Save the Date!

2011 Sonoma Bee Symposium Set for Saturday, March 19th
Nationally Known Authorities to Speak on "Medicine from the Hive"

Sebastopol CA...Just as honeybee swarm season is upon us, Bay Area beekeepers will swarm to the Fifth Annual Bee Symposium in Sebastopol. The 2011 symposium will be held at the Sebastopol Veteran’s Building and will feature nationally known authorities who will speak on the health benefits of beehive products, including honey, propolis, pollen, royal jelly and bee venom. Additionally, Dr. Marla Spivak will report on her award-winning research on bee health and breeding. The one-day meeting is intended for beekeepers, health care professionals and practitioners, researchers, journalists, and all individuals who are interested in the historical subject of apitherapy. Apitherapy refers to the therapeutic use of beehive products to support health. Proceeds from the sale of tickets will benefit local non-profit organizations that work to help bees.

WHAT: 2011 Sonoma Bee Symposium
WHEN: Saturday, March 19th, 2011, 9 AM to 5 PM
There will be morning and afternoon speaker sessions with a noon-time lunch break.
WHERE: Sebastopol Veteran’s Building, 282 High Street, Sebastopol
www.sonoma-county.org/parks/halls/sebastopol.htm
TICKETS: Tickets are $30.00 in advance and $35.00 at the door. They are available online at www.beekind.com

--- Morning Sessions ---
Bee Venom Therapy, Historical Perspective into Modern Applications
(Frederique Keller, L.Ac.,DOM)

The Revolutionary Effects of Honey on Human Metabolism
(Ron Fessenden, MD, MPH)

Socialized Medicine in Honey Bee Colonies
(Dr. Marla Spivak)

--- Afternoon Sessions ---
Medicinal Use of Raw Honey, Pollen, Propolis, Royal Jelly, Bee Bread & Beeswax
(Frederique Keller, L.Ac.,DOM)

How to Sleep Your Way to Better Health with Honey
(Ron Fessenden, MD, MPH)

Bee Health and Breeding
(Dr. Marla Spivak)

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Ron Fessenden, MD, MPH is the author of "THE HONEY REVOLUTION" and three more books on honey and health which will be published in 2011 and 2012. Dr. Fessenden has been networking and writing about the multitude of health benefits of honey for over 4 years. As Co-chairman of the Committee on Honey and Health, Dr. Fessenden put together the first ever symposium on Honey and Human Health in 2008.

Frederique Keller, L.Ac.,DOM, BeePharm: Apitherapy for Health, is a licensed acupuncturist and medical herbalist who incorporates classical homeopathy and apitherapy. She incorporates bee venom therapy into her private practice on Long Island, NY as well as utilizes all the products of the beehive. She is President of the American Apitherapy Society (www.apitherapy.org) and lectures across the United States and the world, sharing her knowledge of the healing properties of bees. She has been raising bees for over 20 years.

Dr. Marla Spivak, Professor and Extension Specialist in Apiculture, University of MN, Distinguished McKnight Professor in Entomology, University of MN,. Dr. Spivak developed the Minnesota Hygienic Line and her current research is investigating the benefits of propolis to bees. She is one of this year's recipients of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Fellowship.

Proceeds from the symposium benefit the following non-profit organizations: The XERCES Society of Invertebrate Conservation; The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees; and Partners For Sustainable Pollination