

NEBRASKA BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

February Beeline 2008

President's Message

Greetings one and all. I hope that all your bees are wintering well. I checked on some of my hives earlier when it was warm and the bees were everywhere. It was really nice to see everyone again at the Jan meeting. Many thanks go out to Warren and Jane Nelson for opening up their place so we could have our meeting. Also, many thanks to our former Treasurer, Dave Hamilton. He did a great job on managing the books for the NBA. Many kudos go out to Evelyn as well. She did a great job on publishing the newsletter over the years and laying the ground work in getting an electronic version of the newsletter out. As many of you know I'm in the Army Reserve. I just got notified that they are planning on sending me on vacation in a nice warm climate with lots of sun and sand for 12-18 months. I could be leaving in a week or a month....I don't know yet because I haven't got the orders yet but they are forthcoming. There is also the possibility that I might not go at all because of my job at Offutt. If I do go, I may need the help of some our members to help fill in for me as well as help take care of my hives. More to come and I hope to see you all soon.

Secretary's Corner

The Nebraska Beekeepers met January 10th at Valhalla Honey Farm in Lincoln at 6:30PM for a potluck supper and business meeting. President Mike Slater brought the meeting to order. For new business it was suggested we put a contact person on the web site for people to contact on questions about bees and meetings, etc. as of now no one is listed there to contact.

Mike Bush our program director wanted input on programs for 2008. Interest was shown in having programs that pertain to what is going on with bees at that time. We need volunteers to do programs either at their beeyard or during the winter meeting. Do you have a method or what works for you in keeping bees? We all would be interested in whatever it is. What day of the week to hold meetings was also brought up. Some liked Sunday afternoons since a lot of sports etc. happen on Saturday.

Officers were elected for 2008:

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Door prizes were awarded to Keith Nielson-A Book on Beekeeping; Rudy Vasko-Plastic Helmet; Judy Lilly-Smoker; Evelyn McKnight-Veil, Cheryl Osterloh-Hive Tool.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Vasko, Secretary.

Dues Notice

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The Nebraska Beekeepers Association is making the switch to a paperless newsletter. As you renew your membership, please give us your email address on the membership renewal form and you will receive your newsletter via e-mail. If you do not have e-mail we will send you a copy of the newsletter via postal service. If you are between renewals and would like to save some trees please e-mail Keith Nielson @ kn Nielson@windstream.net and we will get you switched to e-mail delivery

Upcoming Events

The February meeting will be at the Gretna Library at 10:00 am on Saturday the 9th. Dr. Marion Ellis will be speaking. Many people drive many miles to hear Dr. Ellis speak at beekeepers meetings all over the country. He is a popular, informative and interesting speaker and it is a privilege to have him here in Nebraska. I hope all of you will come out to hear him. We will also be planning for the next year and need your input.

March 2—Beginning Beekeeper Workshop @ Kearney (See UNL Cooperative Extension flyer for details)

March 8—Beginning Beekeeper Workshop @ Lincoln (See UNL Cooperative Extension flyer for details)

April 12 Beginning Beekeeper Workshop @ Mead (See UNL Cooperative Extension flyer for details)

June 26-28 Master Beekeeping Workshop @ Mead (See UNL Cooperative Extension flyer for details)

Treasurer's Report- Nebraska Beekeepers Association January 2008

<u>Beginning Balance</u>		\$13,429.72
Income		
	Interest	
Total Income		
Total Expense		
<u>Ending Balance</u>		



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<u>Items</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>Total</u>
Nebraska Beekeepers T-Shirts			
<u>Kids T-Shirts</u>	Small 6/8	\$8.00	
	Medium 10/12	\$8.00	
	Large 14/16	\$8.00	
<u>Adult T-Shirts</u>	Small	\$9.00	
	Medium	\$9.00	
	Large	\$9.00	
	X Large	\$9.00	
	XX Large	\$10.00	
	XXX Large	\$11.00	
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<u>Association Wind breakers:</u>			
Jackets are flannel lined and have straight pockets. There is a choice of yellow w/black lettering or black w/yellow lettering. Our logo is screen printed on the jacket			
___ Yellow w/black lettering ___ Black w/yellow lettering	Small	\$19.05	
	Medium	\$19.05	
	Large	\$19.05	
	X Large	\$19.05	
	XX Large	\$22.20	
	Name –Screen Printed	\$4.15	
	Name- Embroidered	\$7.30	
Name lettering			
<u>Name Tag</u>	Pin Backing	\$15.00	
	Magnetic Backing	\$16.50	
	Shipping	\$2.00	
Name Tag lettering			
<u>Bee Cards</u> Set of 18 Individually wrapped sets @ \$1.00 each sold in sets of 50 only		\$50.00	
<u>Bee Cards</u> Bulk wrapped sets of 100 @ \$30.00 per 100		\$30.00	
Shipping (If you need cards brought to a meeting, call or e-mail Warren Nelson. Individually wrapped sets can be purchased in lesser quantities)		\$3.00	
TOTAL			

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** Dues are prorated for new members only at the rate of \$1 per month through December 31. **

*** Special rates on “Bee Culture” and “American Bee Journal” with membership to the state association.***

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