Beezette

November 2019



Warren County Ohio Beekeepers Meeting at Lebanon Presbyterian Church 123 East Street, Lebanon, OH 45036

https://warren.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/ https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyBeekeepersAssociation

NEXT MEETING

This coming Sunday November 10th at 1 p.m. at Lebanon Presbyterian Church with a presentation by Gary Keuffer on Honey Bee Nutrition.

Gary has been keeping bees for 12 years and currently maintains 15 hives. For the past five years I have been the Coordinator of Education for the Brown County Beekeepers Association. He has spoken on a variety of topics to organizations from garden clubs to Boy Scout groups on the importance of all the pollinators to our ecosystem, especially the honeybees.

CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

• In December, we come together to celebrate the holidays! We will have a shortened meeting including voting for open board member positions. Details to come.

DID YOU KNOW?

 A honey bee beats her wings about 230 times per second (per animal flight researcher Douglas Altshuler).

WHAT TO DO DURING NOVEMBER

- Syrup feeding is over and the bees will live on their stores now, clustering together to keep their queen warm and fed. Know your bees and how much food they have stored and make plans accordingly to place candy boards before they need it. A well-stocked colony might not need extra food until late December or later, but one light on food reserves might need food source much earlier.
- If you have not placed some type of system to handle moisture condensation in the hive, it's not too late. Watch the forecast and pick a warmer day, know what you are going to do and how, and do it quickly. Your bees will thank you for not having cold water dripping on them throughout the winter months.
- Mouse guards/entrance reducers should be on. If you have not placed them yet, make sure you do not have a visitor in your hive that you are going to lock in.
- Make plans to volunteer to help at the WCOB Beginner Beekeeping School on January 25, 2020. We were all beginners at some point (and never stop learning). Let's help them get started right and with confidence.

MEMBERSHIP

If you or someone you know would like to join our club, please do so via the online registration form https://warrencountybeekeepers.org/join-us-2/. Payments are made via PayPal. PayPal account is not required. Dues are \$20/individual and \$25/family per calendar year.

Do you have an announcement you want to include in the Beezette or a topic you'd like to hear covered at one of our meetings? Let us know! Contact Alice Craig at warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com or find us on FB.

