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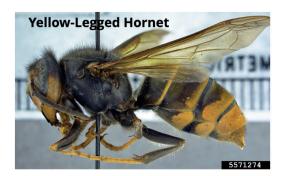
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Spring is sprinting..

by Anne Marie Fauvel, AHPA Program Director

The old saying goes: 'Spring has sprung', but this year, as the last petals fall and bees are released from the almond orchards, it seems colonies are heading to a sprinting spring in many regions. In the northern states, the winter was short and clement, while in some southern states winter was cold, windy and rainy. Some states report that spring is 12-16 days ahead of average, according to the USA National Phenology Network, while others feel the bees are slightly behind but catching up.

Almond blossoms were slow to get going, but moved right along without delays. I hear reports of bigger colonies plugging out with almond nectar and pollen. And although many mentioned seeing fungicide sprayers out in broad daylight frequently this year, brood patterns still look excellent without broad damage to date. Good news for bees moving out, let's hope that trend continues.

While some predict a spectacular superbloom in some part of the country, I heard multiple reports of Yellow Jessamine's (Gelsemium sempervirens) devastating consequences on growing honey bee colonies from Texas to the southeastern coast of the U.S. this year. The nectar and pollen of the Yellow Jessamine contains gelsemine, a substance poisonous to honey bees, killing both larvae and adult bees. It can be difficult to rear queens and grow strong colonies with the South Carolina's state flower blooming around.

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