

Lorain County *Beekeepers* Association



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President's Message

Happy Fall Lorain County Beekeepers!

It is predicted that on Tuesday and Wednesday Mother Nature will give us some relief from the recent drought. We have had some beautiful, warm days and the goldenrod and asters are blooming, providing some of the final sources of nectar and pollen.

Cold weather and snow will be here before we know it. Hope you are keeping up mite treatments and your bees have plenty of food. Insulation and windbreaks will help the bees maintain temperatures in the hive this winter.

Our Fall Banquet and Auction will be this Friday October 10th. Doors open at 6:00 PM. This is a potluck, so bring your favorite dish and a quality item or two for the auction. LCBA will provide chicken tenders. This year there will be both a live and silent auction. So come early to check out all the auction items. Don't forget cash and your checkbook.

Remember your honey samples for the best tasting honey contest. Samples will be collected at the door. You are all invited to a fun time at QRC's Blue Warehouse, Sunday October 12th at Noon. We will be sorting china for the Ms. Honey Bee's High Tea. There will be donuts, water, coffee and tea available. Our speaker for the November 14th Members' meeting will be Shawn Hornbeck from Wayne County. He will share his journey - he started beekeeping in 2019 and six years later he has 300 hives! This will also be our Chili Cook-off.

Nominations are now open for the 2026 Executive Board - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and one Trustee. Please consider taking an office in one of the largest beekeeping organizations in the State of Ohio. A brief description of duties for each Board member is on LCBA's website under 'About' and 'Executive Board and Trustees'. Please consider running for a LCBA Executive Board position. To be considered as a nomination for the executive board or a trustee position, the nominee must have attended a minimum of 6 regular monthly members meetings in the current year and be in good standing within the LCBA club. Voting will take place at the December meeting.

***See you Friday,
Your President,
Marilyn***

Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

The October 10th meeting is our annual Fall Auction and Potluck dinner. LCBA Fall Banquet Auction will benefit the Building Fund – let's see if we can beat last years' total. We are also looking to improve the quality of our auction items and would like quality donations, no junk! Let's support our Building Fund.

Remember if there was something you purchase at the auction that you will not use, you are welcome to wrap it up and bring it to the White Elephant Gift Exchange at the Christmas Pot Luck Dinner in December! And if you bring something, you will get to take another prize home!



Thank you to Lin Chaftez and Chris Kalogeras for representing LCBA at the Root Beer & Yesteryear event in Oberlin.

Thank you to Chris Kalogeras for helping with the Introduction to Beekeeping Class by relating his first year experiences as a beekeeper.

Executive Board Nominations open at Fridays Members Meeting.

Members Meeting.

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Interested in becoming a fair judge?

All county fairs are in dire need of more beekeeping fair judges. LCBA will be offering a fair judging class on Saturday, December 6th. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

We have a beekeeper who lives in the area of Root Road and Sprague Road, and she needs help with her bees. If you're able to assist her, please contact her directly at gcronin51@yahoo.com

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Congratulations to our 50/50 Raffle Winner!!

September's Members Meeting Winner

Neal Klabunde !!

Don't forget to get your tickets at every meeting!

September's Meeting —

Beehive Winter Survival



Schedule of Winter Events

- › Thanksgiving - Close up for Winter
 - Final Oxalic acid treatment (dribble or vapor)
 - Arrange frames with 3-4 empty center / bottom box
 - › This is where the cluster will start.
 - › 2-3 frames of honey to the left and right of them.
 - Solid honey in box above them, or at least in the center.
 - Add mouse guards (if using)
 - Add entrance reducer and mite board
 - Configure ventilation
 - Add insulation / wind breaks
 - Add supplemental feed insurance



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September's Meeting —

Beehive Winter Survival

Honey Judging from Fair Entries



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Honey Judging from Fair Entries

Hive Robbers Honey - regular honey

Creamed Honey - Beal's Barnyard Bees

Hot Honey - Ghost Pepper and Jam (Triple Berry) Bee Juice Apiaries

Elderberry Hibiscus - Frog Song Farm



To Promote Beekeeping through Education, Cooperation and any other Efficient Means

Located in Lorain County, Ohio, LCBA was founded in 1919 as a non-profit organization committed to educating the public about the value of honeybees and the impact honeybees have on our world. We provide educational appearances upon request to schools and groups. LCBA encourages and mentors beginning beekeepers through scholarship programs for students along with adult education.

Monthly Meetings

When: 2nd Friday of each month, starting at 7:00pm to 9:30pm

Where: Life Church

1033 Elm Street, Grafton, OH 44044

Did you know donations to LCBA are tax deductible???

Lorain County Beekeepers Association is now a 501c(3) organization. Any donations made to LCBA are now tax deductible!!!

The BUZZZZ Advertising Fees

Members can place classified ads—maximum 4 lines (approx. 3/4 in by 3 3/4 inch) for free on a one time basis. If the same ad places for more than 1 month, a fee will be charged. There is also a fee if the ad is larger than the size listed above. Ads will run in the newsletter which is posted on the LCBA website and distributed to our member circulation and billed for 12 issues.

Rates are as follows for ads provided by customer *LCBA Officers reserve the right, at their sole discretion, to change, modify, add, or delete all or portions of ads for content. Terms and policies to change. Information posted is a courtesy to LCBA Members and/or a paid advertisement for business entities. LCBA does not endorse or guarantee quality or pricing .

1 (Full) page - \$25.00 per month/issue

1/2 page ad - \$18.00 per month/issue

1/4 page ad - \$12.00 per month/issue

1/8 page ad - \$10.00 per month/issue

Any questions regarding advertising?

Contact Lori Keleman at

BuzzzzWorthy@gmail.com



October & November is Nomination Month for LCBA Election of Officers

October & November is nomination months for all LCBA positions- President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and one Trustee position. If you are interested in becoming more involved with LCBA, please consider joining our board. All officials are expected to attend every meeting along with planning, preparing and participating in all members meetings. There executive meeting is the last Thursday of every month to plan our upcoming events schedule.

Feel free to nominate a friend or yourself if you are interested in a position. Voting will take place at the December Christmas Pot Luck Meeting.

Nominations are closed after the November members meeting.

Following are the job descriptions for each position:

President – Plan and lead meetings with the help of the executive committee, plan fair and outside functions and activities, run executive meetings, suggest speakers for meetings, write presidents note to members for BUZZZZ newsletter.

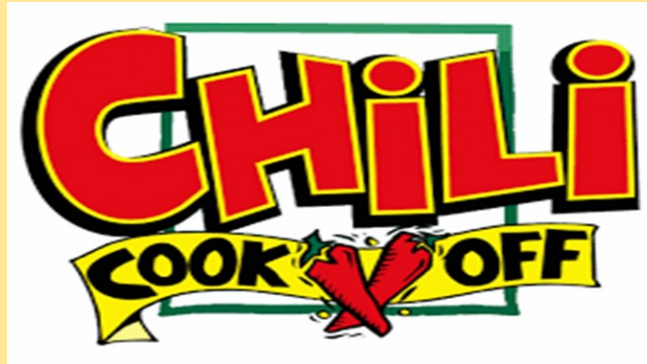
Vice President – Assist president in planning of meetings, fair and outside functions, lead meetings and write notes when president is unable to, support, assist and vote on matters regarding LCBA.

Secretary –Take meeting minutes at regular and executive meetings, handle necessary correspondence, mail or email notifications to club members and beginner class sign ups, send out class notifications to media, confirm speaker, other miscellaneous duties, submit minutes to executives for approval, support, assist and vote on matters regarding LCBA.

Treasurer – Establish and maintain financial matters for the organization (writing checks for bills or other expenses and payables), present reports at executive meetings regarding income and expenses, support, assist and vote on matters regarding LCBA.

Trustee – Asist all positions if needed and support, assist and vote on matters regarding LCBA. This is a 3-year term and only 1 position is available each year.

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LCBA will be sponsoring a CHILI COOK OFF at our next members meeting on Friday, November 14th at 7 pm. Come and sample our different styles of chili and then sit back and enjoy our soap, lotion bars and lip balm demonstrations."

Please text Audrey Gargas at 216-534-6195 to let her know if you will be participating so we can be prepared for the number of entries.

Attendees will vote on the best tasting chili, with 1st prize being \$40, 2nd prize \$30 and 3rd prize \$20.

So, pull out those recipe books and crock pots! Bring us your favorite version of chili whether its turkey, white bean, Cincinnati or good ole tomato-based chili! Spicy hot or cool-as-a-cucumber flavors are welcomed! Let us be the judge!

All participants will need to bring a serving spoon and a copy of their recipe. All recipes will be published in the February newsletter!

Good Luck to all participants! Please arrive by 6:45 to set up your crock pot so tastings can begin at 7 pm.

FOR SALE

Nine Frame Electric Extractor—\$600.00

Call Karin—216-970-6961

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WORLD BEE DAY HONEY BREAKFASTS:

We are looking for volunteers to help serve the Honey Breakfast to several different schools throughout Cleveland. If you are able to volunteer for any of the following schools, please contact Nicki Sulandari at collaborativechambers@gmail.com

Monday, 11/3/2025
St Bernadette School
2300 Clague Rd, Westlake
40 students – 4th grade

Tuesday, 11/4/2025 at 8:15 AM
The Intergenerational School
11327 Shaker Blvd # 200E, Cleveland
114 students – 4th grade

Wednesday, 11/5/2025 at 8:30 AM
Chardon Hills Elementary School
1750 E 234th St. Euclid
75 – 80 students – 4th grade

Wednesday, 11/5/2025 at 9:30 AM
Our Lady of the Lake
175 E. 200th St, Euclid
42 students – 3rd grade

Thursday, 11/6/2025 at 8:05 AM
Blue Stone
1455 E. 260th St, Euclid
44 students – 5th grade

Thursday, 11/6/2025 at 9:30 AM
Noble Academy Cleveland
1200 E. 200th St, Euclid
27 students – 3rd grade

Friday, 11/7/2025 at 8:15 AM
Shoreview Elementary School
490 e 260th St, Euclid
80 students – 5th grade



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