



## Warren County Beezette

*April 2026*

### April News:

- **April Club Meeting!** Our next meeting will be ***Monday, April 13th at 6:30pm at Sacred Mission Church, 221 S. Forest Ave. in Mason, Ohio.*** This month's meeting will cover the basics of pollinator gardens and how to feed your bees the natural way! Come with questions for our Master Gardner, swarm stories for your fellow club members, or just curiosity to learn more!
- **Club Apiary Set-Up:** Join us at ***Bowyer Farm April 11th, 10:00-11:00am April 11th*** to set up our Club Apiary and prepare to receive our spring bees! If you're setting up your own beehives at home, helping to set up our club apiary is the best way to learn.
- **Club Apiary Ribbon-Cutting:** Mark your calendar for ***Monday, June 8th at 4:00-6:30 at Bowyer Farm*** for our Warren County Beekeepers Club Apiary ribbon-cutting with the team from the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden. (We think bees are even cuter than Fiona the Hippo!) Join us for this special occasion and a picnic!

### March Recap:

- Thanks to everyone who came out to our March meeting, which was all about swarms and how to catch them. We're grateful to be building such a wonderful community of bee-enthusiasts!

## What to do this month: (Referenced from “Beekeeping for dummies”)

- Test / Treat for Varroa mites.
- Check food reserves. Provide pollen patties and fondant/ sugar syrup if needed.
- Reverse hive bodies, if you would like to discourage swarming.
- Check for eggs/queen. Comprehensive inspection of the season.
- Consider adding queen excluder and supers.

### 2026 Calendar at a Glance:

January 24	<b>Bee School</b> Armco Park: Jones Pavillion
February 9	<b>Apiary Prep and Club Apiary Intro</b> Sacred Mission Church
March 9	<b>Swarms &amp; Club Sign-Up Swarmed</b> Sacred Mission Church
April 13	<b>Bees the Pollinators/ Pro Garden Tips</b> Sacred Mission Church
May 11	<b>Hive Management</b> Sacred Mission Church
June 8th	<b>On Site Club Apiary: Special Ribbon-Cutting with our hosts from Cincinnati Zoo &amp; Botanical Garden</b> Bowyer Farm
July 20-24	<b>Warren County Fair!</b> Lebanon
August 10	<b>Pest Control</b> Sacred Mission Church
September 14	<b>Club Picnic Featuring Products of the Hive</b> Golden Valley Bee Barn
October 12	<b>Hive Winterization</b> Sacred Mission Church
November 9	<b>Holiday Honeybee Market</b> Golden Valley Bee Barn
December 14	<b>No Meeting. Merry Christmas!</b>