Schedule of Events

Thursday
1:00-5:00pm - Registration Begins
1:00-5:00pm - Vendors Set Up
2:00-5:30pm - MBP Journeyman Review [*Board Room*]
6:00-8:00pm - Welcome Reception [*Ballroom A*]

Friday
8:00am - Registration
8:00-9:00am - Executive Meeting with Local Presidents [*Ballroom D*]
8:00-12:00pm - Honey Show/Beeswax Entries - Steve Genta [*Meeting Room 1*]
8:00-12:00pm - Photograph Entries - Cynthia Robinson [*Meeting Room 2*]
9:05-9:15am - Welcome
9:15-10:00am - Reading the Combs: Understanding Bee Biology - Randy Oliver
10:00-10:45am - What Makes a Good Queen: Genetic Selection or Polyandry? - Dr. Keith Delaplane
10:45-11:30am - Viruses - Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda
11:30-12:00pm - Bees Coming and Going - Brad Calvin
12:00-1:00pm - Lunch
1:00-1:45pm - Things to Consider Before Processing Honey - Bob Binnie
2:00-3:00pm - Varroa Detection - Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda [*Apiary*]
2:00-3:00pm - Mead Making - Steve Genta [*Ballroom A*]
2:00-3:00pm - Beekeeper's Toolbox: Bio-controls and Probiotics - Slava Strogolov [*Ballroom B*]
2:00-3:00pm - Digital Hive Monitoring - Daniel Roath [*Ballroom C*]
2:00-3:00pm - Hive Nutrition - Andrew Wagner [*Ballroom D*]
3:15-4:15pm - Closing up Hives - Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda [*Apiary*]
3:15-4:15pm - Beekeeping Therapy - Allen Johnson [*Ballroom A*]
3:15-4:15pm - My Second Year Beekeeping Challenges - Jim Strohm [*Ballroom B*]
3:15-4:15pm - SCBA Admins/Website Use - Bryan Owens [*Ballroom C*]
3:15-4:15pm - Tips for Finding Queens - Mark Sweatman [*Ballroom D*]
2:00-5:00pm - MBP Certified Level Test, Journeyman Test, Master Beekeeper Test (Must be pre-registered) [*Board Room*]

Saturday
8:00-8:45am - Business Meeting
8:00-8:10am - Presidents Address
8:10-8:15am - Treasurers Report
8:15-8:20am - Secretary Report
8:20-8:25am - Youth Education Report
8:25-8:30am - Grant Program Report
8:30-8:35am - EAS Report
8:35-8:40am - Honey/Beeswax Show Winner Announcement
8:40-8:45am - Photograph Winner Announcement
8:45-9:00am - MBP Update Certificates
9:00-9:10am - Beekeeper of the Year/Junior Beekeeper
9:10-9:15am - Nominating Committee
9:15-10:00am - Beekeeping Agritourism - Kerry Owen
10:15-11:15am - Free Beekeeping Introduction Class - Kerry Owen [*Ballroom A*]
10:00-10:30am - Department of Pesticide Regulation - Ryan Okey
10:30-11:30am - What Nature Can Teach Us about beekeeping - Dr. Keith Delaplane
11:30-12:30pm - Simplified Breeding Suggestons for Varroa Resistance - Randy Oliver

Apiary Workshops

Presented by:
DR. JENNIFER TSURUDA

2:00-3:00pm - Varroa Detection
3:15-4:15pm - Closing up Hives

All attending the apiary workshops must wear protective gear!

OTHER SPEAKERS: Brad Cavin - SC State Bee Inspector, Bob Binnie - Blue Ridge Honey Co., Kerry Owen - Bee Well Honey Bee Supply, Allen Johnson - Johnson Bee Supply, Daniel or Candy - Brushy Mountain Bee Farm, Andrew Wagner - Mann Lake, Jim Strohm - Charleston Community Bee Gardens, Steve Genta - Award Winning Mead Maker and Senior Welsh Honey Judge, Mark Sweatman - Dark Corners Apiary, Ryan Okey - Departnent of Pesticide Regulation, Slava Strogolov - Strong Microbials