

SEMBA 87th Annual Bee Conference – Beepalooza!

Sunday, May 22, 2022

8:30a: Check in

8:50a - 9:00a: *Welcome, We're Happy to BEE Together Again, Rich Wieske*

9:00 – 9:45 *Dr. Meghan Milbrath , Keynote Speaker, Beekeeping in Community*

10:00 - 10:45 First Concurrent Sessions

BARN Beginners	CONFERENCE ROOM Intermediate	ACTIVITIES BLDG Advanced	PAVILION	APIARY #1 SEMBA YARD Beginners	APIARY #2 MSU YARD Intermediate	LOCATION TBD Advanced
<p>Swarms! Here they come... if you haven't all ready witnessed one you soon will..</p> <p>One of the most entertaining and informative presenters, Charlotte Hubbard, will discuss swarm capturing essentials, and perhaps more importantly -- how you can work to keep your colonies from swarming.</p>	<p>Join us for a short but intensive hon-ey tasting class. We will explore the ranges of taste and perhaps discover if you're a super-taster!</p> <p>We'll also sample a number of varie-tal honeys and end with a blind taste test to see if you have the taste buds to be a Honey Sommelier.</p> <p>Preston Zale</p>	<p>Microscope class: - Honeybee anatomy & varroa mites - EFB identification</p> <p>Dr. Peter Fowler, Dr. Melissa Holahan</p>	<p>Honey Bee Hive inspections: lecture on basics of inspecting and mitigating issues in honey bee colonies</p> <p>Jamie Walters</p>	<p>How to do a quick hive assessment, finding the queen- eggs, marking drones</p> <p>Kerry Wysocki, Lisa Stinson</p>		<p>Queen Grafting</p> <p>Hands on with many of the most experience local queen producers we know: Mike Sautter, Brad and Tammy Bonniefield, Paul Mazour</p>

10:45 - 11:15 Break/Vendors

11:15 - 12:00 Second Concurrent Session

<p>Trees for Bees and Adopt a Tree Mike Connor Will explain how one or two mature trees can offer our pollinators millions of blossom's and also kick off our adopt a bee tree program. In Slovenia, evert time a child is born they plant a native pollinator tree.</p>	<p>Repeat or cont. Honey tasting</p> <p>Preston Zale</p>		<p>Silent auction and 50/50</p> <p>Lots of great useful hive products</p> <p>John Dechart</p>	<p>How to make a split</p> <p>Kerry Wysocki, Lisa Stinson</p>	<p>Colony health: learn how to inspect honey bee colonies for signs of health, stress, and disease and how to monitor for varroa mite.</p> <p>Ana Heck, Dr. Meghan Milbrath, Dan Wyns</p>	<p>Queen Grafting cont.</p> <p>Mike Sautter, Brad and Tammy Bonniefield, Paul Mazour</p>
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12:00 - 1:30 Lunch picnic Pavilion

Smoker Lighting competitions Raffle

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1:30 - 2:30 Third Concurrent Session						
<p>Winter starts in August</p> <p>It seems like the end of summer for us, but August is arguable the most critical month for working toward overwintering success.</p> <p>Popular speaker Charlotte Hubbard will outline ways to optimize your success.</p>	<p>Mead Making</p> <p>Richard Anderson, Will enhance your mead making skill and understanding with his simple easy to follow directions</p>	<p>Candle making with molds and dipping...</p> <p>Rich Wieske and Camila Martin</p>	<p>Building boxes and frames</p>	<p>Basic Hive management: demonstration on typical beekeeping practices</p> <p>Cecilia Infante, Mohammad Cherri</p>	<p>Hygienic testing: learn how test your honey bee colonies for hygienic behavior, a genetic trait that can help bees be resistant to certain diseases</p> <p>Ana Heck, Dr. Meghan Milbrath, Dan Wyns</p>	<p>Backyard Queen Rearing, oh let me count the ways, splits, miller OTS etc.</p> <p>Shanna Way</p>
2:30 - 3:00 Break/Vendors Closing silent auction						
Best BEE outfit						
3:00- 4:00 Final concurrent Session						
<p>Understanding Mead its culture history and taste.</p> <p>Ken Schramm Author of the Compleat Mead Maker, an avid orchardist and most passionate mead maker is honoring us with one of his rare public speaking engagements..</p>	<p>Api Inhalation & Slovenian Hives</p> <p>Api inhalation is recognized as a potential remedy for treating many lung conditions in Eastern Europe.</p> <p>Learn about the benefits Slovenian hives</p> <p>Senad Livadic</p>	<p>cont. candle dipping</p>	<p>cont. building boxes and frames</p>	<p>Honey Bee Hive inspections: lecture on best practices to maintaining a healthy hive</p> <p>Jamie Walters</p>		<p>Apimaye Hives: The next generation bee hive.</p> <p>Learn about what Apomaye hives are and their benefits.</p> <p>Rick Dimanin</p>
Raffle winners chosen. Results posted to raffle board.						
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