

The Twin Rivers Pollinator

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Wow what at powerful evening. It all began with a major storm that unfortunately caused some damage and a lot of trees and limbs down throughout the local area. We managed to get the meeting off pretty much on time though. We want to thank those who did manage to make it out and welcome our new members to the official kick-off meeting of the "Twin Rivers Beekeepers Association".

A big thank you goes out to Mr. Joe Slusher, the Ware County Extension Coordinator for welcoming our group and speaking to us about their Pollinator Program.

A great open discussion and question and answer period was had by all on numerous aspects of the Beekeeping hobby. A lively group of new Beekeepers as well as soon be "BEE"s" were represented along with a few seasoned Beeks as well. All felt that it was important for the group to focus on training and helping one another learn the hobby through interaction with one another and various modes of training.

We want to thank our Webmaster, James Jones for an outstanding job putting together our Association's Website https://trinriversbeekeepers.com and for our new Facebook page. These sites will be important to us as we move forward with getting the word out to our membership and to future members.

We also want to thank James for the outstanding program he gave on Beekeeping equipment nomenclature. I think he brought one or two examples of everything he owned to show us. His explanations of the various equipment and their uses was very helpful.

We now have an active bank account and are setup to accept cash, checks or credit cards for anything including memberships. Also we have link on our website to join online and pay with a credit or debit card.

We have applied to the Beekeeping Association for the State of Ga. "Georgia Beekeepers Association" for a grant for new club start up funds. We also applied for affiliate membership with the GBA. Hopefully we will hear something back from them real soon. Our organization supports the GBA and we even offer a membership discount to current GBA members.

The meeting and evening ended with the sky's finally clearing a little and with a drawing for a starter Beehive kit which was won by Pam Barbee. This is great because she is just planning to get into the hobby and this will help her get started.

We are looking for a permanent location other than the Ware County Library to meet because of the time issues we have at the library. For the time being we will continue to meet at the Library with our next meeting schedule for September 10 at 6:15 PM. Bring a friend and Join us at the meeting where we will have a program entitled "Understanding the Inside of the Hive". Hope to see everyone there including a bunch of new faces.

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