



Lorain County *Beekeepers* Association

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President's Message

Hello Fellow Beekeepers,

Here we are another month and typical Ohio weather continues - sun, wind, rain, snow repeat! Hope you have completed your winter prep as we head into the quiet season of beekeeping.


At this month's meeting we will be celebrating LCBA's 104th anniversary. There will be displays of photos, antique bee equipment, old meeting minutes and more. Nina Bagley will be one our speakers. Nina wrote an article for Bee Culture magazine about "Bees and Women" highlighting the Fowls family of Oberlin. Violet Fowls was the first president of LCBA. Gregg and Joann Wheeler, descendants of Violet Fowls, and 4th generation beekeepers, will be special guests. Jerry Hayes, editor of Bee Culture Magazine, and Barb Bloetscher, state Apiarist, will be in attendance as well.

Doors open at 6:30 PM for appetizers and refreshments and time to check out 104 years of LCBA memorabilia

Nominations for officers, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Trustee, will close at the conclusion of Friday's meeting. Consider taking an office in the best beekeeping organization ever.

See you Friday November 10th, 6:30 PM

*Humbly,
Marilyn*



Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

Congratulations to our 50/50 Raffle Winner!!

October Members Meeting

Congratulations to Jeff Breuler !!!

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



Celebrating
104 YEARS

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATION OF
LORAIN COUNTY BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION'S
104TH ANNIVERSARY

NOVEMBER 10, 2023 | 6:30 PM

Appetizers and Refreshments

SPECIAL GUEST

Gregg & Joan Wheeler, *Money Pit Farm*

Nina Bagley, *"Ohio Queen Bee"*

Jerry Hayes, *Editor of Bee Culture Magazine*

Barb Bloetscher, *State Apiarist*

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LCBA's October Potluck and Auction



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Lorain County Beekeepers Spotlight

Beekeeper: Peggy Vasu

November 2023

1. How long have you been beekeeping?

6 years

2. What prompted you to become a beekeeper?

The people we bought our house from left their hive behind because they couldn't take it to their new house.

3. How did you hear about LCBA?

The couple we bought our house from told me about the beekeeping class and I researched the class and club online..

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

A family friend, Toli O'Brynba

5. What has been your biggest challenge?

Figuring out what is happening in a hive and deciding the best course of action and at first just understanding what I was seeing..

6. What have you enjoyed most about beekeeping?

Having success after trying a technique I learned to solve a problem. The bees are fun to watch and having my garden pollinated.

7. How many hives do you have?

Currently 4, I started out with 2 and have had as many as 10. My goal is to have between 4-6 hives.

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

Huntington Township

9. What are your five year beekeeping goals?

Continue to keep hives alive through the winter. I may try some queen rearing in the future and sell nucs. To continue to learn more about beekeeping!

10. Your words of wisdom to new beekeepers?

Take your time, never stop learning. It takes time to connect what you are observing to what you heard or learned about. Document what you see in your hives and what you are doing. Know that you'll have some failure but you can try again and learn.

Lorain County Beekeepers Updates and Events

LCBA Upcoming Calendar

- November 10 7:00 "Getting Ready for 105 Years of LCBA" by Nina Bagley and Greg Wheeler
CHILI COOK OFF RESCHEDULED TO JANUARY 12, 2024
- November 30 6:00 Executive Committee Meeting
- December 8 7:00 LCBA "Holiday Potluck Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange"
- December 28 6:00 Executive Committee Meeting



October & November are Nomination Months for LCBA Election of Officers

October & November are 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 – Assist 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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Congratulations to the Winners of the 2023 Best Tasting Honey Contest

First Place **Corrie Rose**

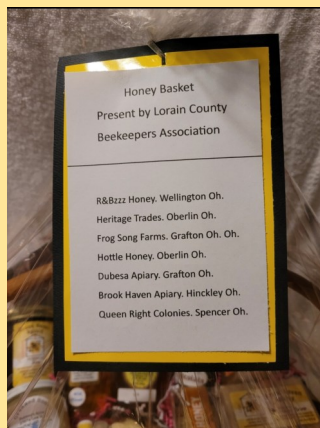
Second Place **Kathy Beal**

Third Place **Peggy and Rodney Reed**

Thank you also to our Honey Tasting Judges!!!



Thank you to our LCBA Helpers who helped moving boxes at the Spirit of 76 Museum !!



Thank you to all the LCBA Members that donated to the Cancer Basket

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



Lorain County Beekeepers Association

Founded 1882 Reorganized 1919 Incorporated 1966

LCBA would like to offer all of our members a chance to recognize beekeepers who are no longer with us and our organization. You will have the opportunity to add their name along with the year they passed to our newel post in the LCBA Memorial Garden. Each plaque will be 3" X 2 3/4", with the cost being \$25.

We kindly ask that you complete the following form and mail in or given to Gene Gargas at a meeting prior to November 20, 2023.

Newel Post Beekeeper Recognition Plaque

Name of Beekeeper (printed) _____

Year they passed _____

Your name: _____

Phone Number in case of questions: _____

Email address: _____

Forms can be mailed to:

Gene Gargas

LCBA Treasurer

2410 Brook Haven Lane

Hinckley, OH 44233

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