



Lorain County *Beekeepers* Association

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President's Message

Hellooooo!!

LCBA, at the time of this writing we are having a great winter so far, no snow, not too cold, for once Ohio is living up to its reputation, the best location in the nation.

This month we have a great meeting planned with a pot luck dinner, of which no one does it better than LCBA! We should open a restaurant. I can see it now, The LCBA Diner!

This is our Christmas Party/elections/white elephant gift exchange/ and games month and we have some great prizes. Additional reasons for celebrations this month is that Bill Vittori will be in Florida, someone down south is not happy.

So come out celebrate the birth of Christ with us and enjoy the fun, family, and friends. As we all eat, we will be serenaded, (for those north of 20 that means sung to) by Marilyn Teeple, Ron Knapp, Ellie Jisa, Vince Dubesa, known in certain circles as the Harmonets.

You will also enjoy a solo by Frank Keleman, I think??? I'm sure this will give new meaning to Silent Night.

See You There,

Denzil

Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

Congratulations to our 50/50 Raffle Winner!!

November Members Meeting

Don Brooks! !!

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

LCBA Memorial Honey will be available at the December Members Meeting for \$12 a bottle

A gracious thank you to Paul Kelly for donating his Best Tasting Chili prize to the LCBA Building Fund.

Also thanks to all of you who have donated to the LCBA Building Fund at every meeting.

Thank you also to Marilyn Teeple for her tireless campaigning for LCBA and procuring a most generous donation from the Lorain County Commissioners to Lorain County Beekeepers Association!!

LCBA was approached by an individual to take care of a hive in Grafton....the property owners live in Avon. If you are interested, please see Marilyn Teeple

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Reminders!!!

LCBA is looking for volunteers who are interested in helping with a Hospitality Committee. Responsibilities would include setting up the kitchen before and after meetings, preparing coffee, setting out water, desserts and accessories for the meeting. Please let a board member know if you are interested.

December members meeting is our Christmas Potluck and White Elephant Gift exchange. Our meeting will start at 7pm and there is a bee game to play with prizes to be won! LCBA will provide coffee, water, tableware, utensils and napkins. So plan to bring a delicious dish to share with friends.

LCBA's Executive Committee is looking for speakers and topics for next year's meetings. Please let any board member know your ideas or email them to gargas1@frontier.com

Are you stumped for a gift for your favorite beekeeper? LCBA Gift Certificates are available in any amount. They can be used for classes, The Dummies books, Memorial Hive Honey and LCBA Cookbooks to name a few ideas!

Are you interested in helping out in the Memorial Hive Garden ? If you have a green thumb or just like to putter in the garden, let Corrie Marquis know that you are interested!

Are you interested in helping out at the Lorain County Fair Bee Barn? Our first Fair Committee meeting will be held Friday December 9th at 6pm at Life Church prior to our 7pm Members Meeting. We will be discussing the fair theme, decorating ideas, booth ideas and changes that need to be made to the fair booth, etc.

The 2023 End of Summer Classic Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 29th at 6pm at Life Church prior to the Executive Committee Meeting. We will be deciding on the format of this year's event, which will be held on Saturday, September 9th. We need suggestions and ideas to continue to grow this event! Hope to see you there!

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LCBA Christmas Potluck Meeting

**Come join us on Friday, December 9, 2022, at 7 pm at Life Church
for
our annual Christmas Potluck and White Elephant Gift Exchange.**

**Please bring an appetizer, meat, side dish, vegetable or dessert to
share with everyone. LCBA will provide plates, utensils and drinks.**

**Following dinner, we will be entertained with bee games directed
by Marilyn Teeple and Peggy Vasu, testing your bee knowledge!
There will also have a White Elephant Gift Exchange for anyone
interested.**

**So please bring your gift in a wrapped box or gift bag.
Everyone who brings a gift, takes a gift!
Come and join the fun!**

Lorain County Beekeepers Spotlight

Beekeeper: Kathy Beal

December 2022

1. How long have you been beekeeping?

2 years

2. What prompted you to become a beekeeper?

My brother-in-law in PA is a beekeeper and there was a lack of pollination in my garden.

3. How did you hear about LCBA?

I saw the ad in the "Rural Urban Newspaper" for the Beginner Beekeepers Classes

4. Did you have a mentor? If so, who was it?

Yes, Randy and Bren Leiby. They are so kind and always helpful. They are always willing to talk you through any issues.

5. What has been your biggest challenge?

Understanding what I'm seeing during a hive inspection and then knowing what to do.

6. What have you enjoyed most about beekeeping?

I had no idea how fascinating honey bees are. I really enjoy just watching them and of course the honey!

7. How many hives do you have?

5

8. What area is your apiary in? (Village or Township only)

Carlisle Township

9. What are your five year beekeeping goals?

I hope to become a more confident beekeeper and hopefully be able to mentor a new beekeeper someday.

10. Your words of wisdom to new beekeepers?

Don't Give Up! So many times I wondered "what the heck did I get myself into" These first two years have been scary, frustrating but amazing! At times, I almost feel like I know what I'm doing!

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.

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

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

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BuzzzzWorthy@gmail.com

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November 11th Members Meeting
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"Health Benefits of Hive Products"



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Final strain – cotton knit

Flash point- 400°F, melting point- 144 - 147°F - just be careful

Cleaning up – boiling water or heat gun



Discovery

The Honey Revolution
by Ron Fessenden
and Mike McInnes



Users Guide to Propolis,
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by C. Leigh Broadhurst



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by Carlson Wade



November 11th Members Meeting
"Chili Cook Off and Best Tasting Honey"



Best Honey	21
Sherry OLEYAR	
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2nd place	17
JEFF KIMBLE	
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3rd Place	5
BRENDA GRIMMETTE	



November 11th Members Meeting
"Chili Cook Off and Best Tasting Honey"



Paul Kelly's Slow Cooker Chili - 1st place winner

2 to 2.5 pounds of ground beef **2 large sweet onions**

One 30 oz can Brooks chili beans (hot)

One 28 oz can crushed tomatoes

One 24 oz can diced tomatoes with juice

2 cups Heinz Ketchup

1 to 2 cans of diced chili peppers

1/4 cup honey

2 tsp cumin

1 tsp cayenne pepper

1 tsp oregano

**Dice onions and add to ground beef, saute on medium high heat until cooked.
Drain the fat off and add garlic, salt and pepper to taste.**

Slow cook on low for 6 hours



Lorain County Beekeepers Association

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LCBA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



Annual Membership cost is \$20.00 per person. LCBA Membership includes the newsletter e-mailed. You must include your e-mail above. Lifetime Memberships available for \$200.

Please make checks payable to: Lorain County Beekeepers Association \$ _____ Check # _____
(cash/check/money order)

Please mail form with payment to:

Lorain County Beekeepers Association
c/o Gene Gargas, LCBA Treasurer, 2410 Brook Haven Lane, Hinckley, OH 44233

Information is also available at our website, www.loraincountybeekeepers.org. Memberships run on a calendar year basis (January 1 to December 31). Youth between the ages of 11-18 may apply for the Youth Education Program. Please see the LCBA website for more information, the selection criteria, the process and the application.

The above person/family has applied for membership in the Lorain County Beekeepers Association. The adult members of the applicant family 18 yrs. and older are requested to take part in the annual association election of officers to conduct the regular business of the association. Youth members are welcome to join in on all other association activities

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 purpose.

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: _____

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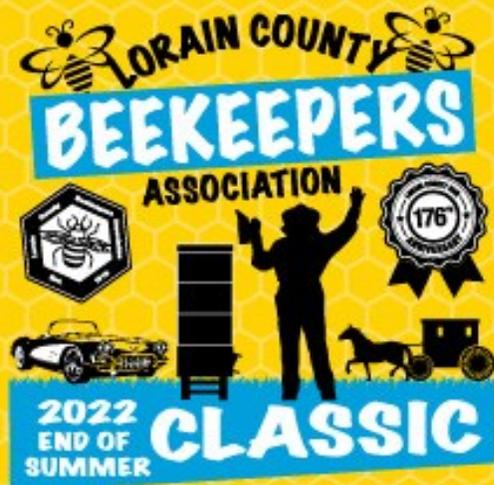
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YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Are you interested in becoming a beekeeper?
Are you between the ages of 11 and 18?**

Then check out LCBA's Youth Education Program. Information and details of the selection criteria, the process, and the application are on the LCBA's website: www.loraincountybeekeepers.org.

The Program guides the participant through a full year of beekeeping. Activities include: learning about beekeeping equipment, installing bees in a hive, hive inspections, disease management, extracting honey, and winter preparation.

If you are a member of 4-H and interested in doing the Beekeeping Project 641, the Youth Education Program will meet the goals, learning activities, and experiences needed to complete the Project.

After completing one year of the Youth Education Program, the student will be eligible to apply for a sponsorship and, if chosen, will receive a beginner's beekeeping kit and a package of bees.



Apply Today!

The deadline to receive applications is Tuesday, March 1, 2023

The LCBA website lists the dates and times of the association's monthly meetings and beginner beekeeping classes (held on four Fridays in March).

All meetings and classes are held at:
Life Church
1033 Elm Street
Grafton, OH 44044



Go to the LCBA website to download the YEP Application Form
www.loraincountybeekeepers.org

Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

BUILDING FUND UPDATE.....

Looking at our Thermometer you can see that we are moving "UP".

Working with our Webmaster you will see some improvements to the Building fund page soon. Changes will also be made in regards to our informational handouts. With all of our holiday planning we all need to step back for a while and rest, knowing that the New Year is right around the corner.

Now having brought that to your attention, I read an article recently from the Cleveland Clinic regarding why YOU are all such a pleasant ,hard-working and generous group of people!!

A few lines.....

"Studies have indicated that volunteering is great for your mental health," said Susan Albers, PsyD, psychologist for Cleveland Clinic. "It has been shown to decrease stress levels, depression, anxiety and boost your overall health and satisfaction with life."

Dr. Albers said when you help other people, it activates the reward center in your brain and releases serotonin, dopamine and endorphins.....

So keep up the good work, we will reach our goal . We will provide a beautiful facility for all beekeepers, our community and the future. Learning about Honeybees and their importance will be key, and I will have had the privilege of saying, " I worked with the best of the best."

Thank You All for all your hard work.

Merry Christmas,

Sheila



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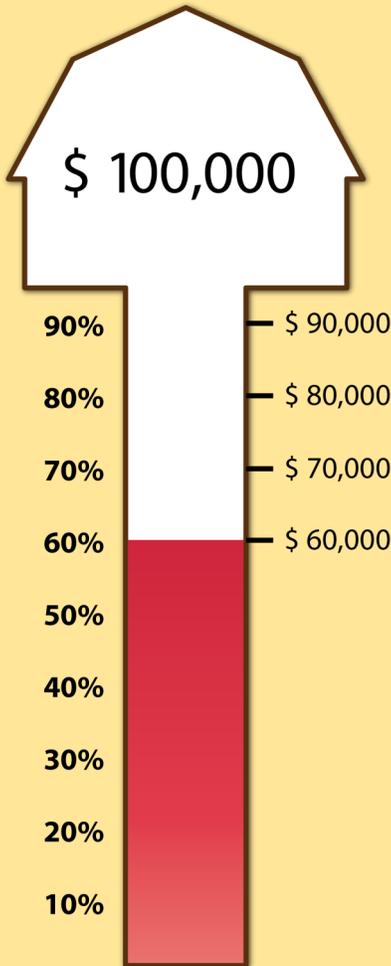
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LCBA is proud to introduce our “Barnometer” - The Building Fund is officially going to be in every newsletter now to let everyone know how our fundraising is going for our new building!

Please feel free to reach out to businesses and organizations to see if they might have interest in a tax deductible donation.

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