



Lorain County Beekeepers Association

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President's Message

Hello Beekeepers,

According to The Old Farmer's Almanac the end of February will be snowy and temperatures below average. No Surprise!!!

February 14th is LCBA's regular monthly meeting. There will be a video presentation by Marla Spivak on " Why We Care About Propolis". This month we are also having a soup cook-off. Get out your best recipes and maybe win a cash prize. Doors open at 6:30 PM.

Saturday February 22nd there will be an Intermediate Class on 'Swarm Management and Queen Management'. Class will be held at the Church from 10 AM till 12 PM. Mark your calendars now for a second Intermediate class to be held Saturday April 5th on 'Improved Varroa Monitoring Research and Drones and Races of Bees'.

Calling all crafters! Looking for raffle basket donations for the High Tea (March 9th). I know we have some very talented people. Please consider donating something for our event - created or purchased.

See you Friday. The meeting starts at 7PM.

Your President,

Marilyn

Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

Congratulations to our 50/50 Raffle Winner!!

January's Members Meeting

Kathy Borland !!

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

Thank you to Paul Kelly for his generous donation to the Building Fund!

Thank you to Thomas & Elaine Novak from donating 2 full PPE bee suits with hats to our Memorial Garden. It is greatly appreciated for our beekeepers at the hives!

Mark your calendars and get ready to shine at the first annual "Bee City Festival," sponsored by the L.C.B.A. We have been working as a liaison between The Village of Wellington and Bee City since 2020. More details can be found by visiting www.loraincountybeekeepers.org. This is a fantastic opportunity to be a face of LCBA in the Lorain County and share your products and knowledge of beekeeping.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Wellington for sharing in our excitement. A blossoming partnership since 2020. We look forward to many opportunities to spread the word about the importance of pollinators.

Sheila St. Clair

Bee City Coordinator



Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

2025 Beginner Beekeeping Classes

All 2024 LCBA members who would like to sit through the beginners' class as a refresher must have their 2025 dues paid to do so at no additional cost to them.

February Members Meeting

LCBA SOUP OFF



Bring a crock pot of your favorite soup to be judged by your fellow beekeepers at the February meeting and see if your soup recipe is a winner!

Please text Joann Romick at 440-360-0444 if you plan on participating to help us prepare for the number of entries.

Please bring a copy of your recipe , ladle and be here by 6:45 to participate!

Good Luck!

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January's Meeting - John Rose talks "Bee Talk"

Congratulations to Henry Klier for completing his Youth Education Program (YEP) - and receiving his hive setup



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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



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Intermediate Beekeeping Class 2025

Improved Varroa Monitoring Research & Drones and Races of Bees

Date: Saturday, April 5
Time: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Location: Life Church
 1033 Elm Street
 Grafton, Ohio 44044
Cost: Cost of this class is free to all 2025 LCBA members. Non-member cost will be \$10, or \$20 for a 2025 LCBA membership for the rest of the year.

- Topics will include:**
- Learn accurate and simple mite monitoring.
 - FREE set of mite monitoring tools.
 - Where are the mites in spring?
 - Should you invest in hygienic bees?

If you are a 2nd or 3rd year beekeeper, this class is for you!

LCBA Member (free)
 Non-member \$10
 Non-member + Membership \$20

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment options:
 Cash
 Check
 Pay Online

Please make checks payable to: Lorain County Beekeepers Association

Please email to Marilyn at m.teep70@gmail.com

or mail form to:

Lorain County Beekeepers Association

P.O. Box 144, Lagrange, Ohio 44050

Please RSVP by April 4th, to m.teep70@gmail.com if you plan to attend this class.

The above person/family acknowledges that their contact information will be added to the membership list. This list is a controlled item and will be used only for L.C.B.A. business and will not be used for any other purposes.

I acknowledge the risks involved in beekeeping activities which include and not limited to: stings, falls, shock, allergic reactions and personal injury. I agree to hold harmless Lorain County Beekeepers Association from any liability, including financial responsibility for injuries or property damages, regardless of whether injuries are caused by negligence in the State of Ohio.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



30th Annual Beginner Beekeeping Class 2025

Lorain County Beekeepers Association

March 7, 14, 21, & 28

Time: 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Location: Life Church
1033 Elm Street
Grafton, Ohio 44044

Cost: \$20 – includes the class, a one year LCBA Membership and a monthly email newsletter for you and other family members living at the same address. Books will be available for an additional \$25 fee during classes.

Classes Descriptions:

- March 7: Beekeeping Equipment
- March 14: Managing Your Beehive
- March 21: First 2 Months as a Beekeeper
- March 28: Summer & Fall Management
- April 11: Members Meeting



Memorial Garden Hands-On

April 26 & May 3, 10, 24

Time: 10:00 AM

Hands-On Field Day

June 7 - Rain or Shine

Time: 10:00 AM

Where: Queen Right Colonies
43655 State Route 162
Spencer, Ohio 44275

Fall Wrap-Up

September 12

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Where: Life Church
1033 Elm Street
Grafton, Ohio 44044

Go to the LCBA website to download the Class Registration Form
www.loraincountybeekeepers.org

Ms. Honey Bee's High Tea



Lorain County Beekeepers Association
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**Raffle Baskets & Door Prizes
to Benefit
LCBA Agricultural Programs**



**Sunday
March 9, 2025**

Luncheon at 1:00 PM *(Doors open at 12:30 PM)*

Wellington Eagles, 631 S. Main Street, Wellington
\$30 per ticket or Table of 6 for \$168 (\$12 savings)
NEW! Three High Society Tables - Table of 6 for \$225

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
Queen Right Colonies,
or send a check to
LCBA, PO Box 144
Lagrange, OH 44050
OR
BUY TICKET HERE**

**"Archibald M. Willard - Artwork in
Advertising" presented by Scott Markel**

**Live Music! Hat & Period Attire Contests,
Raffle Baskets, Door Prizes & 50/50!**

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