Beezette

October 2019



Warren County Ohio Beekeepers Meeting at Lebanon Presbyterian Church 123 East Street, Lebanon, OH 45036 <u>https://warren.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyBeekeepersAssociation</u>

NEXT MEETING

This coming Sunday October 13th at 1 p.m. at Lebanon Presbyterian Church with a presentation by Alice Craig on preparing for winter.

CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

 Would you sign up to bring snacks and water to our November meeting? Sign up is easy on the website under the "Members" tab (<u>https://warrencountybeekeepers.org/meetingtask-signup/?sheet_id=4</u>) or you can contact Anne Richardson or Mark Beasley via the website or our Facebook page for signups and ideas on what to bring. Thanks!

DID YOU KNOW?

• The thorax of a honey bee has three segments. All six legs and two pair of wings of a honey bee are attached to the thorax.

WHAT TO DO DURING OCTOBER

- Batten down the hatches! Most plants are dry and dying. This makes wasps, hornets and bees eager to find food, and your hives are a nice place for one-stop dining. Make your entrances smaller and place robbing screens if needed.
- If you are short on honey stores, feed, feed, feed. Carefully. Honey B Healthy and other essential oils may draw foreigners into your colonies. Plain sugar water at 2:1 ratio.
- If you haven't done so, combine weak colonies that are disease free with stronger colonies and remove queen excluders and empty supers.
- Hopefully you have healthy bees with low to zero mite counts and are ready to move your attention to winterizing your hives to protect from moisture, starvation, and predators.
- Make plans to sign up and attend the OSBA Fall Conference in Plain City, OH on Nov 2nd. Early registration closes October 21st.

MEMBERSHIP

If you or someone you know would like to join our club, please do so via the online registration form <u>https://warrencountybeekeepers.org/join-us-2/</u>. We are in the process of setting up a way to pay online, but for now, please register online and then pay at the meeting. 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 <u>warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com</u> or find us on FB.

