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WEST VIRGINIA WILL HOST 1982 EAS CONFERENCE

The EAS will convene its annual conference at West Virginia University on August 4 - 7, 1982. The Morgantown campus will host beekeepers from the eastern states and Canadian provinces. Wednesday evening anthrax will be treated to a fruit-punch social and the singing of Morgantown's own barbershop quartet - the Sweet Adelines. Thursday's program will emphasize topics of special interest to West Virginia such as pest control and bee protection and the potential for use of honey by licensed State wineries. The morning session on Thursday will be followed by a ladies' luncheon at the Lakeview Inn. Afternoon activities will include a series of workshops on honey cookery, beeswax handling, mead making and the processing of pollen for the consumer market.

Participants may tour a Preston County apiary or a local glass factory. Thursday evening the action moves to the Mountainlair for a "country vittles" buffet and a mountain-style square dance. Workshops and tours will be available again on Friday. A banquet on Friday evening will honor winners in the honey show and outstanding researchers in honey bee science.

A beekeeping Short Course is planned for August 2 - 4 immediately preceding the conference. Complete program, short course and cost information will be forthcoming. Now is the time to mark the week of August 2 - 7, 1982 on your calendars and begin thinking about how you and your group might participate.

Select your finest beeswax, your best batch of mead and your favorite recipe for honey-sweetened baked goods to enter in the competition for silver trays and trophies. Reserve some of your best extracted honey or most perfectly capped comb honey for the honey show. If you do not have a suitable entry from last year's crop, be sure to give your bees blue-ribbon marching orders this Spring.

Several groups in West Virginia have stepped forward to take a role in the conference. The West Virginia Beekeepers Association and West Virginia Entomological Society will have educational exhibits on display. The Tri-State Beekeepers Association of the Northern Panhandle area will organize the honey show. Morgantown area beekeepers will be assisting with transportation and entertainment, and Marion County beekeepers will participate in the judging of beeswax, crafts and gadgets.

This conference will have special significance to the many participants who were first introduced to West Virginia when they attended the 1973 EAS meeting in Morgantown. Conference organizers have received warm remarks about this earlier meeting from those who look forward to returning to the State. For West Virginia's own beekeepers, this conference will represent a once-in-a-decade opportunity to enjoy an apicultural exposition so close to home, while showing off the Mountain State and the maturity of its beekeeping industry.



MASTER BEEKEEPERS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

The second testing for the MASTER BEEKEEPERS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (MBCP) will be held in conjunction with the 26th Annual EAS Conference at West Virginia University, August 4, 7, 1982. YOU MUST BE PRESENT IN PERSON AT THE CONFERENCE SITE in order to take the test on the date specified by the certification committee.

This highly successful program will be conducted under the supervision of Chaitman Dr. Clarence H. Collikson, Pennsylvania State University; Dr. Roger A. Morse, Cornell University, New York; Dr. Dewey M. Caron and Dr. Charles E. Mosson, University of Delaware; K.G.A. Andersson, Massachusetts and Master Beekeepers: Ann Homman, Maryland; and Peter Blizzoso, New York.

Those interested in taking the MBCP testing must have at least 5 years of experience in some aspect of apilary management and have at least the equivalent of a college level correspondence course in beekeeping.

After the certification committee reviews application (offer the JUNE 4, 1982 deadline), each applicant will be notified. Then, at least one month prior to the date set for the test, the committee will forward a packet of information to each applicant which will contain a reference list from which they can study.

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On the specified date for the MBCP testing, applicants pay a \$20.00 fee for taking part 1) Written test and 2) Laboratory portions of the testing. If they pass the first two parts, they are qualified to take part 3) Apilary Performance (field experience exam). Upon the successful completion of all three parts, the applicant will pay another \$20.00 for a total of \$40.00.

This program is to certify qualified beekeepers to provide assistance and help educate beginners, or to serve in other capacities in the community as expert beekeepers.

Applications can be obtained from EAS Secretary, Mrs. Liz Rodriguez, 157 Five Point Road, Colts Neck, N.J. 07722. Please return the completed forms before the JUNE 4, 1982 deadline.

CORNELL BEEKEEPING SHORT COURSE

A beekeeping short course is offered by Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., July 16, 17 and 18, 1982. (\$15.00 advance registration is required - not refundable but will be deducted from the total amount.)

Instructors include Professor Roger A. Morse, Cornell Lecturer Jon C. Glase, N.Y. State Chief Apilary Inspector Gerold Stevens, retired Extension Specialist in Apiculture at Pennsylvania State College Professor W.W. Clarke, Author and Lecturer Bess Clark, Author and Lecturer Dr. Grant D. Morse, Commercial Beekeeper Jonathan P. Ryan, and graduate students Richard Nowogrodzki, Kirk Vyascher and Gene Robinson.

Participants will stay in student dormitories and eat in the university dining room. Lecture and demonstration rooms are air conditioned; the dormitory dining room and lecture hall are with a few hundred feet of each other. Enrollment will be limited. The total cost is \$100.00 per person. This includes a single room for two nights, three meals on Saturday and two on Sunday, all instruction materials and the advance registration fee. Double rooms are \$5.00 less per person (total \$95.00/person). Full linen service is provided. Registration forms may be obtained from: Office of Apiculture, Department of Entomology, Comstock Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York 14853. If necessary to phone, call (607) 256-5443.

Both women and men participate in the beekeeping instruction; however, if wives wish to accompany their husbands (or vice versa) to enjoy a weekend of shopping, sight seeing and/or just plain resting, the cost is reduced accordingly for those not taking the instruction. If people wish a room for an extra night, it may be previously arranged.

IN MEMORIAM Horace "Linc" Wells 1912 - 1981

His friends tagged him with the nickname "Linc" when he was growing up in northern Vermont because he was so tall and lanky like Abe Lincoln. It was a name that was to stick to him through his life. On September 25 at the age of 69, "Linc" Wells of Riverhead, N.Y. passed away at Sloan-Kettering Hospital in New York City.

The son of a Methodist minister, Linc was a graduate of the NYS College of Agriculture at Cornell University and worked for 29 years as an agricultural agent and administrator with Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County on Long Island.

Although he worked with most of the agricultural programs of Cooperative Extension, one of Linc's favorite interests was beekeeping. He was not an active beekeeper but recognized the importance of the honey bee to the "Natural scheme of things". Linc was instrumental in the organization of the Suffolk Beekeepers Association in 1949. This group later became known as the Long Island Beekeepers Club. He guided the Beekeepers for 32 years. During periods of disunity and faltering leadership, Linc's quiet strength and inexhaustible energies, pulled the organization through. His unique ability to provide the force behind the scene can be likened to a parent child relationship.

Linc was also active in the Eastern Apicultural Society. From its very start he provided support and offered every meeting that health permitted.

In recognition of his outstanding work with Cooperative Extension, Linc received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents in 1964.

One of Linc's greatest qualities was his genuine interest and devotion to helping people. He was very active in many organizations including the Riverhead Rotary Club, Riverhead United Methodist Church, L.I. Council of Churches, and the American Association of Retired Persons. Even following his retirement in December, 1975, Linc continued to serve on County Advisory committees working to preserve farmland and protect water quality.



Since retiring, Linc and his wife Eisle traveled widely to such farflung places as Bermuda, Mexico, and Yucatan. Linc had so many interests and countless numbers of friends. He set an example for us all by his professionalism, his caring, and his friendship.

In addition to his wife Eisle, Linc is survived by a son, George and a daughter, Janet, both of whom reside on Long Island.

The passing of "Linc" Wells has saddened us all and has left a big gap in our lives. He will be greatly missed.

WANTED: FIFTEEN BEEKEEPERS INTERESTED IN TRAVEL TO CHINA

In cooperation with the Chinese American Friendship Society, a trip is being planned for August to the Peoples Republic of China. The trip will depart from Los Angeles and the group will spend fourteen days touring China. Aside from visits to beekeeping facilities, the group will see Peking and the Great Wall to China, as well as other sites. The trip is now in the early planning stage. The cost from Los Angeles is expected to be around \$2,400.00 and includes room, board and transportation.

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Horner A. Icenhower, 75, a Washington policeman for 26 years, who retired with the rank of Lieutenant in 1965, died of cancer January 5, 1982 at his home in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Icenhower was a native of Mason City, West Virginia and moved to Washington, D.C. in 1928. He joined the D.C. police in 1939 and was a motorcycle policeman during the 1940's and 1950's.

He was a member of the Retired Policemen's Association, a member of the Eastern Apicultural Society, serving since 1967 as EAS's Registered Agent, a member of the Maryland State Beekeepers Association and a Regional Vice President in the D.C. area until 1981.

Surviving him are his wife of 52 years, Frances M. Icenhower of Washington; two sons, D.C. Air National Guard Colonel Wayne Icenhower of Clifton, and Dr. David E. Icenhower of Bowie; a brother, Walter of Mason City, West Virginia; a sister, Ruth Lovett of Athurdale, West Virginia; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Horner Icenhower's dedicated service to the EAS, as their Registered Agent for filing its annual report as a non-profit corporation was very much appreciated.

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