



PENNSYLVANIA STATE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION
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7 Sept 2022 (Rev 6)

2022 Pennsylvania State Beekeepers Association State Conference Agenda

Dates: Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 4 - 6 November 2022

Registration Deadline: 10 Oct 2022

Location: Ramada State College Hotel and Conference Center
 1450 S Atherton St,
 State College, PA 16801

Hotel Rooms: For reservations call (814) 238-3001 and use Group Code **BEE2022**. The group room rate is \$94 plus taxes including buffet breakfast. Room reservations deadline is 14 October 2022, but the hotel may honor the rate for a late reservations. Suites are NOT available at the group room rate.

Conference Agenda: Plans are still be finalized and subject to change.

Friday, 4 November 2022

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| 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm | Conference Attendee Registration Open | Atrium |
| 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm | OPTIONAL Ice Breaker and Fun Activity Pizza provided and cash bar available. | Atrium |

Saturday, 5 November 2022

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| 8:00 am | Conference Attendee Registration Open | Lobby Counter |
| 8:00 am – 9:30 am | Coffee, tea, juice, bagels, muffins, & yogurt | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| BK201 IS AN OPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL SESSION <u>NOT</u> INCLUDED WITH BASIC CONFERENCE REGISTRATION – SEPARATE REGISTRATION AND FEE REQUIRED | | |
| 9:30 am – 12:30 pm | BK 201 – Advanced Management for Experienced Beekeepers Presenters: Dr. Robyn Underwood, Mike Bodamer, Steve Berner Topics: A Very Close-Up View of All Things Honey Bees. Lecture on internal and external anatomy of honey bees Hands-on look at legs, tongue, sting, wings, tracheal system, digestive tract, etc. Plus pollen & honey. Hands-on Look at pests and parasites: varroa, small hive beetles, wax moths, nosema, and chalkbrood. | Terrace Room |

START OF CONFERENCE AGENDA THAT IS INCLUDED WITH BASIC CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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| 9:30 am – 12:30 pm | Combined Executive Committee/General Membership Meeting Includes Officer Elections Nominating Committee – Charlie V.) | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm | Honey Queen Interviews and Selection | Conference Room |
| 12:30 pm | Vendors Open | Lobby/Director's Room |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | OPTIONAL Lunch – Optional preordered lunch buffet available Nittany Deli Buffet - Tossed Greens Salad, Pasta Salad, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Deli Platter (Roast Beef, Turkey, Ham), Chicken Salad, Assorted Rolls & Breads, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, and Sliced Cheeses, Potato Chips, Assorted Cakes and Pies, Coffee, Tea, and Iced Tea. | Atrium |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | Poster Session | Atrium |
| 1:30 pm - 1:40 pm | Welcome – Mark Gingrich | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 1.40 pm – 2:40 pm | The Quality of Commercial Queens – Dr. D. R. Tarpy | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 2:40 pm – 3:10 pm | Break - Vendor Visit Time/Reset Ballrooms for breakouts | Lobby/Director's Room |



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| 3:10 pm – 4:00 pm | Break Out Block One | |
| Session 1: | Lopez-Urbe Lab Project Updates – Dr. Margarita Lopez-Urbe, Dr. Robyn Underwood | Grand Ballroom A |
| Session 2: | Topic TBD – Invited speaker TBD | Grand Ballroom B |
| Session 3: | PA Dept of Ag Apiary Inspector Round Table – Frank Ruthkosky, others as available | Chairman’s A & B |
| Session 4: | Single Brood Chamber Management - Steve Repasky | Executive Forum |
| Sideliners: | Varroa Testing: Fast, Cheap, & Easy Mite Analysis – Moderators TBD | Terrace Room |
| 4:10 pm – 5:00 pm | Break Out Block Two | |
| Session 1: | Diagnosing Queen Problems: Is it the Queen, Colony, Both, Neither? – Dr. D. R. Tarpy | Grand Ballroom A |
| Session 2: | Ecology of Africanized Honey Bees in the USA – Dr. Juliana Rangel | Grand Ballroom B |
| Session 3: | Regenerative Beekeeping – David Papke | Chairman’s A&B |
| Session 4: | Preparing Hives to Overwinter - Mark Gingrich | Executive Forum |
| Sideliners: | EFB, Snot Brood, SHB, & other Pests in PA Colonies – V. Alloyo | Terrace Room |
| 5:30 pm – 9:30 pm | Banquet – Separate Registration and Fee Required | Atrium |
| 5:30 PM | Social time with cash bar | |
| 5:50 PM | Welcome by Mark Gingrich /Invocation | |
| 6:00 PM | Dinner starts (cash bar stays open) | |
| 7:15 PM | Honey Queen Program (PSBA HQ comments & crowning of new HQ/HP) | |
| 7:30 PM | Beekeepers of the Year 2022 Award Program (Mark Gingrich) | |
| 7:50 PM | Announcement of Officer Elections (TBD) | |
| 8:10 PM | Honey Queen Program Fund Raiser Auction (Mark Antunes & HQ Committee Reps.) | |

Sunday, 6 November 2022

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| 7:00 am – 8:30 am | Coffee, tea, juice, bagels, muffins, & yogurt | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 7:00 am | Conference Attendee Registration Open | Lobby Counter |
| 8:00 am – 8:10 am | Welcome – Mark Gingrich | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 8:10 am – 8:30 am | The State of the Bees in PA – Karen Roccasecca | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 8:30 am – 8:50 am | Center for Pollinator Research/Lopez-Urbe Lab – General Updates | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 8:50 am – 9:50 am | Topic TBD – Invited speaker TBD | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 9:50 am – 10:20 am | Break – Vendor Visit Time/Reset Ballrooms for breakouts | Lobby/Director’s Room |
| 10:20 am – 11:10 am | Break Out Block Three | |
| Session 1: | Lopez-Urbe Lab Project Updates – Dr. Margarita Lopez-Urbe, Dr. Robyn Underwood | Grand Ballroom A |
| Session 2: | Ecology of Africanized Honey Bees in the USA – Dr. Juliana Rangel | Grand Ballroom B |
| Session 3: | PA Dept of Ag Apiary Inspector Round Table – Frank Ruthkosky, others as available | Chairman’s A & B |
| Session 4: | Single Brood Chamber Management - Steve Repasky | Executive Forum |
| Sideliners: | A Discussion of Off-Label Varroa Mite Treatments – Moderator TBD | Terrace Room |
| 11:20 am – 12:10 pm | Break Out Block Four | |
| Session 1: | Diagnosing Queen Problems: Is it the Queen, Colony, Both, Neither? – Dr. D. R. Tarpy | Grand Ballroom A |
| Session 2: | Topic TBD – Invited speaker TBD | Grand Ballroom B |
| Session 3: | Regenerative Beekeeping – David Papke | Chairman’s A&B |
| Session 4: | Preparing Hives to Overwinter - Mark Gingrich | Executive Forum |
| Sideliners: | Inflation Challenges: How to Drive Down Costs & Increase Sales - Moderator TBD | Terrace Room |



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| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | Poster Session | Atrium |
| 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm | Queen Management Essentials – Dr. Juliana Rangel | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm | The Benefits of Genetic Diversity within Your Hives – Dr. D.R. Tarpy | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm | Break – Vendor Visit Time (drinks & snacks) | Lobby/Director's Room |
| 4:00 pm – 4:50 pm | Bee Law Update and Discussion – Karen R., Charlie V., Mark G., Steve R. | Grand Ballroom A & B |
| 4:50 pm – 5:00 pm | Conference Wrap Up – Mark Gingrich | Grand Ballroom A & B |