

From the Central Iowa Beekeepers Association (CIBA) President:

I do want to keep my Presidents Newscasts as short as possible, so I am going to be referring you to already published information on CIBA's website.

Our meeting that was cancelled on January 15th has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 19th. We are having the same presenter that was scheduled, Jeff Johnson from Premier Foundation. We are so glad that he was open for this meeting as he is a busy guy. Same place and time. Northridge Baptist Church and at 1 PM. We will also be conducting our very important business meeting where we will crown our new CIBA Queen. You will not want to miss meeting her and getting to know what she has been doing already. We will also have our annual election of officers and directors. If you are interested in helping CIBA in promoting honey bees in Iowa and helping new beekeepers, please consider volunteering to run for office or serve on a committee.

Prior to this meeting your Officers and Directors will be having our directors meeting. CIBA board meetings are being held the second Monday of every month. So this month it is Feb. 14th at 7 PM and will be done by Zoom. One topic that we will be discussing and planning is our annual Auction. All of our members are invited to attend the Directors meeting. The link:

CIBA Board Meeting Time: Feb 14, 2022 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Zoom opens at 6:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88110626844?pwd=ZmptSitCWDNuV29aVXpHYVFCWUZ5QT09>

Meeting ID: 881 1062 6844 Passcode: 354642

The CIBA annual auction (which has been the largest and best known in the state) is chaired by Mark Moberly, one of your directors. It will be held on the third Saturday in April. This is April 16th. This auction will be held in person this year for sure. Since it is outdoors, we feel that concerns over the virus will be less. Please be thinking of what you want to sell and what you want to buy at a good deal. The CIBA website has an auction page. Go to the CIBA's home page (www.centraliowabeekeepersassoc.org) and in the "Upcoming Event: Auction," click on "Learn More." Information on the auction as well as downloadable consignment forms are available. CIBA members consigning by March 1 receive a discounted sellers fee of 10%. The standard 15% consignment fee applies after that date. Stay tuned for more information and updates in the March BEELINE and on our website.

Thanks for being a member and see ya February 19th. Your President:

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