

11/5/22 November In Person Fall Membership Meeting
Held at Embassy Suites in Syracuse NY
No zoom recording

36 paid members present

Called to order by Mark at 10:00am

Summer picnic will be held in Western NY in the Salamanca Area and there will be hands on training at Andy Cards Apiary—Merrimack Valley Apiary in East Otto NY
--Holiday Valley at Ellicottville is the planned location
--did not have a summer picnic in July 2022 due to EAS the following weekend

Introduction of the 501c3 NYSBA organization

- 100% tax deduction of donations now for beekeepers
 - includes honey and products of the hive at the state fair
- all proceeds goes to the NYSBA account and then funds are transferred to ESHPA to pay bills as needed

ESHPA Bank Accounts:

Checking \$14,
Savings \$26,

State Fair profit of over \$15,000

- need volunteers so we can keep this up
- without volunteers the booth will not happen and we will not have our yearly fundraiser for the club

Save the Date: November 3rd and 4th 2023 for Fall Conference and Membership meeting at the Embassy Suites in Syracuse NY on Hiawatha Blvd

- BOD Meeting will be November 2nd at the same location
- we are playing with the idea of a one-day event with the banquet afterwards that night for 2023
 - watch email and website for more info and for a survey in future months
 - we need your feedback!

Memorial for deceased ESHPA members:

- Roberta Glatz, Dave and Joan Howland, Sam Hall, Elwood Smith, Eugene Killian, and Donald Peterson
- Fellow beekeepers remember Roberta as the pioneer woman for woman in beekeeping, she always struggled with no internet at her house and she always had to go to the library to get work accomplished online, she was always fighting for internet at her house
- Sam Hall has “monetary notes” that need to be collected on
 - donations will go to the Dyce Lab to help with the renovations
 - Canandaigua Library is making a garden in memory of Sam

--they are asking for donations to help build and buy supplies and flowers and trees for the garden, they will be matching the amounts

Membership

- currently at about 135 paid members
- dates will be changing to Jan 1st to Dec 31st for 2023, no longer mid-year to mid-year
- currently paid members after Aug 1st will be automatically paid until Dec 31st 2023

David Grusenmeyer

- NYS Farm Viability
- Talked about Roberta Glatz's work and her past
- talked about his program and asking for support from the organization to keep funding from NYS to help us
- made a suggestion for our conference for next year to keep for 2 days but:
 - 1 day for full time beekeepers on a Friday (commercial and Sideliners)
 - 1 day for part time and beginning beekeepers on a Saturday

Changing Regions by the BOD

- better accommodate everyone
- using county borders now not geographical landmarks
- restructuring to try to introduce hands on training with the directors and the local clubs more in the regions
 - we all live in different micro-climates
 - trying to increase membership numbers as well

Scholarship

- trying to develop one for members of ESHPA and or family members of members of ESHPA
- will be applied to continuing education in the Agriculture or Environmental Studies areas
- anyone with ideas or can help please reach out to any of the BOD members

Chuck Kutik

- reaching out and asking the organization for donations to the Honey Defense Fund and the Anti-Dumping Fund against the Indian prices on honey and foreign transport cost
- both ABF and NHP have donated \$1000 each to the fight as well as AHPA
- BOD will talk about this first and then bring it to the membership for a membership vote on in the upcoming months
 - please watch email and website for survey and more information

Tom S motioned to adjourn Fall Membership Meeting

- Tom Kinsley 2nd the motion
- all approved the motion, meeting adjourned at 10:53am