

Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Association

**Year 2 and Bee-yond Beekeeping Class**

February 26, 2022



**Are you a beekeeper or a bee-haver?**

-Silence your phone.

-Questions are welcome. If the speakers don't know the answers, they will try to find the answers for you.

We have over 300 years of beekeeping experience represented today.

-We will make every effort to stay on schedule. Our speakers have valuable information. Information is more important than a rigid time clock. We will be patient and respectful.

-Visit our vendors and thank them for their contributions.

-We are a not-for-profit association. Everyone here is a volunteer. We appreciate your support and patience.

9:00 – 9:10	Introductions—Ed Darlington, President
9:10-10:05	<b>Why Hives Die?</b> Becky Tipton Winter losses average over 30%, but you can beat those odds.
10:05-10:15	Break
10:15-11:15	<b>Spring Management for Year 2</b> Cheryl Burkhead To feed or not to feed? Splits, equalize, and comb management. How to introduce a new queen.
11:15-11:25	Break
11:25- 12:30	<b>Swarm Biology</b> Noah Summers Why hives swarm and how to make the most of hive growth
12:30 – 1:00	Lunch (FunDay Past & Future) Jay Francis, NEKBA Funday Chairperson/ Visit the Vendors!
1:00-2:00	<b>Hive stressors and IPM</b> Rogan Tokach The key to keeping hives healthy.
2:00-2:30	<b>Planting for Pollinators</b> Jo Patrick Jo will introduce you to the main nectar sources for NE Kansas and suggest the most beneficial plants for your property.
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45- 3:15	<b>Extracting your harvest</b> Matt Brandes Equipment choices and strategies for harvesting your honey crop.
3:15- 3:45	<b>Wax rendering</b> Steve Tipton & Jay Francis One of the most valuable products from your hive.
3:45-4:00	Break
4:00- 4:30	<b>The Business of Beekeeping</b> Chad Gilliland Want to sell your harvest? What do you need to do to keep it all legal? Value added products can add \$\$\$ to your bottom line. Here are some suggestions.
4:30-5:00	<b>Breakout Q &amp; A.</b> Matt Brandes, NEKBA Program Chair

\*\*\*Program and speakers are subject to change.

Enroll online @ NEKBA.org. Any questions, contact Becky 785-484-3710, or email [bstbees@embarqmail.com](mailto:bstbees@embarqmail.com).

Please help us tidy up by placing your chairs on the rack. Thanks for joining us! Becky Tipton, Special Events Coordinator.