

# Beekeeping Course

Saturday, April 20, 2013

## ISU Beekeeping Club

### Beekeeping Course to be Presented at the Cooperative Extension Service Center in Bloomington, Illinois

The ISU Beekeeping Club will sponsor its third semi-annual Beekeeping Course at the Cooperative Extension Service Center in Bloomington on Saturday, April 20, 2013. This all-day course is designed to help members of the ISU community (students and general public) become involved in beekeeping, and will provide the basic information and skills to do so.

The course runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will be limited to 50 participants. Because the course is being offered with the assistance of the ISU Student Sustainability Committee funds, there is a \$35 materials fee per household for non-ISU students. ISU students may enroll for a \$5. Preregistration and permission to participate is required of all. Registrants receive the book *First Lessons in Beekeeping*, as well as numerous handouts.

The beekeeping course will focus on four main themes: the honeybee colony, beekeeping equipment, managing a colony, and getting started in beekeeping. Participants will assemble a beehive from bottom board to telescoping cover.

For additional course information, email [carlwenning@gmail.com](mailto:carlwenning@gmail.com). To apply, go online to <http://goo.gl/4LQQE> (case sensitive).

Application deadline is April 1, 2013. Confirmation, map, and final agenda will be sent by return email after the deadline date.

A tentative agenda and outline resources can be found at the following URL: <http://goo.gl/GtCZD> (case sensitive).



### Course Content

- Observation Hive (weather permitting)
- A Year in Beekeeping
- Interesting Facts about Bees
- The Life Stories of Bees
- Products from the Hive
- Bee Behavior
- The Hive and Its Parts
- Protective Devices
- Beekeepers' Tools
- Installing Package Bees
- Nectar and Pollen Plants
- Diseases, Pests, and Queenlessness
- Medications and Treatments
- Controlling Swarming
- Extracting, Testing, and Bottling Honey
- Year Long Management Calendar
- Dealing with Bee Stings
- The 10 Commandments of Beekeeping
- Registration Requirements
- Hive Inspections
- Selecting an Apiary Site
- Setting up the Hive
- Safety in the Bee Yard
- Beekeeping Resources
- Hive Construction
- Door Prize Drawing

### ISU Beekeeping Short Course

Cooperative Extension Service Center  
April 20, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Main Presenters: Members of the  
ISU Beekeeping Club