

## Beezette

# February 2025 Sacred Mission Church 221 S. Forest Ave. Mason, OH 45040

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ATTENTION!!! Our club meeting location, day and time have changed. Location: Sacred Mission Church, 221 S. Forest Ave., Mason, OH 45040

Day: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Next Meeting: Monday, February 10, 6:30-8:00pm

#### 2025 Bee School:

We had a wonderful turnout for our annual Bee School. There were 75 attendees! The speakers were interesting and informative. Attendee evaluations indicated they were overwhelmingly very pleased with the organization, content and presentations. Door prizes were given throughout the day which added to the fun.

**Door Prizes for the Bee School** were donated by: HappBee Acres, Dadant Bee Supply Company, Better Bee Supply Company Blue Sky Bee Supply, Mann Lake Supply Company and WCOB. We are grateful for their support!

# **Beekeepers' Opportunities:**

**The Bee lab at Central State University** is hiring a new part-time (up to 29hr/wk) research assistant for this coming field season, around May-August for 11 weeks.

If interested please apply at <a href="https://careers.centralstate.edu/postings/7969">https://careers.centralstate.edu/postings/7969</a>

## Summer Research Assistant

Essential Duties & Responsibilities: Duties include: Performing field and lab research on honeybee behavior and genetics. Assisting with honeybee colony maintenance, queen rearing, breeding, research experiments, workshops, and field day demos. Maintaining the field supplies. Facilitating the operation of the CSU bee lab and assist faculty/staff/students.

careers.centralstate.edu

## Central State University is hosting an annual Queen Workshop.

Application for the 6th CSU Queen Biology Workshop

Event Time: TBA Thu-Fri in the end of May or beginning of June of 2025

Event Address: 1685 U.S. 42, Xenia, Ohio 45385

Workshop focus: We aim to train about 25 experienced beekeepers on queen grafting, queen rearing, genetics, and behavior. We provide hands on practices in the field, a quiz, & a

certificate if you pass the quiz. Deadline to apply is by March 31st, 2025.

Emails to contact for questions are: Danielle Kroh (dkroh@centralstate.edu) or

Hongmei Li-Byarlay (<u>hli-byarlay@centralstate.edu</u>). If your application is accepted, we will send you an email notice.

The workshop is supported by a USDA SARE Grant **LNC21-459** and the 1890 Land Grant Program at Central State University. Please bring your own veils and protective suits for the workshop. Look forward to meeting you all - CSU Bee Research Lab

These spots fill up fast.

Application for our annual queen workshop!

Please use this new link! here:

https://forms.gle/yMLR3uaAzhJ7cdDS8

**Interested in an additional apiary?** A landowner in the Loveland area is looking for a beekeeper to place hives on their property in exchange for a portion of the honey harvest. There are two parcels of land directly across from one another. One parcel is 37 acres of pasture land and the other is a 12 acre mix of pasture, orchard and woods. Both are easily accessible depending on where the hives are placed. Contact our club treasurer at wcobeetreasurer@gmail.com for more information.

#### **General Club Information:**

- 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.
- 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
- WCOB logo hats, shirts and outerwear can now be purchased online. Go to our website <u>warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org</u>, 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.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

- Membership renewals for 2025 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: <a href="https://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/join-or-renew-with-paypal/">https://warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/join-or-renew-with-paypal/</a>
- Payments are made via PayPal, but a PayPal account is NOT required.

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## 2025 WCOB Annual Schedule at a glance:

Month	Topic	
January	Bee School	
February	Questions & Answers Meet & Greet	
March	Splits / Swarms	
April	Queen Cells; management and use	
May	Hive Management	
June	How to harvest Honey	
July	Hive Inspection	
August	Dearth, Robbing & Brood Breaks	
September	WCOB annual Picnic	
October	Hive Winterization	

November	Round Table
December	TBA

#### What to Do In the Month Ahead:

- Referenced from "Beekeeping for dummies by Howland Blackiston from the Beekeeping Calendar for February:
  - 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.
  - Check hives for food resources and supplement as needed.

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

## 2025 WCOB Club Officers:

President	Laura Fazekas
Vice President	open position
Treasurer	Alan DeJarnette
Web Manager	Rose DeJarnette
Director of Education	Yola Dorger
Secretary	Dian Danino

A more complete list of responsibilities for our board positions is documented and posted on the WCOB website under "Members" at <a href="https://www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/members/officer-job-responsibilities/">www.warrencountyohiobeekeepers.org/members/officer-job-responsibilities/</a>

#### Club Disclaimer:

Warren County Ohio Beekeepers makes no warranty of any kind whatsoever, expressed or implied, that any information, materials, techniques or products or anything else presented at/during its meetings is accurate, valid, adequate or fit for any purpose whatsoever. Event attendees are solely responsible for determining the validity, adequacy and fitness of any information, materials or products or anything else presented at/during the event for any and all uses.