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2 PM ZOOM: Go to
<https://longislandbeekeepers.org/watch>
for your zoom link!*

Board Meeting: January 12, 2021 Zoom

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Master Beekeepers are certified beekeepers who have a detailed knowledge of honey bee biology, expertise in the proper practices of beekeeping, and can present this information to the beekeeping and non-beekeeping public in a detailed, accurate, clear and authoritative manner.

Master Beekeepers provide education and assistance to beginning beekeepers and serve in other capacities in the community as experts in beekeeping. The Master Beekeeper program was developed by Dr. Roger A. Morse at Cornell University. The program has been expanded by the Eastern Apicultural Society of North America to other areas.

You can learn more about the Master Beekeeper Program by visiting the Eastern Apicultural Society

website: <http://www.easternapiculture.org/master-beekeepers/certification.html>

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From the Editor's Desk

Conni Still



Welcome to a new year. I hope you and your bees are all well and enjoying the mildish weather.

Thanks to Nick Hoefly for setting up our new website and the membership and dues payment app. The 2021 dues are being paid fast and furious and it seems as though it is easier than ever and no long lines at a

meeting! We have new members and some members renewing after a hiatus. Welcome

to you all. Please make sure you Zoom the meetings that are scheduled. This is the time

to take advantage of “cold” weather and read and zoom and learn and prepare for the Spring. See you Sunday.

STAY SAFE and WASH YOUR HANDS and WEAR YOUR MASKS!

Annual dues are \$35.. PLEASE send a check payable to LIBC to Conni Still at 82 Stephen Road, Bayport, NY 11705, go to the club website Longislandbeekeepers.org.

Any member who does not pay their dues will not receive future newsletters nor have free advertising in future newsletters, Also please update your copy for your ads. Send your information to Moira Alexander at ramoi@aol.com and put LIBC classified ads in the subject line.

LIBC Meeting Schedule for 2021

NOTE: The meetings are the fourth Sunday of the month at announced location.

January 24 2021: The January zoom meeting will be January 24th at 1pm

Grace Mehl How to assemble a wooden super. She will also demonstrate how to put together a wooden frame with wax foundation.

Moira Alexander Why did my colony die?
Nick Hoefly Learning to navigate the new LIBC website.

***February 28, 2021: Grace Mehl-
Examining the hive,
John Most- Bees located on specialty
properties,
Moira Alexander- Master Beekeeping***

☐ *Three club... 2 frame extractors are available for \$10 rental for honey extraction.- call Moira or Rick-*

Hey Beeks!

Hope you are all healthy and safe, and your bees are the same! Remember to check that they have enough resources and if they are at the top of the hive, feed them!

We were able to conduct our beginner beekeeper class last Saturday and I think it went well enough, in spite of there being no heat in the Brush Barn and we were all popsicles by the time we finished! Welcome to all our new members and Wanna-Bees! Looking forward to a time we can all meet again and share stories.

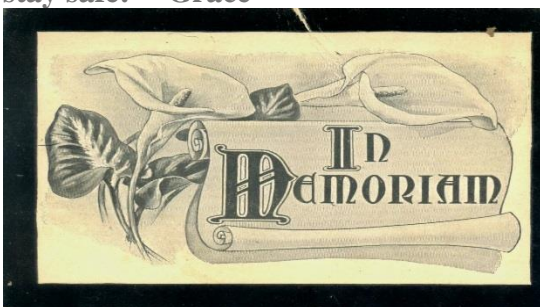
We are working on having a zoom meeting for the club at our regularly scheduled time, on Sunday, January 24th at 2pm. This is a challenge as we have never done a meeting like this. But, we are working on 3 segments of 20 minutes each. I am going to try to video mine in advance as that is the only way I will be able to keep it to 20 minutes!

There are some interesting educational opportunities coming up and I wanted to keep you informed. Here is a list of some talks, and some of them are even free! *You do have to register in*

advance though.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/d/online/honey-bee/>

I also want to remind you about one coming up that I already told you about, but, is worth repeating. Besides, there are a few new members who might not have gotten the first notice. Keep well and stay safe! --Grace



I am writing to inform the membership of the passing of one of our longtime club members, Max Riedener. Max has been tending bees in West Islip for over 60 years. His passion for keeping bees began after taking a class about beekeeping back in the early 60's. His apiary began with 1 hive in his backyard and he was called "The Beeman" by his neighbors and the

children in the neighborhood. He and his wife Irene bottled and sold their honey from their front stoop, to the residents of West Islip for over a half a century. Max received his EAS Master Beekeeper certification in 1978. His

passion and knowledge of keeping bees during swarm season here on LI. He collected swarms from all over LI and drove them back to WI to unite them with his existing backyard colonies. His uniting of swarms with his backyard bees created super colonies that produced record honey amounts that were not to be duplicated by other beekeepers in the club. His love and passion for keeping bees was passed onto many new beekeepers through talks around the hives in his yard. I am one of those beekeepers..My journey with bees began because Max walked into my West Islip 4th grade classroom and talked to my students about the honeybee life cycle and members of the hive. It was because of that talk and encouragement from Max that my husband Dave and I began our journey as keepers of bees.

His enthusiasm and love for the hive was contagious but his focus was always on the legacy of beekeeping here on Long Island. He hoped that this hobby, his love, would be enjoyed by many here on

Long Island and that the number of beekeepers would increase. He wanted beekeeping and the LIBC to grow and encourage all types of beekeepers from the Montauk to NYC .. His wish for that has come true with a club membership of over 350 keepers....

Our club has a tradition of donating hives through Heifer International Organization when one of our members dies.... It is the club's hope that the memory and love of that keeper will be Passed on to someone else in the world.

All cards of condolence may be sent to his wife Irene at the family address of... Mrs. Irene Riedener, 19 Highland Ave.,

West Islip, N.Y. 11795.

To the family of Max Riedener, we the members of the Long Island Bee Club send our prayers and condolences during this difficult time.....

We are sad to announce the passing of Aaron Morris, Master Beekeeper and Past President of the Empire State Beekeepers Association and a friend of the LIBC. May he Rest in Peace.

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BEEKEEPING EDUCATION

EAS Master Beekeeper Rich Blohm 102 class, Monthly Zoom Format, Huntington, September Start, 631 271 7812 or Beebiz44@gmail.com

EAS Master Beekeeper Moira Alexander 101 Class, 11 - 2hr sessions, Brentwood, September 2nd Start, 631 664 6810 or Ramoi@aol.com

EAS Master Beekeeper Debbie Klughers 101 Class, Zoom Format, East Hampton, November Start, 631 377 1943 or debklughers@optonline.net

Package Bees for Sale

Updated 12/20

Hi Beekeepers,

I am now taking orders for three pound packages from California. They include a young, mated Saskatraz carniolan queen. \$175 each

I have a tentative arrival date of Saturday, April 3rd. Pickup is in the afternoon at my house, 30 Cherry Lane, Huntington, you can send a check made out to me. If you'd like to pay via PayPal to this email address you must add 2.9% to cover their fee. Your order will be added to the list as soon as payment is received. The price may go up after Dec 31st. So, get your order in soon.

Thanks.

I am sure you're curious about the Saskatraz bees. The breeder queens come from a breeding program conducted by a group of commercial beekeepers in Saskatchewan Canada. They are selected for honey production, wintering, varroa tolerance, disease resistance and show increased hygienic behavior. They have a high percentage of Carniolan genes. Select breeder queens are then sent to Olivarez Apiaries in California where their

offspring are open mated and those queens are added to the packages. I've gotten lots of good feedback from those who ordered Saskatraz packages in past years. All packages must be picked up Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning, NO EXCEPTIONS.

You can also order Queens at \$40 each, for pick up on the same day.

PS Please include a cell phone number when you respond. Thank you :-)

Rich Blohm

30 Cherry Lane

Huntington, NY 11743

H 631 271-7812

C 516 658-5333

beebiz44@gmail.com

Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812 beebiz44@gmail.com

Wally Blohm-(Queens County) 718- 380-0829

bee venom@verizon.net

Steve Chen - 646-625-9910

stevechenbees@gmail.com

Deb Klughers- 631-377-1943
debbie@bonacbees.com
Wayne Vitale- 516-680-3020
wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

Nucleus Hives for Sale

(Maybe in deep or medium frames)
Updated 02/10/20
Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812 beebiz44@gmail.com

Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468
earliestspringnuucs@gmail.com

Brendan O'Regan 917-689-9854
authentichoneyofnewyork@gmail.com

Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810
3BeesApiary@gmail.com

Tom Tyrell - info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com

Wayne Vitale-516-680-3020
wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

Dale Williams - 631-475-8315
<https://southbayapiaries.com>

Queens for Sale

Updated 02/10/20
Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812 [Beebiz44@gmail.com](mailto:beebiz44@gmail.com)
Steve Chen - 646-625-9910
stevechenbees@gmail.com
Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468
earliestspringnuucs@gmail.com

Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810
3BeesApiary@gmail.com
Tom Tyrell - info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com

Plants for Sale

Updated 02/10/20
Sayville-Liz Marcellus 631-439-1487 ECMflowers@yahoo.com
Organic bee-loved trees, shrubs, & perennials
Patchogue – David Tifford 631-475-7118
jdttifford@optonline.net Organic bee friendly
annuals and perennials.

Insurance/Beekeeping Liability

Updated 02/10/20
Farm Family – Vincent C Daley 631-277-7770
State Farm – Jim VonEiff 718-899-8985

Local Honey for Sale

Updated 02/10/20

Bronx

Brendan O'Regan 917-689-9854
authentichoneyofnewyork@gmail.com

Queens

Queens - Walter Blohm, 718-380-0829 –
bee venom@verizon.net

NYC

Nick Hoefly- 352-875-5642
nick@astorapiaries.com

Suffolk/Nassau

Amityville - Rich Meyer - 917-681-1706
rjmeyer1423@aol.com

Bay Shore - Donal Peterson - 631-827-1810
3BeesApiary@gmail.com

Brookhaven - Dale Williams - 631-475-8315
<https://southbayapiaries.com>

Calverton/Muttontown- Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468 earliestspringnuucs@gmail.com

Huntington - Rich Blohm - 631-271-7812
beebiz44@gmail.com **Maxant manual extractor
and an assorted amount of new and used
equipment**

Laurel- Tom Tyrell -
info@TomsHoneyAndBees.com
Nassau - Carl Flatlow - 516-510-6227

carlthebeekeeper@icloud.com
East Hampton-Deb Klughers-631-377-1943
www.BonacBees.com

Rocky Point - John Hardecker - 631-744-9531
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Smithtown - Moira Alexander - 631-265-8249
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Southampton-Michele Passarella-516-567-1181
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631-938-6233 OHoneyBeeFarm@gmail.com

Setauket - Wayne Vitale 516-680-3020
wayne@spycoastbeefarm.com

Wading River- Roy Baillard- 631-375-0962
rbaillar@optonline.net

West Hills – Walter Scott – 631-549-2546
wscott380@gmail.com

Wedding Favors

Updated 2/10/20

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3beesapiary@gmail.com

Hive and Wax Products

Updated 02/10/20

Bee themed gifts/jewelry - Lorraine Leacock at the Beetique 516-459-0140

Lorraine@bluepointbee.com

Bee themed gifts/jewelry/wax- Nick Hoefly- 352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

Wax- Fred Munzer – 631-243-3512 –
munzer39@verizon.net

Candles-Bill O'Hern 631-938-6233
OHoneyBeeFarm@gmail.com

Wax- Donal Peterson 631-827-1810 –
3beesapiary@gmail.com

Wax/Pollen/Propolis – Tom Tyrell –
info@tomshoneyandbees.com

Various Hive Products-Deb Klughers-631-377-1943 www.BonacBees.com

Wax/Pollen - Dale Williams 631-475-8315
<https://southbavapiaries.com>

Lip Balm, Creams Skin Care

Updated 02/10/20

Lip balms, cream skin care-Nick Hoefly- 352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

Lip balm-Bill O'Hern 631-938-6233
OHoneyBeeFarm@gmail.com

Lip balm/body care products-Wayne Vitale- 516-680-3020 wayne@spycostbeefarm.com

Equipment

Updated 03/16/2019

Ernest Herrington – dmherri@gmail.com Custom Beekeeping wooden ware

Joe Magnoli- 516-724-4468

earliestspringnucs@gmail.com Wax dipped boxes

The Mohawk Valley Trading Company: 315-519-2640, info@tenonanatche.com

Fort Schuyler Trading Company:
info@unundadages.com

Fred Munzer – 631-243-3512 –

munzer39@verizon.net Glassware, frame spacers

Donal Peterson 631-827-1810 –

3beesapiary@gmail.com glass, woodenware, frames, smokers

Cliff Struhl <http://info@beesmartdesigns.com>

Hive stands, covers, robbing screens, Bottom Boards, Frame grippers, feeders

Deb Klughers Bee Smart Design products and other items 631-377-1943 www.BonacBees.com

Dale Williams – 631-475-8315-

<https://southbayapiaries.com> Wooden ware and foundation

Patrick Gannon-718-757-1699

beekanzi@gmail.com "BeeSmart plastic hive stand for 8 frame hive

Used in very good condition

\$50.00 I will deliver

Wally Blohm-718-380-0829

Beevenom1@gmail.com

Maxant 16 Gallon Bottling Tank \$800. Pick up in Queens

Honey Tank 660 lb, Honey Tank 300 lb, Observation Hive Miguel Valentin 516-313-6967

Swarms/Bee Removals

NYC

Nick Hoefly- 352-875-5642 nick@astorapiaries.com

Queens

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Dix Hills/Deer Park: Fred Munzer, 631-243-3512
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All Suffolk County: Donal Peterson**, 631-827-1810
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All Suffolk County: John Hardecker, 516-383-1583

Miguel Valentin*: 516-313-6967, 631-588-6102

Chris Kepert, Middle Island 631-291-8591 2631-291-
8537

Western Suffolk, Justin Colon-631-3334-3888,
justincolon@gmail.com

**Justin Colon- Swarm removals Nassau and
Western Suffolk**

Hey beeks!

Hope all are well and your bees are ready for winter. If you think you will want more bees next Spring and are thinking about ordering packages, nucs or queens, this is the contact info for people bringing in packages or selling bees. You can also order directly from some dealers who will either ship, or you can drive and pick them up from their locations. The people below pick up the packages and distribute them locally on Long Island. This is first come first serve and ordering/paying early may get you a discount in some cases. The club is providing this information to assist new beekeepers in finding bees. However, we don't make any endorsements or recommendations.

Not everyone sells packages, nucs and queens. So, we are listing what they sell. The code

is: P=Package, N=Nuc, Q=Queen, H=C
omplete Hive

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Steve Chen	646.625.9910	stevechen
Deb Klughers	631.377.1943	debklugh
Wayne Vitale	516.680.3020	wpvitale
Joe Magnoli	516.724.4468	earliestsp
Brendan O'Regan	917.689.9854	Authentic
Donal Peterson	631.827.1810	3BeesApi
Tom Tyrell		info@Ton
Dale Williams	631.475.8315	nordstar

Bee supply houses also sell bees in some cases. These three do sell bees. The same code as above applies.

Betterbee.com (P, N, Q)

Mannlake.com (P)

Dadant.com (P)

If you are looking for packages for your upstate locations, Moira has a contact that she will share if you email her at ramoi@aol.com or call her cell at 631-664-6810.

Grace