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January 2011 NEWSLETTER

<http://www.lcbaor.org>

NEXT MEETING:

Jan 18th, program at 7:30 PM

Come early to socialize and share your questions with experienced beekeepers.

Hall opens at 7:00

Annual DINNER MEETING!

Bring a dessert to share if you wish!

Trinity United
Methodist Church

440 Maxwell Road

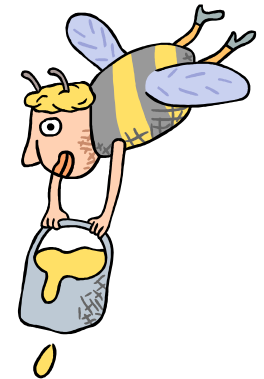
Turn West off River Road

in Eugene

(South of Beltline)

CLUB MEMBERS SWEETEN THE POT & SUPPORT THE CLUB

Thank you to all those members who have donated excess honey for the LCBA booth at the Good Earth Garden Show, January 21st-23rd.



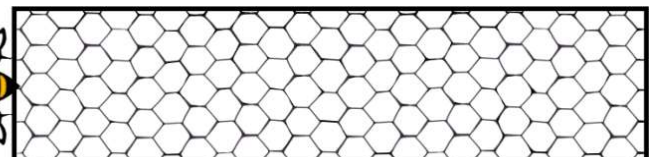
There is still time to donate honey!

Katharine Hunt will be available to collect donations of honey at the January 18th meeting.

Also, you may call her at 541-607-0106 to make other arrangements.

For every quart you donate your name will be entered into a special drawing.

Money raised will help the club continue to promote beekeeping in Lane County.



NOVEMBER Meeting Highlights:

LCBA Honey Taste Off

Meeting came to order at 7:30 pm.

President Judy Scher made the following announcements:

January 21st, 22nd, 23rd is the Good Earth Home & Garden Show. We will be having a booth and need volunteers - Friday 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am to 8:00 pm and Sunday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Ken Ograin passed around a sign up sheet. Basically we just talk about bees and sell honey and books. If you would like to help out please contact Ken. We also are in need of honey donations as the revenue from the sale of honey and books goes towards paying for the booth.

Katharine Hunt announced that she is still accepting honey donations. You may bring your honey to the January meeting.

Judy also talked about the Newsletter. Starting next year there will be a "Question & Answer" column in the newsletter. There will be a basket in the back of the room to submit your questions starting at the January meeting. Judy reminded everyone that there are no dumb or insignificant questions.

Mike Harrington received a call from someone who would like a bee presentation for a group of 40 to 50 people. If you would like to help out please see Mike.

Elections: The Slate of Officers was presented by Nancy Ograin. Nancy asked for nominations from the floor and being none the motion was made to accept the Slate of Officers as presented. Motion was passed.

Our newly elected Officers are:	President - Judy Scher
	Vice-President - Rita Ostrofsky
	Secretary - Barbara Bajec
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Judy then started the "Honey Tasting Contest. The honey was divided into groups of light, medium and dark and there were approximately 10 members per group judging. Each group selected their best tasting honey and a judge for the final tasting.

The 6 finalists were: Dean Burkhart, Kelly Goodwin, Cheryl Lang, Ken Ograin, Jim Rundall, and Lonni Sexton.

LCBA Honey Taste Off Pictures



Finalists being judged



Winners from L to R: 1st place: Lonni Sexton
2nd place Jim Rundall
3rd place: Dean Burkhart

President's Message

Judy Scher, LCBA President



For some reason my bees are always two steps ahead of me no matter how prepared I think I am for spring. **While the bees are clustered for the winter I've been busy deciding how to make splits for the spring, how many new queens to order, reading my new copy of ABC XYZ of Beekeeping and trying to keep up with articles from 'Bee Culture' and 'American Bee Journal'. Not to mention cleaning hive boxes and frames and making sure my bees have adequate food.** Spring will be here all too soon. Which hives are plotting swarms? Will my strong hives decline in March? Will my little nuc make it? Are the hives still queen right? There are always surprises, which force me to be flexible in planning. Does flexibility combat spring chaos??? **Stay tuned....**

Notes:

Starting in January the LCBA will have a question box at the meeting for any beekeeping related questions you have. Check out the **"Ask A Beekeeper"** article in this news letter.

Be sure and drop by the LCBA booth at The Good Earth Home and Garden Show - Lane County Fairgrounds January 21-23.

Dr. Lynn Royce will be teaching an experimental class in queen rearing to seven students. If successful (of course it will be!), it will be offered to more beekeepers in the future.

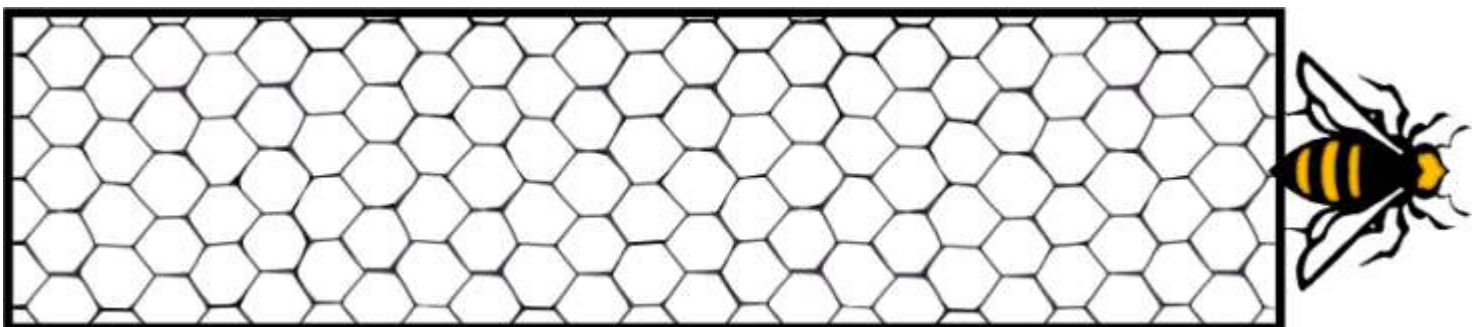
Oregon State Beekeepers Association will be offering a **Master's Beekeeping Apprenticeship Certification** starting this year. An exact date is not yet set, but program development is very close to completion. **Stay tuned....**

The Horticulture Department of OSU has created a position for a honeybee entomologist and will be interviewing four candidates. Each candidate will present a seminar at OSU. Interested members are welcome to attend:

James Ellis, University of Florida

Monday, 24 January 2011

2:00 - 3:00 PM ALS 4000 Seminar **"The Plight of the Honey Bee"**



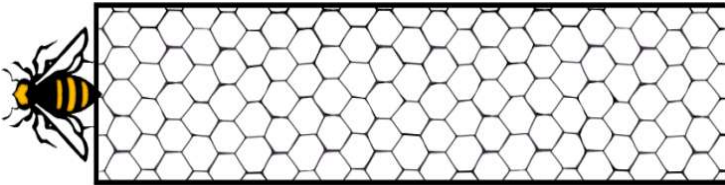


ASK A BEEKEEPER

We are starting 2011 with a new feature at our monthly meetings. Beginning with the February meeting you will notice ASK A BEEKEEPER forms and a question box in the meeting room.

Use ASK A BEEKEEPER to ask questions about the meeting topic or any other beekeeping topic.

Pick up a form and use it during the meeting to document your questions. Drop your form in the question box on your way out. Someone will either call or email you with the answer. Your questions may also appear in the monthly newsletter so that all members will benefit.



Ken Ograin's Notes and IPM Update

Ken Ograin, LCBA Member



LCBA Bee School 2011:

Bee School is filling fast, if you are interested in attending bee school you need to let me know. Fee to attend is \$40 for an individual and \$60 for a couple.

Will be held on Saturday March 5th 8:30 am to 5:00.

You can see me at the January meeting or phone me at 541-935-7065. The best way is to send me an e-mail at woodrt@pacinfo.com. Ken Ograin

Welcome New LCBA Members

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Calendar - at - a - Glance

January 18th 2011

Supper Meeting —

Jeff Green,

Food Safety Spec, ODA

January 21st-23rd

Good Earth Home & Garden Show

Lane County Fair Grounds

Next Meeting:

February 21st

Trinity United Methodist Church

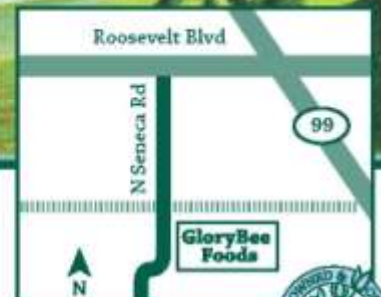
Volunteers Needed!

Snacks needed for Bee School. Arthur & Anita have generously decided to organize this effort. Please see them at the meeting (at the book lending table) or call them at (541) 937-2244.

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FOR SALE: Complete extracting line for mid-size producer: 50-900 hives
Cowen uncapper and 60 frame rack, Electric Steam Generator, Cappings tank, Above-ground Kelly Sump, One stainless 60 frame Dadant radial spinner with speed control, One stainless 32 frame Dadant radial spinner with speed control, 250 gallon double walled dairy settling/storage tank. (Entire line well maintained and in good condition)

PLEASE CALL KAREN FINLEY, CORVALLIS OREGON
541-760-6528

Or contact finleykk@yahoo.com \$ 12,000

WANTED TO BUY: radial extractor for 6-12 Western frames. Electric or hand-crank OK.
Please call Sterling Biggar 541-998-8047.

LCBA MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Lane County Beekeepers Association now costs \$15.00 yearly.

Dues are pro-rated after March for new members ONLY!
Bring your dues to the meeting or remit to LCBA
Treasurer Nancy Ograin (address below).

T-shirts and Hats!

LCBA t-shirts are available in a variety of sizes and colors. There are also two spiffy designs now! New style shirts are \$20, and the familiar club logo t-shirts are a bargain at \$12.

We also have caps with the club logo.

Club shirts (and hats) are a great way to start conversations about bees and beekeeping.

Show your club spirit!

FOR SALE: Reconditioned bee escapes (cone type) for sale. \$10.00 each

New (6) commercial bottom boards \$7 each.

Contact Jerry Carter at 541 689-3320 or 541 968-4047

FOR SALE: hive tops \$10,

frame feeders \$2,

full size pollen traps \$10,

BeePro dry for making patties \$1/lb.

Contact Jerry Carter at 541-689-3320

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