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## **CLUB MEETING**

**Jefferson County Library**

**Sat. Nov. 10th, 2018**

**Board Meeting .....9:00a.m.....**

**PROGRAM: 9:30am**

**Dr. Tim Lawrence**

**WSU Extension**

**"THE PRESENT  
CHALLENGES OF  
MAINTAINING  
HONEY BEES"**

## THE PREZ SEZ

Dear Fellow Beekeepers,

The following were nominated and voted on as our officers for 2019:

- President ...Tony Goldenberg
- Vice President... Blake Winn
- Treasurer ...Harry Prather
- Trustees....Paul Jendrucko
- Rich Thomas
- John Lizwinko

Thank you to the above for agreeing to serve us in 2019. We had no nominee for Secretary. As a result, Nancy has nominated me to serve as Secretary again. I served in that position in 2015 and will accept if elected at the special election to be held on November 10th. Of course, my preference is to have someone step up, run against me and win!

As many of you may know Tony was our president in 2015 and has some great ideas for programs in 2019. He will do an excellent job guiding our group over the next year.

Once again thank you, Rich Thomas, for volunteering to lead our mentorship program for 2019. This is a program that is intended to engage our experienced beekeepers with new and aspiring beekeepers. The number of volunteers we'll require in 2019 is dependent on the number of folks in our organization that request assistance. At our October meeting we had an enthusiastic response with the following people volunteer to work on Rich's committee:

- \* Mike & Beth Kelley
- \* Mike Harte
- \* Grant & Patsy Simpson
- \* Calvin Lomsdalen
- \* Tony Goldenberg
- \* Tony Weller
- \* Mike Harte
- \* Grant & Patsy Simpson
- \* Dave & Nancy Morris

Tim Lawrence from the WSU Extension program on Whidbey Island will be back with us again for our November 10th meeting. Tim will provide an updated assessment on what mite control methods are working and what is on the horizon. He is capable of speaking on a wide variety of topics concerning bees and will welcome questions from our group.

Respectfully,

Dave Morris



## **NOVEMBER'S HONEY-DO LIST**

\* Your colony will need 60 lbs “plus” of honey to feed themselves through the winter. Sixty pounds would be the equivalent of 10 deep frames, or 15 western frames full of honey. If your colony is short on food stores, never feed your bees liquid food during the winter. Cane sugar, sugar cakes or fondant won't create the deadly moisture that can kill your bees during cold weather!

\* Feeding fondant or candy boards is a wonderful alternative for a colony short on food stores. A quilt box above it assures you that your bees are kept dry and warm when feeding on the candy. Never feed your honey bees liquids during the winter!

\* Make sure you remove any queen excluders, as this could prevent your queen being able to move freely through the colony with the cluster.

\* Make sure your bees have good ventilation during winter.

\* Keeping a journal on your bees is an important part of beekeeping. Winter is a great time to review your notes on your colonies and decide what changes to make next year.

## **DECEMBER CLUB MEETING**

Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a special meeting at the library. It will be led by Rich Thomas and will include many interesting topics. **PLEASE JOIN US!**

Some of the topics...

\* “TRICKS OF THE TRADE” which many of us use in our hive maintenance

\* Pros and cons of single (deep) bee hive keeping

\* Honey tasting (yours or honey from other regions.)

**BEEKEEPERS COFFEE ROUNDTABLE**, (just to talk bees)

**8:00AM, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**SUNRISE COFFEE, IN PORT TOWNSEND**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

Cheers,

**Kees Kolff**



# BUZZING WITH



## Blake

**Bee-lieve me. It's a fact!**

Honey Bees 2 pair of wings have tiny teeth that lock together when they are flying.....

..... Blake



**Thanks to Tony Goldenberg for forwarding this email to me so I could share it with all of you!**

This website will give you the latest news of what's going on in the bee world according to The Western Apicultural Society of North America. WAS is a non-profit educational beekeeping organization founded in 1978 for the benefit and enjoyment of all beekeepers in western North America.

<http://www.westernapiculturalsociety.org>

## LOCAL BEE RESOURCES

### TARBOO VALLEY WOODENWARE & HONEYBEES

Frank Neal- Ph. # 360-301-0686... (If stopping by, PLEASE CALL AHEAD) REMEMBER, CLUB MEMBERS GET 5% DISCOUNT.

NEW WEBSITE: [tarboovalleywoodenware.com](http://tarboovalleywoodenware.com)

NEW EMAIL: [frank@tarboovalleywoodenware.com](mailto:frank@tarboovalleywoodenware.com)

Get a head start on your honey bee needs for next year! **10% off** all items in our shop from November 15<sup>th</sup> to December 15<sup>th</sup>.2018

No other discounts apply during this time.