

Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Association

Year 2 and Bee-yond Beekeeping Class

Feb. 27, 2021

Virtual meeting via Zoom—Log in will be emailed to each participant.

Are you a beekeeper or a bee-haver?

-Etiquette of Zoom/virtual meetings:

Mute yourself unless it is suggested by the moderator that you unmute to speak.

Questions may be entered into the "Chat Box" (bottom of screen)

If you wish your question directed to a specific person, please indicate

-Silence your phone. (Not a problem as long as you remain muted)

-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 sponsors 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 **Why Hives Die?** Becky Tipton Winter losses average over 30% you can beat those odds.

10:05-10:15 Break

10:15-11:15 **Spring Management for Year 2** 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 **Swarm Biology** Noah Summers Why hives swarm and how to make the most of hive growth

12:30 – 1:00 Lunch (Enjoy these bee-utiful pictures from our members and arranged by Cheryl Burkhead.)

1:00-2:00 **Hive stressors and IPM** Sheldon Brummel The key to keeping hives healthy.

2:00 – 2:10 Break

2:10-2:40 **Planting for Pollinators** Jo Patrick Jo will introduce you to the main nectar sources for NE Kansas and suggest the most beneficial plants for your property.

2:40-2:50 Break

2:50- 3:20 **Extracting your harvest** Robert Hughes Equipment choices and strategies for harvesting your honey crop.

3:20- 3:50 **Moving hives and improving apiary locations** Steve Tipton If your hives aren't productive, evaluate the existing location and forage.

3:50-4:00 Break

4:00- 4:30 **Wax rendering** Kristi Sanderson Small scale wax rendering. Taking care of one of your most valuable products.

4:30-5:00 **Ask the speakers.** Highlights for 2020 programs with NEKBA
Steve Messbarger, NEKBA Program Chair
Jo Patrick, NEKBA Funday Chair person