## **2026 LCBA Upcoming Meetings**

All Meetings begin at 7 pm at Life Church, 1033 Elm Street, Grafton, OH 44044 unless otherwise noted. You do not need to be a member to attend.

| January 9      | 7:00  | "Equipment Repair, Wax Melting and Honey De-crystallization" Presented by LCBA |
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| January 10     | 10:00 | Fair Judging Class by Denzil St. Clair   |
| January 29     | 6:00  | Executive Meeting  |
| February 13    | 6:00  | Building Fund Presentation with Sheila St. Clair                               |
|                | 7:00  | Soup Off   |
|                |       | "State of Beekeeping in Ohio and OSBA Changes in Beekeeping Policy"            |
| February 26    | 6:00  | Brad Deering, OSBA Executive Meeting   |
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| March 6        | 7:00  | Beginners Beekeeping Class 1   |
| March 13       | 7:00  | Beginners Beekeeping Class 2 (church)  |
|                | 7:00  | "5 Years of Beekeeping with Lotion Bar Demo by Sharon Baker (hall)             |
| March 20       | 7:00  | Beginners Beekeeping Class 3   |
| March 27       | 5:30  | Executive Meeting  |
| March 27       | 7:00  | Beginners Beekeeping Class 4   |
| April 10       | 7:00  | "DeMaree Method of Swarm Prevention" by Tony West                              |
| April 23       | 6:00  | Executive Meeting  |
| April 25       | 10 am | Beginners Class Hive Opening 1 in Memorial Garden                              |
| April 25       | 12-2  | Intermediate Beekeeping Class (hall)   |
| May 2          | 10 am | Beginners Class Hive Opening 2 in Memorial Garden                              |
| May 8          | 6:00  | Hive Opening   |
| ,              | 7:00  | "Pollination Gardens" by Noelle Akin (church)                                  |
| May 9          | 10 am | Beginners Class Hive Opening 3   |
| May 13-15      | 9-2   | World Bee Day Education, Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds                           |
| May 16         | 8-4   | LCBA Fundraiser Parking Cars for Wellington Eagles                             |
| ,<br>May 28    | 6:00  | Executive Meeting  |
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| June 6         |       | LCBA Field Day hosted by Queen Right Colonies                                  |
|                |       | "Homesteading and Beekeeping" 43655 State Route 162, Spencer, OH 44275         |
| June 12        | 6:00  | Hive Opening – Mite Treatment Demo   |
| Julie 12       | 7:00  | LCBA Potluck Picnic  |
|                | 7.00  | "Honey, Creamed Honey & Jam Fair Entries"                                      |
| June 19        | 4-7pm | Wellington Bee City Pollinator Event, Wellington Square ???                    |
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| June 25                                 | 6:00         | Executive Meeting  |
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| July 10                                 | 6:00<br>7:00 | Hive Opening Harvesting Honey, Bottling & Labeling   |
| July 16<br>July 30                      | 7:00<br>6:00 | Mandatory Fair Sellers Meeting at LC Fairgrounds, Bee Barn Executive Meeting at LC Fairgrounds, Bee Barn             |
| August 14<br>August 22<br>August 23 – 3 | 6:00<br>0    | Bee Barn Fair Clean Up – LC Fairgrounds, Bee Barn Fair Sellers Booth Set up Lorain County Fair NO executive Meeting  |
| September 11                            | 6:00<br>7:00 | Hive Opening "Getting Your Bees Ready for Fall – Winter Wrapping, Moisture Control, Winter Feeding and Candy Boards" |
| September 24                            | 7:00         | Fair Sellers Meeting Executive Meeting   |
| October 3 or sooner                     |              | Introduction to Beekeeping Class   |
| October 9<br>October 29                 | 7:00<br>6:00 | Speaker Executive Meeting  |
| November 13                             | 7:00         | Chili Cook Off "Commercial Beekeeping" by Wes Stein  |
| November 19                             | 6:00         | Executive Meeting  |
| December 11<br>December 17              |              | Christmas Potluck & White Elephant Gift Exchange<br>Executive Meeting  |

## **January Class:**

Equipment Repair Class – Daryl Baker, Dave Borling, Ron Knapp, Christina, Val Randy, Gene, Denzil, Steve Moysan

Deep, Super repair - cleaning, painting

Frame Repair – replace wax foundation, plastic foundation, broken sides

Tool Cleaning – hive tools, queen excluder, washing equipment

Smoker Cleaning – burning creosol

PPE cleaning – bee suit, veil, gloves

Hive stand, when to burn deeps & supers, how to burn

Wax rendering – Sheila & Audrey

Honey De-crystallization – Marilyn

## April

Intermediate Beekeeping Class with Swarm Management

Suggestions for speakers: Amanda Manahan, Randy Leiby, Gene Gargas Denzil, Dave Borling

May speaker - ?? New products available – check with Denzil & Sheila

June - Fair entries – concentrate on honey entries, baked goods, photography, creamed honey demo

Speaker -

July –Harvesting honey hands on, bottling and labeling (Audrey will prepare PP)
PP presentation then go to hands on
Speaker -

**September** – "Getting Bees Ready for Winter" Speaker -

October – Fall Banquet with talk.

"History of Hives, hives around the world, and where we are today." Langstroth hives, flow hives, horizontal hives, skep game

**November** – Business talk with marketing, starting a business.( Dave Borling, Steve Moysan, Corrie possible)

December – Potluck & games

Honey award, YEP Presentations, election voting if needed

Newsletter – add a Q & A section, have suggestion box for questions that will be answered in the newsletter.

## Other Suggested Speaker topics from members:

Marketing Person Fair Entries CH demo's How to make Comb Honey