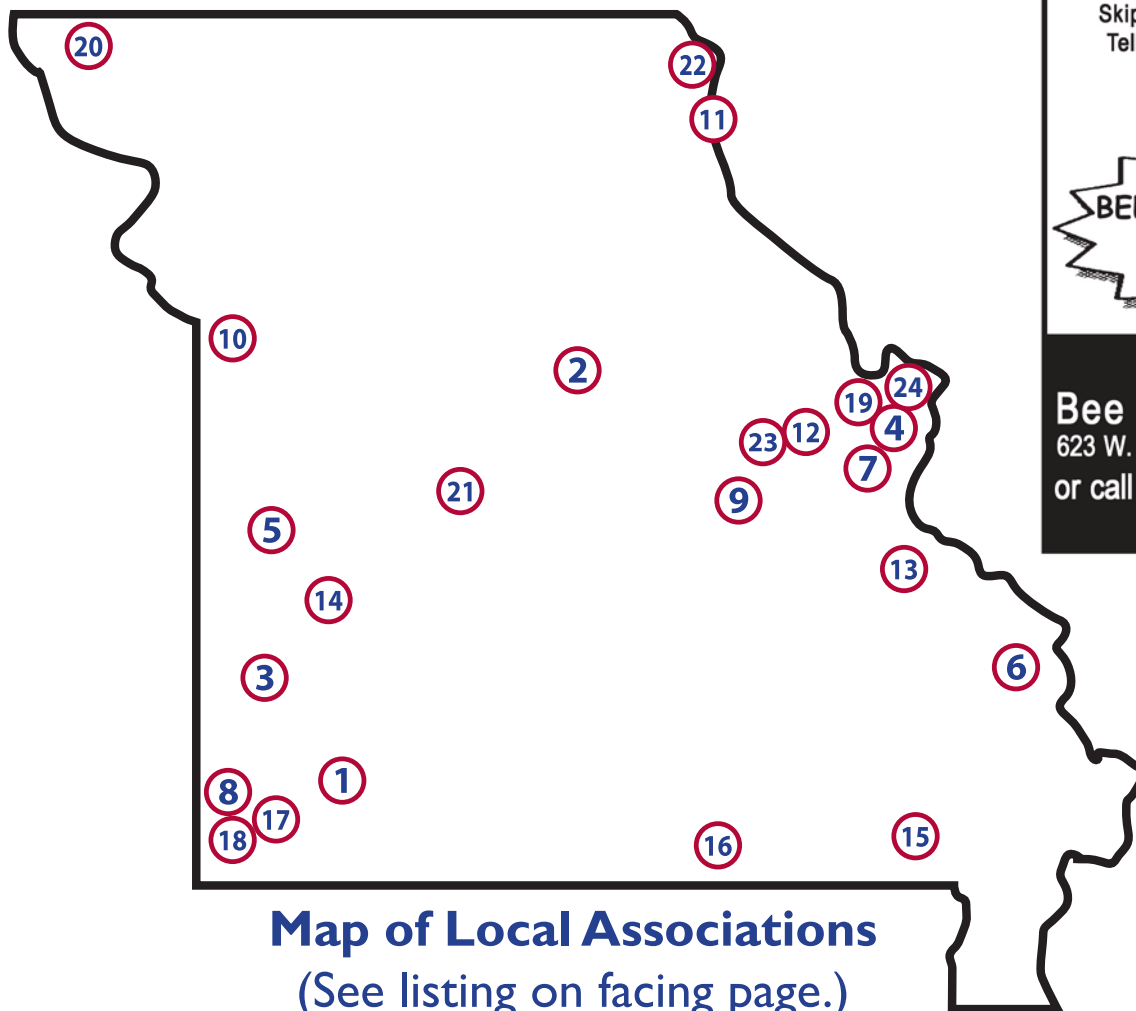
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- 1 Beekeepers Association of the Ozarks**  
4th Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m.  
Darr Ag Center, 2401 S. Kansas Expwy, Springfield  
[www.ozarksbeekeepers.org](http://www.ozarksbeekeepers.org)
- 2 Boone Regional Beekeepers Association**  
3rd Sunday of month, 3:00 p.m., Columbia Insurance Group, 2102 Whitegate Dr. (back door), Columbia  
President Jim Duever 573-254-3373  
[www.boonebees.org](http://www.boonebees.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](mailto:grnthumb@alltel.net)
- 4 Eastern Missouri Beekeepers Association**  
2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 p.m., location changes. Bob Sears, President 314-479-9517  
[www.easternmobeekeepers.com](http://www.easternmobeekeepers.com)
- 5 Golden Valley Beekeepers**  
2nd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (but varies)  
Henry County Courthouse, Clinton MO  
Contact Kathy Murphy 660-678-5171  
[murftk@copper.net](mailto:murftk@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](mailto: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  
Steve Davis, President 620-202-0232
- 9 Mid Missouri Beekeepers**  
3rd Sunday of each month, 2 pm, Old Train Depot, St. James. Steven Todd, President 573-885-6650  
[steventdd447@gmail.com](mailto:steventdd447@gmail.com)
- 10 Midwestern Beekeepers Association**  
Nov-March, 3rd Sunday of each month, 2:30 p.m.  
April-Oct, 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m. (Schedule varies; please call first to confirm.)  
Bass Pro Shop, Independence, Conservation Room  
Cathy Misko, President 660-656-3485  
[cathymisko@earthlink.net](mailto:cathymisko@earthlink.net)
- 11 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, contact below if unsure  
President Calvin Brandt [cvbrandt@landolakes.com](mailto:cvbrandt@landolakes.com)
- 13 Parkland Beekeepers**  
3rd Tuesday of month, 7pm, Ozark Federal Savings  
President Jim Johnson 573-330-6498 or 573-330-6499
- 14 Pomme de Terre Beekeepers**  
2nd Thursday of each month, 7 pm  
Missouri Extension Office, Hermitage  
Contact Bessi Shryer 417-745-2527
- 15 SEMO Honey Producers**  
2nd Thursday of month, Church of Christ, Poplar Bluff  
Contact Ernie Wells 573-429-0222  
[wells.ernie@gmail.com](mailto:wells.ernie@gmail.com)
- 16 South Central Missouri Beekeepers Association**  
1st 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 Monett  
Leon Riggs, President 417-235-5053
- 18 Southwest Missouri Beekeepers Assn. of Neosho**  
1st Tuesday of month, Neosho High School FFA Bldg  
President Roger Ross 417-472-3504
- 19 Three Rivers Beekeepers**  
3rd Monday of month, University of Missouri Extension, 260 Brown Road, St. Peters, Missouri, 7:00 p.m.  
For info: 2952 Greenleaf Drive, St. Charles, MO 63303  
[info@threeriversbeekeepers.com](mailto:info@threeriversbeekeepers.com)
- 20 Northwest Missouri Bee Busters**  
1st Monday of odd months, 7:00 p.m.  
511 4th Street, Conception Junction, MO 64434  
Gerald Auffert, President 660-944-2535
- 21 Lake of the Ozarks Beekeepers**  
3rd Saturday of month, 1:00 p.m.  
UMC Extension Office, 100 E. Newton, Versailles MO  
Contact Russell Kasnick 573-372-3122
- 22 Northeast Missouri Beekeepers Association**  
1st Friday of month, 6:30 pm Running Fox Elementary (3 miles south of Wayland) Acting President  
Randy Ewart 573-248-5561 [rewart@centurytel.net](mailto:rewart@centurytel.net)
- 23 Gasconade Region Bee Keepers**  
2nd Tuesday 7:00, First State Comm. Bank, Owensville  
President Rodney Angell 573-259-5811  
2224 Nowack, Rosebud MO [bee143@fidnet.com](mailto:bee143@fidnet.com)
- 24 St. Louis Beekeepers**  
4th Tuesday 6:30, Schlafly Bottleworks  
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