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AMERICAN APITHERAPY SOCIETY INC.

## CMACC 2008 – PRESENTER PROFILES

**Walter Blohm**, a long-time beekeeper and apitherapist in Long Island, NY, runs, with his wife Lynn, group apitherapy sessions twice weekly for patients with varied conditions. The support and camaraderie of the group, in addition to the treatment, has led to successful outcomes for many of the patients, as well as greatly improved moods.

**Theo Cherbuliez, MD**, an AAS Board Member, has kept bees for 40 years in NY and Maine where he now lives. As an active apitherapist for twenty years, he was President of AAS, and now is responsible for the Courses and Conferences of AAS. As the President of the Apitherapy Commission of Apimondia, he travels and lectures extensively, interacting with apitherapists worldwide.

**Donald Downs** has been a beekeeper for over 45 years, practicing apitherapy for 28 years. He has been a member of AAS for 16 years and is currently on the Board. He is known for treating people with unusual health conditions. He prides himself in practicing beekeeping without the use of any pesticides or herbicides. Don also makes several products from his hives including propolis tincture and multiple beeswax handcreams.

**John Gibeau**, President of the British Columbia Honey Producers Association, runs the Honeybee Centre in Surrey, BC. He is an experienced beekeeper and apitherapist, who trains people in apitherapy at the Centre.

**Jim Higgins**, an AAS Board member and beekeeper in Ohio, has worked for at least thirty years to promote apitherapy. Jim practices apitherapy, has trained others, and lectures on apitherapy throughout the US and Canada. He has also authored articles on the subject.

**Frederique Keller, L.Ac**, current Vice President of the AAS, Frederique holds a Master of Science in Oriental Medicine and is a Licensed Acupuncturist, as well as a Medical Herbalist in Long Island, NY, where she has also been a beekeeper for 20 years. She utilizes bee venom therapy for a variety of disorders and incorporates the products of the hive in her treatment protocols. She has traveled extensively and has done post graduate studies in China and India in the fields of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Classical Homeopathy.

**Chris Kleronomos, D.Ac.** began his sojourn into medicine serving as a Special Operations Corpsman with Marine Force Reconnaissance. He received his doctorate in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine from Bastyr University and is an NCCAOM diplomat in Oriental Medicine and a Registered Herbalist through the American Herbalist Guild. His clinical focus is chronic disease management with a strong interest in biotherapeutics. Currently he is working towards a Nurse Practitioner degree at Seattle University.



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### **PRESENTER PROFILES (continued)**

**Andrew Kochan, MD** is the current President of the AAS. He has been using bee venom in his chronic pain practice for 18 years. He is involved in doing clinical research on the uses of bee venom therapy. He has presented his findings of successful treatment of several types of neuropathic pain with bee venom at national medical meetings. He also uses honey, pollen, propolis and royal jelly in his medical practice.

**Glenn Perry** is an AAS Board member, beekeeper, apitherapy practitioner and lecturer, and owner of GlenHeaven Propolis in Connecticut. He has been recognized internationally for pioneering a method to produce water-soluble propolis, and has also lectured world wide on propolis and its applications for human and animal health.

**Vetaley Stashenko, PhD, ND**, trained in apiculture and as a naturopathic doctor in his native Kiev (Ukraine), and in the United States. He now lives in Florida. He serves as an AAS Board member and lectures internationally on apitherapy.

**Brad Weeks, MD**, a founding member of the American Apitherapy Society, was President of AAS in the early 1990's. Trained in traditional medicine as well as in nutrition, acupuncture, massage (shiatsu), music therapy, anthroposophical medicine and classical homeopathy, he currently practices in Clinton, WA, with a specialty in psychiatry and mind/body interactions, including immune stimulation techniques (psycho-neuro-immunology). He has also continued his use of apitherapy for treatment of specific conditions.