

# Bluegrass Beekeeping School

March 11, 2017

Bradford Hall/Student Center, KSU, Frankfort, KY

Registration..... 8:00 – 10:00 am (in the Student Center)

Opening Address..... 9:00 – 9:45 am

- **Opening Address:** New Developments in Beekeeping.....Dr. Tom Webster, Ph.D.
  - Dr. Webster will discuss several promising developments in honey bee research that gives us reason for optimism as we move forward into a new year.

**10:00 AM to 10:45 AM**

- Beginning Beekeeping Class #1 .....John Pace
  - Basic bee biology and behavior
- Inspecting your Bee Yard.....Stephanie Tarwater
- Kentucky Queen Bee Breeders Association .....Dorothey Morgan
- Plants for Pollinators; Bees in Particular.....Connie May
- Harvesting Honey.....Clay Guthrie
- Starting a Top Bar Hive.....Richard Olson
- Transitioning from Deeps to medium/small brood boxes.....John Antenucci

**11:00 AM to 11:45 AM**

- Beginning Beekeeping Class #2.....Tommy Steele
  - Learn about beekeeping equipment, acquiring bees, basics of getting started
- Problems Inside the Hive.....Dr. Tom Webster
- Small Scale Queen Rearing.....John Pace
- Importance of honey bees to KY Agriculture.....Hope Pettibon, Honey Princess
- A Retailers Perspective on Selling Honey.....Jennifer Wilson
- Mead Making.....Fritz Vorisek
- Selecting for Behavioral Resistance to Varroa Destructor.....Krispn Given, Purdue Univ.

**1:00 PM to 1:45 PM**

- Beginning Beekeeping Class #3.....Phil Clark
  - Basic information you need to know for first year hive management.
- Veterinary Feed Directive.....Tammy H Potter, State Apiarist
- Commercial Queen Rearing.....Kent Williams
- Requeening Hives.....Laura Rogers
- Moving Beekeeping from Hobby to Business.....John Antenucci
- Catching Swarms/Removing bees from Structures.....Randy Rosbrook
- Cooking with Honey.....Joel Shrader

**2:00 PM to 2:45 PM**

- Beginning Beekeeping Class #4 (What I Wish I Had Known).....Clay Guthrie
  - Helpful information from an experienced beekeeper
- Bee Diseases.....Tammy H Potter, State Apiarist
- Small Hive Beetle.....Kent Williams
- Spring Management.....Laura Rogers
- African Bee Genetic Traits.....Stephanie Tarwater
- Making Splits.....Wes Henery
- Competing in Honey Shows.....Lani Basberg