The Art of Beekeeping (In Northern Climates) 2024

Instructor: JoAnne Sabin, beekeeper since 2005 and member of the Minnesota Hobby Beekeepers Association (MHBA).

Content: This course will describe everything you need to know to keep honey bees for your first two years, including:

- Basics of honey bee biology and behavior
- Equipment and bee purchase, ideal apiary location, and new colony install
- How to care for your bees throughout the year, including:
  - ✓ Inspections Spring through Fall
  - ✓ Feeding: when, what, and how
  - ✓ Building the colony
  - ✓ What looks normal
  - ✓ Spotting and responding to problems
  - ✓ Diseases and pests, including Varroa Mites
  - ✓ Preventing swarms in urban environments
  - ✓ Possible Queen problems
  - ✓ Winter Preparation
- Honey Harvest
- Managing 2nd year colonies, including
  - ✓ Feeding surviving colonies
  - ✓ Reversals
  - ✓ Spring splits
  - ✓ Introducing a new queen, slow release

Location:

Nature's Nectar
6922 55th St N Suite C
Oakdale, MN 55128

Dates: There will be two options: a 3-session weeknight class or a full day Saturday class

Tuesday, 2/27/24 6 - 9pm
Thursday 2/29/24 6 - 9pm
Tuesday 3/5/24 6 - 9pm

Note: You must attend all three of these weekday sessions to receive a Certificate of Completion on request

OR

Saturday, 3/2/24 8:30am - 6pm, with a 1/2 hour lunch break (bring your own lunch)
OR, Just added! Saturday, 3/9/24 8:30am - 6pm, with a 1/2 hour lunch break (bring your own lunch)
OR (Waitlist) **Saturday, 3/16/24 8:30am - 6pm**, with a 1/2 hour lunch break (bring your own lunch)

Cost:

$70 cash or check only. Please pay in advance to assure you will get a handout. Registrations accepted until 2/24 for the weekday class or 2/28 for the Saturday class. Payment must be received by the registration deadline.

To register: Send an email to: **jojobeelady@gmail.com** indicating which class you will attend, and send your check made out to: JoAnne Sabin 1480 Applewood Ct W #328 Roseville, MN 55113

Please contact me (JoAnne) with any questions and to register at jojobeelady@gmail.com