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**General Meeting****Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>****Note—we will be in Bldg #1  
Douglas County Fairgrounds  
7:00 p.m.****Auction and Cookie Exchange**

This month we'll have our auction to benefit the youth scholarship program. Members are asked to bring items to auction off and money to buy items. Forms of payment that are accepted are cash, check and debit or credit card. You may bring beekeeping equipment and related items to sell.

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Cookie Exchange:** members are asked to bring 12 or more cookies each. If they are made with honey, please bring a recipe and it may be published in the Buzzer. Then for as many cookies as you bring you may take that many cookies home with you. Plates and plastic bags will be provided for you to take your goodies home. Extra cookies will be eaten by membership in attendance, so please bring some extras to share. Beverages will be served.

**Directions:** The address is 2110 Harper St. It is easily accessible from K10, turn north on Harper Street and it is just a few blocks. We are in **Building 1** which will be on your right after you turn into the fairgrounds.

**Officers for 2015**

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Appointed:  
Editor: Joli Winer  
Webmaster: Robert Burns

*What goes zzzub zubb? A bee flying backwards.  
What do you call a bee born in May? A maybe!*

**Youth Scholarship Students**

Those of you who are able to attend the meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup> we would like for you to help with the auction—holding up items, taking them to those that purchase them etc. We will gladly accept your help!!

I (Joli) would like each of you to write a short article for the Buzzer. I would like it to be about 100 words or anywhere from 1/3-1/2 page. It can be on aspect of your experience with your new hive. I would prefer to receive them by email so that I don't have to retype them. If you do not have access to a computer you may send it to me. My address and email address are on the back page of the Buzzer. I would like to receive them in time for the January Buzzer. So I need to get them by December 20th. If any of you have any questions about this assignment please call me or talk to me at the December meeting.

I hope you all have reviewed the requirements of scholarship and that you are working on your presentations. Becky or Michael will be contacting you to let you know what month you will be presenting.

**Youth Scholarship**

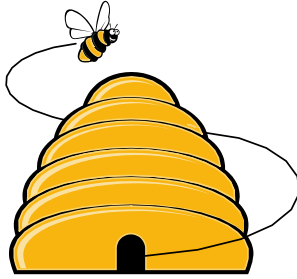
Do you know a young person who might be interested in applying for the youth scholarship – direct them to our website [nekba.org](http://nekba.org) to download an application and rules. Applications must be in by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Mail applications to: Christy Milroy, 23841 W 207<sup>th</sup> St., Spring Hill KS 66083  
[Christy.d.milroy@sprint.com](mailto:Christy.d.milroy@sprint.com)

***Please renew your membership as soon as possible!***

***Auction this month—please bring items to sell and money or checkbook or credit card or debit card. The auction funds our youth scholarship program—each child that we sponsor costs about \$450.***

# Beelines

## By President Andy Nowachek



As always I would like to start with a thank you to our speakers. Mary Coppinger started the program with a few of the many recipes that she makes. I have often seen her recipes in the Buzzer and have tasted many of your foods and they are delicious. Just like beekeeping it is a skill and I would have to say Mary is good at it. The one thing nice about people that cook with honey is that they buy the 2 lb. and ½ gallon sizes.

The next program was on wax and wax ornaments by Cecil and Joli. Needless to say they make it seem easy to do. It is always amazing how many things come from the hive that we can utilize and show off some of our talents. Making ornaments or wax figurines takes talent and I have seen some outstanding pieces made of wax. I don't know how many times someone has asked about all their wax they got from one hive and plan on making candles, figurines etc. It is amazing after cleaning your wax what you really end up with and the surprise on their faces. Great programs by both and thanks again for your information and sharing with us.

I don't really know how to start this off but, I want to thank all the members of the Northeastern Kansas Beekeeping Association for their great work and those who have been very instrumental in making this club what it is. I received a couple Kansas tour books in the mail the other day. Of items of interest to see and visit in Kansas and on page 16, reasons we love Kansas the second item was BUZZWORTHY, Our club was mentioned as second. I'm not sure if any bee club has ever been mentioned as a state attraction but this old cowboy thinks it's FANTASTIC. I know Kansas has a lot of attractions like every other state does and promotes them but this must prove this club has its act together. This makes me proud to belong to such an organization as this one and to be around so much talent and

knowledge. This is just really pretty cool to be mentioned this way and if you get a chance to see one of these tour books look at page 16. Great job to all.

Well the weather did break a little for us a while back and we did take advantage of this. We did have a couple of hives that were not what I would call great and were actually mediocre but with a boost of food they all look good now. I can't say I like cold weather by any stretch of the imagination, but it pretty much tells you if you have prepared your bees for the winter months. To me the first cold long stretch of weather will give me a clue of what my hives will do through the winter months. This year I caught a really late swarm and time will tell if I can bring them through the winter months. The reason I kept her was that she just looked so good and she was laying a nice pattern in a very short time. Plus she is in a well-protected area, time will tell.

It's hard to believe but the year is coming to an end and I'm not sure where it went. This month we will have a cookie exchange and our club auction. If you have any bee related items you would like to donate please bring them. All the money from these items goes towards our Youth Scholarship fund. So if you donate it the club receives all the proceeds. We sponsored 6 youths last year and the club furnishes all that's needed to start out them as a beekeeper. The youth Scholarship to me is the same as teaching our youth history, math or any other thing they will need in later years to continue. As you have seen in past years when these young folks give their presentations about beekeeping it sounds promising that they will continue doing this throughout their lives, maybe not a 100 hives but at least one or two.

This past month we lost a beekeeper that was a wealth of knowledge and information. Robert Dye was a beekeeper who had a large number of hives on his 320 acre farm along with a pecan grove. If you ever met him you would remember him by his interest in bees and his dry humor. Bob was one these people who helped this club become what it is today. I picked up a lot of information from Bob over the years but regret not taking him up on his offer to teach me how to graft pecan trees. Learn from the old to teach to the young.

As I will not have a chance to see all of you prior the Holidays, may you and your families have a Very Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year.

## The Honey Pot By Becky Tipton



We ought to do good to others as simply as a horse runs, or a bee makes honey, or a vine bears grapes season after season without thinking of the grapes it has borne. **Marcus Aurelius**

The friendships I've made through honey bees are truly amazing. The sweetness of honey pales in comparison. This season is filled with so many joys not the least of which is friendship. The recipes below are all for beverages of the season. Raise your cup and toast a friend, a neighbor or a fellow beekeeper.

Our good friend, Mary Coppinger treated us to a cup of **Wassail** during our November meeting.

Absolutely delicious! This is her recipe.

Using a large percolator type coffeepot (party size):

Put in the basket of the coffee maker--

½ c. honey

1 t. whole allspice

6 cinnamon sticks

½ cup red-hots

1 t. whole cloves

Combine in the bottom (tank) of the coffee maker:

46 oz. can orange juice

46 oz. can pineapple juice

46 oz. can apple juice

Perk as for coffee. Serve hot.

**Eggnog** is not a lip-smacking beverage in my opinion—at least until I found this recipe for homemade eggnog. This bears little resemblance to the gunk sold in the grocery store dairy case. The only problem with this recipe is that it disappears so very quickly.

12 large fresh eggs-beaten

1 cup sugar

½ cup honey

2 quarts milk

2 T. vanilla

1 t. + a little more nutmeg

2 c. cream

Brandy (optional)

In a 4-quart saucepan, mix eggs, sugar, and salt until blended. Gradually stir in 1 quart of milk and cook over LOW heat stirring constantly until mixture thickens slightly (170-175 °). **DO NOT BOIL.** Pour custard into a large bowl. Stir in honey, vanilla, 1 t. nutmeg, Brandy (optional) and remaining milk. Cover and refrigerate until well chilled (3 hours or overnight). To serve: beat cream until soft peaks form. With a whisk, gently fold cream into the cooled custard mixture. Pour into a punch bowl and sprinkle with additional nutmeg.

I love it when the Christmas season is cold and crisp and then I'll make **Lamb's Wool**. This has nothing to do with sheep and everything to do with warming yourself clear to your toes!

2 quarts good cider

½ cup brown sugar

½ cup honey

2 T. pickling spice

2 cinnamon sticks – broken into pieces

8 baking apples \*

1 T. lemon juice

2 T. butter

Put cider, brown sugar, honey, and spices in a saucepan. Stir to dissolve sugar and simmer over low heat about 30 minutes. Meanwhile, pare apples, quarter and place in a baking dish. Add lemon and butter. Microwave on high 8-10 minutes (or until soft). Put apples through a food sieve, potato ricer, or food processor to make 5-6 cups apple pulp. \* (Although this is absolutely delicious, you can substitute 5-6 cups of unsweetened applesauce for the baking apples.)

Strain the spices from the simmering cider and stir into the apple pulp. Serve in heavy mugs. Keep the Lamb's wool warm in a crock for several hours.

*Special request—A member is looking for recipes tailored for a gluten free diet. No eggs, no peanuts either, please. I have no experience baking with gluten free flours. Please email any recipes your family has enjoyed that will meet her needs. Thanks!*

Looking for a recipe using honey, e-mail me at [bstbees@embarqmail.com](mailto:bstbees@embarqmail.com) and I'll search my cookbooks and try to find what you're hungry for!

## December Tips

- 🐝 Renew your membership to the NE KS Beekeepers Association. Keep *"The Buzzer"* coming. It's a great source of information!
- 🐝 Finish those things you procrastinated about earlier this fall: entrance reducers, combining weak colonies, feeding light colonies.
- 🐝 Monitor hives for flight on warm days (sunny and above 50 degrees) and check for dead-outs throughout the winter.
- 🐝 Keep bricks or rocks on your lids to prevent the wind from blowing them off.
- 🐝 Monitor food stores in each hive. Check hives by lifting the back of the hive—are they light? Feed light hives with 2:1 sugar syrup.
- 🐝 Plan some honey gift ideas for friends and co-workers.
- 🐝 Heavy snows can block entrances preventing bees from necessary cleansing flights. Brush snow from the entrance of the bee hive.
- 🐝 Make some of your honey into creamed honey—add cinnamon or pecans. YUM!
- 🐝 Decision time: increase, stay the same, decrease—all take planning to be successful. Order woodware for new hives or replacements for your own Christmas gift.

## Holiday Honey Gift Ideas

Here are a few gift ideas for the people on your list:

- 🐝 Honey Bear (any size) collared with a Holiday ribbon
- 🐝 Honey Glycerin Soap
- 🐝 Beeswax Lip Balm
- 🐝 Container of Honey with a Honey Cookbook
- 🐝 (An apron, hot pad, baking dish, or wooden spoons can be added for a bigger gift)
- 🐝 Container of Honey, Bar of Honey Soap,
- 🐝 Printed instructions for a Honey Facial
- 🐝 Jar of Honey, and matching size jar of Jelly
- 🐝 Jar of Honey, loaf of home baked bread
- 🐝 Beeswax Candles (rolled, dipped or molded)
- 🐝 Assortment of beeswax ornaments
- 🐝 Pair of beeswax candles, bar of honey soap and a CD
- 🐝 Any cookie or dessert made with honey, including the recipe.

## Books for Beekeepers



While there are a lot of new beekeeping books out there—maybe for Christmas you could get a really old book or start a collection of some bee something! We collect old smokers, honey pots, bee jewelry and our favorite is old bee books. Some of Cecil's favorites are:  
CC Miller "Forty Years among the Bees" or "Fifty Years among the Bees" "A Thousand Answers to Beekeeping Questions"

Bill Carlile "Timely Chats about Beekeeping"

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## Meeting Dates for 2015—mark your calendars now!

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- Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> 2015 (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday) 7:00 pm Youth Scholarship students present
- Monday, February 16 7:00 pm
- Sunday, March 15--New Beekeeper Class 1  
\*Special Guest--Clarence Collison
- Sunday, March 22--New Beekeeper Class 2
- Monday, April 20 7:00 pm
- Monday, May 18 7:00 pm
- June 6--FUNDAY!  
Full day workshop  
Keynote speaker--Dr. Marla Spivak
- July ? Bee-Bee Q Meeting held at alternate location, date to be determined
- Monday, August 17, Honey judging/Fair Entries 7:00 pm
- Monday, Sept 21 7:00 pm
- Monday, October 19 7:00 pm
- Monday, November 16 7:00 pm
- Monday, December 21 7:00 pm

## Youth Scholarship Report

Students were asked to write articles & this is the first  
**My Experiences in 2014 with Beekeeping**

**By Gavin Brownlee**

There are several reasons I applied through NEKBA. One of these was my interest in learning the process of honey production. Another reason was excitement about harvesting my very own honey. The main reason was my desire to learn about bees and try having a hive of my own.

Writing this article has given me an opportunity to go back and look at all of the great highlights and experiences of the year. My first, and most favorite things, were building the hive and installing the bees. It was awesome to hear those bees buzzing with as much excitement as I felt. Watching the worker bees carry out the dead ones was a very interesting highlight for me also. In the more than 20 times I put my bee suit on, I never got stung! The most exciting experience of the whole process was extracting the honey... YUMMY!

This scholarship was an opportunity for learning. Alex Pantos was, and still is, a big reason for my success! He taught me what to watch for, and took me step by step through the entire process. Because of Alex's excellent mentoring, I didn't make a lot of the beginner mistakes.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the North East Kansas Beekeepers Association for awarding me this amazing scholarship. The biggest thanks go to Alex and Marlene Pantos for always being there for me when I needed them. I am looking forward to harvesting even more honey next year with the help of my whole family. Always "BEE" on the lookout for great learning opportunities through NEKBA!

### Upcoming Events

**Friday and Saturday March 13 & 14 2015** Kansas Honey Producers Meeting, Manhattan KS  
Our guest speaker will be Dr. Clarence Collison, Beekeeping Specialist, Emeritus Professor/Dept. Head, Dept. of Entomology and plant Pathology, Mississippi State University. Author of *What do you know?* Holiday Inn at the Campus, 1641 Anderson Avenue, Manhattan KS 66502

**Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>** Nekba Funday, Dr. Marla Spivak, guest speaker Douglas County Fairground

**Classes offered Saturday,**

**January 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Learn to Make Natural Soap & Skin Care**

**Products 9:00-12:00**

**Beeswax Class 1:00-4:00**



**Make-it/Take-it soap class.** Becky & Steve Tipton & Joli Winer will provide many recipes for natural, skin care items you can whip up in your own kitchen--easy and fun! \$30.00 9:00-12



**Beeswax & Candlemaking Make-it/Take-it Class** Joli Winer and Cecil Sweeney & Steve Tipton will cover from cleaning wax to making candles. Participants will take home a hand dipped candle and an ornament. Uses for beeswax will also be covered. \$30. 1:00-4:00

**Building 1, Douglas County Fairgrounds,**

**2110 Harper St. Lawrence Ks**

**Questions? Call or email Becky at**

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**# of people** \_\_\_\_\_ **@\$30.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Beeswax Make & Take**

**# of people** \_\_\_\_\_ **@\$30** \_\_\_\_\_

**I'd like to take both--soap & beeswax**

**# of people** \_\_\_\_\_ **@\$50** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail checks to Becky made out to "nekba"—they will not be cashed until after the class.**

**Minimum 10, Maximum 30**



## Old Bee Gal & Guy By Joli & Cecil



Cecil and I have been very fortunate. Over the years we have had the pleasure of meeting many incredible individuals in the beekeeping industry. One of our favorites is an educator who will be our guest on the first day of our new beekeeper class and will be a guest speaker at our March Kansas Honey Producers meeting. His name is Dr. Clarence Collison. He is now retired from Mississippi State University. For over 2 decades he wrote an article for Bee Culture magazine called "What Do You Know?" It was a Q & A article and was the subject of many a discussion on our house. This month I have pulled out some questions about wintering. Answers are on this page. So cover them up will you answer or do your own research!

- Once brood rearing resumes in late winter/early spring, the bees maintain the broodnest temperatures of approximately \_\_\_\_\_°F, regardless of the temperature outside the hive.
  - 93.2°F
  - 89.6°F
  - 96.8°F
  - 86.0°F
  - 100.4°F
- The minimum temperature for active foraging is approximately\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 45°F
  - 40°F
  - 50°F
  - 55°F
  - 60°F
- True or False-Bees are packed tightly together in the center of the winter cluster.
- The size of the winter cluster expands and contracts in relation to outside changes in the weather. True or False
- Individual honey bees within the winter cluster produce heat by microvibration of thoracic flight muscles. True or False
- Honey bees consuming honey during the winter produce large quantities of metabolic

- water. True or False
- Humidity in the hive and in a cluster of bees under normal conditions is maintained at \_\_\_\_\_%.
    - 80-90%
    - 50-60%
    - 20-30%
    - 40-50%
    - 60-70%
  - The interior temperature of a winter cluster without brood is kept at approximately \_\_\_\_\_°F?
    - 90-95°F
    - 75-80°F
    - 45-50°F
    - 85-90°F
    - 65-70°F

### Answers:

- C 96.8°
- D 55°
- False** Bees located on the surface of the winter cluster are packed tightly together forming an insulating shell which varies in thickness from 1-3 inches. The bees within the cluster are much less compact and generate heat through metabolic processes.
- True** The winter cluster contracts and expands with decreasing and increasing environmental temperatures, respectively. Heat loss is diminished by contraction of the cluster which decreases its cooling surface and increases the density of the bees making up the insulating layer.
- True** Heat is generated by the bees with in the winter cluster. Each bee acts as a thermostat and the heating process starts in the thoraces of the bees. Heat production is achieved through the microvibration of thoracic flight muscles and can continue for long periods of time without any visible muscular movements.
- True** During the process of metabolizing honey, bees give off large quantities of water. In the winter it is important to get rid of this water so that it does not condense in the hive.
- D.** 40-50% humidity
- E.** 65-70°F

*Why do bees have sticky hair? Because they use honeycombs*

*What are the smartest bees? Spelling Bees*

*Why do bees buzz? Because they can't whistle*

## Honey Plants



**Joli Winer**

Rose isn't able to write the honey plants article this month so I said I would write it for her.

FYI: Lavender *angustifolia* is the lavender that our favorite lavender growers the Morfords suggested at the November meeting!

I went online and googled honey plants. Wikipedia had a good list of honey plants.

**Monarchwatch.org** had an incredible table of nectar producing plants but when I tried to cut, copy and paste -it got wacky so go the website and look them up.

**Themelissagarden.com** also had a great list.

Top five honey plants listed here:

- Borage
- Echium
- Goldenrod
- Lemon Balm
- Tansy Phacelia

Organicgardening.com

States—if you can't have bees at least plant for them and then it listed the following:

### Perennials & Biennials

- Anise hyssop (*Agastache foeniculum*)
- Butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)
- Lesser calamint (*Calamintha nepeta*)
- Cornflowers (*Centaurea* spp.)
- Gas plant (*Dictamnus albus*)
- Purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)
- Globe thistles (*Echinops* spp.)
- Fireweed (*Epilobium angustifolium*)
- Blanketflowers (*Gaillardia* spp.)
- Cranesbills (*Geranium* spp.)
- Fall sedums (*Hylotelephium telephium*)
- Knautia (*Knautia macedonica*)
- Forget-me-not (*Myosotis sylvatica*)

- Russian sage (*Perovskia atriplicifolia*)
- Meadow sage (*Salvia nemorosa*)
- Showy goldenrod (*Solidago speciosa*)
- Fall asters (*Symphotricum* spp.)

### Annuals

- Cosmos (*Cosmos* spp.)
- California poppy (*Eschscholzia californica*)
- Sunflower\* (*Helianthus annuus*)
- Heliotrope (*Heliotropium arborescens*)
- Love-in-a-mist (*Nigella damascena*)
- Breadseed poppy (*Papaver somniferum*)
- Portulaca\* (*Portulaca* spp.)
- Blue anise sage (*Salvia guaranitica*)
- Profusion and common zinnias\* (*Zinnia* spp.)

### Herbs

- Chives and onions (*Allium* spp.)
- Borage (*Borago officinalis*)
- Horehound (*Marrubium vulgare*)
- Lemon balm (*Melissa officinalis*)
- Mints (*Mentha* spp.)
- Catmints (*Nepeta* spp.)
- Creganos (*Origanum* spp.)
- Rosemary (*Rosmarinus officinalis*)
- Rue (*Ruta graveolens*)
- Sage (*Salvia officinalis*)
- Thyme (*Thymus* spp.)

### Weeds

- Viper's bugloss (*Echium vulgare*)
- Birdsfoot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*)
- Dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*)
- Clovers (*Trifolium* and *Melilotus* spp.)

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\_\_\_\_ The environmental factor that has the greatest impact on nectar secretion is:

- A. Temperature
- B. Wind speed
- C. Soil moisture
- D. Relative Humidity
- E. Solar Radiation or Sunlight

### Answer:

Solar Radiation or Sunlight  
That's E.

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**Total**                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Membership Northeastern KS Beekeepers per year (July.-Dec. \$7.50) \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

\$15.00 (Jan-Dec)

Additional family members wanting voting rights \$1.00 per person \$1.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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## *The Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Association*

Membership is open to anyone who is 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. New memberships and renewals should be submitted to the treasurer.

The *Bee Buzzer* is the official publication of the Northeastern Kansas Beekeepers' Association, Inc. and is published monthly. Commercial ads are accepted in the newsletter for a fee, non-commercial ads by paid up members are accepted and are free.

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 for through the treasurer.

The Association meets each month on the third Monday at 7:00 p.m. except during the months of March, June and August. A beekeeping class is held in March. This is a nonprofit organization; elected officers serve without pay. Everyone is invited to attend the meetings. Check *The Buzzer* or our website at nekba.org each month for the actual date, time and location. If the weather is bad call an officer to find out if the meeting will be held.

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