

**Maryland State Beekeepers' Association Fall Meeting
November 4, 2017**

Maryland Department of Agriculture, 50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Annapolis

8:30 am	Refreshments, Coffee, Donuts, etc.	
9:00 am	Opening and Welcome	Allen Hayes, President
9:15 am	Maryland Apiary Inspector's Report	Cybil Preston, Maryland State Inspector
9:30 am	Pollinator Plots	Lane Heimer, Weed Control Program Supervisor Maryland Department of Agriculture
10:00 am	Keeping Bees and Doing Research at Scale: Overview of a Large Apiary Operation	Jessica Louque, Checkmate Apiary/Bee Culture Magazine
11:15 am	EAS Report: Delaware 2017, Virginia 2018	Tim McMahon, Master Beekeeper MSBA EAS Director
11:30 am	Lunch	
1:00 pm	Pesticide Economics: Testing for Honey Bee Health	Jessica Louque, Checkmate Apiary/Bee Culture Magazine
2:00 pm	MSBA Annual Business Meeting and Elections George Imirie Education & Free State Beekeeper Citizenship Awards Presentations, MSBA Honey Show Results	Nominations Committee Allen Hayes, President Honey Show Superintendent
2:45 pm	Roadside Pollinators	Lisa Kuder, BeeInformed Partnership/UMD,
3:30 pm	Ask the Experts Your Anonymous Beekeeping Questions	Panel
4:00 pm	Adjourn	

Directions to the Maryland Department of Agriculture

Take Route 50 towards Annapolis. Take Exit 22 (Route 665) to Riva Road. Follow the exit in the direction of Riva Road South.

Continue 4/10 miles to Harry S Truman Parkway and turn right at the light.

Go straight 1.2 miles to 50 Harry S Truman Parkway; the Maryland Department of Agriculture building is on the right. Look for yellow "BEE MTG" signs and the cows at the entrance to the drive. Take the second entrance. You may park in the lot. Enter at the front of the building: meeting is one floor down in the auditorium.

**Maryland Department of Agriculture
Headquarters Building
50 Harry S Truman Parkway
Annapolis, MD 21401**



Fall 2017 Meeting to Feature Jessica Louque of Bee Culture, Honey Show, More!

Jessica Louque is a *BeeCulture* magazine columnist and Senior Study Director for Smithers Viscient, working in the Pollinator and Non-Target Organisms Division.

Jessica is a talented speaker, and has deep roots in both research and training researchers. Her entomology background extends into the world of “urban” species such as bedbugs, fleas, ticks, roaches, ants, and pantry pests!

Jessie is the co-owner of Louque Agricultural Enterprises, LLC and Red Roof Agronomic Services, LLC with her husband, Bobby. Her career as a honey bee research scientist began in 2009 and has grown into a family business of bees. Their businesses run out of Francisco and Mount Airy, NC, with the help of their four kids, a lone dog who is scared of birds, two cats, and an uncountable number of chickens, guineas, turkeys, and quail. Jessie has her B.S. in Botany and her M.S. in Entomology, both from North Carolina State University.



Lane Heimer is the Supervisor of the Maryland Department of Agriculture’s Plant Protection and Weed Management Section, a group which also has responsibility for portions of the Maryland Pollinator Protection Plan (MP3). Heimer will introduce



and discuss how the Pollinator Plot project from MDA can create additional forage for native and managed pol-

linators, including your bees! Lane received his Bachelor of Science in Agronomy and Agricultural Economics from University of Maryland College Park in 1982, and has been with MDA since 1985.

Lisa Kuder is a PhD student who recently joined the vanEngelsdorp’s Honey Bee Lab, a part of University of Maryland’s Entomology Department. With a focus on solitary bees, her contributions help broaden the group’s research on improving pollinator health. She has a Masters in



Environmental Biology from Hood College (MD) and a B.S. in Chemistry from George Mason University (VA). Presently she is studying the successful establishment and biology of *Anthophora plumipes* in the Mid-Atlantic Region, in addition to exploring its interactions with native ecosystems. Why the vanEngelsdorp lab? “It’s a high energy environment comprised of supportive, intelligent and inspiring people who are dedicated to understanding and addressing factors that threaten bees.”



Lisa has also taken a leading role in the “Pollinaterps,” the student beekeeping and pollinator health group at UMD/College Park!

Tim McMahon is MSBA’s Eastern Apicultural Society Director. Tim is an avid beekeeper and student of native and non-managed pollinators, including those in Latin America. Tim was the 2015 recipient of MSBA’s George Imirie Award for Beekeeper Education.