

# The Missouri State Beekeepers Association Brood



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## Meet Your 2017 Missouri Honey Ambassador

Hello Fellow Missouri Beekeepers, my name is Kyle Day and I am honored to be serving as your 2017 Missouri Honey Ambassador. I look forward to the upcoming year promoting honey and beekeeping throughout the state and having the opportunity to meet you all.



A little bit about myself: I am from Richmond, Mo. I recently graduated in 2017 from Richmond High School, and I am currently a student at Missouri State University where I am seeking a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Agricultural Education. I am a member of the Midwestern Beekeepers Association, Beekeepers Association of the Ozarks, and the MSU Beekeeping Club. Going into winter I currently have two hives back home and I'm helping with the hives owned by the MSU Beekeeping Club.

I got my start in beekeeping with the Midwestern Beekeepers Association's Youth Scholarship Program in 2014. Since completing my youth scholarship requirements I have had the opportunities to teach 2nd graders during the Richmond High School Farm Day, work at educational outreach booths, help teach beginning beekeeping classes, write monthly beginning beekeeping articles, and help mentor other scholarship students. I think we all need to help the next generation get involved with beekeeping. Our future of Missouri Beekeeping starts with them, and one of those "kids" you help could be the one who finds a way to forever save the Honey Bees!

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## From the President

by Clayton Lee

I know I am biased, but I thought our Fall Conference was a tremendous success!! Bruce Snively and team put together a great program! Erin MacGregor-Forbes and Dr. Meghan Milbrath were great speakers and provided us with some valuable information. I know I am changing the way I attack mites.

The MSBA Executive Committee met the Thursday evening before the Conference. We had a great turnout with representatives from ten (10) local clubs and associations from across the state. We discussed possible locations for the Fall 2018 Conference and a couple of folks are checking for site availability in their area. We also discussed ways to maintain contact with local clubs and associations officers with recent elections.



I can't stop thinking about all the people I would like to thank for making the Conference a success. As I consider who I should thank, I have decided it should be everyone. Members, volunteers, speakers, vendors and visitors all did good things! I feel very lucky to be a part of MSBA.

Please consider becoming a member to one of the committees within MSBA: Education, State Fair, and Programs. We have folks that are willing to serve in the leadership role, but we can always use new ideas. Feel free to let me know what you would like to see MSBA accomplish in the upcoming year. My email is [leeland55@gmail.com](mailto:leeland55@gmail.com).

I hope your days will be filled with great times with honey bees!



## Honey Tasting Contest Winners

Rolla Bee Club's 3rd Annual Honey Tasting Contest winners October 22, 2017 are, from left: David Draker, 1st place; Charity Allen, 3rd place and Cole Glackin, 2nd place. All honeys were multi-floral wildflower honeys with Draker's honey being a mix; Glackin's honey being a spring harvest and Allen's honey being a fall honey. Congratulations to beekeepers and bees alike!

(Photo by Charlotte Ekker Wiggins)

## MSBA Membership

Membership dues remain at \$10 per individual. You may renew your membership by going to the MSBA website and utilizing PayPal or mail your check to me with your first and last names, address, telephone number, and email address. I gladly accept batch memberships if given the information on a typewritten list and either a check from the local club's treasurer or secretary.

With the change of the website some folks have renewed well in advance of their membership expiration. You should now receive notice the month preceding your membership expiration. While the website is going through growth spurts please contact me if you have questions regarding your membership. Some of you have paid until 2019! Thank you for supporting MSBA!

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## Parkland Beekeepers Get A Building

When a person starts keeping bees it's not long before they realize. "Gee, it would be nice to have a place for a little storage." The same is true for a bee club. The Parkland Beekeepers Association maintains a teaching apiary at Mineral Area College, working closely with the Horticulture department there. The beekeepers just recently obtained a storage building which will be quite handy for their activities. The 10 x 12 shed, placed relatively close to the bee yard on campus, will be used not only for the benefit of keepers managing and visiting the hives but also will store the club's virtual hive and other items used for outreach during local community events. In addition, it will store portable extracting and honey processing equipment jointly owned by the club and college, when not in use by the bee association's members.



The Parkland Beekeepers Association annual bee workshop is scheduled for January 20, 2018 at Mineral Area College. Anyone interested in attending and learning about the craft of beekeeping can text Ray Politte at 573/631-8236 or email (PBA\_President@mineralarea.edu).

## Meet Your 2017 Missouri Honey Ambassador

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I am so excited to begin this new year as your 2017 Missouri Honey Ambassador! I had a blast this year at the Fall Conference. I not only started my reign as Ambassador, but I was awarded the 2017 Junior Beekeeper of the Year Award. It is a great honor for me just to be in the same room as so many great beekeepers let alone get recognized. I got reconnect with so many beekeepers who I have looked up to these past years and meet many new ones. I left the state conference with 100s of new ideas to try for the upcoming year. It just fuels me and really gets me even more excited for spring to come. You all have welcomed me into this organization with open arms and it really make me excited to be a part of it and represent all of you. I have already talked with several people to visit clubs and events and I am excited to see what this year will bring!! If you have an event or meeting you would like me to attend, please get in touch with Amy the Ambassador Chair and we would love to set it up. I hope you all have a great winter and I hope to meet all of you this next year!

## Security Tidbits

A few reminders and warning signs that you have been compromised from the Dave Ramsey blog

- Never use the same password.
- Change all of your passwords at least every 90 days.
- Don't forget to keep an eye on your kids credit reports
- Check your credit report 3 times a year
- Warning Signs That Someone Has Stolen Your Identity
- Unauthorized charges appear on your accounts.
- Your credit report shows accounts you didn't open.
- You get a call from a collection agency about a debt you didn't incur.
- Your banking and billing statements don't arrive on time.
- You receive a bill from a credit card account you didn't open.



## 2107 Fall Conference Pictures

They say a picture is worth a thousand words... if you attended the conference this year you know these pictures are only scratching the surface of all the good times and information which was shared at the Fall Conference this year.



# Why Should You Join Your State Beekeeping Association?

By: Ray Shadow, West Central Region Director

**Last time I talked about why we should all join our local clubs and organizations. This time I would like to try to provide a few reasons why you should join the State organization.**

**Local Help:** Your state organization wants to help each local club help beekeepers, no matter its size. To do that it needs the input and information from as many beekeepers as possible.

**Resources:** While the resources available right now are fairly light because of a website redesign they are growing. If there is something you would like to see available you have to let someone know. BUT if you have a resource that would be useful to other beekeepers SHARE it; send it to the Executive committee for review and posting so the rest of us can be better informed.


**Special Skills:** Everyone has a set of skills that is unique to them. Maybe you are an accountant and have all of the latest tax or financial info or a commercial beek and know how to go from hobby

to commercial beekeeping. Submit articles, offer to give presentations, or however you can spread the information. The rest of us would really appreciate it.

**Organizing and Coordinating Statewide Events:** MSBA has three statewide events each year, two conferences and the State Fair. These events help to spread the word about beekeeping and provide valuable education and updated information to beekeepers.

**Politics:** Face it there will be a time where some politician will want to do more to effect beekeeping and when they do, numbers matter. An organization with 5000 members will get more attention than an organization of 300, it stinks but it is also true.

While these seem to be about how you can help the state organization if you think about it, they are really about how you and your fellow beekeepers can help each other – and isn't that what we all need? If my neighbor has healthier bees then I have to worry less about his diseases and when his bees swarm I can catch healthier swarms and hopefully he can catch mine.

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On September 30th Boone Regional Beekeepers Association had two booths at the MU South Farm Showcase in Columbia to educate the public on the importance of Honey Bees. Over a thousand people attended the event through out the day.





# The Sting

By: Gregg Hitchings, MSBA Southeast Regional Director

The bee was in my veil. I was quite busy in the hive doing mite checks in early October. It was hot and we hadn't had rain in weeks. Nothing was coming in and robbing was easily triggered. I was trying to get things done quickly. I noticed the close-up and out of focus view of the worker's back as it was walking on the cloth mesh inches from my eyes. I remember quickly hoping for a pleasant outcome to this situation and put it out of my mind, turning my attention back to the work at hand.

Stings normally are no big thing. I've had a gazillion of them through the years. It was 1966 when my beekeeping mentor, Walter Coxey, reached down and picked up a worker to create a "teaching moment" for me. Having been caught and held by the wings, the worker visibly struggled to get her defenses going. It wasn't possible until Mr. Coxey pressed her to the back of his bare left hand. She embedded the sting. When fingers opened she struggled more, leaving a package behind. Mr. Coxey told me to watch closely as the membranes attached to the sting pulsated. He told me the sole purpose of the rhythmic motions was to empty the contents of the "venom bag" into his body. I believed my mentor in this regard for decades, not knowing he was only partly correct.

Back to the October mite check, the hope of a pleasant outcome was dashed. The bee found the canal of my left ear and buried itself so far inside it could go no farther. Just as all attention turned to what had invaded my head the bee became absolutely motionless...I stood still too. Both of us waited, trying to figure a way out of the situation each of us found ourselves in. Suddenly it began buzzing...vibrating, really. And it was insanely intense! Recognizing the time for action had begun, I created distance from the hive and tore my veil off. My first reaction, which was my only reaction and not particularly well thought out, was to push the index finger of my left hand into my ear. Not smart. The bee of course pulled the trigger inside my ear then, when given the opportunity, she backed out leaving behind a reminder of her visit.



Trust me. The ear is a sensitive area. Stings in the ear hurt! I made no attempt at removing the sting from my ear, just accepting this was not the outcome hoped for earlier. I replaced the veil and returned to the hive to continue the work. The sting however would not leave me alone. Unlike a sting I receive elsewhere, on the hands for instance, this could not be removed easily by the flick of a hive tool. The ear was throbbing with each contraction of the sting. It drove me nuts for fully ten minutes.

Last March, I was able to sit in on one of Dr. Jamie Ellis' lectures at the University of Florida's annual Bee College. Dr. Ellis' entertaining lectures are always interesting and you can't help but learn something. In this one I learned my mentor of so many years ago didn't know the full story of why that pulsating takes place during the sting process.

Just days after the bee in the ear calamity I was stung again, this time intentionally, on the back of my left hand. I made a video of the process that occurs if a beekeeper does not immediately scrape off the sting. It was done with a digital micro-cam, the acquisition of which was inspired by Wes Johnston's PowerPoint presentation on the small hive beetle. I found his pictures which were taken with a similar instrument incredible.

If you would like to see the very short video of the progression of a sting and hear a simplistic explanation of how the sting occurs, check out "See Gregg Get Stung" on the Education and Resources tab on the MSBA website. Link: [mostatebeekeepers.org](http://mostatebeekeepers.org)

## Heartland Apicultural Society's Missouri Conference Speakers Confirmed

By Charlotte Ekker Wiggins  
MSBA East Central Regional Director

**ST. LOUIS – Planning continues for Heartland Apicultural Society's annual conference to be held July 11-13, 2018 at Washington University, St. Louis. Heartland Apicultural Society is an annual beekeeping conference focused on discussing the latest research and methods in beekeeping.**

Established in 2001 by several professional entomologists, the conference rotates through the Midwest to make it easier for Midwest beekeepers to attend the sessions. The conference was last held in Missouri in 2012. "We are excited about the opportunity to bring this conference back to Missouri," said Heartland Apicultural Society President Bob Sears. Sears is among several volunteers pulling together the organizational structure that will support the three-day conference featuring both keynote speakers as well as concurrent break-out sessions and evening events.

Among the speakers confirmed to date:

- University of Minnesota Bee Squad, a beekeeping instructional and public outreach program to



encourage collaboration and public education about bees;

- Jennifer Berry, University of Georgia Honey Bee program lab manager.
- Dr. Keith Delaplane, director of the University of Georgia Honey Bee Program;
- Samuel Ramsey, University of Maryland PhD candidate and researcher.
- Dr. Marla Spivak, a MacArthur Fellow at University of Minnesota's Bee Lab, and
- Dr. Dennis vanEngelsdorp, University of Maryland Honeybee Lab, who directs the Bee Informed Partnership, the Tech Transfer Program and the annual national beekeeping management surveys.

More details will be posted as they are finalized at <http://www.heartlandbees.org>.

## Planting Native Wildflowers

Jacquelyn Bandy of the Golden Valley Beekeepers provided some beginning information on growing native to help our pollinators. Before you start know your site, Missouri has glades, savannas, prairies, wetlands, woodlands, and forest. Understand your soil, sandy clay or loam, sandy and clay soil can be amended with natural materials( compost). Most native plants don't need fertilizers, in fact fertilizer's can hinder the growing. You may want to test your soil, aim for a pH of 6.5. Consider your planting area, large areas over half an acre, seeding would be best. Plant seeds in late fall/ early winter to allow them to go through the freeze thaw cycle. Maintenance the first two years is as simple as periodically mowing. A seeded native plant garden area takes patience because the first 2-3 years the plants are forming their roots. Improve your diversity by encouraging plants already present, controlling invasive plant species, and planting native wildflowers. It will a huge difference for the pollinators and birds, or butterflies numbers. Remember to when planting for pollinators to provide habitat that includes host plants for caterpillars, as well as nectar sources. Encouraging pollinators increase other beneficial insects which in turn attack insect pests. There are resources available from local nurseries in Missouri, Natural Missouri resource, government programs, and many website, for one web site [www.shawnature.org](http://www.shawnature.org).



# Students Receive Royal Treatment

The Midwestern Beekeepers Association participated in the American Royal School Tours on September 26-29th. More than 5,000 Kansas City area elementary students attended this year's event where they learned about agriculture and how it affects their everyday lives through the tours. They also attended the American Royal youth rodeo.



Pictured from left to right are: Bob Williams, Russell Correll, Jacob Runyon, Ian Parrish (standing,) Will Pryor and Phil Duncan. Not pictured but also participated were Tom Britz, Jamie Runyon, Jeff Kaestner and Jolene Hallam.



L-R: Bob Williams, Jamie Runyon, Ian Parrish, Tom Britz



Jolene Hallam shows visiting students various tools of the trade





## Honey Pecan Pie

Submitted by: Linda Cook

### Ingredients:

- ½ cup honey
- ½ cup corn syrup
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/3 cup melted unsalted butter
- 3 eggs plus 1 yolk slightly beaten
- 1/3 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup of chopped pecans
- ¾ cups of pecan halves (For the top of pie)
- 1 unbaked pie shell

**Directions:** Combine the first 7 ingredients until smooth. Stir in chopped pecans. Pour into unbaked pie shell. Arrange pecan halves on the top of the filling. Bake in a 325° oven for 50 minutes.



## Peanut Butter Honey Fudge

Submitted by: Nancy Giofre

### Ingredients:

- 2 cups peanut butter
- ½ cup dark chocolate chips
- ¾ cup honey

**Directions:** Combine peanut butter and chocolate chips and microwave at 30 second intervals mixing each time until melted and smooth. Add in honey and mix well. Pour into 8x8 baking dish lined with foil. Refrigerate until set.



## Honey Peanut Butter Cookies

Submitted by: Debbie Mott

### Ingredients:

- ½ cup shortening
- 1 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1 cup honey
- 2 eggs
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 ½ tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt

**Directions:** In mixing bowl, mix shortening, peanut butter, and honey. Add eggs; mix well. In a small mixing bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking soda, baking powder, and salt. Add to peanut butter mixture and mix well. Roll into 1 to 1 ½ in balls. Place on ungreased baking sheet and flatten with a fork. Bake at 350° for 8-10 minutes.



## Fluffy Honey Orange Cake

Submitted by: Corinne Collins

### Ingredients:

- 4 large eggs separated
- ¾ cup oil
- 10.5 oz honey
- ½ cup potato starch
- 1 ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tbsp orange liqueur
- Zest of one orange
- ¼ cup orange juice
- 3 ½ teaspoons baking powder
- A pinch of salt

**Directions:** Using a hand mixer beat the yolks with the honey until frothy and thick. (About 3 minutes). Very slowly add the oil, and beat until creamy. Add potato starch, orange zest, and liqueur. Now add the flour (Mixed with baking powder) a little at a time, alternating with the orange juice. In a separate, clean and degreased bowl mix together your egg whites with a pinch of salt until stiff. Gently fold the egg whites into the batter. Pour mixture into a bundt pan that's been greased and dusted with flour. Bake at 350° for 30-35 minutes. Or until done when tested with a toothpick

**Glaze:** Mix together ¼ cup powdered sugar, 4 tsp orange juice, 1 tsp vanilla and spoon onto the cake while warm.





## Honey Buttermilk Bread

Submitted by: Corinne Collins

### Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon/packet of yeast
- 1 pinch of powdered ginger
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- ¼ cup warm water 105 °
- 2 cups warm buttermilk 105°
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 tsp salt
- ¾ tsp baking soda
- 6 cups white bread flour (Divided use)
- ¼ cup unsalted butter and cooled so that it is warm to the touch but not hot

**Directions:** In a medium sized bowl mix the yeast, ginger, sugar, and warm water. Set aside for 5 minutes or until foamy. Whisk the buttermilk, honey, salt, and baking soda together and add it to the yeast mixture. Add 3 cups of flour and mix until smooth, about 3-5 minutes on low of a stand mixer. Pour in the butter until it's completely mixed into the batter. Add the rest of the flour, one cup at a time, keeping the mixer on low speed. When the dough pulls from the side of the bowl remove it from the mixer to a lightly floured surface, kneed until elastic and smooth. Place into a greased bowl, turn to grease the top, and cover with clean tea towel. Allow the dough to rise for 1 ½ hours, or until double. Punch down, and form into 2 loaves. Place in greased loaf pans and grease tops. Cover and allow to rise for 45 minutes, or until it's just at the top of the bread pan. Preheat oven to 400°. Bake for 30 minutes. You can cover with foil if it browns to fast. Remove loaves from oven and brush with melted butter. Allow to cool in pans for 10 minutes. Gently run a knife around the edge between the bread and the pan to loosen it. Turn out and cool completely on a rack. Cover the loaves if you want a soft crust.



## Honey Cheesecake

Submitted by: Domenic Giofre

### Ingredients:

- 4 (8oz) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1 cups sour cream
- ½ cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup honey
- 1/8 cup corn starch
- 1 oz amaretto liqueur (optional)
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 5 eggs whole
- 1 egg yolk

**Direction:** Preheat oven to 350° and place oven shelf in the center of the oven. Wrap the outside of a spring form pan with foil. Generously butter the inside of the pan. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese and butter until smooth. Mix in honey and cornstarch. Blend in sour cream and whipping cream. Add amaretto and vanilla. Stir in eggs and egg yolk one at a time, mixing thoroughly between each addition. Pour batter into prepared pan. Place pan in another pan at least 1 inch wider than the cake and add warm water to the outer pan to create a water bath. (This prevents cracks in your cheesecake) Bake on the center rack of the oven for 70 minutes.

**For more delicious "Cooking with Honey" recipes, visit our website at [www.mostatebeekeepers.org](http://www.mostatebeekeepers.org)**

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# Missouri Beekeepers Association Local Associations

## 1. Beekeepers Assn of the Ozarks

4th Tuesday, 6-9 p.m., Seminole Baptist Church, 4221 S. National Ave. Springfield MO 65810

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## 2. Bees Alive

1st Thursday, 7-9 p.m., Central Bank of the Ozarks, 502 W Mt. Vernon St., Nixa, MO 65714

Dan Barton, dannyohboy@hotmail.com, [www.beesaliveclub.org](http://www.beesaliveclub.org)

## 3. Bolivar Bee Club

1st Monday of each month from 6 – 7:30 p.m., County Library, Bolivar

## 4. Boone Regional Beekeepers Assn

3rd Sunday, 920 East Campus Dr. Room S147, Columbia. Doors open at 2:45 pm Meeting at 3:00 pm.

Jim Duever, President, 573-254-3373, [www.boone-bees.org](http://www.boone-bees.org)

## 5. Busy Bee Club

4th Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Cedar County Health Center, Owens Mill Road, Stockton

Neal Lee, 417-276-3090, Neil Brunner, 314-276-4252

## 6. Cass County Bee Club

2nd Sunday 2-4 p.m., Family Farm & Home Center, Harrisonville, MO 64701

Christine Falynowski, 816-739-0726, [thekansasbee-co@yahoo.com](mailto:thekansasbee-co@yahoo.com)

## 7. Dexter Bee Club

1st Tuesday, 6 pm, Scott Laden's house, 9265 County Road 627, Dexter

Cory Stevens, 573-225-6935, [corystevens00@yahoo.com](mailto:corystevens00@yahoo.com)

## 8. Eastern Missouri Beekeepers Assn

2nd Wednesday, 7 pm, location changes.

Bob Sears, President, 314-479-9517, [www.eastern-mobeekeepers.com](http://www.eastern-mobeekeepers.com)

## 9. Fort Wood Area BEEKS

1st Sunday, 981 HWY Z, St. Robert, MO

Johnny Lozano, 573-528-4443, [silverback2bc@gmail.com](mailto:silverback2bc@gmail.com)

## 10. Gasconade Region Beekeepers

2nd Tuesday, 7 pm, First State Comm. Bank, 308 W. Lincoln Avenue, Owensville

Chris Bilbrey, 573-692-0698, [twace01@fidnet.com](mailto:twace01@fidnet.com)

## 11. Golden Valley Beekeepers

2nd Monday, 7-8:30 pm, Golden Corral, Clinton MO.

Jerry Perry, President, 660-383-1355, [jamielperry711@yahoo.com](mailto:jamielperry711@yahoo.com), [www.goldenvalleybeekeepers.com](http://www.goldenvalleybeekeepers.com)

## 12. Greenhills Bee Club

4th Monday, 7 pm, American Legion Hall, Braymer

J.R. Hess, 660-233-9577, [jrhess11@gmail.com](mailto:jrhess11@gmail.com)

## 13. Iberia Area Beekeepers

3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Iberia Library

Ray Shadow, 573-286-5289, [trynbeez@outlook.com](mailto:trynbeez@outlook.com), [www.facebook.com/trynbeez/](http://www.facebook.com/trynbeez/)

## 14. Jackson Area Beekeepers

4th Tues., 7 pm, First Presb. of Jackson, 206 E. Washington

Grant Gillard, 573-243-6568, [gillard5@charter.net](mailto:gillard5@charter.net)

## 15. Jefferson Co Beekeepers Assn

2nd Tuesday, 7:30 pm, Hwy B & 21, Jefferson Co Extension Ctr, Hillsboro, Marvin Hook, 636-274-1759

## 16. Joplin Area Beekeepers Assn

Last Tuesday, 6 pm, SM Bank Community Bldg (7th & Duquesne Rd), Joplin

Dale Foley, 417-850-0285, [contact@joplinareabeekeepers.com](mailto:contact@joplinareabeekeepers.com)

## 17. Lake of the Ozarks Beekeepers

3rd Sat., 1:00 pm, Square Deals Ice Cream Shop, Versailles  
Garrett Blackwell, 573-374-7402

## 18. Mark Twain Beekeepers (Dent County)

3rd Monday, 6-8 pm, Contact for meeting locations

Terry Phelps, 573-729-3333, Gregg Tivnan, 573-689-2254, [greggtivnan@yahoo.com](mailto:greggtivnan@yahoo.com)

## 19. Meramec Valley Beekeepers

1st Sunday, 2 pm, Peace Lutheran Church, Sullivan

Sam Elia, 573-732-5597, [samnora1@gmail.com](mailto:samnora1@gmail.com), Laurie Rose, [laurierose1219@yahoo.com](mailto:laurierose1219@yahoo.com)

## **20. Mid Missouri Beekeepers**

3rd Sunday, 2 pm, Old Train Depot, St. James.

**Don Moore**, 573-265-8706, [dlmoore2@centurytel.net](mailto:dlmoore2@centurytel.net)

## **21. Midwestern Beekeepers Assn**

3rd Sunday of the month, Bass Pro Shops in Independence MO. Visit [midwesternbeekeepers.org](http://midwesternbeekeepers.org) for meeting calendar

**Bob Williams**, President, [thebeltonbee@gmail.com](mailto:thebeltonbee@gmail.com), [www.midwesternbeekeepers.org](http://www.midwesternbeekeepers.org)

## **22. Mississippi Valley Beekeepers Assn**

Last Tuesday in Quincy, IL

**Bernie Andrew**, 217-938-4975

## **23. Missouri Valley Beekeepers Assn**

3rd Monday, 7 pm, Union, location varies

**Calvin Brandt**, President, [cvbrandt@landolakes.com](mailto:cvbrandt@landolakes.com)

## **24. North Central MO Beekeepers Assn**

1st Monday, 7 pm, Macon High School, Macon

**Bill George**, 660-214-0132, [georges@chbeekeeping.com](mailto:georges@chbeekeeping.com), [www.ncmobees.org](http://www.ncmobees.org)

## **25. Northeast Missouri Beekeepers Assn**

1st Friday, 7 pm, Clark Co Courthouse, Lower level, Kahoka (3 mi S of Wayland), location may vary

**Randy Ewart**, 573-248-5561, [rewart@centurytel.net](mailto:rewart@centurytel.net)

## **26. Northland Beekeepers**

3rd Tues. (usually), 7 pm, Smithville Library, Highway 169

**Clayton Lee**, 573-864-5172, [leeland55@gmail.com](mailto:leeland55@gmail.com)

## **27. Northwest Missouri Bee Busters**

2nd Monday, location varies

[beebusters2012@gmail.com](mailto:beebusters2012@gmail.com), [nwmobeebusters.blogspot.com](http://nwmobeebusters.blogspot.com)

## **28. Parkland Beekeepers**

3rd Tues., 7 pm, N College Center, Mineral Area College, Park Hills

**Ray Politte**, President, 573-631-8236, [PBA\\_President@mineralarea.edu](mailto:PBA_President@mineralarea.edu), [www.parklandbeekeepersassociation.org](http://www.parklandbeekeepersassociation.org)

## **29. Pomme de Terre Beekeepers**

2nd Thursday 7 pm, Missouri Extension Office, Hermitage

**Rebekah Huddleston**, [Rebekah\\_421@yahoo.com](mailto:Rebekah_421@yahoo.com)

## **30. Quad County Beekeepers**

1st Tuesday, 7 pm, Missouri Extension Office, Troy

**Eric Reid**, President, [QuadCountyBees@yahoo.com](mailto:QuadCountyBees@yahoo.com), [quadcountybeekeepers.com](http://quadcountybeekeepers.com)

## **31. Rolla Bee Club**

4th Sun. 2 pm, Brownwood Estates Clubhouse, 1341 California, Rolla

**David Draker**, 573-578-0561, [rollabees@gmail.com](mailto:rollabees@gmail.com), [www.rollabeeclub.com](http://www.rollabeeclub.com)

## **32. SEMO Honey Producers**

2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm, Zion Lutheran Church, 450 N. Main St., Poplar Bluff

**Ray Batton**, 573-785-1980, 573-778-6475 cell [sbatton6@gmail.com](mailto:sbatton6@gmail.com)

## **33. Show Me Beekeepers**

2nd Thursday, 6 p.m., Memorial Baptist Church Jefferson City, Mo.

**Debra Maier**, 573-832-3001, [townpolk@gmail.com](mailto:townpolk@gmail.com)

## **34. South Central MO Beekeepers Assn**

1st Friday, Howell Electric Coop, West Plains

**Monty Wiens**, President, 417-257-3994

## **35. Southern MO Beekeepers of Monett**

3rd Tuesday, 7 pm, United Methodist Church, Hwy 37 NW of Monett

**John Schmidt**, President, 417-830-9141

## **36. SW MO Beekeepers Assn of Neosho**

1st Tuesday, Neosho High School FFA Bldg

**Thelma Ross**, 417-472-3504, [rtross@scomm.net](mailto:rtross@scomm.net)

## **37. St. Louis Beekeepers**

4th Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Schlafly Bottleworks

[contact@saintlouisbeekeepers.com](mailto:contact@saintlouisbeekeepers.com), [www.saintlouisbeekeepers.com](http://www.saintlouisbeekeepers.com)

## **38. Swarm Chasers**

MO Dept. of Conservation, 701 McCarthy Dr., St. Joseph

**Jason Seetin**, [swarmchasers@gmail.com](mailto:swarmchasers@gmail.com)

## **39. Three Rivers Beekeepers**

3rd Mon., 7 pm, MU Extension, 260 Brown Rd, St. Peters

**Dwain Jansen**, President, 314-910-1251

## **40. West Central Beekeeping Assn**

2nd Wednesday, 6:30 pm, State Fair Community College, Potter-Ewing Ag Ctr, Sedalia

**Rick Messenger**, 660-827-4489, [lindarick95@gmail.com](mailto:lindarick95@gmail.com)

## **41. West Plains Bee Group**

3rd Thursday, 6 pm, Hirsch Feed & Farm Supply, 789 Worley Dr., West Plains

**Carl Fry**, 417-247-0708, **Dan Cropper**, 417-372-2602

## **42. Western Missouri Beekeepers**

2nd Tues., 6:30 pm, Moor-View Community Room, Nevada

**Caroline Phillips**, President, 417-321-3587, [bcphillips81@gmail.com](mailto:bcphillips81@gmail.com)

## **43. Wright County Beekeepers**

2nd Thursday, 7 pm, Laclede Electric Building, Hartville

**Rick Bledsoe**, 417-741-7466, [wrightcountybeekeepers@gmail.com](mailto:wrightcountybeekeepers@gmail.com)