

LORAIN COUNTY BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION

NOVEMBER 2026

President's Message

Hello Fellow Beekeepers,

We have certainly had some nice fall days, but as the days shorten, please ensure your winter prep is complete for the upcoming quiet season.

Here are the updates for our next meeting and upcoming events:

November Speaker: Commercial beekeeper Wes Stein will be joining us. The Stein family harvested 110,000 pounds of honey this year, and we look forward to hearing from him.

Next Year's Calendar: The Board is currently planning next year's schedule. If you have suggestions for speakers or topics, please share them with a Board member.

High Tea Support: We need volunteers for the High Tea on Sunday, March 14th. Please let us know if you can assist with this event.

Board Elections: Nominations close at this month's meeting. If you or someone you know is interested in helping guide LCBA's future, please submit a name. Open positions include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee, descriptions follow.

See you on Friday, November 13th at 7:00 PM.

Best regards,
Marilyn

Opportunities for Hive Locations

During the fair, we had several visitors express interest in having honeybee hives placed on their properties. These are great opportunities for LCBA members who may be looking for additional locations to expand their apiaries or establish new colonies.

The following properties are currently available for consideration:

- Erie County – Vermilion Township
- Elyria – Stang Road
- Gore Orphanage Road
- Gore Orphanage Road – 2 acres
- Grafton Township – 10 acres

If you are interested in any of these locations or would like additional information, please contact Marilyn, m.teep70@gmail.com.

Let's continue building relationships in our community while creating more opportunities for honeybees to thrive!



Let's Celebrate Our Beekeeping Community!

There's always something buzzing in our local beekeeping community—and we want to help spread the word!

Have an important announcement to share?

Captured a great photo from your apiary, honey harvest, or recent beekeeping event?

Send it our way! Let's shine a spotlight on the beekeepers, events, educational opportunities, and accomplishments that make our beekeeping community so special.

Together, we can share knowledge, support one another, and help our local pollinators thrive!

Send your submissions to Marilyn at m.teep70@gmail.com by noon the last Monday of the month to be considered for the next newsletter!

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Your Association Needs You! Board Nominations Now Open

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.

Celebrating 20 years of the Bee Cloak!



Lorain County Beekeepers Association's October Meeting was an evening of celebration with its membership! So much love and dedication to this amazing project.





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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.

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

Questions? Contact Marilyn
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Our Mission

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 edu-cating 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
7:00 - 9:30 PM

Where: Life Church
1033 Elm Street, Grafton, OH 44044

Did you know donations to Lorain County Beekeepers Association are tax deductible?

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

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> A strong beekeeping community is like a healthy hive—everyone has a role, everyone contributes, and together we accomplish far more than we could alone.
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> — Written for the 20th Anniversary Celebration

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