Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers Funday-Chips off the Old Bloke A Day to Honor Dr. Chip Taylor-All of his Doctoral Students will be attending Saturday June 2nd, 2018 Registration 7:30-8:30 -- Program 8:30-5:00 Fee includes snacks, lunch, homemade honey ice cream and a full day of fun Bring your veil and protective clothing if you would like to work through hives Cost \$50 per person for those pre-registered, \$60 at the door Children under 5 free, ages 6-18 \$20 and \$25 at the door joli@heartlandhoney.com A dinner will be offered for an additional fees--Pre-register by May 21st, 2018 Douglas County Fairgrounds 2110 Harper Street, Lawrence KS Register and pay online at <u>www.NEKBA.org</u> For more information contact Joli Winer at 913-856-8356

Dr. Orley "Chip" Taylor is the founder and Director of Monarch Watch an outreach program focused on education, research and conservation relative to monarch butterflies. He is a retired Professor in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Kansas. He trained as an insect ecologist. Starting in 1974, Chip has studied Neotropical African honey bees (killer bees) in French Guiana, Venezuela, and Mexico. Chip has been an incredible support to the beekeepers in Kansas. His swarm demo is always a highlight of the Funday. We love and respect him.

Dr. Marla Spivak has been affiliated with the University of Minnesota since 1993, where she is currently Distinguished McKnight Professor in the Department of Entomology. She is the author and creator of numerous beekeeping manuals and videos, and scientific articles. She is developing practical applications to protect honey bee populations from decimation by disease while making fundamental contributions to our understanding of bee biology. Her TED talk "Why Bees are Disappearing" is the buzz!

Dr. Mark Winston is the recipient of the 2015 Governor General's Literary Award for Nonfiction for his book *Bee Time: Lessons From the Hive*. One of the world's leading experts on bees and pollination, Dr. Winston is also an internationally recognized researcher, teacher and writer. He currently is a professor at Simon Fraser University and has directed Simon Fraser University's Centre for Dialogue for 12 years. His other books include *The Biology of the Honey Bee* and the soon to be released *Listening to the Bees*.

Dr. Jose Villa iS now retired from being research entomologist with the United States Department of Agriculture's Honey Bee Breeding and Physiology Research Station in Baton Rouge. His work included the Russian Bee Project and Nosema.

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Dr. Gard Otis retired from the School of Environmental Sciences, University of Guelph. He studies the ecology, behavior, and evolution of insects, with an emphasis on honey bees, their pests, and butterflies. He is most proud of his study of the swarming behavior of honeybees; the breeding project that greatly reduced the impact of the honeybee tracheal mite on bees in Ontario; and the rediscovery of the honey bee species, *Apis nigrocincta*, in Indonesia. He has improved the lives of rural Vietnamese farmers through beekeeping.

Dr. David Roubik, is an entomologist at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute in Panama. For most of his career he has studied tropical insects, especially bees. He has studied African bees, Vulture bees, pollen of native bees and the pollination of Central American Coffee plants by African bees—making for better tasting coffee! He has written Ecology & Natural History of Tropical Bees, Pollination Ecology and the Rain Forest and Pot-Honey A Legacy of Stingless Bees.

Dr. Judy Wu-Smart is the Extension & Research Entomologist, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Department of Entomology. The UNL Bee Lab pursues research questions and extension programs focused on stressors impacting pollinator health in both managed and wild bee communities.

Dr. Marion Ellis is a retired professor of entomology at the University of Nebraska. Dr. Ellis is a world-class researcher on several topics relating to honeybee health. He retired in 2014 and continues to be one of our favorites.

- Swarm Demo with Dr. Chip Taylor
- Douglas County Master Gardeners Flower and Plant Sale Dreher Bldg. Patio
- Vendors: To be Announced
- Silent Auctions to support the Youth Scholarship and Military/ Veteran Programs and the Educational Efforts of NEKBA.