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George Martin, Editor

Mext Meeting: Thursday, September 18th, 2025

Location: Treadway Fire Hall

189 Hwy 131

Treadway, TN 37881

Doors open at 6:30 pm Meeting starts at 7:00 pm Potluck dinner 7:30 pm

Lesson/presentation 7:45 pm

**Meeting Food Theme**: Harvest Potluck! With our gardens reaching their peak, the time is now ripe for dishes made with this bounty. Let's harvest some joy along with our fruits, herbs and veggies by sharing dishes and desserts made from the ingredients we've nurtured this summer.

Scheduled Speaker: Daniel Geleynse will lecture on winterizing strategies to help get our colonies through the winter. Daniel got started keeping bees 14 years ago when he graduated from University of Guelph with a Bachelors in Environmental Science and Trent University with Masters in Ecology and Conservation Biology. He now runs "Sevier Bees & Honey" with around 250 colonies. He specializes in queen rearing, making nucleus colonies, and honey production. He can be found online and reached at <a href="https://www.sevierbees.com">www.sevierbees.com</a>, the Facebook page "Sevier Bees & Honey", or on Instagram "Sevierly\_Buzzed".

**Reminders**: Now is the time to prepare your bees for winter. Feed them if they don't seem to have enough honey to make it till spring. Prepare to insulate or shield them from severe weather.

Last Meeting: Our meeting opened with a prayer. David discussed the upcoming fall festivals CVBA will be participating in this year and our need for volunteers.

Tennebees Expo 2025 was discussed. The event proved successful in that CVBA and DCBA each achieved over \$2,000.00 in donations, though attendance was disappointing. In view of the amount of effort required to host the event, it was generally considered not worthwhile to continue doing it. There will not be a Tennebees Expo 2026.

David forgot to ask for the Treasurer's report, but he was reminded. The Treasurer acknowledged the income from the Expo and there were no new significant debits

With no further business, we adjourned and enjoyed a tasty potluck dinner while Theresa Martin gave a great presentation on propolis and its importance to bees and humans.

Thanks to all the members who brought their favorite dishes and desserts and to those serving and cleaning up afterwards.

See you all on the 18<sup>th</sup>!

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## **MEMBERSHIP**

Dues are payable upon membership application and renewable January 1st of each year you want to continue being a member.

Regular membership \$10 Family (one vote/family) \$15 Youth Single (No vote) \$5 See a CVBA officer to complete a new membership form or find it on our web site.

Checks should be made payable to CVBA and mailed to the Treasurer (address is above).

Please let us know if any of your information has changed.

We want to make sure you can stay connected with the club and help you get the most out of your membership!

Dues are not prorated. New member dues paid in or after October in any calendar year shall count for the following year. Renewal dues are payable January 1 of each fiscal year. Members who fail to renew before April 1 will be dropped. Only members in good standing prior to August 1 may vote in the October election.

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