Maryland State Beekeepers' Association Spring Meeting, June 17, 2017 Biosciences Research Building at UMD/College Park,

8:00 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 Apiary Inspector
9:45 am	Bee Diseases and Stress Tests at the USDA Bee Lab	Dr. Jay Evans, Research Leader USDA/ARS Beltsville
10:45 am	Financing the Honey Show,	Logan Yearsley, Exec. Secretary MD Agricultural Fair Board
11:00 am	Update: BIP Loss/Management Survey	Nathalie Steinhauer, BeeInformed Partnership
11:45 am	Lunch	
1:00 pm	Found in Translation: New Frontiers in Bee Research	Dr. Jay Evans, Research Leader USDA/ARS Beltsville
2:00 pm	EAS 2017 "See You in Delaware!"	Tim McMahon, MSBA EAS Director and Master Beekeeper
2:15 pm	BIP Maryland Pollen/Pesticide Testing, Results and Analysis	Nathalie Steinhauer, BeeInformed Partnership
3:30 pm	Ask Expert Beekeepers Your Anonymous Questions	Panel Discussion
4:00 pm	Adjourn	Allen Hayes, President

Directions to the University of Maryland: Parking Change!

If you are using GPS, please use address 7950 Baltimore Avenue, College Park, MD 20742 and follow directions (below) to the Biosciences Research Building. More info at http://www.cvs.umd.edu/visitors/maps.html UMD is located on Route 1 south of the Beltway (I-495). Take exit 25B from I-495 Proceed about two miles south, and follow signs to turn right into Main Entrance (at intersection of Campus Drive with Paint Branch Parkway). Once inside, keep left on Campus Drive until the rotary with the large "M" logo. Take first exit right. Proceed to first intersection; make a left. The Regents Drive Garage is closed: the nearest parking is .25 mile further down on the left, the Union Lane Garage, past the Stamp Student Union. The meeting building is .2 miles back down the road, on your right: you will have to follow the walk around the building to the quad entrance.



Spring 2017 Meeting to Feature Dr. Jay Evans

MSBA welcomes Dr. Jay Evans as keynote of our Spring meeting. Dr. Evans joined ARS as a Research Entomologist in 1998. During the ensuing years his research focused on threats to honey bee health, from bacteria to mites, and on the ways bees and beekeepers can reduce these threats. He published



120 research papers from his work. Dr. Evans was an early proponent of the Honey Bee Genome Project and helped recruit and lead scientists interested in applied genomics for bees. He has received the James Hambleton Bee Research Award from the Eastern Apicultural Society (2011), the BA Early Career Scientist Award (2002), and is on the Council of Fellows for the International Bee Research Association. Dr. Evans holds an AB in Biology from Princeton University and a PhD in Biology from the University of Utah. He has served as Acting Research Leader for the BRL since October, 2014.



Tim McMahon is MSBA's Eastern Apicultural Society Director (our representative at EAS)and has been an EAS Master Beekeeper for the past two years. He normally runs 20+ hives and has an observation hive in his home. Mr. McMahon was the president of the Montgomery County Maryland Beekeepers Association (MCBA) for the previous three years. Mr. McMahon

operates the club bee yard for the MCBA where the club does regular demos on hive manipulation, Varroa mite treatments, colony installation, and general hive inspections. Mr. McMahon also does volunteer work for the USGS Native Bee Inventory and Monitoring Lab where he collects native bees in the field, preps the bees for identification and does preliminary identification under the microscope of the bees.

Cybil Preston is the State Apiarist/Chief Apiary inspector for MDA. Starting as a backyard beekeeper in 1997, Cybil became a regional Apiary Inspector in 2004. She is former president of the Susquehanna Beekeepers Association. Cybil became an EAS



certified Master Beekeeper in 2013 and in 2014 became MD State Apiarist. In 2015, she trained with the MD Department of Corrections along with her Dog Mack to become certified in American Foulbrood disease detection. Mack is the currently the only certified American Foulbrood detector dog in the United States.



Nathalie Steinhauer is a PhD student in the vanEngelsdorp Lab and part of the BeeInformed Partnership team based at the University of Maryland. She has a Masters in Biology from Université Libre de Bruxelles and a Masters in Research in Ecol-

ogy, Evolution and Conservation from Imperial College London. She conducts statistical and epidemiological studies based on the management surveys of the Bee Informed Partnership and analyzing the results for the use of BIP and beekeepers everywhere.

Logan Yearsley is Executive Secretary of the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board, which was established as the State Fair Board in 1937. The Board fosters agriculture by promoting and assisting agricultural fairs and exhibits. It gives financial aid to qualifying organizations for premium awards to exhibitors of agricultural dis-



plays. The MD Ag Fair Board provides critical support to MSBA's own Honey Show, as well as the Maryland State Fair, an important venue for sharing beekeeping information with the public.

MSBA Honey Harvest Festival September 16

MSBA has sponsored a Honey Harvest Festival each fall for several years now. We're looking for vendors and vol-unteers for this year's festival on September 16 from 11 am to 4 pm at Brookside Gardens in Wheaton Regional Park in Silver Spring. It will be held in conjunction with their annual Children's Festival.

lectures on pollinators, extracting demonstrations, and tours of the Montgomery County club's apiary. Vendors will be set up in a busy part of the park, and thousands of people come every year.

Please get in touch with Marc Hoffman at wildwoodflower@gmail.com to volunteer or to sell honey and other hive products at the festival.

Activities include demos of live hives in a screen tent,