



# Beezette

January, 2024

Warren County Ohio Beekeepers

Meeting at: Lebanon Presbyterian Church

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## Next Meeting:

Our next regular meeting is Sunday, February 11th, 2024 at 1:30 at the Lebanon Presbyterian Church.

**At the December Meeting:** The annual holiday gathering was held at the Lebanon Presbyterian Church. A buffet of appetizers was shared, and all participated in riddles and a game after. It was enjoyable, and an opportunity to chat and visit with fellow beekeepers.

The annual election of officers was held, and re-confirmed Paul Dorger as President, Alan DeJarnette as Treasurer and Rose DeJarnette as Web Manager. We welcome newly elected Dian Danino as Secretary, and Laura Fazekas as Vice-President. The position of Director of Education remains open at this time.

Keith Mealy was recognized for his six years of service to the club as past Treasurer and advisor to the board. Pat Miller was also thanked for her two years of service as club secretary.

**Door Prizes for December** were donated by Warren County Ohio Beekeepers club and HappBeeAcres and included winter feed blocks, science swarm, a hive tool, frame robbing screen, gift card and a WCOB ballcap. Winners were Elizabeth and Robert Murphy, Dian Danino, Geoff Hultgren, Alan DeJarnette and Yola Dorger.



## CLUB NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- The Warren County Ohio Beekeepers Association is pleased to announce the 2024 Beginning Beekeeping Class. In this course you will learn the basic components of a hive, where to place your hive, an overview of what to expect throughout the year, managing pests, and how to assemble the necessary equipment.

**The class will be held at Sinclair College in Mason, OH on Saturday, January 27, 2024. Check-in begins at 8:30AM and the sessions will run from 9:00AM to approximately 4:00PM with a one-hour lunch break around noon.** Cost is \$25 individual plus \$10 for each additional family member. Registration includes a one-year membership in the Warren County Ohio Beekeepers and also a one-year membership in the Ohio State Beekeepers Association.

Agenda: (subject to change)

The bees

Beekeeping equipment

Installing a package or nuc

Lunch (on your own)

Seasonal Management of Beekeeping

Varroa mite and other pest management

Assembling woodenware

For registration and more information, visit the WCOB website: [warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org](http://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org)

- Club members with a minimum of three years of beekeeping experience looking to mentor are welcome to fill out a Mentor Form on the club website.
- For members looking for mentors, go to [www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/mentors](http://www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/mentors).
- Calling bee enthusiasts, many hands make light work; please consider getting involved with the club in a volunteer position. A great way to learn and share bee experiences. Send an email with your comments or questions to [warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com](mailto:warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com)
- A more complete list of responsibilities for our board positions is documented and posted on the WCOB website under "Members" at [www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/members/officer-job-responsibilities/](http://www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/members/officer-job-responsibilities/)

#### WCOB Club Officers:

President ..... Paul Dorger  
Vice President ..... Laura Fazekas  
Treasurer ..... Alan DeJarnette  
Web Manager ..... Rose DeJarnette  
Director of Education ..... Currently an open position  
Secretary ..... Dian Danino

- WCOB Business meetings are scheduled via Zoom on the second Wednesday of most months from 7:00-8:20p.m.
- WCOB logo hats, shirts and outerwear can now be purchased online. Go to our website [warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org](http://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org), then click on Members/WCOB LogoWear.

### **HONEY EXTRACTOR RENTAL**

Warren County Ohio Beekeepers has a honey extractor that can be rented by members for \$5.00 per day. Any questions or comments should be directed to [wcobeetreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:wcobeetreasurer@gmail.com).

### **MEMBERSHIP**

- Membership renewals for 2024 are now being accepted. Membership dues are due on January 1st of each year. Member dues remain the same at \$20 individual and \$25/family. Registration is online. Fill out the form at: <https://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/join-or-renew-with-paypal/>
- Payments are made via PayPal, but a PayPal account is NOT required.
- Warren County Ohio Beekeepers welcomes renewing members in December: Dian and Jose Danino, Terry Jaspers, Alan and Rose DeJarnette and Bill Harvey.

### **What To Do In The Month Ahead:**

- Referenced from "Beekeeping for dummies by Howland Blackiston from the Beekeeping Calendar for January:
  - Check entrance for blockage.
  - Order new bees.
  - Time to research your books and continue to be observant. Check previous lists to confirm you are ready for spring.

Do you have an announcement to include in the Beezette, or a topic you'd like to hear covered at one of our meetings? Do you have ideas to benefit our club members and our bees? Let us know at the next meeting, or reach out to [warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com](mailto:warrencountyohiobeekeepers@gmail.com)

