

16th annual GRAN-BEE

May 3, 2019

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GRAN-BEE

Welcome | Introductions | Rules

Preliminary Swarms: 1-5

Presentation of Yellow Jacket Crown Award for best costumes

The winning team will be determined by the highly technical method of the Audience-Clap-Meter and receive honey from Granby's own Alba Flower Apiaries

Championship Swarm

Presentation of the Grand Bee Award

Each member of the winning Gran-Bee team receives a 6-month adult membership to the Farmington Valley YMCA, generously donated by The Y

Gran-Bee Chairs: Michelle DeGagne and Ben Perron

Judges Panel

Lorri DiBattisto, President, Granby Ambulance Association **Kathleen Hesketh,** Marketing, Granby Ambulance Association **Tim Brosnan,** EMT, Granby Ambulance Association

Master of Ceremony: Scott Kuhnly, First Selectman

The Bee: Hunter Chicoine

Thank you to our major 2019 Gran-Bee sponsors:

Swarm level:

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Honey Bee level:

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Meet our Judges

Lorri DiBattisto joined the Granby Ambulance Association Board of Directors in 2004 after working to restructure the GAA location on Pegville Road from a barn to a building and is proud to serve as their president. Lorri is a practicing structural engineer and owns her own business in East Granby.

Kathleen Hesketh supports GAA in its mission to promote healthy outcomes. She directs marketing initiatives to promote GAA training and community activities. Kathleen runs her own marketing company.

Tim Brosnan has been active with GAA since 2012. He joined as a volunteer EMT and is now a full-time employee. Tim holds a business degree from Sacred Heart University and is a proud Marine Corps veteran.

Silent Auction

Stop by our concessions table in the foyer and place a bid.

The highest bidders will be announced this evening.

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two gift certificates: one week of camp at YMCA Camp Farmington \$300 value







gift certificate



necklace by BeeJu BeeZu, jewelry inspired by nature

ceramic vase donated by GMHS National Honor Society



gift certificate: blow your own glass ornament class

SWARM 1

1 The Quizzards

sponsor: **Granby Senior Center**

Sarasvati Panciera Marcia Massey Pat Main

2 Bee-hemian Rhapsody

sponsor: The Gilton Family

Glenn Cusano Jeff Gilton Steve Newman

Rebel Wrabels

sponsor: James's wife

Mike Wrabel James Wrabel David Wrabel

Drummer Bees

sponsor: Granby Drummer/
Citizens for a Better Granby

Sam Mikus Rosemarie Weber Dave Tolli

The Drones

sponsor: Lost Acres Orchard

Jacob Yoder Gregg Bennett Tom McGuire

SWARM 2

6 The Bee Keepers (GMHS)

sponsor: Al Wilke Katherine Smith Meghan Smith Sophie Austin

7 Pollination Station (GMHS)

sponsor: Mark Fiorentino Michael Lockwood Mark Jones

8 Nun Shall Pass (GMHS)

Camden Robertson

sponsor: Arrow Concrete

Lillian Henselder Anthony Spica Kate Hosack

9 Team DECA (GMHS)

sponsor: Sarah Thrall

Jillian Thrall David Migliaccio Andrew Quagliaroli

Bee Buggin (GMHS Granby Grunts Robotics)

Scott Boynton Sophie Speliopoulos Jimmy Gnesda

sponsor: Kim Becker

SWARM 3

Granby Artists

sponsor: Simsbury Bank

Debby Reelitz Tom Salvini Jennifer Salvini

12 Bee-Sox

sponsor: Karen McNey

Joel Danke
Jack Lareau
Taylor Goodell Bon

Taylor Goodell Benedum

Bee-Lieve

sponsor: The Fiorentino Family

Mark Fiorentino
Dave Palinkas
John Jahrstorfer

14 BEE Green

sponsor: Granby Land Trust

Karen Dowd Jamie Ranicar Jim Wickham

Bee Kind

sponsor: Kim Becker

Matt Tyo Eileen Swan Annie Hornish

SWARM 4

The Great Gats-Bee (Granby YSB WOW)

sponsor: Fredo Landscaping

Lindsay Gilton Claire Madsen Abby Cotsonas

Team Wildcats (GMHS Ice Hockey)

sponsor: Mark Fiorentino

Eric Kinsley
Evan Napierata
Alex Becker

Bee-Bots (GMHS Granby Grunts Robotics)

sponsor: Al Wilke

Mike Puskar Andrea Bastiaanse Margaret Bastiaanse

Wells Road (Wells Road Intermediate School)

sponsor: The Migliaccio Family

Megan Bavol Steve Migneault Jim Whitten

20 Bear With Us

sponsor: Katie Goodrow

Mike Dunn Lauren Schafer Amv Stupienski

SWARM 5

Queen Pollinators

sponsor: Friends of **Holcomb Farm**

Sue Canavan Jenny Emery Donna Snyder

Bees-whacks (GMHS Girls Tennis)

sponsor: Michelle DeGagne

Dwaritha Ramesh Emily Newman Rachel Hennessy

Just Winging It (GMMS)

sponsor: Jenny and Dave Emery

Shirley Cowles Sue Henneberry Sean Passan



Salmon Brook Veterinary Hospital

sponsor: Janice Stingle

Jim Gunning Laura Szczapa Ann Yacovino



YAC Attack (Granby YSB **Youth Action Council)**

sponsor: Mark Fiorentino

Nina DeGagne Tommy Dlugolenski AnneMarie Cox

SCORECARD

swarm 1 winner:
swarm 2 winner:
swarm 3 winner:
swarm 4 winner:
swarm 5 winner:

2019 grand prize winner:



The GEF is grateful to the following businesses and individuals for their generous contributions to the 2019 Gran-Bee:

Special thanks to Granby Memorial High School for the use of the auditorium, Mark Dolan for providing sound and lighting expertise, and Mark Bombard and the GCTV crew for filming the event.

Thanks to our team sponsors who make this evening possible!

Thank you to all GEF board members and all the people who put in the extra effort to make the 2019 Gran-Bee such a success!

The BEE Committee

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Al Wilke Ken Mouning Linda Touchette Mary Munsell Doreen McWhirter



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The GEF Board of Directors appreciates your support.

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The Granby Education Foundation (GEF) is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization founded in 2000 committed to lifelong learning and arts for all Granby citizens. Our new tag line—Enrich, Energize, Engage: Lifelong Learning—captures our spirit!

The GEF continues to serve as a vital funding partner for town nonprofits, ensuring that quality opportunities for all members of the community are available in pursuing knowledge and expanding horizons. The GEF awards grants each year include funding for:

- Establishment of Robotics Clubs at GMHS, GMMS, and Wells Road School
- World Language Day cultural workshops at GMHS: Irish dancing, flamenco dancing, African drumming and dance
- Bruce Porter Memorial Music series
- Afterschool programs: Teen Battle Chef, History Day Club, DECA
- Visiting artists: Folk singer/songwriter David Gunning, Hartford Stage, Fiesta del Norte mariachi band, author/illustrator Aaron Becker
- STEM grants: weather station at Salmon Brook Ecology Center, sciencethemed juggling performance by The Amazing Nano Brothers, butterfly garden at Kelly Lane

The GEF funds major special projects as well. Our most recent Special Project was the purchase of violins for the school district's new Strings Program. Others include: building the Salmon Brook Ecology Center at GMMS, creating an Arts Endowment, and funding the Summer Drama Academy and Global Learning Academy.

The good work done at the GEF is dependent on your support through your generous contributions, by attending GEF-funded events, or by volunteering as a GEF board member. To learn more, speak with any of our board members, visit our website, and follow us on Facebook.

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