**Beekeeping Resources**

There is a variety of reading and video materials available to help you become more fully acquainted with keeping honey bees. Most of this material may be obtained through dealing advertising in the beekeeping trade journals such as *American Bee Journal*, *Bee Culture*, and *The Speedy Bee*. The list of materials below has been instrumental in helping the presenters of this workshop to become knowledgeable. The list in not intended to be exhaustive.

**Videos:**

*Honey Bees & Beekeeping: A Year in the Life of an Apiary* by Keith Delaplane (1993)

**Handbooks:**

*First Lessons in Beekeeping* by C. P. Dadant (1990)

*Beekeeping in the Midwest* by Elbert R. Jaycox (1976)

*How to Keep Bees and Sell Honey* by Walter T. Kelley (1993)

**Reference Works:**

*The ABC and XYZ of Bee Culture* edited by Morse & Flottum (40th edition)

*The Hive and the Honey Bee* edited by Joe M. Graham (1997)

*The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Beekeeping* by Ted Hooper (1985)

*Honey Bee Diseases and Pests* by Cynthia Scott-Dupree (1996)


**Popular Journals:**

*American Bee Journal* published monthly by Dadant and Sons, Inc., Hamilton, Illinois

*Bee Culture* published monthly by A. I. Root Company, Medina, Ohio

**Newspapers:**

*The Speedy Bee* published monthly by Troy H. Fore, Jr., Jesup, Georgia

**Supply Catalogs:**

Don’t overlook supply catalogs as a potential source of accurate and up-to-date information about beekeeping. The latest products are usually described, as well as how to use them.

**Beekeeping Associations:**

One the back of this sheet you will find the names and contact persons for the fifteen regional beekeeping organizations in Illinois. In addition, there is the Illinois State Beekeeping Association (ISBA). Membership in the ISBA is available “at large,” but membership in local beekeeping organizations usually includes membership in the state association as a benefit.

**Local Beekeepers:**

Don’t forget your local beekeepers. Most are delighted to be able to lend a helping hand to novice beekeepers.