



**President's Message  
Coweta Beekeepers Association  
President Bobby Torbush  
September 2014**

November - President's message

Congratulations to all the winners of our annual honey contest. We had a great turn-out and the competition was intense. Also a great big THANK YOU to Marilyn Parker for making all the arrangements so that the contest could happen and thanks to our honey judge, Mary Cahill- Roberts and Karen Torbush for being the honey steward.

State of the Hive: The Coweta Beekeepers Association is doing very well. We have a large group of active beekeepers. We had several educational opportunities this year. The introductory course, the hive inspection, the Varroa mite and the extracting workshops all were well attended. We had three of our Junior beekeepers successfully pass the UGA Master Beekeeper Certified level. Which brings me to my next point:

The season to be thankful- the upcoming holidays are a great time to reflect on all we have done and all the wonderful work our girls are able to accomplish in the hive. Thank all of you for your enthusiasm and all we have accomplished as a club.

It is also the best time of the year to make plans for next year. The catalog mail-order companies are standing by for our orders to be placed for those special items we really need, or so we claim.

We are starting a new year with our 4-H beekeepers and look forward to some new faces in our young beekeepers class.

Bear Kelly, president of the Georgia Beekeepers Association will do a presentation on why we should join Georgia Beekeepers Association. We will also be having our elections.

Upcoming Bee-events:

- 🍯 Regular Meeting, November 10th at the Extension Office at 7:00 P.M. and our mentoring session will debut Mike Dixon discussing honey bee feeders.
- 🍯 Don and Sandy Young need help hosting our Christmas party. Anyone interested let us or them know.
- 🍯 December 8<sup>th</sup> we will have our Christmas Party in place of our regular meeting 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds Creek Room. *Don't forget your gift for the exchange, \$10.00.* When you enter the exhibit hall turn left. We are across the hall from the restrooms.
- 🍯 We have begun taking dues for 2015, pay your \$15.00 now to avoid the increase in March.
- 🍯 Introductory Beekeeping Course, January 24, 2015
- 🍯 GBA, February 14, 2015 at Lake Blackshear Convention Center

See You Soon  
Bobby

### **Meeting**

Our next meeting will start at 7:00 pm at the County Extension office at 255 Pine Road. Meeting date is November 10, 2014. Plenty of parking behind the office!!

### **2015 Dues**

You can pay your dues for 2015 to Mike Copeland at a meeting or by mailing them to him at PO Box 159, Luthersville, Ga 30251. Dues for the 2014 calendar year starting January 1st thru December 31st, are \$15.00 per family if paid before March 1st, and \$20.00 per family after. 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 meetings, 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!!