



The Buzz

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Newsletter for the Cook Dupage Beekeepers Association
An Affiliate of Illinois State Beekeepers Association

Monthly Meeting

The Cook DuPage Beekeepers will hold their monthly meeting on the evening of November 15 at Christ Lutheran Church of Clarendon Hills, located on the northwest corner of Rt. 83 and 55th Street. The doors open at 6:30 pm and the meeting starts at 7 pm. Please come early and chat with fellow beekeeping friends. Bring a snack to share if you want.

Susan Kivikko, Illinois Bees and Apiaries Program Inspector, will be our guest speaker for the evening. Susan will share with us the latest news from the Illinois regulators and discuss best practices for winterizing hives.

The program for the evening:

- Call to order
- Reading of minutes from last meeting
- Treasurer's Financial Report
- Secretary's report on correspondence
- Report of Committees
- Introduction of New Members and Guests
- Guest Speaker , Susan Kivikko

Committee Members Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to help plan programs and events for 2015. Take advantage of this opportunity to meet some new beekeepers by getting involved with various club activities. Visit the Committee volunteer table at the November meeting to sign up.

**Volunteer a little, or
volunteer a lot!**



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2015 Board of Directors

Executive Board:

President	Peter Soltesz
Vice President	John Hansen
Secretary	Thad Smith
Treasurer	Jacque Schuelke
Director (2015)	Matt Schmitz
Director (2016)	Mark Jusko
Directors (2017)	Kim Kulton, Jennifer Colandre
Membership	Jacque Schuelke
Newsletter	Joe Slowinski
Education	Omar Kamara
Historian	Maureen Kilmer
Hostess/host	Anthony Duchinsky
Sergeant at arms	Ed Borsuk

Winter Patties For Sale

We will be selling Winter Pollen Patties from Dadant at the November meeting for \$2.00 per patty. The limit is 4 per customer until 8:45 pm at which time limits are released until all sold.



Chores of the Month

November is a shoulder month, a time to prepare for the coming winter. It's a mix of warm and cool days where the last leaves have fallen and perhaps the first flakes of snow.

In our area it is time to:

- Be sure to renew your annual Apiary Registration with the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- Check that an entrance reducer is in place to help keep the small critters out of the hive. Mice love to over winter in a nice warm and snuggly hive.
- Apply winter protection, wrap the colony or use some other form of insulation for winter.
- Provide a windbreak for bees on North or West side of hives if they are open to the wind (a snow fence or some other protection).



- Check the stock of your accounts and settle up your account with the owner. Provide additional honey or holiday gift baskets for the upcoming season.
- Visit any landowners where you may have kept your hives and pay rent for the use of their property, a couple jars of honey usually does the job.
- If daytime temperatures remain warm, continue to feed your hives low on honey with a 2:1 sugar syrup.

Mark Your Calendars



December 7: Monthly Mentoring Meet up,
8:00am Hinsdale McDonalds



2014 CDBA Executive Board

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Pete Soltesz
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 Marilyn Ellison
 Dan Rubino
 Mark Jusko
 Matt Schmitz
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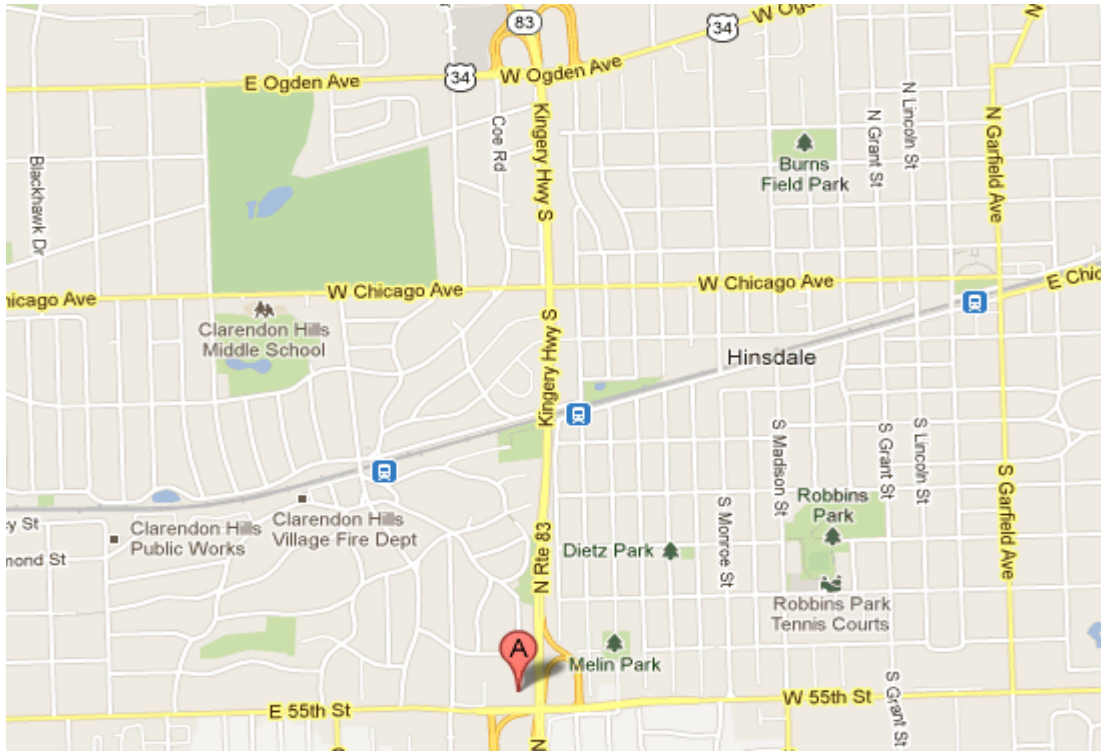
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 Gary McMahon

CDBA Monthly Meeting Sat. November 15, 2014

Christ Lutheran Church of Clarendon Hills

Address: 60 - 55th Street. This is the northwest corner of Rt. 83 and 55th Street.



[Link to map on Google Maps](#)