Levi, Elijah and Robin--grandkids of Joey Elliott, Beek of the Month. Bring on the bees! (page 3)
President’s Message

Good news Iowa beekeepers! January and February, of the winter months, are in the history books by the time you read this! I always like to have those two months behind us in Iowa. (I do believe I dislike winter more the older I get) March. My oldest brother calls it "the mud month". I call it, "the hurry up month," racing to get the painting done on new boxes and equipment.

We have a lot going on in the IHPA. I was saddened to accept the resignation of Carrol Vannoy as our IHPA historian. The board approved Tina Meyer as our new historian at the January board meeting. I welcome Tina aboard!

The budget should be in this issue for all to see. Rhonda has some outstanding records to review to create this from. I will say that we have some things that can swing five to eight thousand dollars from year to year. I’m satisfied we can live within this. (Not going to plan one for the feds or state; my office is not big enough!)

We have looked over our rules for marketing at our state fair booth. We have made a few changes. Please feel free to call if you have questions. I will answer any and all. Flavored honey and cream honey have joined in the drawing for the flavor, not just a single class.

Jamie Beyer has been working hard for us all at the Capitol with some new legislation. Stay tuned, as some good things are coming. I will let Jamie fill you all in.

I want to also thank all of you for your kind words and thoughts during my mother’s passing. It has been a rough one for me and the family. Some of you did meet her. She had a passion for watering my bees. She assisted me in putting together my first beekeeping kit ordered from Montgomery and Wards catalog when I was a teenager. Some good memories.

Tomorrow I will conclude my beekeeping class for 2019. It saddens me, but it is good to have it done without too much trouble with weather. I like bringing new people into the world of a hive of bees. So much fun, and a lot of good can happen to people who keep bees. Great family activity. We need more things like it.

I will get this off to the editor here soon, but my last thought: it’s really time to check hives and make sure they don’t starve. Another round of winter patties may just save them. Don’t be too quick about getting syrup in there, as they can live on winter patties just fine, in my opinion. Do put in pollen, as without pollen the queen will not start laying. March is a very critical month to get this done in. So good luck, and I hope your bees are alive!

Sincerely, Roy Krauf

IHPA President

Now STAY there!! Apologies to Ellen Bell! I sent the February Buzz to the printer, and her picture refused to stay put. I consulted other people who know computers, and they still can’t figure out why it refused to stay in the file. I confess my ignorance, so here’s what should have been on the cover in Feb. What we did run was called “A White Rabbit Eating Marshmallows in a Snowstorm. Another version: A Polar Bear Raiding a Hive in a Blizzard. Whatever the title of the Feb. cover, now you can see Ellen standing proud beside her load.
Beek of the Month Joey (Karen) Elliott

Legacy Bee Keeping

What should we get Mom for next Christmas? Joey’s husband Bob and children pondered that question ahead of another Spring football training season, with full expectation that they would all be together in December. Joey had told them fond childhood memories of going to the Iowa State Fair with her grandparents. A highlight was visiting the live honey bee displays and demonstrations. The gift of an introductory bee keeping class was agreed upon as the perfect gift for Joey.

Much of Joey’s family life was centered on raising and teaching her children, and tending her husband Bob. The Elliott household fabric was firmly wrapped around the demands of coaching college football. Other plans and hobbies would be postponed until later, when there would be extra time to share them in retirement. Life holds no guarantees and by July of that year, Bob had passed away.

Through the grief of losing her partner in life, Joey over-saw the completion of their retirement homestead. The landscape includes pollination habitats. She enrolled in the year-long Beginner Bee Keeping Class at Indian Creek Nature Center. In her first year of beekeeping, Joey established two hobby hives on the newly constructed residential property that was the intended retirement home for her and husband Bob. Joey’s enthusiasm for beekeeping was apparent to her instructors. They agree that she has the potential as a future class instructor.

Joey has begun sharing her bee keeping hobby with her grandchildren Levi, Elijah and Robin. Learning with other beekeepers and mentoring a future generation of beekeepers are aspects of beekeeping that Joey likes best. Beside the honey and pollination benefits of this hobby, Joey has found a relief from grief amid the sweet kindness found among her fellow bee keepers.

Joey is from northern Washington county, between Lone Tree and Riverside. Thanks for sharing your hobby and your family with us, and here’s hoping you have a great 2019 season!

Submitted by Tom Hart, District 2 Director.

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107th Iowa Honey Producers Association
Conference and Annual Meeting
Friday, November 8th and Saturday, November 9th, 2019
Holiday Inn Des Moines Airport, 6111 Fleur Drive Des Moines, IA. 50301

The IHPA Conference and Annual Meeting is our yearly opportunity to get together and discuss our favorite things: BEES!! This meeting is open to anyone interested in beekeeping and honeybees. We have a variety of guest speakers to speak on their expertise in the beekeeping world.

This is a great opportunity for individuals thinking about keeping bees, new beekeepers and beekeepers a few years in, to meet other beekeepers from around the state, swap stories, ask questions and seek advice from those who have years of beekeeping under their belts. There will be no shortage of information and answers!! This is why you go to a conference- Vision, Inspiration and Connections.

2019 topics scheduled so far: Cooking with Honey, Beeswax, Products made from the hive, plus presentations about Mites, Queens and Beehive Health. Honey Swap and Cooking Contest are BACK! Many of you missed them last year so we made arrangements to bring them back. The Mead, Painted Hive Body and Photography Contest will be back as well.

Look for details in a future “Buzz”.
Speakers will be announced in a later newsletter.

Registration opens 8:00 A.M. Conference/Annual Meeting begins 8:30 A.M.
Room rates for IHPA members are $119 plus taxes. Reservations must be made by Thursday, October 17th, 2019. There are a couple Handicapable rooms reserved for our event. Call (515) 287-2400 to reserve your room.

Questions? Call me at 515-490-2011. IHPA Vice President Keri Kenoyer
2019 Iowa Honey Producers Association Summer Field Day

June 15th, 2019

Iowa State Horticulture Research Center
5519 170th St. Ames, Ia.

Registration: 8:00 am     Field Day: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

This will be an information-packed day! Field Day Guest Speakers: Andy Joseph, Iowa’s State Apiarist, will perform an on-site hive inspection to show you what you should be looking for when you’re checking on your hives. Melissa Burdick from The Brenton Arboretum will give an informative presentation on “Trees for Bees”. Ginny Mitchel, who will be judging the State Fair entries this year, will talk about the ins and outs of what she is looking for in fair entries while judging. Additional presentations include Prairie Strips, queen marking demonstration using drones, a round table discussion with longtime beekeepers, plus a few other topics. Please mark your calendars and remember to bring your bee gear if you wish to watch the hive inspection. Registration will be limited to 120 people, so get your registration in early!

A delicious lunch will be provided except for the dessert. You are asked to bring one to share!

Bottled water, honey lemonade and coffee will be available throughout the day.

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Registration

NAME: _____________________________________________

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Single (member): $35 before June 1st, 2019 ____ x $35 = _______

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Walk-in (non-member) $45 June 15th, 2019 _____ x $45 = _______

Return this completed form together with your check payable to IHPA, by Saturday, June 1st, 2019.

Send registration to: Rhonda Heston, IHPA Treasurer 52735 187th Ave. Chariton, IA. 50049

Please refer questions to: Keri Kenoyer at kenoyerfarms@gmail.com Summer Field Day in the subject line, or call 515-490-2011.

March 9 is fast approaching!

The Siouxland Beekeepers invite one and all to Dordt University’s new Agriculture building on March 9. We’ll have our Winter Bee Fest from noon to 4:00 that Saturday. Our speakers include Randall Cass of ISU talking about his research; Jamie Beyer will not only talk about swarm capturing but will show us his videos; John Anderson and Dave Korver will update us on their queen program; and our IHPA President Roy Kraft will talk about how to handle comb honey production. Register at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjW6VMkLkYry3PyRkLnry3PWJIWKnkC3MO8w-WGn47Nzajg/viewform
RULES FOR 2019 STATE FAIR PRODUCTS BEING SOLD AT THE IHPA BOOTH

(1) There will be a 4-person committee, plus booth manager. Bids must be sent to all 4 on the committee, mailed only. Yes, 4 stamps, 4 envelopes. (No e-mail.)

(2) There will be a firm cut-off date of June 15th, with the committee meeting on June 30th.

(3) The committee will meet in a pre-determined neutral place. The general IHPA membership will be allowed to witness.

(4) All liquid honey and comb honey is to be from 2019 harvest from Iowa origins.

(5) All glass honey containers and creamed honey containers must have a protection seal.

(6) All plastic containers must have a pressure seal. This includes all large containers.

(7) All products must show proper labeling (i.e. name, city, phone number and weight)

(8) Any item not listed on the sheet or specialty items you wish to market at the IHPA State Fair Booth needs to be approved by the booth manager by the committee deadline.

(9) Honey for the Honey Lemonade (50-pound buckets) will be a sealed bid only. Low bid takes it all. (This is the only true bid item).

(10) Pollen must have a “US Pollen” label.

(11) These rules will be reviewed annually at the January Board Meeting.

(12) Due to the time frame of honey styx production it is a two-year commitment. This commitment is for 2020 and 2021.

SOLE CLASSES:
1) There will be one person that will have a sole class of honey or item based on price list. For example: one person will have ALL 24oz bears for the State Fair based on price list. If 2 or more want it, we decide by a draw, winner takes the whole class. Excluding “case lots”, see below on these. Draw order will be most numbers sold last year first to last. You will only be allowed to win every other draw, however, if you are the only one that entered you will get the class. You may enter consecutive classes.

OPEN CLASSES:
1) All beeswax products (candles, ornaments, blocks, etc) must be packaged to maintain cleanliness and for presentation

2) Lip balms, lotions and soaps – this will be at committee and booth managers discretion. Please submit to us by June 15th a list of what you would like to market at the Iowa State Fair for 2019. Please include a phone number as the committee may call you the day of the meeting.

CREAMED and FLAVORED HONEY RULES:
1) MUST BE IOWA HONEY.

2) Flavored honey and creamed honey must come from a certified kitchen.

3) A copy of the license must be on file with the booth manager and the booth manager must have with them at the State Fair.

4) If more than one person wanting to bring a flavor, a draw will decide who brings the flavor.

5) Please provide a 1-ounce sample, by committee deadline, if you wish to bring Pure Creamed Honey.

CASE LOTS:
1) The purpose of the case lots is a way for the small beekeeper to provide honey to the fair. (By participating in the Case Lot classes, you forfeit your ability to participate in the "Sole Classes").

2) If you participate in the “Sole Classes” you forfeit your ability to participate in the Case Lot classes.

3) Case Lot classes are 1-pound glass, 1-pound plastic and the 12-ounce bear.

4) Case Lots will be in case quantities of 24 bottles.

5) You may bring no more than 4 cases of each class.

6) Minimum is one case of 24 for a class.

7) Clean-up rule: In the event the required quantity cannot be fulfilled through the case lost system, those participating in the “sole class” will be encouraged to help supply the additional quantity needed of each class through a draw. (One person per class decided by draw if needed).

CUT COMB, ROSS ROUNDS and CHUNK HONEY:
- Must be in a sealed container
- Well-drained without liquid honey (Chunk honey excluded)
- Quality standards will be used (clean capping with all cells capped)
- Needs to weigh at least 14 ounces (Chunk honey excluded)
- MUST be frozen for a minimum of 48 hours prior to arriving at the Iowa State Fair, subject to rejection, booth manager discretion, (Chunk honey will need to be frozen as well.)

DELIVERY OF PRODUCTS:
- You must deliver products to the IHPA Booth at the State Fair.
- Plan to deliver your products between Sunday and Wednesday evening.
- All products must be received prior to fair opening at 9:00 am Thursday morning.
- You must provide an invoice when product is delivered.
- Please make plans to pick up unsold product on Sunday evening between 9:00pm and 10:00 pm or Monday between 8:00am and 12:00 noon.
- Anyone without a business name must complete a W-9 for tax purposes. (Will be provided on-site.)
Queen's (Busy) Report

I sent Queen Brooklyn Pardall a note about the March article, and here's what she sent back. It reads like a busy-busy young lady who is involved WAY “beyond her years” in research. Imagine what this young lady is going to be doing in 30 years! Here’s what she wrote:

“Shoot, sorry. I've been so busy! Uhm nothing really has gone on besides booking a few dates in the summer to present to libraries, as well as the bee day coming up on February 27th. That's pretty exciting! I'm also starting up science fair soon. I've recently developed a form of natural pesticide using a mineral found in clay. It creates a natural barrier between the plant and the soybean aphids that I've been using. So, they are unable to bite through to the leaf very well. I incorporate bees in this by testing possible abilities to pollinate despite the pesticide possibly being on the flowers of the chasmogamous (flowering) soybeans. I haven't tested this quite yet but I'm getting to it! My main focus is on the pesticide itself and its effectiveness, as it could be an alternative to neonicotinoids, which have been known to show up in the chemical compositions of the honey and in the hives in general. Also, if the bees are opened to this pesticide too much they can be killed (which is why there are regulations for farmers that spray it, etc. etc.) So, as I said, this is my main focus and hopefully I can come up with a lasting solution!"

IHPA Queen Brooklyn Pardall

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**Bees and Sustainability**

Recently, I ordered honey brochures from the National Honey Board for Marion County's Ag in the Classroom. Last year Eve Vanden Broek shared the link with me; however, until recently, I didn’t spend any time on their catalog website (https://www.nhbcatalog.com/) or their primary website (https://www.honey.com/the-bees). I encourage you to take a look at the NHB websites. If you’re also looking for educational materials, here’s a link to download .pdf files and posters from the NHB. (https://www.honey.com/the-bees/educational-materials).

The following information is extracted from the Bees & Sustainability page of the NHB Honey website.

The National Honey Board has Three Pillars: **Supporting bee health** - hive management, pesticides, foraging and protecting the beekeeping profession; **Championing pure honey** - protect purity and full traceability; **Nurturing the planet** - limiting impact on waste/packaging, energy, emissions, water.

When I read the third pillar, it reminded me of a goal or behavior change that I’ve been finding difficult to change. We’re good about recycling plastic, but it’s simply not enough. Jerry and I did not grow up with all this plastic and know that as we’re aging, habits are even more difficult to change. I now refer to a lot of things as part of the really high hidden cost of convenience.

The majority of honey that we bottle goes into mason jars that I’d like to think seldom go into trash and I absolutely love it when someone returns a mason jar. Historically, the 1 lb. inverted plastic bottle has been the only plastic we’ve bottled. Unfortunately, raw honey eventually crystallizes and I don’t want to warm up honey in plastic for myself or customers. Next year, we will do considerably less plastic and may offer empty plastic bottles for customers to refill from our mason jars. Our mason jars have also had the best price per ounce over plastic and they encourage recycling; however, in our home, we do like the inverted plastic bottle and refill it as needed. The inverted bottle lets gravity be my friend.

As beekeepers, we have opportunities to educate the public on sustainability and perhaps implement practices that may nurture us and our planet. The reality is that very little plastic is truly being recycled and the negative impact is far reaching. Please think about our impact and little things that we can do. People will notice!

Respectfully submitted by Sheila Weldon
Legislative Actions for the Iowa Honey Producers Association

By Jamie Beyer, Legislative Representative, Iowa Honey Producers Assoc.

We have a couple pieces of Legislation that we are following in the Iowa Legislature. One is the Ag Theft/Damage Surcharges Bills Advance! House and Senate subcommittees have each given their go-ahead to bills that would create a new agricultural theft and damage surcharge.

Senate Study Bill 1059 and House Study Bill 82 each contain provisions that would apply to those who commit the theft of agricultural property or criminal mischief for damaging, defacing, altering, or destroying agricultural property.

In addition, the theft or damage must be classified as a first degree offense (class “C” felony), second degree offense (class “D” felony), or third-degree offense (aggravated misdemeanor). The agricultural property is limited to: (1) a crop, (2) livestock, or (3) honey bees or associated items.

No word yet on when these will be considered in full committee. We will keep you updated.

A Lot of “Buzz” Created by Brewing Ingredient Proposal

The Iowa Brewers Guild, the trade association for the state’s brewers, is asking lawmakers to create a new program to encourage beer makers to use Iowa ingredients, including honey.

Senate Study Bill 1102 will allow brewers to receive a small income tax reduction in exchange for purchasing Iowa grown or produced brewing ingredients.

The bill defines “Iowa brewing ingredient” to mean any ingredient that is grown or produced in Iowa that is added to water and yeast to produce beer, including but not limited to the following: hops, fruits, vegetables, herbs, spices, and honey.

No word yet on when the subcommittee assigned to the bill will meet. We will keep you updated. The subcommittee members are Senators Feenstra, Dawson and Danielson.
Notes from our Treasurer

Lee and Nadine Heine -- Thank You for your generous donation to the Youth-In-Beekeeping (Youth Scholarship) program with Iowa Honey Producers. Your generous support through the years has allowed this beneficial program to grow from a few students to nineteen in 2018, with very little signs of slowing down anytime soon.

We couldn’t serve these students and promote beekeeping without the support of you and our Members. (See the Heine ad in this issue)

Annual Membership Dues are Due
Have you checked the back of your BUZZ newsletter? What is the expiration date? If it is 12/31/2018 this will be your last newsletter until your dues are paid.

You will find a membership renewal form in this issue of the BUZZ. If you don’t want to tear the form out of the BUZZ, please find one on the website: www.iowahoneyproducers.org. Please make checks payable to Iowa Honey Producers Association or IHPA, complete the membership form and return both to Rhonda Heston, 52735 187th Ave, Chariton IA 50049-8616. Call with questions 515-724-2124 or email to IHPATreasurer@gmail.com.

Merchandise Still Available
Are you ready for a new slogan on your T-Shirts? How about “Save the Bees”? If so, we have just what you need. We have short sleeved t-shirts with a crew neck or a v-neck available in Yellow, Gray, Red, Blue and Black. Sizes from Small to 3XLarge for $10. We have Yellow and Black long sleeve t-shirts available in all sizes for $15. If you are cold, we have Tan and Black sweatshirts in all sizes for $20 and Hoodies for $25 in Yellow and Black, again in all sizes.

Do you need a new tan apron with “Save the Bees”? This is $15. Everyone needs a new “Save the Bees” tan twill hat for $10.

What are you going to sell at your stand/booth at Farmers’ Markets this year? How about some IHPA Cookbooks? We are selling these for $4 each or a case of 30 for $90. These would make a great addition to your table. What better way to promote your great tasting honey with a cookbook showing some WONDERFUL recipes cooking with honey? (See Emma Jakes’ article of what she made last month from the cookbook.)

Please send Rhonda Heston a check for your purchases or you can order from the website. (Website prices slightly higher.) Please include $5 shipping for one item, $7.50 shipping for two items and we will bill you for more than two items once we know the shipping fee. The address is on the back of the BUZZ.

License Tag Decal
Did the ice, snow and salt mess up your License Plate this winter? How about dressing it up with an Iowa Honey Producers Association Support the Honey Bees decal? See Jamie Byer’s article for all the details. They look really cool! You can see them at: https://iowdot.gov/mvd/vehicleregistration/vehicleregistration/Decals.

The Buzz Newsletter Article Submissions
Please send submissions, classified ads, and photos to rrihpa@gmail.com
Or mail to The Buzz, c/o Ron Rynders, 890 13th Ave SE, Sioux Center, IA 51250 Cell 712-449-5010
The deadline for submissions is the 10th of each month to be included in the following month’s newsletter. The Buzz is a monthly newsletter published by the Iowa Honey Producers Association which is an affiliate of the Iowa State Horticultural Society.
News from the Beeyard—by Adam Ebert
This month's update is from the third Ebert boy—Adam. Phil usually writes about his experiences at the American Honey Producers convention early in the year. As he mentioned in the last Buzz, he sent off two of us boys for the 2019 convention in Phoenix. We had a great time getting connected to people, browsing the tradeshow, and absorbing as much of the presentation material as we could manage. Alex was a star attraction since his left arm is immobilized after surgery to reattach a tendon, and explaining how it gave out while trying to lift a barrel of honey manually probably earned him some beekeeper legitimacy points. (see pic)

The AHPA conference brings in a few hundred attendees. It’s really not much bigger than some of the Iowa conferences we’ve held in recent years. The people who come are usually laser-focused on the practical side of beekeeping and often have thousands of hives. When we bussed out to dinner one night, our table of nine people represented four beekeeping outfits and at least forty thousand hives. A different world!

Still, the people are very friendly, and the food is excellent—

Silverlakehoney.weebly.com

Having the convention in Phoenix was convenient for our post-conference plans. We were able to hop a short flight directly from Phoenix to Sacramento to check on our bees in northern California. It looks like we will come out of that venture decently. As I write, I’m on a Starbucks break during my second tour of the almond orchards this winter. The blossoms in the north aren’t quite opening yet, but you can almost watch them swell during the day. Overall, our bees really seem to be tracking in the right direction. It was a ton of work and expense getting them ready to go for the first time, so I had a great fear of having a bunch of them crash. We’re still

This is a simplified process to renew your site(s) on the DriftWatch™, BeeCheck™, or CropCheck™ Registries before expiration on March 31, 2019. We require all specialty crop producers and beekeepers to renew their sites on an annual basis to confirm they 1) are still active; 2) get deleted if the site is a rotational crop; or 3) get modified if the site or profile information has changed. This ensures accuracy and integrity of the data for applicators who need timely, accurate and current information. If you think you have already renewed for 2019, please contact us with a reply to this email. It is likely there is a duplicate entry that we need to reconcile to stay current. If you have any problems or questions, please contact your state data steward or FieldWatch customer service by sending a note to info@fieldwatch.com. As a reminder, field signs and beehive flags are available for crop producers and beekeepers with approved sites to use for visual notification of your fields and beehives. You may purchase signs or flags when you login into your FieldWatch account.

Customer Service FieldWatch, Inc. www.fieldwatch.com
Bees, Trains and Elephants

Hello "Buzz" readers! During my many hours of Googlesearching potential event speakers for the Annual Meeting next fall, I came across an interesting tidbit about bees and elephants on the Howard County Beekeepers Association web page. Thought you might find it interesting.

"Plan Bee"--Indian Railways Use Honey Bees To Prevent Elephants From Getting Hit On Tracks

The largest animals on Earth (elephants) are scared of the tiniest insects (honey bees). Yes, you can enjoy a good laugh! Studies have revealed that elephants tend to run away within 80 seconds of hearing a honey bee sound.

Though a bee cannot obviously penetrate an elephant's thick skin, the sharp "sting of a bee" is painful. Many research studies have found that elephants were known to break open wild beehives as they probed through Acacia trees in South African nations. The result: the furious bees would then attack the sensitive parts of an elephant including its trunk, eyes and mouth.

Since the sting hurts a lot, elephants would avoid wild beehives at any cost. Environmentalists and scholars decided to use honey bees as a protective cover against elephants. This solution was earlier used in South Africa, where human beings and elephants are known to live in close proximity to each other. They would destroy farmers' crops. A solution was then suggested to build a beehive fence that would keep the elephants at bay.

Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways, Rajesh Gohain, states in the Lok Sabha that 35 elephants were killed on railway tracks between 2014 and 2016.

Now the Indian Railways has devised a "Plan Bee" to avoid elephant deaths on railway tracks. Railways have started installing devices that produce and amplify the sound of swarming bees. Elephants who consider honey bees as their arch rivals can listen to the buzzing sound from 600 meters (2,000 feet) away. The moment they hear the sound they tend to run away, preventing them from getting hit by railway trains. One device costs Rs 2,000 ($28).

Amazing how something so BIG can be frightened of something so small.

Submitted by Keri Kenoyer, IHPA Vice President

One of our Iowa beeks toured Thailand recently, and found honey stations in two different restaurants. One way to ensure that the honey you’re getting is fresh! Sam Hunt of Mason City sent in this photo.

Coming To A Library Near You

A portion of the IHPA’s Mission is to assist in the dissemination of information on the control of diseases; to inform the members and the public of the valuable use of honey as well as the importance of the honey bee in relation to the pollination of agricultural crops; and to support every effort to promote the advancement of the beekeeping industry.

In advancing IHPA’s Mission, I have offered a couple of different presentations (An Overview of Beekeeping & Introduction to Beekeeping, A Primer On Getting Started) to select library administrators in District 3 free of charge. The Overview is a two-hour presentation and the Introduction lasts ten hours over several sessions.

The Coralville Library through the Eastern Iowa Beekeepers has scheduled the Introduction on February 5th, 12th and 19th. The Cedar Falls Library has scheduled the Overview on February 9th and is reviewing their internal schedules to determine if the Introduction can be integrated into their plans. The Charles City Library has scheduled the Overview on April 4th. Lastly, the Decorah Library is reviewing dates in March for the presentations.

I still have some open dates where I would be available to give these presentations. The library directors at Grinnell, Grundy Center, Marshalltown, New Hampton, Osage, Parkersburg, Tama, Vinton, Waverly and Williamsburg have been offered this opportunity. So far, I haven’t heard back from them but if you think either of these presentations would be worthwhile for your community let them know your thoughts.

Ed St John, District 3 Director
North Iowa Beekeepers’ Club Auction

The North Iowa Beekeepers’ Club is having an auction of beekeeping equipment and poultry equipment!

Location:
P & P Honey and Bee Supply Inc
Pat & Peggy Ennis
2105 110th St, Goodell, IA 50439

Date: Saturday, April 27th, 2019 / Starting @ 10:00 am / Auctioneer: Roy Kraft

We’re looking for new or gently used beekeeping and poultry items!
We all have some stuff in the shed or barn we don’t use that would be of great benefit or value to someone else. So now is a great time to dust it off, repair, paint and bring it to the auction!

All combs to be sold will be inspected before the auction.

To consign your items, and for a list of items being consigned, please call or email Pat @ 515-293-2601 or email to pphoneyandbeesupply@gmail.com.
Consignment rate: Before April 1st, - 10% / After April 1st, - 15%

All auction proceeds will benefit the North Iowa Beekeepers’ Club and the youth with the purpose of educating and promoting the craft of beekeeping thru speakers and events to all the beekeepers throughout North Iowa.

Restrooms will be available (port-a-potties)
Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Bottled Water and Rolls, Baked Goods will be available for a donation/purchase.
Iowa Honey Producers Association
Annual Membership Form

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Select a package bee pick up location (April):
- Mount Vernon • IA
- Lynnville • IA

Select a nuc & single-deep hive pick up location (May):
- Mount Vernon • IA
- Lynnville • IA

Subtotal ➔

- Live in Iowa?
- Add 9% sales tax

Refundable Package Cage Deposit Required: $7/pkg

Total ➔

Please make checks payable to Ebert Honey, LLC and mail to either address listed on the right of this page. Ensure your name, mailing address, phone & email are written on your check or this form so we can contact you when your bees are ready. For orders of 25+ units, we will accept a 50% deposit at this time. Please note that our online prices are 3% higher to account for credit card transaction fees.

OUR HONEYBEE INVENTORY

Package Bees
2 lb & 3 lb option
Carniolan & Italian option

Nucleus Hives (Nucs)
Single-Deep Complete Hives

AVAILABILITY DATES

Early April 2019
Package bee pick up. Maximize development time with our early April distribution. It's one of the first loads to come out of California every year!

May 2019
Nuc & single-deep complete hive pick up.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Pick Up Locations
We now offer two bee pick up locations in Iowa:

- 1090 Highway 1 North
  Mount Vernon • Iowa 52314
- 14808 South 102nd Ave. East
  Lynnville • Iowa 50153

Honey Containers
Pick up your bees & honey containers in one convenient stop. Order both online & we’ll have them ready to pick up at the same time!

CONTACT OUR TEAM TODAY

- 319.259.9377
- andria@ebert honey.com
- www.eberthoney.com
- @ebert honey

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2019 Proposed Budget

At the Annual Meeting, the General Membership requested the IHPA Board of Directors put together a budget for 2019. Your Board of Directors met on Sunday, January 20th to hammer out the details. Following is the Proposed Budget for 2019. These numbers are an average of the last three years' incomes and expenses. We have done our best to provide a practical budget.

If you have any questions regarding the budget please let Roy Kraft, Rhonda Heston or any of the Board Members know and we will try to answer your questions.

Iowa Honey Producers Association

2019 Budget

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**PROFIT (LOSS)** $5,900
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### COMB HONEY (Clamshells & Boxes)

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### HONEY FOR LEMONADE - 50 pound pails

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### Additional Flavors:

Bidder Name:
Bidder Address:
City, ST Zip Code
Bidder Phone Number: (1)
Bidder Phone Number: (2)
I will have a few jumbo nucs ($165) and hives ($300) for sale this Spring. These hives use jumbo frames and aren’t interchangeable with standard Langstroth equipment. A hive will come complete and ready to start producing honey as soon as the nectar flow starts. If you buy a hive from me and it doesn’t make it through winter, I’ll replace the bees free of charge......restrictions apply. I also have jumbo equipment. Contact Brian Chancellor @ 740-525-2407 windychancefarm@yahoo.com with any questions.

Located in Sully

Queen Rearing Class
This is a two-day class being held at P & P Honey and Bee Supply, Inc. 2105 110th St, Goodell IA. This is will be a class room and “hands on” class. Please call to reserve; class size is limited to 20 participants. Please have a minimum of 2 years beekeeping experience. There is a fee of $100.00 for this class. RSVP by call, text or email to Pat Ennis, 641-444-4767/ 515-293-2601 or pphoneyandbeesupply@gmail.com

Open House at P & P Honey and Bee Supply Inc
March 16th from 9:00 – 4:00 pm @ 2105 110th St, in Goodell IA. The coffee is on - with special pricing on hive kits, frames, bee suits, jackets, hive tools, bee brushes, etc!!! Live demos on building equipment 641-444-4767 or 515-293-2601 or pphoneyandbeesupply@gmail.com

Buckwheat honey for sale: Produced and harvested from an organic field in northern Iowa $8.00 lb by the container or $4.00 lb by the 40 lb pail + dept. P & P Honey and Bee Supply Inc 641-444-4767

Emma Jakes’ Honey Recipes:
March is here and with it, I am thinking spring and summer thoughts. I know I am a little early but it’s never too early to wish for sunny days for the bees to get out, right? Anyway, I decided to try making a cool punch and a batch of Scotch-a-Roos.

Honey Punch: (Pg 164)
1 ½ cups honey 2 cups boiling water
2 cups orange juice 1 cup lemon juice
4 cups cranberry juice 1 quart ginger ale

Dissolve honey in boiling water; chill. Combine three juices and chill. Just before serving, blend all and add ginger ale.

Emma’s Notes: The punch was easy to make. It had a stronger flavor than I was expecting because of the ginger ale but you could also use Sprite® or 7-UP® if you would rather. It didn't last long at the event I took it to because everyone liked it so much! Overall, it was very good!

Gluten-Free Scotch-a-Roos: (Pg 70)
8 cups gluten-free Rice Krispies 1 ½ cups peanut butter
¼ cup Karo Light Corn Syrup ¾ to 1 cup honey
1 cup sugar 1 ½ teaspoon vanilla

Grease a 9” x 13” pan with butter or cooking spray. In a sauce pan, over medium, heat, combine Karo Syrup, honey, and sugar and melt until sugar dissolves. DO NOT BOIL – boiling will make the corn syrup harden and make the bars difficult to chew. Remove sauce pan from heat and stir in peanut butter and vanilla until well mixed. Stir in gluten-free Rice Krispies. Pour mixture into pan – do not pack it down too hard, just smooth it out. You want the Rice Krispies to be light and airy.

Emma’s Notes: The bars were really easy to mix up. I did have to pour the Rice Krispies and sauce into a bigger bowl so that the sauce would be spread evenly but that was the only difficulty I had. Everyone I shared them with thought they were delicious and could not tell that they were gluten-free.

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