

Enjoy the adventure of beekeeping with the confidence that you aren't alone. As a member of the Heart of Illinois Beekeepers' Association, you can learn, teach and share your experiences as a beekeeper. The benefits of membership include:

How-To Sessions

The heart of Illinois Beekeepers Association (HIBA) meets regularly, February through October, in Peoria, Pekin, Bloomington, and for special gatherings elsewhere. HIBA brings together hobbyist and commercial beekeepers for speakers, demonstrations, field days and other informative and entertaining activities. They are great places to learn and share. Friday night meetings start at 7:30 p.m. These gatherings are open to the general public, and conclude with a sharing of honey recipe desserts. Door prizes are awarded each meeting.

Newsletter

Members receive the Heart of Illinois Beekeepers' newsletter before each regular meeting as well as the Illinois Beekeepers' Association Bulletin every other month.

Discounts on Journals

A number of beekeeping journals are available to HIBA members at a substantially reduced rate. Publications include American Bee Journal, Bee Culture, and The Speedy Bee.

Website

HIBA maintains an extensive website with valuable organization and conference information, and numerous links. It is located at: <http://www.hoibeekeepers.org>

Decades of Experience

The Heart of Illinois Beekeepers' Association originated in 1982 with the renaming of the Tazewell Beekeepers' Association. The Tazewell Beekeepers' Association was founded in the early 1900s.

Commitment to Education

The association promotes and encourages good beekeeping practices, enhancing the knowledge base of novice and intermediate beekeepers, production of honey bee products, and public education about the honey bee and honey.

HIBA is affiliated with the Illinois Beekeepers' Association (ISBA). The ISBA holds two annual meetings (summer and fall). Your membership with HIBA includes membership with ISBA.

2008 Calendar of Events

February 9, 2008 1:00pm-4:00pm-Forrest Park Nature center- New Beekeeper Course

March 7, 2008 7:30 pm-Tazewell County Farm Bureau- Bees and Pesticides working together- Nathan Sasse. Spring Management Discussion- Charlie Ott

April 11, 2008, 7:30pm-Peoria County Farm Bureau- Colony Collapse Disorder and other bee issues Round Table- Janet Hart.

May 16, 2008, 7:30pm- McLean County Farm Bureau- Rich Ramsey- Trip to Vietnam and Beekeeping. Honey Cook Off Contest

June 14, 2008- Spring ISBA meeting- Wildlife Prairie Park

July 11-19, 2008- Heart Of Illinois Fair-HIBA Booth

August 12, 2008- HIBA's Day at State Fair to sell ice cream.

September 19, 2008 7:30pm- Tazewell County Farm Bureau- Honey Contest submissions (Results given in October) Honey Sampling-HIBA President's Round Table Discussion

October 17, 2008 6:00pm-HIBA Annual Banquet-Jubilee Café, Kickapoo, IL – Officer Elections-Honey Contest Results

**Friday evening meetings are at the following locations:Peoria Co. Farm Bureau, 1716 N. University
Peking- Tazewell co Farm Bureau, 1505 Valle Vista
Bloomington-McLean Co Farm Bureau, 2301 W. Market*

HIBA Membership Application

Name

Address

Email Address

Phone Number

Your Beekeeping History

Year Started

No. Colonies

Pounds of Honey Produced Last Year

Dues and Subscriptions

(Orders for reduced-rate subscriptions accepted from established members January through April only)

New/ Renewal	1Yr	2Yr	Amount
American Bee Journal () / ()	\$17.30	\$33.30	\$ _____
Bee Culture () / ()	\$17.00	\$32.00	\$ _____
Speedy Bee () / ()	\$13.25	\$25.25	\$ _____
Total Remitted			\$ _____
HIBA Membership			\$15.00
Grand Total			\$ _____

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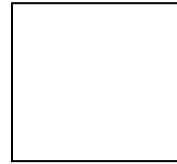
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