

BEEKEEPING

Beekeeping 101

The demand for bees for pollination is up, so there's no better time to learn about bees and beekeeping. We'll cover bee biology, modern beekeeping techniques, construction of hives, and how to acquire bees. Keep bees for the fun of it, as a sideline job, or to help your garden and orchard.

Fee: \$59 Larry Kregel
 In person
 # [4478](#) W 2/1–2/22 7–9:30 p.m. A, MCC
 Remote
 # [4479](#) W 2/1–2/22 7–9:30 p.m. Remote

Beekeeping Field Study

This short course will provide practical, hands-on instruction for installing, manipulating, and inspecting colonies of bees. If possible, the class will meet in a bee yard, so appropriate clothing and bee equipment will be necessary. If it is not possible to meet in the bee yard, class will be delivered via Zoom. Spring is the time to start with bees, and this course will walk you through it step by step. Learn what you need to know to start out right with your bees.

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 # [4542](#) Sa 4/8, 4/15 10 a.m.–Noon TBA

7 Ways To Raise A Queen

The number of small-scale beekeepers is increasing and the demand for locally raised queen bees is growing. Purchased queens are often raised in areas of Africanized Honeybees or come from migratory bee operations where dangerous viruses are exchanged.

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 # [4480](#) W 3/1 7–9:30 p.m. A, MCC
 Remote
 # [4481](#) W 3/1 7–9:30 p.m. Remote

Comb Honey

Comb honey is old-fashioned honey harvested in the bees own wax case. A hundred years ago, honey was removed from the hive and eaten in the comb. Today, extracted honey- honey in the jar- is the norm. This course is an opportunity to return to the old (and some contend the healthiest) way of harvesting honey. Producing honey in the comb is a beekeeping challenge; an old-fashioned challenge explored in this class.

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 # [4482](#) W 3/8 7–9:30 p.m. A, MCC
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 # [4483](#) W 3/8 7–9:30 p.m. Remote



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