

Managing and maintaining healthy, high-producing honeybees continues to occupy the minds of the best beekeepers. Worldwide honeybee numbers, adequate insect pollination for food crops, and honey production continue to decline. While research has provided many answers, success in beekeeping lies with healthy bees, good nectar flows, and knowledgeable honeybee managers.

Penn State Extension and experts from local beekeeping organizations and the PA State Beekeepers Association are again pleased to offer the Western PA Beekeeping Seminar, aimed at addressing these concerns in an atmosphere of creative idea sharing to improve the knowledge and management skills of those who attend. The speakers for this year's seminar include:

- *Craig Cella, PA Beekeeping Entrepreneur*
- *Diana Cox-Foster, Ph.D., Professor of Entomology, Penn State*
- *Leo Donovall, Chief Apiary Inspector, PA Department of Agriculture*
- *Jeremy Fitzgerald, Penn State Bee Lab*
- *Mary Alice Gettings, Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Educator*
- *Jerry Hayes, Florida State Apiary Inspector*
- *Jon Laughner, Ag Entrepreneur Educator, Penn State Extension*
- *Lee Miller, past president, PA State Beekeepers Association*
- *Dan O'Hanlon, 2011 West Virginia Beekeeper of the Year*
- *Nancy Ostiguy, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Entomology, Penn State*
- *Steve Repasky, EAS Master Beekeeper*
- *Joe Zgurzynski, EAS Master Beekeeper*



2012 WPA Beekeeping Seminar February 17 & 18, 2012

Participants - \$50
Guests & Children under 18 - \$30
Registration deadline is February 10.

**A small block of rooms
 has been reserved at Four Points
 by Sheraton - Pittsburgh North,
 910 Sheraton Drive, Mars PA 16046
 724-776-6900**

** Mention Bee Seminar for special rate. **

This is a smoke-free facility.
 For directions and more information,
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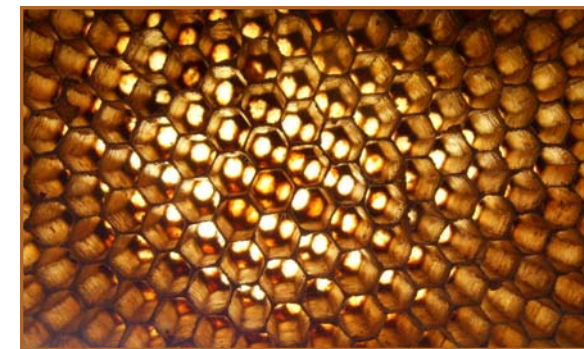
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Friday, February 17

7:00 - 8:00 PM

International Beekeeping

Jerry Hayes

8:00 - 9:00 PM

PANEL: Challenges in Beekeeping

Dr. Diana Cox-Foster Dr. Nancy Ostiguy

Jerry Hayes Craig Cella

Dan O'Hanlon Joe Zgurzynski

Saturday, February 18

Morning Sessions

8:00 AM - Registration

8:25 ... Welcome

Jon Laughner

8:30 ... Bee Behaviors

Jerry Hayes

9:15 The Role of Diseases in Honey Bee Health

Dr. Diana Cox-Foster

10:00 ... Break

10:25 ... PA State Honey Queens

10:40 ... PA State Beekeeping

Leo Donovall

11:00 ... Beekeeping Tort Reform

Dan O'Hanlon

11:30 ... Bee Decline: A Multitude of Causes

Dr. Nancy Ostiguy

12:00 ... Lunch

Saturday, February 18

Afternoon Break-Out Sessions (choose 1 each)

1:00 - 2:00 PM

A) The Classroom

Jerry Hayes

B) Effects of Virus on Honeybees

Dr. Diana Cox-Foster

C) West Virginia Queen Breeders

Dan O'Hanlon

D) So You Want to Be a Master Beekeeper

Joe Zgurzynski & Steve Repasky

2:15 - 3:15 PM

E) SARE Grant Report and More

Craig Cella

F) The Goodness of Honey

Mary Alice Gettings

G) How to Keep Your Bees Alive

Steve Repasky & Lee Miller

H) Urban Beekeeping

Joe Zgurzynski

3:30 - 4:30 PM

I) The Classroom (repeat of A)

J) Increase Essentials: Making Splits

Steve Repasky

K) The PA Queen Breeding Program

Jeremy Fitzgerald

L) Second-Year Beekeeping Questions

Craig Cella & Lee Miller

Registration Deadline: February 10, 2012

**** Only those registering at the \$50 "Participant" level will receive a seminar packet. ****

Late registrations will not be guaranteed a lunch or a seminar packet.

TO REGISTER: Complete registration form at right and send with payment payable to PSCE of Beaver County to address on form. *** U.S. Funds Only ***

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No refunds after registration deadline, unless event is cancelled.

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Address _____

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Day Phone (_____) _____ County _____

Email _____

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Guest/Child _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed = \$ _____

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2 SELECT AFTERNOON SESSIONS →

Mail completed form with payment to:

Penn State Extension

ATTN: WPA BEE

2020 Beaver Ave - Suite 200

Monaca PA 15061

If you are attending this seminar AND one of the Beginning Bee Workshops, please send TWO separate checks.

Registration deadline is February 10.

Friday Evening:

Check if attending Friday evening session.

Saturday Afternoon Break-Outs:

Choose ONE session per registrant in EACH time slot below.

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