

The Capital Bee

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Nothing says "summer is here" like a field of sun-following sunflowers. Bees forage on these giants of the flowering plants, that will soon then sleepily nod-heavy and mature- with their seeds.



JUNE CCBA HONEY BOOTH



Members present for the June Farmer's Market Honey Booth included from left to right, Wes Henry (Pres.), Marsha Bezold (Sec.), Michael Wiley (V. Pres.) Bill Dickerson, George Fowler (Tres.), Kay Daniels, and Dan Ramey. The table was filled with five member's Kentucky Certified local honey. Honey sticks and activity books were given to children.



The queen (left and marked yellow) of the observation hive put on a show for everyone and many saw for the first time not only the life of the hive, but also watched as she went about the business of laying those life giving eggs in the empty cells.

Below, interaction with the public, with the use of the observation hive, allowed members to increase knowledge, awareness, and interest about bees and beekeeping. Its always a great attraction and some buy honey while they learn.



Beekeeper's Almanac

WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING IN THE HIVES RIGHT NOW YOU ASK? WELL, HERE'S ANOTHER EXCERPT FROM "A CENTRAL KENTUCKY BEEKEEPERS CALENDAR" BY JOHN ANTENUCCI.



Now's the time to harvest the capped honey in supers before the dearth.

SUMMER SOLSTICE:

- ◆ Check bottom boxes for brood and stores and rotate if they're empty.
- ◆ Check queen- good laying pattern? (requeen)

SUMMER- JULY AND AUGUST-

- ◆ Pull honey supers and extract
- ◆ Treat for mites. (Click the following link for help [Honey Bee Health Coalition Varroa management](#))
- ◆ Begin summer feeding especially in dearth. (2-1 for production hives for Fall flow)



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2022 KY STATE FAIR HONEY BOOTH GUIDELINES

IF YOU PLAN TO SELL HONEY AT THE STATE FAIR YOU NEED TO READ THE GUIDELINES. CLICK THE IMAGE ABOVE FOR THE DETAILS.

Quinby Bellows Smoker: In 1873, Moses Quinby invented the Quinby Bellows Smoker, the first modern bee smoker with bellows and improved it the following year. While he offered it for sale, he did not patent it and thus gave it to the beekeeping community.

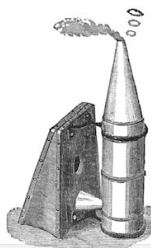


Fig. 50.—IMPROVED QUINBY SMOKER.



You Just Gotta Smile

The 2022 Franklin County Fair

The CCBA is again sponsoring the Honey Division of the Franklin County Fair and again will bolster the premiums of the Honey Division. We will be setting up the exhibit on the evening of July 18th and ask any members with anything that would contribute to the display, to please bring it for loan. Also, any member, no matter in what county they reside, can enter any of the categories in the Honey Class. Some have been added from the previous year so please see below and enter. Many thanks to Fair Liaison , Lynn Morris for her work on this annual event.

Class 18

HONEY

Sponsored by Capital City Beekeepers Assn.

Rules:

- Open to Franklin County residents and to members of the Capital City Beekeepers.
- Exhibitors may only submit honey they have produced and extracted in 2022.
- Exhibitors may enter some or all classes, but are permitted only one entry per class.
- Exhibitors will determine the class for each of their entries.
- **NO LABELS** are permitted on containers or frames or wax submissions. An identifying label will be assigned and attached upon entry.
- **Bottled Honey** will be divided into three categories: Light, Amber, and Dark.
- Bottled Honey shall only be submitted in standard 1lb. glass queenline jars. Plastic or metal lids are acceptable, but safety seals are not permitted.
- Chunk Comb Honey shall be submitted in clear glass wide-mouth jars.
- Cut Comb Honey shall only be submitted in square, clear plastic containers.
- Honey with a moisture content in excess of 18.7% will be disqualified.
- In classes 18001, 18002, 18003, and 18004, honey with a moisture content of 18.1% to 18.69% shall have points deducted.
- **Honey frames** shall not be wired. Deep frames, medium, or shallow frames may be submitted.
- All frames shall be submitted in a bee-proof, drip-proof container that will permit the frame's removal for judging and display.

Prizes: First-\$8.00; Second-\$4.00; Third-\$2.00

The honey judge may award more than one first place ribbon in any category when the judge finds that such an award is called for under the standards used by the judge.

- 18001. Bottled Honey - Light
- 18002. Bottled Honey - Amber
- 18003. Bottled Honey - Dark
- 18004. Chunk Comb Honey
- 18005. Cut Comb Honey
- 18006. Painted Black Honey Jar
- 18007. Honey Frame
- 18008. Wax Block (1-5 pound block)
- 18009. Molded Wax item
- 18010. Wax Candles (single or pair may be submitted)
- 18011. Photography - subject related to Bees or Beekeeping
- 18012. Encaustic Painting - subject related to Bees or Beekeeping
- 18013. Needlework (includes cross stitch, needlepoint, embroidery, quilting, and applique) - subject related to Bees or Beekeeping
- 18014. Creamed Honey
- 18015. Mead
- 18016. Grand Champion Apiarist - awarded to beekeeper with the most points scored from the above classes.

Youth Division

AGE GROUPS

- A. Junior – under 9 years
 - B. Intermediate – 10 to 14 years
 - C. Senior – 15 years to 19 years
- 18020. Miscellaneous Bee Item - Junior Age Group
 - 18021. Miscellaneous Bee Item - Intermediate Age Group
 - 18022. Miscellaneous Bee Item - Senior Age Group

2022 AMERICAN HONEY QUEEN TO VISIT KENTUCKY



Lucy Winn, the 2022 American Honey Queen, will visit Kentucky, August 22-28. She will be a guest of Kentucky State Beekeepers Association, and will visit the Kentucky State Fair, speaking to fairgoers about the importance of honeybees to Kentucky agriculture and about how beekeepers' dedication drives honeybee pollination. She will show fairgoers how honey had a diverse range of functions, forms, and flavors through daily presentations.

Lucy is the 20-year-old daughter of Stephen and Lauren Winn of Carlisle, Pennsylvania. She is a sophomore at DeSales University, where she studies business management and marketing. Her family keeps backyard beehives, which sparked her passion for beekeeping. At school, Lucy tutors local students in math.

As the 2022 American Honey Queen, Lucy serves as a national spokesperson on behalf of the American Beekeeping Federation, a trade organization representing beekeepers and honey producers throughout the United States. The American Honey Queen speaks and promotes in venues nationwide, and, as such, Queen Lucy will travel throughout the United States in 2022.

The beekeeping industry touches the lives of every individual in our country. In fact, honeybees are responsible for nearly one-third of our entire diet, in regards to the pollination services that they provide for a large majority of fruits, vegetables, nuts and legumes. This amounts to nearly \$19 billion per year of direct value from honeybee pollination to United States agriculture.

For more information on Queen Lucy's Kentucky visit and to schedule an interview, contact Tom Ballinger at 270.999.1440.



2022 ABF Honey
Queen, Lucy Winn



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2022 KY STATE FAIR HONEY BOOTH PRICING

** Supplier will receive 70% of selling price*

HONEY CATEGORY SALE PRICE

EXTRACTED HONEY

8oz. Jar	\$10.00
1lb. Jar	\$14.00
1lb. Muth Jar	\$15.00
Pint Jar	\$17.00
2lb. Jar	\$24.00
2.5lb. Jar	\$26.00
Quart Jar	\$30.00
3lb. Jar	\$32.00
5lb. Jar	\$42.00
8oz. Bear	\$10.00
12oz. Bear	\$12.00
2oz. Bear	\$ 4.00

COMB HONEY

1lb. Jar	\$16.00
2lb. Jar	\$26.00
PINT Jar	\$21.00
2.5lb. Jar	\$28.00
Quart Jar	\$32.00
1lb. Box	\$14.00
Ross Round	\$14.00

CREAM HONEY

8oz. Jar	\$12.00
9oz. Jar	\$13.00
12oz. Jar	\$15.00
1lb. Jar	\$18.00

VARIOUS ITEMS

Lip Balm	\$3.00
Wax Per Pound	\$14.00
Pollen 8oz. Jar	\$10.00
Certified KY Honey Straws	\$ 0.50
Candy	\$ 0.25

(5 for \$1.00)

For members wishing to sell their honey at the State Fair, here are the posted prices. Please see the guidelines in the [Almanac Section](#) of this newsletter.

Capital City Beekeepers Association

Treasurer's Report

Prepared on June 24, 2022 for the June 28, 2022 Meeting

General

Beginning Balance (May 21, 2022) \$2410.84

Receipts

Dues (1 Ind.)	\$10.00
May Farmers Market Sellers Fees (2)	\$20.00
June Farmers Market Sellers Fees (4)	\$40.00
Sale of Honey Straws	\$13.00
Sale of Bumper Stickers	\$4.00
Total Receipts	\$87.00

Expenditures

Purchase of honey straws & coloring books	\$82.66
Flowers for Ken Daniels	\$108.01
Purchase of Easel	\$37.09
Purchase of Donuts (Farmers Market)	\$17.34
Total Expenditures	\$245.10

Currant Available Balance \$2252.74

Checking Account: \$2202.74

Cash change fund \$50.00

Notes:

Wilson check for June was 238.50 (2 participating members).

The treasurer maintains a \$50.00 cash change fund for use at meetings and events.

Educational Funds (Saving)

Beginning Balance (May 21, 2022) \$728.12

Receipts

Interest (5/31) \$0.09

Total Receipts \$0.09

Total Expenditures NONE

Ending Balance

\$728.21

Submitted by:

George Fowler, Treasurer

Capital City Beekeepers Association Minutes

May 24, 2022

Business Meeting began at 7pm with 14 people in attendance. Prior to business meeting hive inspections on club hives were done.

April minutes were approved as presented in newsletter.

Treasurer's report was given by George Fowler. Only current expenses were honey sticks and coloring books for Kid's Day at Farmer's Market. Club also needed to approve an overage of \$8 in president's discretionary \$100 allowance. This was for flowers for Ken Daniels funeral, club approved overage. Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Club Library: Honey Bee Alchemy is the newest book in the library.

Old Business-

Swarm Report: Very little activity, only 3 swarms reported. Various methods to catch swarms was discussed including bee vacs and tanging (banging two metal objects together to entice the swarm into a box)

May Farmer's Market was a success – Marsha Bezold & Eddie McNutt sold honey and lotion bars. Market had good attendance and sales. June's Farmer's Market is 6/11. Selling at farmer's market is open to any club members. Set up is 7:30am. Market goes till noon.

Perryville Springfest – Marsha Bezold reported on. She and Michael sold little honey, weather was very bad and little to no attendance.

New Business:

Painted Hive in memory of Ken Daniels is on display in the Extension Office foyer. This hive will be auctioned off at a future day with proceeds going to the Franklin Co. School's Art program. Ideas from members on venues where hive can be auctioned is sought. Auctioning at fall KSBA meeting or Facebook auction was discussed.

Franklin County Fair – July 19-23 – Volunteers at fair will be allowed to participate in Judges meal. Day and time to be announced. We need items for display case in fair (old bee equipment or any other bee items) also need a mannequin to display a bee suit. Display will be set up Monday 18th. Doing a free honey raffle was also suggested.

Nothing else new from the floor was brought up.

George Fowler motioned to adjourn. Business Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Following meeting Wes talked on what to do with queen cells found in brood boxes.

CCBA Opportunities

CCBA Regular Meeting

June 28th, 2022

[Franklin County Extension Office](#)

101 Lakeview Ct., Frankfort, KY

6 p.m. Program, 7 p.m., Business Meeting



May CCBA Honey Booth

July 9th, 2022, 8:30-12 noon

[Franklin County Farmer's Market](#)



FRESH. LOCAL. LIVELY.

[Franklin County Fair \(July 19-23\)](#)

Franklin County Fair Grounds

CCBA Exhibition setup July 18th



[Heartland Apiculture Society](#)

[Conference 2022](#)

June 28th-July 1, 2022

University of Southern Indiana, Evansville,



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[Eastern Apiculture Society Conference 2022](#)

August 1-5, 2022

Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY



Eastern Apicultural Society

Honey Booth Work Day

[Kentucky State Fair](#)

August 23rd, 2022

West Wing Ky State Fair Grounds

