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#### General Meeting

**Monday, November 21, 2022 (7:00 p.m.)  
(IN PERSON ONLY-website for updates)**

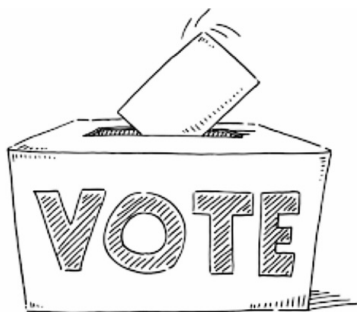
Douglas County Fairgrounds Bldg. 21N  
2110 Harper St., Lawrence KS

**Directions:** The address is 2110 Harper St. It is easily accessible from 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. Turn north on Harper Street and it is just a few blocks. We are in Building 21 North, which will be on your left after you turn into the fairgrounds.

#### Main Program: Youth Scholarship

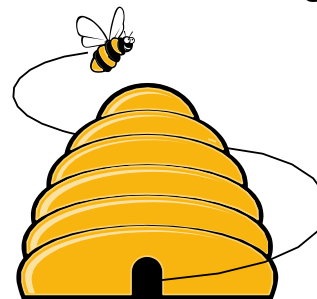
**Presentations:** This month we'll have a great opportunity to hear from our 2022 youth scholarship students. This month most of them will give their required presentations to our membership in attendance. Presenting are Benicio Talbot, Kiera Olson, Lillianne Benben and Braiden Beninga. Aahliya Herald and Ethan Lauver will present at another meeting. This is one of the most exciting meetings of the year- new beekeepers getting excited about their new beekeeping experience. We'll have a chance to ask them some questions too!

**Officer Elections:** Youth Scholarship chair, Military/Veteran Appr. Liaison, Special Events Coordinator (Class), and Secretary.



#### Beelines

By President Ed Darlington



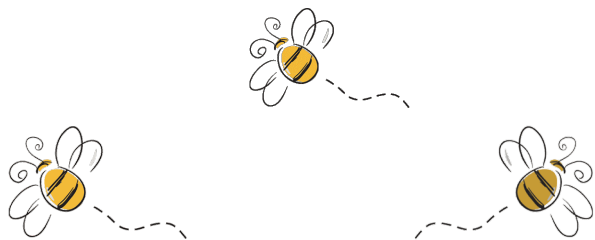
We need as many members as possible to attend this month's NEKBA meeting as it is election time.

We will meet at our normal site at the Douglas County Fair Grounds in Building 21. We are set to start at 7pm on the third Monday; November 21, 2022.

The selection committee has completed their search and are making the following recommendations. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at election time. This coming year there are four open positions. The slate of officers up for election (each for a two-year term of office):

- Youth Scholarship chair: Dale Spurlin
- Military/Veteran Appr. Liaison: Buck Bradley
- Special Events Coordinator (Class): Kristi Sanderson
- Secretary: (please choose one)  
Elise Everson  
Elaine Ellenz

It has been approximately 20 years since there have been any changes to the association dues. Please note that we, your board, have voted to raise annual dues from \$15 to \$25. We will still honor the current rate of \$15 until January 1, 2023.



**2022 Meeting Dates: (Starting Time is 7pm. Dec. & Jan. sessions are virtual via Zoom)**

- November 21, 2022 (Election of Officers)
- December 12, 2022 (Zoom meeting only)
- January 16, 2023 (Zoom meeting only)
- January 28, 2023 Beginning Beekeeping Class (Bldg. 21)
- January 29, 2023 Beginning Beekeeping Class (Bldg. 21)
- February 20, 2023



**Beekeeping Classes**

Beginning Beekeeping Class

January 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Saturday, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> -Registration at 8:30 AM and ending at 4:30 PM.

Sunday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> -Begins at 1:00 PM and ending at 4:30 PM.

Lunch and snacks provided at breaks on Saturday. Vendor will be present Saturday only.

Year 2 and Beyond Beekeeping Class

February 25, 2023

Saturday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>- Registration at 8:30 AM and ending at 5:00 PM.

1-day class

Lunch and snacks provided at breaks.

Vendor will be present.

\*\*\*Contact Kristi Sanderson with questions, 913-768-4961. Email - [Sandersonk09@gmail.com](mailto:Sandersonk09@gmail.com) [HOME \(nekba.org\)](http://HOME.nekba.org) for additional information and to register.

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As part of your beekeeping experience, it's important to be up to date with the trends in bee biology, honey processing, the industry, and much more!



**Ol' Bee Gal**

Another hat I wear (besides a bee veil) is the President of the Kansas Honey Producers. The KHPA represents beekeepers across the state, all beekeepers are welcome; big beekeepers, hobby beekeepers, and serious sideliners all find programs to enhance their beekeeping enterprise at the meetings. This month's meeting was no exception. If you didn't attend the November meeting, mark your calendar NOW. The Kansas Honey Producers will meet again in March 2023. I have rarely attended a session where I didn't learn something new or find a new way to think about an old problem. The information sharing is priceless.

Fall is the season of meetings. Several of us attending the recent meeting of the Omaha Bee Club. This new organization has only been getting together for a few years. This year marked their second conference, and it was GREAT. They had local folks presenting hands-on practical information. In a separate room, they had zoomed in some of the best bee talent from across the nation. This hybrid format enabled the Omaha group to bring together experts from both coasts at an amazingly low cost to its members. They had a nice group of vendors as well. My favorite part was seeing the energy and enthusiasm of their members. Again, the information sharing, and the side conversations may have been as valuable as the actual presentations.

The last weekend in October, I did a “Make-it Take-it” event for the Nebraska Beekeepers. We spent most of Saturday making soaps, lotions, lotion bars, and food wraps. We sampled products and talked recipes and selling strategies. We all agreed that attractive labeling and packaging was as big a part of sales as creating a great product! There was a lot of appreciation expressed for taking this program to the western side of their state. Like Kansas, the beekeepers of the west are tough and smart. It’s not easy to make honey in Western Nebraska!

Steve and I have another big event on the calendar. The new year will find us in Florida attending the ABF conference in Jacksonville. We haven’t been since January 2020 (we were in Chicago just before it became one of the first Covid hot spots). We will be presenting on value-added products again: soaps, lotions, and potions (Steve’s words to describe what I do). This is a LOT of fun. This is the conference where I have learned the most over the last several years. Cutting edge research is presented. This is the conference where I first heard about the role of propolis in the health system of the hive. It was at an ABF conference that I first heard Dr. Samuel Ramsey talk about his discovery of the fat bodies and mites sucking that life sustaining organ. It was a year or two later that I heard about Tropilaelaps mites; they aren’t in the US, but most believe it is just a matter of time until they are. Mites showing resistant to a long-used pesticide were exposed; the hope for the use of mushrooms to improve hive health met with guarded optimism. This conference always draws both presenters and attendees from across the globe.

I frequently stand on a soap box (literally and figuratively). Backyard beekeepers have the WORST record for hive mortality. Hobbyists kill honey bees at an alarming rate. What will combat this dreadful record? Education. This is not a YouTube moment. This is a get out and talk to real successful beekeepers’ moment. Find out what works. If you have only had bees for a few years, strongly consider attending our beekeeping classes this winter (January and February). The people teaching these classes have very low hive mortality. Backyard beekeepers should have the best hive success. We have the fewest numbers and can give the bees all the attention they deserve. The girls

have powerful work to do for us. We owe them some bee love. Attend a meeting, attend a class, attend a conference, read a book; get bee smart.

**Becky Tipton, Special Events Coordinator**

### **ASK QUINBY & REMI**



**Dear Quinby and Remi:** (We wrote something similar last month but we’ve heard several of these stories this week) I have wasps or other honey bees attacking one of my hives what should I do? I’m seeing beeswax scraps and dead bees in front of my hive.

**Quinby and Remi answer:** This is the perfect time of year for weaker hives to be robbed by other bees and wasps. If you are lucky enough to see it, you can take the following actions: Suit up, get your smoker, get your entrance reducer in on its smallest opening. If it is really bad, we’ve heard of others using a wet sheet over the hive until the robbing stops. If on the other hand, you are too late to catch the robbing but you still have some bees in the hive (not robbers, but hive bees) you can combine them with another hive. We would do that using the newspaper method. Take the lid off of a stronger hive, put a few sheets of newspaper on top and add the hive body that the bees are in on top of the strong hive. If there are still bees in both hive bodies, add both boxes. If you still have the queen in there too, go ahead and leave it like it is – the bees will work it out and you may find that you’ll have 2 queens in the hive in the spring. If there isn’t much food in the hive, you may still have time to feed. To get bees to store syrup you should now be feeding 2:1 syrup. That means 2 parts sugar by weight to one part water by weight. So translated

that means 4 pounds of sugar to 2 pounds (One Quart) of very hot water.

**Dear Quinby and Remi:** What else should I do for winter prep? I've got on my mouse guards, I've fed, I have treated for varroa- any other tips?

**Quinby and Remi answer:** Next month we'll talk about doing an oxalic acid "clean-up" for varroa mites! Make sure that if you left on any supers that you remove any queen excluders. If hungry, bees will go up into the super and leave the queen behind.

Keep feeding if it stays warm and your hives are light.

Make sure hives have bricks or heavy rocks on them to keep them from flying off- additionally you could strap your hives together with ratchet straps. Unite weak colonies with strong colonies.

Prop up your inner cover so that moisture can escape.

**Dear Quinby and Remi:** I was thinking that while I was feeding my bees that I should be feeding pollen too. What kind do you think is best?

**Quinby and Remi answer:** Bees only need pollen when they are raising a lot of young bees. This time of year, there are very few young bees being raised in your hives. In fact, we've had calls about people not seeing any brood! You should not feed pollen substitute now. It is however, a great food for small hive beetles! So, if you want to raise them, go ahead and feed pollen substitute.

**Quinby and Remi would love to answer your questions. Contact them my emailing their owner at [joli@heartlandhoney.com](mailto:joli@heartlandhoney.com).**



### Tips for November

- Make sure that your hives have heavy bricks on them to keep our Kansas winds from blowing them off.
- Make sure your hives are tipped slightly forward so water will be able to run out.
- Get your mouse guards on so mice don't get into your hives.
- Make sure you have adequate ventilation so moisture doesn't accumulate on the

inner cover and rain down on the bees. Wet cold bees are dead bees.

- Take the time to inventory your equipment so you can spend the winter putting new equipment together or repairing your equipment.
- Check for dead-outs and move into a storage area, clean out any dead bees and treat with paradichlorobenzene moth crystals. Do not store supers in plastic bags as this acts as an incubator for the wax moth. Left in the bee yard, bees will rob out any remaining honey and destroy the combs. Also, mice can destroy your comb. If storing in an area that freezes, you will not need to use chemicals to protect the comb.
- Check your hives for honey stores-if you do not have enough now, it is likely getting too late to feed syrup. Your top brood chamber should be full of honey. That is an adequate supply for your bees to make it through winter.
- Make beeswax candles and ornaments for holiday gifts. Try your hand at soaps, lotions, and lip balms and other value-added products.
- Subscribe to a monthly bee magazine and stay informed! Links to ABJ and Bee Culture in this newsletter.
- Renew your NEKBA membership as soon as possible!

### Quilt Raffle to Benefit the Youth Scholarship Program

At this month's meeting, attendees will have an opportunity to buy tickets for the quilt raffle. This beautiful quilt was made and donated by Jenny Latendresse, owner of the L'il Red Hen Quilt Shop, 7 South Agate Street in Paola. Jenny has a great selection of fabrics with honey bees! Tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. We typically spend about \$700 per youth scholarship student so fundraisers like this are very important. The quilt size is 66 inches wide by 83 inches long. This would fit just over the top of a queen size bed and would hang over the sides of a double. If you won't be coming



to a meeting but would like to purchase tickets, you could send a check to Joli Winer, 19201 S Clare Rd., Spring Hill KS 66083. Make the check out to NEKBA. Additionally, I will set up a button on my website, [www.heartlandhoney.com](http://www.heartlandhoney.com) -the cost will be \$5.50 a ticket (because of the credit card fees) but then I'll have the information that I'll need to fill out your raffle tickets – then I'll give the money to the club! I promise! The date of the drawing is still to be determined.

### Joli Winer, Youth Scholarship Chair



### Meet the Beek



My name is Marty Hansen. I live in Belton, MO. I've been a beekeeper for about 40 years. I started in 1960, at the age of 10, as a 4-H project and then as a boy scout as part of my merit badge requirements. I had 2-4 colonies during that time.

I grew up in northern Wisconsin. After graduating from high school, I went into the Navy and had to put my beekeeping on hold. Seven years later, I found myself stationed in Jacksonville,

FL. My wife and I bought a house on a couple of acres and I got a few bee hives. I met an elderly gentleman who was a commercial beekeeper. George was slowing down and was running about 2000 hives up and down the state of Florida. He had upwards of 5,000 colonies when he was younger. He had a big operation with a 120-frame extractor, pumps, and 55-gallon barrels.



When I got out of the Navy in 1978, I took a job with King Radio in Olathe, KS. I lived in Grandview, MO and started keeping a few bees again. I bought a fixer-upper in Belton, got busy with work, family, and college so bees lost priority over the years. By 1995, I had moved again and amassed 40 acres and had some cattle, a big garden, and I had started beekeeping again.

1996 was a bad year. I was working at Honeywell, selling real estate, had a construction company, and doing a bit of farming. My wife was stricken with pneumonia and had a heart attack and died. We had 4 children together ranging in age from 11 to 26. Unfortunately, my bees had to take the back burner again.

In 2000, I met a nice gal with 3 girls and we were married. My oldest 3 children had moved out on their own by that time. My oldest son had a lawn and landscape company and I took over the lawn maintenance portion. I had a couple of clients call with swarms and bees in a shed and soon I was back into beekeeping.

I retired from Honeywell in 2014, which gave me more time for other things. I started going to bee meetings and getting more involved with bees. Now I'm making my own equipment and selling some. I keep busy in my "retirement" mowing over 75 lawns, making bee equipment, and caring for my bees.



## Military/Veterans Apprentices Program

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day. Being a veteran myself, it holds a special place for those who have served and are serving. The Veterans/Military committee want to thank all these men and women and their families who have given so much so that we can live freely in the best country in this world.

This November will be our last in-person meeting of the year. I would like to invite all veterans to our November meeting. Please come and let's see how many vets we have in this club. I know of a couple who are retired from beekeeping and have moved south, but please attend if you are able. Join us for a cup of coffee and some friendly conversation. It would be great!

This past year, my wife and I had the privilege of selling honey at the Veterans Hospital. It makes one very thankful for their health and wellbeing. One of the best experiences is visiting with veterans and making new friends. Spending time with these injured veterans makes Veteran's Day even more special as we honor these men and women who wear the scars of war either physically or unseen.

I'm looking forward to seeing all the veterans at our next meeting.

**Andy Nowachek, Military/Veteran Appr. Liaison**



## Honey Plants

Past articles have focused on propagating plants or stratifying seed to increase plant stock for your flower gardens. A third way to multiply plants for your landscape is dividing root stock on many perennials. Perennial plants offer your garden several advantages, including beautiful flowers that have the ability to

return year after year—and you can easily make more of a good thing by dividing your favorites every three to four years or so. Dividing is perfect for filling in bare spots in your garden or for sharing with friends and neighbors.

When perennials are overgrown and crowded, they often won't bloom as much, so dividing will help reinvigorate the flower show. However, not all types of perennials appreciate being divided. Those include baptisia, bleeding hearts, Oriental poppy, and lavender. Here are a few tips to be successful.

You can divide most perennials either in the spring or fall. My preference has always been to focus on Fall division. With the Fall, division can be less stressful on the plants—and they'll recover better from the shock in cool, moist conditions. Root growth will continue to occur into the winter months as long as the soil profile doesn't freeze. This is a benefit over the Spring as early season warm temperatures can cause increased watering requirements and potential additional stress factors. Don't forget, though, that with Fall division and transplanting, a good watering program is still essential to be successful.

Perennials such as asters, hosta, astilbe, bee balm, Black-eyed Susan, daylily, phlox, purple cone flower, Siberian irises, peonies, most herbs and yarrow can be divided easily with no hassle. Following these simple steps will improve your transplant's chances of reaching healthy looking flowering perennials.



### Step 1: Dig the Clump

Dig up the clump of perennials that will be divided. To do this, insert the shovel into the soil around the perimeter to loosen the roots and isolate the clump. You can also use a garden fork or spade to help separate the roots.





### Step 2: Remove the Clump.

Force your shovel or garden fork under the root ball and lever the ball up and down to loosen and position it on the shovel. Then, lift the shovel and root ball. Try to keep the root system as intact as you can. Once you dig the plant out of the ground, shake, wash, or brush any excess soil from around the root ball—this makes it easier to pull the clump apart.



### Step 3: Separate the Crowns and Replant

Pry or cut apart individual crowns. Each clump needs to have leaves and roots in order to grow. Replant the separated clumps promptly so the roots don't dry out. Plant them at the same depth as before and water well. Mulch around the base of the plant and cover the root zone area of the rootstock to help conserve moisture while your newly divided plants become established. Grab your wheel barrow, shovel, and work gloves and let's get busy multiplying our gardens for the multitude of pollinators that are sure to visit. With such a bountiful harvest from established plants, you are sure to save money while expanding your gardens.

**Chad Gilliland, Honey Plants Chairman**



## Third Thursdays- Extracting More Money from your Hives- Value-Added program, November, 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm CST

The Kansas Honey Producers Association- 3rd Thursday, **Extracting More Money from your Hives** is at 7pm CST on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> 2022, via Zoom. This month our program will be **Holiday Gift Ideas-** Making Beeswax Wraps, Making Honey Caramels, Making Hot Honey and Making Honey Butter and maybe more!

If you have never registered for Zoom presentations, go to [www.kansashoneyproducers.org](http://www.kansashoneyproducers.org) to register. Please do not re-register if you have already registered, you will be sent the link. Membership is \$15 per year. You will receive an email before the programs with the link to register. If you registered before or are a NEKBA member or a KHPA member, you will receive the link each month, but you may be asked to register again.

These programs are being recorded and will be available on our <http://www.kansashoneyproducers.org/archives.html> website, under the 'Archives' page

### Upcoming Programs:

- \*Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> to Be Determined
- \*Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> **Beeswax- Cleaning Beeswax, Dipped Candles and Fire Starters**
- \*Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> **Queen Rearing and Making and Selling Nucs-** Jim Kellie Presents
- \*Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> **Bees and Agritourism**

### Future Topics:

- Branding Your Business (Developing a logo etc.)
- Making Labels – resources and programs
- Hiring your Bees out for Pollination
- Using social media to Promote your Business

What to do when you need more honey than you have produced-Networking with other beekeepers  
Dealing with scams from Facebook Market Place etc.

Pysanky (Ukrainian Easter Eggs)

Making Salves, Creams, Lotion bars lip balms etc.

Success stories from those who have listened to these Zoom talks! Let us know who you are! (Joli 913-593-3562 or [joli@heartlandhoney.com](mailto:joli@heartlandhoney.com))



## Honey Pot

By Marlene Pantos

### Honey Carrot Cake

2 c. flour	1 c. oil
2 ½ tsp. baking soda	3 eggs
1 tsp. baking powder	1 tsp. vanilla
1 tsp. salt	2 c. shredded carrots
2 tsp. cinnamon	1 c. flaked coconut
1 c. honey	1 c. chopped pecans
½ c. sugar	1- 8 oz. can crushed pineapple drained

325-degree oven. 9X13 pan. Mix first 5 ingredients. Make a well in the center and add honey, sugar, oil, eggs, and vanilla. Mix, stir in carrots, coconut, pecans, and pineapple. Pour into pan, Bake 45 minutes, test doneness. Cool.

#### Frosting:

Cream ¼ c. butter and 8 oz. cream cheese. Blend in 2 T., add 2 c. powdered sugar and 1-2 T. cream until desired consistency. Beat until creamy Spread on cooled cake.

## NORTHEASTERN KS BEEKEEPERS' ASSOC. 2022 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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### Meeting

Monday, November 21, 2022

### *The Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Association*

Membership is open to anyone interested in bees or bee culture. Dues are \$15.00 per calendar year (December 31-December 31) for the first in the family joining. Those joining in July or later in the year may pay \$7.50 for ½ year. Additional members of that family wanting voting privileges shall be assessed dues at \$1.00 per year. Youth memberships (18 years of age and younger) are \$7.50 per year. Please submit new memberships and renewals to the treasurer or on-line at [www.nekba.org](http://www.nekba.org).

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The library of the association is free to all members. Books may be checked out at the meetings and kept for a period of 30 days. The bee publications, *The American Bee Journal* and *Bee Culture* can be subscribed through the treasurer or on-line. The *American Bee Journal* is offered at a discount through the association only.

The Association meets each month, generally on the third Monday at 7:00 p.m. except during the months of January and July. Beekeeping classes will tentatively be held in January and February for 2022. This is a non-profit organization; elected officers serve without pay. Everyone is invited to attend the meetings. Check *The Bee Buzzer* or website at [www.nekba.org](http://www.nekba.org) each month for the actual date, time and location. If the weather is bad, call an officer or check the website to find out if the meeting will be held or cancelled.

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