WHPA Beekeeper Awards 1975 – 2018

**Beekeeper of the Year**
2002 – Al Baldwin
2004 – Matt LaForge
2006 – Nick Thill
2005 – Dan and Karen Buch
2004 – Tracy Maltzer
2003 – Don and Cheryl Thill
2002 – Dan and Gina Piechowski
2011 – Tim Fulton
2010 – Jim and Karri Burzynski
2009 – Mark Kohn
2008 – John Piechowski
2007 – Herb and Judy Lapp
2006 – Gary and Ginger Reuter
2005 – Anna Kettlewell
2004 – David Weber
2003 – Oscar Carlson
2002 – John and Lucille Hinkfuss
2001 – Paul and Dorothy Hess
2000 – Keith Rowe
1999 – Derald and Mary Kettlewell
1998 – Leon Metz
1997 – Dave Marcy
1996 – Wally and Lois Nass
1995 – Lee Heine
1994 – Buck and Jane Howery
1993 – Walter Diehnelt
1992 – John and Liz Vaenoski
1991 – Huber and Vera Wheeler
1990 – Butch and Linda Hauri
1989 – Cliff and Bernice Wolterstorff
1988 – Margaret Ahlers
1987 – Charles and Fern Egggen
1986 – Eva Cisek
1985 – Art Kehl
1984 – JoAnne Weber
1983 – Les Philaja
1975 – Henry Piechowski

**Pioneer Awards**
2018 – Jake and Judy Jakubek
2017 – Gordon Waller
2016 – Wally & Lois Nass
2015 – Carl Christiansen
2014 – Oscar and Marilyn Carlson
2013 – John and Marilyn Piechowski
2012 – Al Baldwin
2011 – Wayne and Ardelle Lemar
2010 – Wally Brown
2009 – Charles and Fern Egggen
2008 – Cliff and Myrna Sweet
2007 – Paul Ekblad
2006 – Keith Rowe
2005 – Don and Elaine Kohn
2004 – Herb and Judy Lapp
2003 – Margaret Ahlers
2002 – David Weber

**Education Award**
2017 – Gary Reuter and Marla Spivak
2016 – Peter Underwood
2015 – Craig Petros
2014 – David and Leslie Meuer
2012 – Frank Holzman
2011 – Oscar Carlson
2010 – Dean Lapp
2003 – Sharon and Onaka Pufahl
2001 – Elaine Schumann
2000 – John and Lucille Hinkfuss
1999 – Keith Rowe
1998 – William Lueschow

**Special Recognition Award**
2018 – Derald & Mary Kettlewell
2017 – Jim & Karri Burzynski
2016 – Gene Hausner
2015 – Kimberly Kester
2012 – Dan and Karen Buch
2011 – Dennis and Doreen Freeberg
2007 – Bob and Judy Hoffman
2004 – Don and Cheryl Thill
2003 – Ken Balts
2002 – Marla Spivak
2001 – Annette Phibbs
2000 – John Piechowski
1993 – Lee Heine
1992 – Walter Diehnelt
1991 – Leland “Slick” Kottwitz

**Special Award**
1996 – Herb and Judy Lapp
1995 – Emmett Harp
1994 – Walt Gojmerac
1993 – Linda Hauri
1992 – John Vaenoski

**Appreciation Award**
2018 – Jeff Budewitz
2016 – Dave & Sandy Marcy
2013 – Illinois State Beekeepers Assoc
2012 – Honey Acres
2012 – Stan Jakubek
2009 – Ronald Wilson
2000 – Linda Hauri
1998 – Phil May
1997 – Walter Diehnelt, Honey Acres
1994 – Rex Bowen
1992 – Lee Heine

**Above and Beyond Award**
2010 – Wally and Lois Nass
2000 – Lee Heine

**Promotional Award**
2015 – Kent Pegorsch
2006 – Jolene Phibbs
2005 – Angela Fisher
1996 – Louann Hausner

**Youth Award**
2017 – Gunner Berning
2016 – Natalie Abbott
2014 – Brandon and Aaron Saeger
2012 – Kyle Bomkamp
2010 – Natalie Abbott

**Honey Acres**
2003 – Keya Pufahl
2002 – Michelle Heram
2001 – Carolyn Detmer
2000 – Kayla Marty
1999 – Nick Thill
1998 – Andy Kettlewell
1997 – Dave Marcy
1996 – Wally and Lois Nass
1995 – Arthur and Mary Ramsey
1994 – Rae and Florette Kohn
1993 – Derald and Loretta Hanson

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**Above and Beyond Award**
2010 – Wally and Lois Nass
2000 – Lee Heine

**Service Award**
2017 – Rock County Beekeepers
2009 – Delaine “Tiny” Kottwitz
1997 – Margaret Ahlers
1992 – Wally Nass

**Distinguished Service Award**
2004 – Gene Hausner
2003 – National Honey Board
2006 – Doug and Kim Sjostrom
2005 – Mark Kohn
2002 – Oscar Carlson
1999 – John and Shirley Smith
1998 – Emmett Harp

**Special Award**
1996 – Herb and Judy Lapp
1995 – Emmett Harp
1994 – Walt Gojmerac
1993 – Linda Hauri
1992 – John Vaenoski

**Achievement Award**
1996 – Paul Hess
1995 – Eugene Albright
1994 – Franklin Borth