

## **2024 Annual Conference Contests**

All contests will take place in the Reception Area. Please drop off your contest items with Charlotte Sears.

### **Best Tasting Honey:**

- The Best Tasting Honey contest will be blindly tasted and voted on by membership. The honey with the most votes will be awarded Best Tasting Honey 2024.
- To enter you will need to provide one 12-16oz container of this years (2024) honey crop.
- Squeeze bottle with easy pour lid is preferred, but not required.
- All containers must have a proper label on them- with your name/ business name, contact info, etc.
- Containers must be covered in foil completely and taped around the top. Only exposing the lid. Please do not expose the label, color of honey, or anything else that would give it away that the honey belongs to you.
- Once the winner is chosen, the foil will be removed and your jar will be showcased so everyone can see who the best honey belongs to.
- First, Second, & Third Place winners will be showcased.

### **Painted Hive Boxes:**

- This contest will have two classes- Adult & Youth. A single winner will be awarded for each class
- Paint a hive box anyway you'd like. Get as creative as possible.
- Silent votes will be cast during the conference by membership
- Winners will be showcased

### **Best Mead:**

- This contest will be based on membership votes and standard mead judging criteria (sweetness, carbonation, strength, honey variety, and special added ingredients)
- To enter, please provide one sealed bottle, clear glass, with the description written on the bottle.
- There will be one winner chosen for this category.

### **Photography:**

- This contest winner will be selected by membership votes.
- To enter please provide one 8x10 photo that is bee or beekeeping themed with a matt frame, and your name written on the back
- First, second, and third place winners will be selected for this category