

NEKBA Funday 2026						
7:30am - 8:15am	Registration (location Building 21 North & South)					
8:15am - 8:25am	Welcome, Introductions & Overview of the Day - NEKBA President Jess Popp (location Flory West)					
8:25am - 9:15am	Key Note Address - David Burns - Critical Thinking (location Flory West)					
	Dreher Kitchen	Dreher North	Dreher South	Flory East	Flory West	Building 21 North & South
9:25am - 10:15am Presentation Breakout Session 1	Making Smoked Honey & Honey and Cheese Tasting (V) – Mark Suckow	Honey Bee Microscopy (A, B) – Dr. Judy Wu-Smart	The Beekeepers First Year (B) – Jess Popp	Varroa Mite Biology (A, B) – Dr. David Peck	Grow with It: Plants to Feed the Bees (A, B) – Jo Patrick	
10:25am - 11:15am Presentation Breakout Session 2	Creamed Honey (V) – Buck Bradley	Bee-Friendly Policy & Advocacy Training for Beekeepers (A, B) – Dr. Judy Wu-Smart	Catching Free Bees & Successful Swarm Trapping (A) – Tim Gogolski		Honey Bee Nutrition: When & What to Feed Your Bees (A, B) – David Burns	
11:15am - 12:15pm						Lunch, Vendors
12:15pm - 2:15pm Interactive Session	Make It and Take It Soap Making (pre-registration required) (V) – Joli Winer	Troubleshooting Hive Problems & Dealing with Troubled Queens (A, B) – Dr. Judy Wu-Smart	Making Splits (A) – Kristi Sanderson	How to Apply All Sorts of Miticides (A, B) – Dr. David Peck	Inspecting Your Hive and how to Accomplish It All In 12 Minutes (B) – David Burns	
2:15pm - 2:45pm						Honey Ice Cream, Vendors, Silent Auction Ends
2:45pm - 3:35pm Presentation Breakout Session 3		Hive Necropsies & What Stories the Dead Tell (A, B) – Dr. Judy Wu-Smart	Beeswax Cappings to Candles (A, B) – Joli Winer & Cecil Sweeney	Using Technology in Your Beekeeping Practice (A, B) – Matt Brandes	Overview of the American Honey Institute and Their Testing Programs (A, B) – Dr. Brian P. McCornack	
3:45pm - 4:35pm	Final Thoughts - David Peck - Collective Intelligence in Honey Bees, and the Honey Bee Dance Language (location Flory West)					
4:45pm	Door Prizes (location Flory West)					
6:00pm	Evening Program - Prof. Mohammed - Beekeeping in Jordan (location Building 21 North & South)					

(A)= advanced class; (B) = beginner class; (V) = value-added class

Presenters, times, and topics are subject to change