

**Kansas Honey Producers Spring 2018 Meeting**  
**Friday and Saturday March 9 & 10 2018**  
**The Cedars Conference Center 1021 Cedars Drive, McPherson KS**  
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The Spring meeting of the Kansas Honey Producers will be held in McPherson at the Cedars Conference Center. The Hotel for the sleeping rooms for the meeting is the Hampton Inn at 200 Centennial Dr. (just off of I135) at McPherson. Rooms are \$99.00 a night and includes breakfast and free wi-fi. Reservations must be made by February 16<sup>th</sup> for this rate. Mention KHP to get the discount. Reservations may be made either online at [www.Hampton.com](http://www.Hampton.com) , →choose McPherson, →choose KHP or you may call 620-480-2990 and mention KHP.

Our guest speakers will be Dr. Dewey Caron and Randy Oliver. **Dewey M. Caron** is a graduate of Cornell University and Emeritus Professor from the University of Delaware. He has received numerous awards and forms of recognition for his teaching and extension work during his career. He has written many books and is one of our favorite guest. Some of his books are ***Honey Bee Biology and Beekeeping, Observation Hives-How to set up, maintain and open a window to the world of Honey Bees, Beekeeping Basics and Africanized Honey Bees in the Americas.***

**Randy Oliver** owns and operates a small commercial beekeeping enterprise in the foothills of Grass Valley in Northern California. He and his two sons manage about 1000 colonies for migratory pollination, and produce queens, nucs, and honey. He has over 40 years of practical beekeeping experience, plus holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Biological Sciences. Randy researches, analyzes, and digests beekeeping information from all over the world in order to not only broaden his own depth of understanding and knowledge, but to develop practical solutions to many of today's beekeeping problems, which he then shares with other beekeepers through his various articles in bee magazines, his speaking engagements worldwide, and on his website: [www.ScientificBeekeeping.com](http://www.ScientificBeekeeping.com)

**Cooking contest- Anything Cherries**-The predominant sweetener should be honey-please bring printed recipes without your name on them. Marietta Graham will coordinate. Foods will be tasted on Friday and prizes will be awarded. Participants may bring sauces for ice cream for Friday night dessert too (but this is not part of a contest).

**Silent Auction**—please do not bring items for the silent auction—we have had a very generous donation from the Brown Family of Donna's honey pots and gift items—7 boxes! So please save your items until the next meeting. Donna had some beautiful items and it will be a great auction with money going to our grant program. Becky Tipton Coordinates

Dinner on Friday will be catered by Knackies BBQ and will be a BBQ Buffet. The Program will **be Beekeeping in the California foothills** -Randy Oliver presents A pictorial presentation of our season of beekeeping in the California foothills—wintering, building for almond pollination, splitting and nuc sales, building for honey, late summer and fall management

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**Program for the KHPA Spring 2018 Meeting**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**, Thursday night-Executive Board meeting at the Cedars at 8:00 pm **1021 Cedars Drive**  
**Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** **Cedars Conference Center 1021 Cedars Drive**  
**7:45-8:30 Registration & Silent Auction set up (please see note about not bringing items)**

- 8:30-8:45** Call to order by President Jim Kellie
- 8:45-9:45** Good News about Bees, positive spin on the nasties of beekeeping mites/pesticides/honey/forage & people. **Dr. Dewey Caron**
- 9:45-10:45** The Times They are a Changin' Bees are continually being forced to evolve due to environmental changes and introduced parasites. In turn, beekeeping, and the business of beekeeping must also evolve. An overview that puts the recent evolution of beekeeping and agriculture into perspective--how parasites, climate change, changing agricultural practices, beekeeping practices, world trade, pesticides, and GMO's fit into the picture of today's state of the honey bee. **Randy Oliver**
- 10:45-11:00** Break
- 11:00-12:00** Putting in a Certified Kitchen
- 12:00-1:00** Lunch on your own
- 1:00-2:00** Apitherapy -Candy Rogers—Tentative
- 2:00-3:00** MANAGING COLONIES FOR SPRING BUILDUP AND SWARM PREVENTION  
Management suggestions based upon an understanding of bee biology and behavior. **Randy Oliver**
- 3:00-3:30** Break-end of silent auction at 3:30
- 3:30-4:30** Anticipatory Beekeeping Successful beekeepers seek to stay ahead of their bees, anticipating what will occur based on what a colony inspection reveals or the season dictates. If we only react we will be constantly trying to catch up. How can we best anticipate mite population levels, queen events, worker population fluctuations and which of several management options best serves to allow us to be ahead of, rather than merely reacting to, what the bees are doing? Anticipate, not merely react, is easy to say but difficult to accomplish. **Dr. Dewey Caron**
- 4:30-4:45** Get a Cherry honey snack
- 4:45-** Area Groups meet
- 6:00** Dinner-catered by Knackies BBQ and Catering -Program Beekeeping in the California Foothills  
A pictorial presentation of our season of beekeeping in the California foothills—wintering, building for almond pollination, splitting and nuc sales, building for honey, late summer and fall management
- Saturday March 10<sup>th</sup>**
- 8-8:30** Registration & Silent Auction Set up
- 8:30-9:30** Adapting to Varroa & Extended Release Oxalic Acid Update- A group of us are collaborating with USDA-ARS to collect data in support for EPA to approve this application method, which is showing great promise (and may be a game changer in varroa management). This presentation will be about our progress to date. **Randy Oliver**
- 9:30-10:30** Bee MD, diagnosing and treating bee maladies using decision "tree" approach Where is problem Internal hive/External hive/adult bees/brood - arriving at a diagnosis of what problem is and solution - Pollinator Protection will have available on website **Dr. Dewey Caron**
- 10:30-10:50** Break
- 10:50-11:05** Grant Group presentation
- 11:05-12:05** Chad Gilliland --Topic to be announced
- 12:05-1:05** Lunch on your own
- 1:05-1:35** Beekeeping by the Numbers-Dr. Dewey Caron presents
- 1:35-2:35** To be announced—2 things will be going on—1 will be the Kansas Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Certification – something else will also be going on but that is to be determined!
- 2:35-2:50** Break & end of Silent Auction
- 2:50-3:50** Small Scale Queen Rearing Every beekeeper should experience the joy of rearing daughters from their best queens! In this presentation I show step-by-step queen rearing techniques for the hobbyist through small commercial beekeeper. Tips from several decades of experience-**Randy Oliver**
- 3:50-4:30** Business Meeting

Program Subject to change

# KHPA Spring 2018 Meeting Registration Form

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ write email address clearly

Check here if you would like to receive your newsletter by email

List names of those registered for name tags

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Children-please list for a name tags-- under 18 free

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## Meeting Registration For members: Children under 18 free

Per Person 2 day registration-Friday and Saturday \$ 80.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Per Person 1 day only \_\_\_\_\_ Friday only \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday only \$ 45.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

## Meeting Registration For Non-members: (Includes a 1 year membership)

Per Person 2 Day registration-Friday & Saturday \$95.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Per Person 1 Day \_\_\_\_\_ Friday only \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday only \$60.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Dinner -BBQ Buffet catered by Knackies a local BBQ. BBQ Brisket & BBQ Chicken Breast, Cheesy Hash Brown Casserole, Baked Beans and Bacon, Cauliflower & Broccoli Salad. Ice Cream Sundaes for Dessert. (Participants may bring homemade ice cream sauces)

Check here if you want a vegetarian meal \_\_\_\_\_ veggie meal \$15.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if you need an alternate meal because it is Lent \$15.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 12 \$8 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Membership for Kansas Honey Producers Association:  Renewal  New \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Membership 2018 (18 years of age or under)  Renewal  New \$7.50 \_\_\_\_\_

Membership 2018 Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers Assn:  Renewal  New \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Donation for Grant Project \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Kansas Honey Producers Assn or KHPA and mail to

Robert Burns, 7601 W. 54<sup>th</sup> Terr., Shawnee Mission KS 66202

913-481-3504 or email [rburnshoney@gmail.com](mailto:rburnshoney@gmail.com)

Registration & payment now accepted with PayPal at [kansashoneyproducers.org](http://kansashoneyproducers.org)

If you have questions please call me, Joli Winer, at 913-856-8356

Note: No receipts will be sent