

# Winter/Spring- Bee & Beekeeping Classes at Lyman Woods

**Location:** William F. Sherman Jr. Interpretive Center, 901 31<sup>st</sup> Street in Downers Grove

## Intro to Beekeeping

Thinking about keeping bees but don't know where to start? Join Dave Meyer, Master Beekeeper and owner of Meyer Bees, to learn about the fundamentals every new beekeeper should know. You'll start by learning the basics of bee biology and examine the inner workings of our observation beehive. Dave will coach you on how to get started in beekeeping, the equipment and supplies you will need, where to get them, and the joys and challenges of managing honeybees. Check with your local municipality to find out if home-beekeeping is allowed in your area.

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| <b>Age:</b> 16-99   | <b>Min/Max:</b> 5/10 | <b>FEE:</b> \$20.00 |                              |
| <b>Location:</b> William F Sherman Jr Interpretive Center - Lyman Woods |                      |                     | <b>Instructor:</b> Dave Myer |
| <b>Class #</b>  | <b>Date</b>          | <b>Day</b>          | <b>Time</b>                  |
| 1520H00-01  | 01/23/2021           | SA                  | 9am-12pm                     |

Class link:

<https://webtrac.dgparks.org/wbwsc/webtrac.wsc/search.html?module=AR&fmid=20569379>

## Beginner Beekeeping Course

This 6-week course will introduce you to basic honeybee biology, social insect behavior, and honeybee colony dynamics as well as teach you the ins and outs of maintaining a hive throughout the entire year. Marge Trocki, Master Beekeeper, will take you from ordering gear and equipment to harvesting honey and other products of the hive while she discusses what she has learned in her years of keeping bees and managing several apiaries. Participants will receive a beginner beekeeping book and certificate of completion as part of the course.

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| <b>Age:</b> 16-99   | <b>Min/Max:</b> 5/10  | <b>FEE:</b> \$100 |                              |
| <b>Location:</b> William F Sherman Jr Interpretive Center - Lyman Woods |                       |                   | <b>Instructor:</b> Dave Myer |
| <b>Class #</b>  | <b>Date</b>           | <b>Day</b>        | <b>Time</b>                  |
| 1520H01-01  | 02/04/2021-03/11/2021 | TH                | 7:00pm-9pm                   |

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<https://webtrac.dgparks.org/wbwsc/webtrac.wsc/search.html?module=AR&fmid=20569430>

## Advanced Beekeeping Workshops **NEW!**

Your bees have already started preparing for the upcoming season and so should you! Learn what your bees are doing and how best to support them as they enter one of their busiest times of year.

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| <b>Age:</b> 16 and up | <b>Min/Max:</b> 5/20 | <b>FEE:</b> \$20 |
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| <b>Location:</b> William F Sherman Jr Interpretive Center - Lyman Woods |             |                             |             |
| <b>Class #</b>  | <b>Date</b> | <b>Topic</b>                | <b>Day</b>  |
| 2520H02-01  | 05/18/2021  | Pre-Season Hive Maintenance | Tu          |
|   |             |                             | <b>Time</b> |
|   |             |                             | 7:00-8:30pm |

Class link will be available March 8, 2020

### **“The Sweet and Secret History of Beekeeping at Lyman Woods”**

Come and explore the little-known story behind beekeeping at Lyman Woods. From one of the region’s pioneers, to the modern-day beekeeping and programs practiced right here in DuPage County, we will uncover, with a hands-on look at hives and tools, the fascinating world of bees that will be sure to satisfy your sweet tooth for local honey as well as local history!

**Age: All**

**Min/Max: 5/50**

**FEE: Free!**

**Location:** DuPage County Historical Museum

**Class #**

**Date**

**Day**

**Time**

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5/15/2021

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1:00-2:00pm

Class link will be available March 8, 2020