



Indiana Beekeepers' Association, Inc.

"To Promote Better Beekeeping throughout Indiana"

The Indiana Beekeepers' Association (IBA) will hold its **Indiana Bee School VII** in Indianapolis, Indiana on **Saturday, February 28, 2009**. It will be held at the Southport Presbyterian Church on 7525 McFarland Boulevard. This is an excellent facility with plenty of room for our breakout sessions and is very accessible.

Randy Oliver, a commercial migratory beekeeper from Grass Valley, California, has agreed to be our keynote speaker for the school. He runs about 500 colonies, pollinates, sells nucs and produces honey. He has 40 years of practical beekeeping experience and he writes for *Bee Culture* and *American Bee Journal* and maintains the website www.scientificbeekeeping.com. He speaks to the problems facing bees and beekeepers in the new millennium, yet has an optimistic attitude as to how beekeepers can use commonsense husbandry, biotechnical methods, and natural treatments to successfully keep healthy bees. We are especially excited to have him at our school. Don't you dare miss this one!

We are planning to have three or four breakout sessions, with each session having four or five different topics to choose from. Lectures, hands-on workshops and discussions will be held for beekeepers with any level of skill, experience or ability.

Topics on introductory beekeeping tools and techniques as well as learning opportunities for the more advanced beekeeper will be available. Along with a great program are a raffle, an auction and a variety of vendor displays and supplies from several of the top vendors (such as Brushy Mtn., Dadant, Walter Kelley Co. and others).

You will have a chance to meet and informally visit with beekeepers from across the state. On-site registration starts at 8:00 A.M. (EST) with program starting promptly at 9:00 A.M. and concluding at 3:30 P.M. Registration fee will be \$25.00 per individual or \$35.00 per family (lunch included). To guarantee a spot for yourself, your registration form must be received by February 20, 2009.

For future updates join the **Indiana Beekeepers' Association** and get all of the information in the upcoming newsletters or contact Steve Doty 317-485-5593 or jsdoty@indy.net or <http://indianabeekeeper.goshen.edu>.

