

Beezette

May 2020

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

<https://warren.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1769801953287281/>



NEXT MEETING

Please stay tuned. Lebanon Presbyterian Church is working diligently to implement a plan to allow outside groups to meet there while maintaining disinfecting of the facilities between each group. If possible, we will meet at our regularly scheduled date and time of Sunday June 14th at 1:30 p.m.

Discussion has been in the works for a club Zoom meeting. Stay tuned to Facebook, website and e-mail in regards to this possibility or an announcement of our regular meeting.

CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

A difficult decision has been made by the writer of this newsletter as a member of our board. Alice Craig will step down from her position as secretary to attend to personal needs. This leaves an opening for the remainder of this year with the possibility of carrying through 2021. If you or someone you know is interested in stepping up to the board, please contact a board member directly or send a note through the Contact Us on our website at <https://warren.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/>.

Our future meetings, as above, are not set yet, but if you have a topic that you would like covered, either at our next in-person meeting or possibly a Zoom meeting, please let someone on the board know.

DID YOU KNOW?

Most scout bees have been forager bees in the original colony. Use this knowledge to help locate your swarm traps. Placement near a food source where the foragers have been frequenting may entice them to come back with their friends and their queen!

WHAT TO DO DURING APRIL

- Register your apiary location/s with the Ohio Department of Agriculture. The fee is \$5 per location regardless of the number of hives and is due by June 1, 2020. You can find a link to the registration form at https://agri.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/oda/divisions/plant-health/forms/plnt_4201-002. If you are trying to find it without using the link, it is found under Plant Health, Apiary Program, Registration.
- Swarms are hot and heavy this year! Many beekeepers are already at their max with no more equipment to house them. If you need bees and haven't set any out yet, swarm traps are a great way to increase your apiary.

- Spring nectar flow has already begun at the southern most aspects of our county and is working its way north. Be sure to get your supers on your established colonies.

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.

