



# The Skep

July 2021

Columbiana & Mahoning Beekeepers' Association Newsletter

## President's Corner

It is hard to believe the year is half over and fair time is right around the corner. We are encouraging everyone to get your fair entries ready. It is not only fun to enter but the entries are a big contributor to the success of our booth. They are a draw to the booth and a good segue to educate fair goers about beekeeping.

On Thursday of the fair, we are also sponsoring a kid's event near our booth with games and attractions in support of Kids Day at the Fair.

We are in need of volunteers to set-up and tear down the booth and especially to work a shift or two at the fair. The schedule will be available at the next meeting so be prepared by knowing when you can work.

Ralph

## July Meeting Information:

Meeting Date: 07/18/2021,  
Monthly Membership Meeting and  
Luncheon

Austintown Senior Center  
100 Westchester Drive  
Suite 110  
Austintown, Ohio 44515

Potluck Lunch at 1 pm  
Membership meeting at 2 pm

Guest Speaker: Mike Klem  
Topic: Continuing Education

Next Meeting: 08/15/2021



## Meeting Highlights:

- Ralph:
  - Bylaw changes: Check website and Skep. Voting to accept changes in September.
  - Nominations needed for President, Secretary, Board Member.
  - Library: New books available. Used books have been donated.
  - Canfield Fair: Start preparing entries. Go online to fair's website to check for details regarding entries. Workers are needed for three hour shifts. Sign-up with Lori Moward. Also, need people to help set-up and tear down.
- Secretary Recap:
  - Some items are in for the fair. Other items are on order.
- Treasurer Recap:
  - Bought items for the fair.
  - New membership dues have been deposited.
- Two new members were present
- Program: Don Kovach
  - Lanterman's Mill and Beaver Creek both have observation hives.
  - Showed video on powdered sugar roll test for mites. Went over kit he made for doing test.

## **Educational Opportunities:**

### **A Web-Based Introductory Beekeeping Training Program**

Presenting Beekeepers:

John Grafton & Jim Tew

Supporting On-Line Text Book:

Backyard Beekeeping

By Dr. James E. Tew

[https://www.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/beekeeping\\_class/](https://www.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/beekeeping_class/)

## **Events:**

### **Lithopolis Honey Fest 2021**

SEPTEMBER 10TH, 3PM - 7PM

SEPTEMBER 11TH 10AM TO 7 PM

<http://www.lithopolishoneyfest.com/>

## Monthly Honey Recipe:

### HONEY-GINGER LEMONADE

A Nancy Fuller recipe courtesy of food network. This recipe has beekeepers talking. Let's give it a try using the honey that our honeybees produce. This is sweet but, yet has the spice of ginger with the freshness of lemon. Make it your own.

Recipe and picture by Fuller, Nancy. "Honey-Ginger Lemonade."  
*FoodNetwork.*



<https://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/nancy-fuller/honey-ginger-lemonade-2740594>

#### Ingredients:

You will need water

1 cup honey

About 1/3 cup sliced ginger can leave skin on

1 ½ cups fresh-squeezed lemon juice (you will want to use real lemons)

Ice cubes, for serving

#### Directions:

1. Bring 2 cups water, the honey and ginger to a boil in a medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Turn off the heat and let steep for 10 minutes. Strain and refrigerate until cold.
2. Put 4 cups water, the chilled honey and ginger mixture and the lemon juice in a large pitcher and stir until combined. Pour over ice into your favorite vintage glasses.

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