

**Missouri State Beekeepers Spring 2011 Meeting**  
**March 11 and 12, 2011**  
**Special Events March 10 and 13, 2011**

Please join us for our Spring Meeting at the Lodge of the Ozarks in Branson, MO. We have an exciting agenda planned, with special events the day before and the day following. Remember, communications and learning are the keys to successful beekeeping. Being with other beekeepers is a great time for sharing ideas and just plain old fellowship.

We are offering lodging at the rate of \$70.00 per night. This includes any room, including suites. You will need to call before March 1, 2011 and ask for the specified group block in order to receive this negotiated rate, the earlier you book the better room/suite you will get. This rate includes a breakfast buffet and parking. We will be within walking distance of several shows.

<http://www.lodgeoftheozarks.com/>



This meeting will be held at the:

Lodge of the Ozarks  
3431 W. Hwy. 76  
Branson, MO 65616  
417-334-7535  
800-213-2584

Branson, MO, nestled in the lakeside beauty of the Ozark Mountains, is America's affordable, wholesome family entertainment capital that emphasizes fun, comfort and the feeling of being right at home. Featuring an array of live theaters and attraction venues and active recreational pursuits, the community embodies essential American values such as patriotism, faith, courage and generosity of spirit in a warm inviting atmosphere that is truly genuine and heartfelt.

<http://www.explorebranson.com/> We are negotiating special prices for the shows and attractions, just for the beekeepers.

### **Our special guest speakers will be:**

**Dr. Don Steinkraus:** Professor – Biological Control with microbial pathogens. Expertise and instrumentation: Epizootiology, IPM and biological control with insect pathogens, apiculture, scientific photography, insect anatomy.

#### **Education:**

- B.A. Anthropology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 1975
- M.S. Mycology, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT 1979
- Ph.D. Insect Pathology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 1987



Department of Entomology - University of Arkansas

**Dennis vanEngelsdorp:** Bee Expert – Popular speaker at American and European bee meetings, regarding colony losses and standardizing data collection and presentation standards. Studying colony

collapse disorder -- the alarming, worldwide disappearance of worker bees and Western honey bees, bee disease epidemiology, and the internal anatomy of the honey bee.

**Education:**

- B.S. Agriculture, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario 1992
- M.S. Environmental Biology, Univ. of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario 1995
- Doctorial Candidate, University of Pennsylvania 2011



Honey Bee Researcher – Penn State

**Reyah Carlson**: Practitioner of Apitherapy – Has been stung by bees more than 25,000 times. On purpose. She was a featured speaker at the 2010 North American Beekeepers Conference held in Orlando. Reyah, operates out of her home, and drives to some of her clients homes throughout Vermont and has used the therapy on herself with positive results. She has given stings to nearly 3000 people and has traveled the world to spread the word about bee venom therapy. She has also appeared in National Geographic and on the Discovery Channel.



**Contests to be held:**

- Cooking with honey – judged by Chef Megil Geuerro, of the Rafters Restaurant
  - Quick Bread, Cookies (no bars), Bar-B-Q-Sauce, Scones
- Art work - Paint, ink, pencil, water color