

The Skep

May 2019

Columbiana & Mahoning Beekeepers' Association Newsletter

President's Corner

Hope your packages of new bees are getting strong. I had a swarm call already. Get your equipment ready for any swarm retrievals you may get. See you at the meeting

President George Stacy

May Meeting Information:

Meeting Date: 05/19/2019, Monthly Membership Meeting and Luncheon

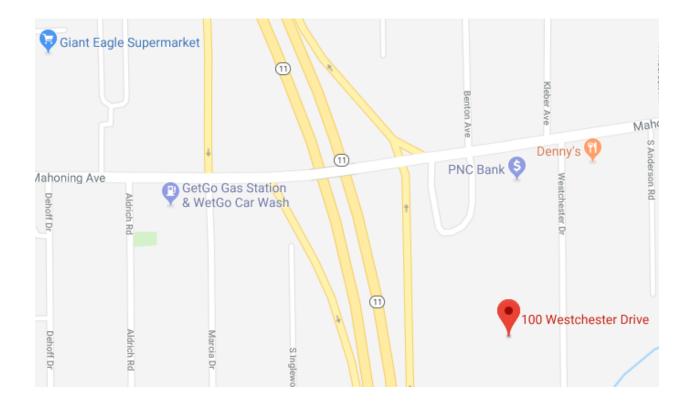
Austintown Senior Center 100 Westchester Drive Suite 108 Austintown, Ohio 44515

Potluck Lunch at 1 pm and Membership meeting at 2 pm

Effective May 2019 you no longer need to bring your own tableware; Plates, Cups, Silverware etc. These will be provided by the club.

Guest Speaker: TBA

Next Meeting: 06/16/2019



Meeting Highlights:

- The club will now be providing plates and silverware for the luncheon before the meeting.
- Bill informed us that the candy has been purchased for the fair and a donation was made to Angels for Animals in memory of a club member.
- If you check something out of the library, you will be entered into a drawing to be held at the banquet.
- Ralph talked about the club's website being down. They are trying to get ownership back to the club and are
 looking for a new webmaster. The person who has been the webmaster has resigned due to changes in his life
 and being very busy.
- The educational box was reviewed. It will be kept with the library to be checked out like a book. This is part of our educational outreach program. Please make sure to give any filled out forms to Kelly.
- Program: "Splits and Nukes"
 - Ralph talked about Ohio Degree Days and referenced www.oardc.ohio-state.edu/gdd/
 - Diane talked about information she learned during a training session at the Tri County Beekeepers Seminar. Nuke hives reduce swarming if split before swarm season. Negative is beetles are drawn to nukes since it is a smaller colony.
 - A You Tube video about Splitting Hives was shown: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FwGWN0AyoFg
 The video was produced by University of Guelph Honey Bee Research Centre located in Ontario, Canada. They have a host of Beekeeping videos on their Youtube channel.
 https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3mjpM6Av4bxbxps_Gh5YPw
 - Steve talked about doing overnight splits with a nuke box.
- By a show of hands, it was voted to open the club's by laws for review.

This Month/Next Month in Beekeeping:

May

May comes to us from an old calendar published by Master Beekeeper David Burns in 2007. You can read the whole calendar here. http://basicbeekeeping.blogspot.com/2007/12/beekeepers-calendar-of-important-events.html. Bees are in full operation now that it is May. You can stop feeding strong hives now because they are bringing in lots of nectar and pollen. You should put on honey supers in May. Put on as many as you'd like. The hive is expanding rapidly. The brood chambers are filling up fast and becoming crowded and congested.

And with congestion comes swarming. Mr. Burns has an excellent article on Swarm Capture and Prevention.

http://basicbeekeeping.blogspot.com/2007/11/lesson-fourteen-swarm-capture.html

June

The bees will be working hard filling supers. They can still swarm during June, so keep an eye out for swarms. There is no need to feed the bees. They are gathering plenty of nectar and pollen. Continue to monitor your hive, inspecting the hive every two weeks to ensure the queen is laying well. The bees will need water, so be sure to keep a water source near your hives.

Educational Opportunities:

June 2019

Stratford Ecological Center – Hive Emergencies

June 1 @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Stratford Ecological Center, 3083 Liberty Road Delaware, OH 43015

Cost: \$20

Even a beginning beekeeper knows that sometimes things can happen fast in a bee colony, and not all of those things are good. This class will provide an overview of reasons for, and management solutions to, hive problems such as queen-less-ness, drone layers, laying workers, and others. To register call (740)-363-2548 or Go online www.stratfordecologicalcenter.org

Stratford Ecological Center: Finding the Queen

June 1 @ 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Stratford Ecological Center, 3083 Liberty Road Delaware, OH 43015

Cost: \$25

Finding the queen is a fundamental skill in beekeeping. This workshop is designed to teach the skills, techniques, and protocols needed to become fast and efficient at finding the queen. To register call (740)-363-2548 or Go online www.stratfordecologicalcenter.org

Advance Beekeeping Classes- Urban Honey Bee: Finding the Queen

June 2 @ 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Urban Honey Bee, 12623 Hametown Rd Doylestown, OH 44230

Cost: \$25

Finding the queen is a fundamental skill in beekeeping. This workshop is designed to teach the skills, techniques, and protocols needed to become fast and efficient at finding the queen. Date: Sunday, June 2 Time: 9am-noon Cost: \$25

Advanced Beekeeping Classes- Urban Honey Bee: Re-Queening

June 2 @ 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Urban Honey Bee, 12623 Hametown Rd Doylestown, OH 44230

Cost: \$25

Whether replacing an old queen or installing a queen into a new split, re-queening is an essential part of beekeeping. This workshop combines the newest science with years of experience to provide practical methods for effectively re-queening hives.

You can find more classes on the OSBA website

http://www.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/events/

Bees in the News:

You may have heard that the Notre Dame Cathedral burned in April. What you might not have heard is 3 hives a bees living in the roof survived the fire. The hives were on the first floor roof beneath one of the rose windows. This part of the roof is separate from where the fire was located.

https://thehill.com/homenews/news/439730-three-hives-of-bees-living-in-notre-dame-cathedral-roof-survived-fire

Members Corner:

There were no submissions this month.

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Monthly Honey Recipe:

Honey Cinnamon Rollups

Prep: 35 min. Bake: 15 min.

https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/honey-cinnamon-rollups/

Ingredients

2 cups ground walnuts, toasted

1/4 cup sugar

2 teaspoons ground cinnamon

12 sheets frozen phyllo dough, thawed

1/2 cup butter, melted

SYRUP:

1/2 cup honey

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 cup water

1 tablespoon lemon juice

Nutrition Facts

1 cinnamon rollup: 132 calories, 8g fat (3g saturated fat), 10mg cholesterol, 43mg sodium, 15g carbohydrate (12g sugars, 1g fiber), 1g protein.

Directions

Preheat oven to 350°. Combine walnuts, sugar and cinnamon.

Place one sheet of phyllo dough on a 15x12-in. piece of waxed paper; brush with butter. Place a second phyllo sheet on top, brushing it with butter. (Keep remaining phyllo covered with a damp towel to prevent it from drying out.) Sprinkle with 1/4 cup walnut mixture. Using waxed paper, roll up tightly jelly-roll style, starting with a long side, removing paper as you roll. Slice roll into four smaller rolls; transfer rolls to a greased 13x9-in. baking dish. Repeat with remaining phyllo dough and 1/4 cupfuls of walnut mixture. Bake until light brown, 14-16 minutes. Cool dish on a wire rack.

Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, combine all syrup ingredients. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer 5 minutes. Cool 10 minutes. Drizzle cinnamon rolls with syrup; sprinkle with remaining walnut mixture.