



Steve Gentry Master Beekeeper Scholarship

I am pleased to announce the inaugural and annual Steve Gentry Memorial Scholarship that will be awarded to up to 2 members of MDBA in good standing who choose to further their beekeeping education by participating in a master beekeeper course. The Board has elected to grant up to \$750 to each recipient provided they satisfy the scholarship requirements listed on the application.

Steve was not only one of the founding members of Mt Diablo Beekeepers Association, he was also a constant teacher, mentor, active volunteer within the club, Beekeeper of the Year recipient and owner of Steve's Bees. For those of us who were lucky enough to call him a friend or a mentor, we were saddened to hear of his passing in January of 2020.

This scholarship grant has been offered to memorialize the many contributions Steve made to MDBA, its members and the honeybees themselves who he truly loved.

Mike Vigo
Past President



STEVE GENTRY MEMORIAL

MASTER BEEKEEPER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Steve Gentry was a founding member of the Mt Diablo Beekeepers Association and the owner of Steve's Bees. Through his years as a member of our club, he mentored many of us, tirelessly volunteered his time to the club and was willing to answer any questions regarding honeybees that was asked of him. This scholarship is in memory of Steve, who passed away in January, 2020.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Years in MDBA: _____

How many hives do you currently have: _____

Please answer the following two questions.

1. Please explain why you would like the Scholarship grant?
2. How have you contributed to the MDBA? Specifically, board positions you have held and when, community education participation or volunteer work you have completed. Mentor work with new bee keepers or other contributions to the MDBA.

Scholarship applications will be accepted from January 1 thru April 30th of each year. Recipients will be notified in May.

Scholarship funding will be in 3 phases, upon completion of each of the 3 phases of the Master Beekeeper Course. After phase one completion, grantee will give a presentation of learning to the MDBA membership at a general meeting. After phase two completion, grantee will give a presentation of learning to the MDBA general meeting. After phase three completion, grantee will give a presentation of learning to the MDBA general meeting. The scholarship Funds will be distributed after completion of each phase and presentation of learning. \$150.00 after phase one, \$250.00 after phase two, and \$350.00 after phase 3. The maximum award is \$750.00 or total of the Master Beekeeper course that does not exceed \$750.00