

Essex County Beekeepers Society, Inc.

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With another four inches of snowfall yesterday and everything still deep beneath the white blanket, I am wondering when spring plans to arrive. My bees are all tucked away in their hives, and presumably doing well, eating the honey they stored up last year, and beginning to raise brood in the middle of their cluster. It is difficult to believe they are doing this when we are still in winter's grip.

For that matter, this phenomenon goes well with my question regarding the arrival of robins in late January, when temperatures are yet below freezing and snow covers the ground and there seems to be no possibility of their getting food for another six or eight weeks.

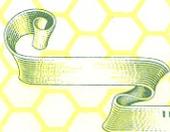
Landi Simone held another successful Beginner Beekeeping course on the past two weekends, with forty attendees. This means many new members to ECBS. If you would like to be a mentor to a new beekeeper, please contact Fran Szwec. Her contact information is just to the left of this column.

Our upcoming meeting is directed toward the newer beekeepers in the club, but don't let that be reason to skip the meeting, as it is always a good time to catch up with your beekeeping friends, make new contacts, and to add your two cents worth to the discussion.

Again, Mann-Lake will have package bees for sale at their Wilkes-Barre, PA location beginning in April. If you need any, information may be found on their web page. Also, ECBS member Grant Stiles will have nucleus hives for sale. You can call him at 732-661-0700.

Take care and I hope to see you on this coming Tuesday.

Joe Treimel, President



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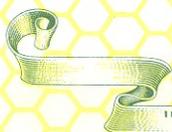
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Van Vleck House and Garden has a fundraiser called, the 'Roses to Rock Gardens Tour'. It is a popular tour of local, private gardens in the Montclair area. Traditionally, it begins with a talk or presentation from a local expert in gardening, garden design or some special aspect of gardening. The talk is held at Van Vleck House. This year the tour is Friday May 29th and Saturday May 30th.

This year we would like to invite, The Essex County Bee Keepers Society to come and share their love of bees with our visitors. Several of our members have expressed an interest in learning more about keeping bees, making honey and planting a bee friendly garden.

If someone can come to help educate and inform the public of why bees are so important, and also offer honey and wax products for sale, please call Wendy Renshaw-Lewis, Roses To Rock Gardens Tour Committee 2015 at 973 224 1147.



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