



## The Official Newsletter for The Capital City Beekeepers Association

### New Books for the CCBA Library

Former member Joel Schrader has offered the Association the opportunity to purchase his personal collection of beekeeping books for the association's library. Librarian and Treasurer George Fowler considered after perusing the titles, this to be a very worthwhile endeavor for the Association to "beef up" the libraries offerings to it's members. Some titles include: *Bees in America, Bad Beekeeping, Increase essentials, Honey in the Comb, The Beekeepers Handbook, Letters from the Hive, Beekeeping the Gentle Craft, Robbing the Bees, Bee Sex Essentials, The Biology of the Honeybee, How to Keep Bees and Sell Honey, The hiHve and the Honey Bee, Sweetness and Light, Beeswax—harvest, processing and products, Observation Hives, ABC XYZ of bee culture, American Honey Plants, First Lessons in Beekeeping* and more. This will be discussed in the November 17th meeting. This will give members a great free resource for this time of year we have more time to read on our glorious and noble craft.

### Candlelight 2020 Cancelled

*Unfortunately with the spike in Covid-19 Cases the Mayor's office announced on Wednesday before the event, that the festivities would be cancelled. In light of the announcement the decision was made to cancel the CCBA booth as the association had planned at Gibby's. We thank Michael Gibson (Gibby) for his willingness to allow us the use of the storefront on Broadway and hope next year we will again be able to enjoy it as before.*

**CANDLELIGHT WEEKEND**  
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN FRANKFORT

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*In cooperation with the precautions set forth, CCBA has again cancelled our regularly meeting at the extension office. However, we will be conducting a FB live program at 6 p.m. and afterwards our business meeting November 17th via online conference call. Members were sent the sign-on information credentials. If you are a member and did not receive the email please contact Jan Rafert at [jwrafert@gmail.com](mailto:jwrafert@gmail.com). - Wes Henry, CCBA President*



**Thankful Recipes**

*You have the honey, now use it for more than just toast or biscuits! Try something new this Thanksgiving Season. Just click on the title-links for the recipes from The National Honey Board.*

**HONEY PUMPKIN**  
**MUFFINS WITH CREAM**  
**CHEESE FROSTING**

**SAGE-HONEY**  
**ROASTED**  
**ACORN SQUASH**



**CURRIED HONEY**  
**SWEET POTATO**  
**SOUP**



# Capital City Beekeepers Association

## Meeting Minutes of 27 October 2020

NOTE: As with the last seven months, the program was viewed on the association's Facebook page and the meeting was conducted via Zoom.

### Program:

The evening's program focused on preparing equipment for winter storage and was presented by Ken Daniels. Unfortunately, due to technical problems much of Ken's information was lost in cyberspace.

### Meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Wes Henry.

The first order of business was a call for approval of the September meeting minutes, as they appeared in the recent newsletter. With no objections, the minutes were approved. Treasurer George Fowler then provided the monthly financial report, including the receipt of one new family membership and the addition of the monthly interest on our Education Fund to the tune of six cents (\$0.06). Wes said that he still owed \$20 for honey seller's fee and that he would be making complete restitution in the near future. The treasurer's report was approved as there were no objections to its content.

### Activity Reports:

#### Swarm Report:

Wes reported that he was contacted about a colony of bees in a house between two studs. He said that he normally wouldn't have responded, especially in October. But as the colony was going to die anyway and the structure was being demolished, allowing him easy access, he decided to take action. The results of his efforts included five frames of pollen and honey and between seven and eight frames of bees. Wes marked the queen and started feeding the colony heavily. It now appears that the hive will survive, and things will work out. He has written an article for The American Bee Journal detailing this experience.

#### Farmers Market:

Wes and Ken Daniels attended the October market. The weather was bad, the temperature was cold, and the attendance was slow. However, they were able to sell enough honey to meet their seller fees. The next market will be on November 14<sup>th</sup> and the holiday market will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December. As a reminder, members always have the opportunity to sell their honey through Wilson Nurseries.

### Old Business:

#### Library Report:

Librarian George Fowler ordered a custom-made cart cover for \$66 with logo. He will check with the County Extension Office to see if the cart can be stored behind the stage on the first floor for ease of movement.

#### Bluegrass Beekeeping School – 2021:

Wes has still not made contact with Ruth Jeffers at the Bluegrass Beekeeping Association regard the school. He will try again in hopes that we may have a virtual school with a variety of speakers and topics. To do so, we will need someone with the required technical capabilities. Ruth's husband may indeed have that talent. Marsha Bezold inquired about using the KSU farm. However, KSU has been closed and no one knows if it will be open again in March. Brian Simmons asked about having the school outside, but March weather may be a problem.

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## Meeting Minutes of 27 October 2020

### Cont.

#### New Business:

##### Officer Nominations:

The results of the nominations for our 2021 officers have been made and are as follows:

President – Wes Henry  
Vice President – Michael Wiley, Jr  
Treasurer – George Fowler  
Secretary – Jan Rafert  
Program Director – Jack Kuhn

There were no other nominations, therefore this will be the ballot for our November meeting.

##### Frankfort's Candlelight Tour:

This year's tour is scheduled for the second week of November -Thursday thru Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>. Gibby's restaurant has graciously agreed to our use of their facility, as they have in the past. Wes, Sarah Conn and Brian Simmons are planning on selling honey on Thursday, George will be there Thursday & Friday and Michael Wiley, Jr. will also be there at some point in time. Anyone with honey to sell are welcome to join them. There will be no sellers' fees. Thursday the tour starts at 3:30 p.m. and we will be setting things up at 4:30 p.m. Friday's hours are 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. It would be good for us to have something to dress-up the area such as a hive body, beeswax candles, etc. Covid restrictions will be in force, including the wearing of masks, social distancing, hand washing/sanitizing, etc.

##### November Meeting:

The fourth Tuesday in November is two days before Thanksgiving, so it was suggested that we move our meeting up a week to the third Tuesday, as we have done in the past. After a brief discussion, Jan Rafert made a motion that we permanently change the November meeting to the third Tuesday of November. Marsha seconded the motion and there were no objections. Our next meeting will therefore be on November 17<sup>th</sup>. (NOTE: a permanent change may require an amendment to our by-laws.)

##### KSBA:

Sarah Preston reminded us that the next KSBA members meeting will be on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Their presidents' meeting will be on the 6<sup>th</sup>. Further information and link are in the newsletter.

##### Adjournment:

With nothing from the floor, George Fowler, true to form, made a motion to adjourn at 7:41 p.m. Yours truly seconded the motion and the October meeting passed on into history.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan W. Rafert  
CCBA Secretary

## Capital City Beekeepers Association - Treasurer's Report

### Prepared on November 12 for November 2020 Meeting

**General**

Beginning Balance (October 22, 2020)	\$3116.52
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**Receipts**

Farmers Market Sellers Fees	\$20.00
Interest on Checking Acct. (10/31)	\$0.27
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$20.27</b>

**Expenditures**

Purchase of Cover for Library Cart	\$62.49
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$62.49</b>

<b>Currant Available Balance</b>	<b>\$3074.30</b>
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Checking Account:	\$3024.30
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Cash change fund	\$50.00
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**Notes:**

1. Wilson check for October = \$138.25 for 4 member/participants.
2. The treasurer maintains a \$50.00 cash change fund for use at meetings and events.

**Educational Funds (Saving)**

Beginning Balance	\$479.23
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**Receipts**

Interest on savings account (10/31)	\$0.06
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<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$.06</b>
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<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>NONE</b>
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<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$479.29</b>
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# The Capital Bee

## Opportunities

**CCBA Regular Scheduled Meeting- November 17th,**

**Facebook Live Program on CCBA FB page, 6 p.m.**

**Business Meeting via ZOOM, 7 p.m. Members sent sign-on information.**

**CCBA Holiday Honey Booth**

**December 12th, 7:30 a.m.-12 Noon**

**Franklin County Farmers Market,**  
**Frankfort, KY**

