NEKBA Bee Yard and Teaching Apiary

The Great Plains Master Beekeeper Program and the Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers Assoc. are starting their own apiary for teaching purposes. This is funded, in part, from a grant from GPMB. The eventual goal is to meet before our monthly meetings and some Saturdays. The bee yard will be at Pendleton’s Country Market which is only about 5 minutes from the Fairgrounds where our meetings are held. Pendleton’s Country Market, 1446 E 1850 Rd., Lawrence, KS. We would like to start our gathering at 5:00 pm prior to the general meeting. We may adjust the time in the future. Bring your bee suits, wear close-toed shoes and long pants. Our goal is to meet on a few Saturday mornings, as well.

This month (June 23) you will have several opportunities to attend an open apiary/mentoring event at our club hives! Our hives were started with a grant from the Great Plains Master Beekeepers group. This year we have 4 hives that we started from packages. It’s been fun to watch their progress. Please join us at the hives. The hives are located at Pendleton’s Country Market, 1446 E 1850 Rd, Lawrence, KS 66046.

These events are free, but we do ask that you text or call us to let us know that you are coming. For the June 19th open apiary call or text Joli Winer at 913-593-3562. For the Saturday Open Apiary, June 24th, call, or text Robert Burns at 913-481-3504. On Saturday, July 1, with Kristi Sanderson, call, or text at 913-768-4961. Please wear long pants and bring your bee suit. We will have a few suits available. We will go through the hives looking for eggs, brood, drones, and queens. We will review lighting a smoker and testing for varroa and we’ll answer your questions and talk about what you should be seeing in your hives.
• Monday, June 19th, 5:30-7:30 pm  
  Hosts: Joli Winer and Cecil Sweeney  
• Saturday, June 24th, 9:00-11:00 am  
  Host: Robert Burns  
• Saturday, July 1st, 9:00-11:00 am  
  Host: Kristi Sanderson

2023 Meeting Dates:  
• NO GENERAL MEETING on June 19, 2023  
• *June 19, 2023, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Open Apiary @Pendleton’s Country Market 1446 E 1850 Rd, Lawrence, KS 66046  
• *June 24, 2023, 9:00 am - 11:00 am - Open Apiary @Pendleton’s Country Market 1446 E 1850 Rd, Lawrence, KS 66046  
• June 25, 2023, 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
  75th Anniversary Celebration and Picnic, Gieringer’s Family Orchard & Berry Farm, 39345 W. 183rd St., Edgerton, KS 66021  
• *July 1, 2023, 9 am-11 am – Open Apiary @Pendleton’s Country Market 1446 E 1850 Rd, Lawrence, KS 66046

MENTORING/OPENING APIARIES  
Mentoring @ Joli & Cecil’s in Spring Hill, KS

Mentoring at our hives on the 4th Thursday of the month! Meet at the home of Joli and Cecil at 6 pm at 19201 S. Clare Rd., Spring Hill KS. We appreciate a phone call or text to know that people are coming, 913-593-3562. Each time we identify queens, eggs,
larvae, light and use a smoker, do a powdered sugar mite check, and talk about what you should be doing with your bees that month. Scheduled dates are June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28. If you have beekeeping clothing, please bring it—but we do have extra suits. Wear long pants and closed-toed shoes please.