



# Bee Biz

**President's Message  
Coweta Beekeepers Association  
President Bobby Torbush  
November 2013**

Thanksgiving is done and I hope everyone had a great holiday. Have you made your Christmas wish list of all those beekeeping supplies you will need in the coming year? The honey bees should be tucked in their winter cluster just waiting for the days to get longer indicating the time to begin spring build-up. Now we have time to catch-up on reading or repairing equipment.

We are expecting a good turn-out of young Beekeepers to learn about Hive Management. Our average number of students is up to 12 or more now.

Our Annual Christmas party is December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. *Remember the party is in the Exhibition Hall in back by the fairgrounds.* Everyone should bring a side dish and /or dessert. Mark Prater is cooking our meat and Lynn McElreath is coordinating the meal. Any questions should be directed to Lynn. You should bring a~ \$10.00 gift for the gift exchange. The wrapped gift needs no label, just be bee related and if history holds, it will be the highlight of the evening.

We are also looking for a new refreshment coordinator. Anyone interested please contact Bobby Torbush, 770-927-0077.

Events:

1. Remember that our Introduction to Beekeeping class is January 25<sup>th</sup>, more information and registration is available on our website.

2. Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, February 1, 2014
3. Georgia Beekeepers Association Spring meeting February 7 & 8, 2014 in Columbus, Ga. See the GBA website for more information.

Interesting note-Marla Spivak has done an informative video on why honey bees are disappearing. You can find it on you tube or follow this link;

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_detailpage&v=dY7iATJVCso](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=dY7iATJVCso)

See you soon!

Merry Christmas

Bobby Torbush

### **Meeting**

Our next meeting will start at 6:30 pm at the County Extension Office at 255 Pine Road. Meeting date is December 9, 2013. Plenty of parking behind the office!! Refreshments are being supplied by everyone. **Drinks and ice will be supplied by the club along with paper products!!!**

### **2014 Dues**

You can pay your dues for 2014 to Mike Copeland at a meeting or by mailing them to him at P.O. Box 159, Luthersville, Ga 30251. Dues for the 2014 calendar year starting January 1st thru December 31st, are \$15.00 per family. If you would like to receive your newsletter through e-mail please inform Donna, and give her your e-mail address. Dues are used in the following manner: for postage of this newsletter, supplies for our meeting, and the Christmas Party. If your dues are not paid by the printing of the April newsletter you will be purged from the system, so please pay your dues now, the club depends on its members!!