

Sandusky River Valley Beekeepers Association



February 2020

srvba.ohiostatebeekeepers.org

Upcoming Events

- **Monday, February 3rd 7:00 pm**
Monthly meeting at the First United Methodist Church.
510 W Maple Street, Clyde.
- Open Meeting to Discuss Club Activities for 2020
- **Monday, March 2nd 6:30 pm**
Monthly meeting at the First United Methodist Church.
510 W Maple Street, Clyde.
Pancake & sausage dinner!
Please bring a dish to share
- **March 6th and 7th Annual Tri-County Beekeepers Association Spring Workshop**
Registration available at: <https://www.tricountybeekeepers.org/register>
- **Beginning Beekeepers Class**
Saturday, April 4th and May 30th, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Doors open at 8:00 am - Lunch will be provided
EMS/EMA building, Seneca County Fair Grounds, Tiffin, Ohio
Registration deadline is **March 18th**. Please visit our website and print the registration form under the "events & classes" tab.



Message from the President

SRVBA Membership.

I hope you're all doing well, bees are alive and your New Years resolution is " Becoming a Better Beekeeper". If you agree, this is the perfect opportunity...the upcoming SRVBA meeting, February 3rd 2020 7:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Clyde. I am asking for your feedback on what you want for topics for 2020 ; presentations, speakers, and information.

I'm also asking every member for a favor. Please print, send, and share the information on the SRVBA Beginning Beekeeping Classes with 5 people, that's all. This years class is being held on April 4th at the EMS/EMA Building in the Seneca County Fair Grounds, Tiffin, Ohio.

We are trying something different this year, this class is a one day 8 hour class, with a follow up class again on May 30th.

Also Club memberships are due by the March meeting so please remember your membership dues of \$20.00.

I do appreciate your friendship, camaraderie, and knowledge that everyone brings to our association and I'm looking forward to seeing you in 2020.

Tom Rathbun

Ditch the Paraffin Candles and Opt for Nature's Air Purifier

Note: Article published by CLEANUP **EXPERT** January 06, 2020.

Available at: <https://cleanup.expert/info/natures-air-purifier/>

Beeswax candles are some of the oldest candles in history. Besides being all-natural, they possess several health benefits. They are reported to improve allergy and asthma symptoms. Like air purifiers, beeswax candles release negative ions that neutralize the particles from air pollutants, rendering them harmless.

They're far superior in terms of health compared to paraffin candles. People who are sensitive to fragrances often prefer light-



As a result of the subsequent bleaching treatment from benzene or toluene, paraffin wax is filled with seven documented toxins, including two known carcinogens. On top of that, chemical colorings and fragrances are added to make them more appealing. Our eyes and noses may be fooled, but our bodies pay for all the toxins we breathe in when we burn those candles.

Other beeswax benefits

Beeswax candles are 100% bee-made, therefore 100% natural. This makes it a renewable resource too, unlike the petroleum products used to make paraffin candles. They also smell natural, since beeswax picks up the honey and nectar scents found in honeycomb. While burning, they emit the same light spectrum as the sun, which gives a more comforting ambiance than paraffin candles.

Beeswax has a high melting point (highest of any wax), meaning that your candles will last a lot longer than paraffin. They don't drip as much either, which leaves less mess. Burning paraffin candles also produces black soot that can stain walls and other interior surfaces. Not so with beeswax. We here at Cleanup Expert can really appreciate that!

What's the deal with negative ions?

As we mentioned earlier, beeswax emits negative ions much like some electric air purifiers do. Negative ions actually clear air of mold spores, pollen, dander, odors, germs, dust and other nasty particles. Most of these are high in positively charged particles, and in the atomic world, opposites attract.

When the negative ions grab hold of the nasty particles, they become too heavy to remain airborne. So they drop to the floor or other surfaces where, you guessed it, we can clean them right up with a good vacuum or dust cloth.

Several other benefits of negative ions have been noted over the years from various studies.

Membership Dues

Membership dues are \$20 per family. Dues can be given to Linda Miller on or before the March 2nd meeting.

Please visit our website and print the form under the "forms" tab and return to Linda.

Classifieds

Packages & Nucs – Tom Rathbun/Southridge Apiary

Package honey bees for sale.
Please message Tom for more information.
Pickup only, Northern Ohio (Clyde, Ohio)



Overwintered Nucs & Ohio Queens

Linda Miller - oneoldbroadwithhives@gmail.com

Linda will have overwintered Ohio nucs
Probably in early May—\$160
Ohio Queens as soon as weather permits. \$35



2020 BEE PACKAGES

- Italians - \$120
- Russians - \$125

Tentative Pickup Dates in Clyde, OH:

- March 25th
- April 8th
- April 22nd
- May 6th

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