

# Sierra Foothill Beekeepers Association

## Beginning Beekeeping Class



**DATE:** Saturday, April 15, 2017

**TIME:** 9 am to 4 pm

**LOCATION:** Tuolumne County Fire Station  
18440 Striker Court, Sonora, CA 95370

**COURSE INFO:** Course fee is \$45.00 or \$35 for SFBA Supporting Members. A second family member may attend for \$25. Class will begin at 9 am and end at approximately 4 pm. Class will start on time, registration begins at 8:30 am. Membership in SFBA is \$20 for individuals and \$35 for a family (up to 3 family members under one household).

This beginning class is designed for those wanting to explore beekeeping; to gain knowledge and understanding about honey bee behavior and learn some options available for the management of honey bee colonies. No experience is necessary for entry level classes. For those with beekeeping experience the course also proves an excellent opportunity to refresh and hone beekeeping skills and knowledge and to get updated on the latest information on beekeeping options.

Two hives will be available for hive inspection instruction. Hive side instruction normally takes place immediately following lunch. To participate in this portion of the class we request that you have protective gear: a head veil is all that is required. However, you may wear any level of protection that makes you comfortable or that you already have. Contact suppliers such as Mann-Lake, Brushy Mountain, Sacramento Beekeeping Supply or Dadant & Sons to order directly if you don't already own protective equipment.

It is not required that you participate at the hive side, but the learning process is greatly enhanced as actual hive conditions and issues are dealt with. For hive side activity, **please do not wear black or red.**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Serge Labesque, a long-time beekeeper, has apiaries in the Sonoma Foothills, teaches beekeeping at Santa Rosa Junior College, is a sought-after speaker and has authored many published articles. Serge feels that by understanding bees one can make their own best management decisions for mindfully maintaining healthy colonies.

**COURSE COORDINATOR:** Linda Reavley lreavley@gmail.com 209.533.0615

**TO REGISTER FOR THE CLASS:** Complete the registration form below and mail with payment to SFBA, PO Box 3920, Sonora, CA no later than Wednesday 4/12. You will receive a confirmation by email or telephone. For late registration contact course coordinator, directly.

### Registration for Beginning Beekeeping Class

NAME(s) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Class fee # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_