



THE BEELINE

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DID YOU KNOW

- Cave painting in eastern Spain show signs that we have been harvesting honey since 6000 B.C.
- Honey was used as money in centuries past

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President's Note

Dear Members,
As I write this it is 22 on the back porch. **Winter** is on the way. This is not the best time of the year to be a beekeeper. You will need to make sure that you have done all you want to for winterization soon. Tarpaper your hives, larger covers on top of your hive top to keep rain off your hives as best you can. Wind blocks (such as hay bales) on the windward side of your hives. Whatever you do. Make sure that you leave good ventilation in your hives. Condensation in the hives is a bee killer. If you are a new

beekeeper. Ask some of the older members to see what they do. Remember to feed if you need to, and don't forget the entrance reducer and a mouse guard!
On another front the state conference was great! Thank you to the members for Sending me. We have a great deal to speak about in the next few meetings. Both Bob Smith and myself will try to fill you all in on the research that has been done so far, and what we have got from some ongoing lab work. It will change

how we see the Queen, hive, and the workers. How we medicate our Hives were they are (bee yard area) and the quality of the queens that are for Purchase from the large queen breeders. Hoppguard update and more.

In closing, thank you all for the great response to the survey at the last meeting. We will be discussing the points brought out in the survey, and Take comment on how best to implement them.

October Mini Meeting Notes

Sorry about the short meeting notes. The October notes were stolen along with my laptop.

But here are the highlights:

1. The club voted that our instructor Bob Smith and our president Mark Emrich attendance cost to Washington State Beekeeping Conference are covered.
2. Rich Kalman had a fantastic presentation on the virus loads in our area.
3. Mark Emrich gathered suggestions for future meetings.

More from the President



A reminder to all. Please remember that we would still like more members
Names put forth for the Beekeeper of the year, and the savage award. The voting will take place at the December meeting, and the awards will be given out at the January meeting. Thank you all for your help in honoring our members for their hard work, and dedication to beekeeping.

Thank you!

Mark Emrich

The Styling Beekeeper



Above is a sexy new concept from Philips, that ubiquitous European brand from Holland responsible for so many other strange and wondrous objects. Rumor has it the structure is secured to a window with the hive facing the indoors. Interesting there is a mechanism that produces smoke, so the beekeeper can steal some honey for their morning tea. Cost is unknown. I think I'll stick with the traditional hives, and let the others experiment with this capsule.

"Don't forget to bring food items for the break, and bring items for the raffle" Mark Emrich

Get Your Order In! Order deadline is **11/23/11**. You can bring the order form to the meeting or send the order form to: Laurie Pyne 15520 Heidi Lane SE, Tenino 98589 (www.Bird-Rescue.org)

Olympia Bee Association Merchandise Order Form

Please Print Clearly:

date:

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Name:	Phone:
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*PLEASE **CIRCLE** YOUR CHOICES BELOW*

Item	Light Khaki	White	Navy	Black	Dark Khaki	Qty.	Cost	Total
Mug							\$9	
Hat	\$15	\$15	\$18	\$18		8	\$18	
SHORT SLEEVE T								
Size	Logo	Qty.	White	As h	Black			
Small	big or little		\$10	\$3	\$15			
Medium	big or little		\$10	\$3	\$15			
Large	big or little		\$10	\$3	\$15			
X Large	big or little		\$10	\$3	\$15			
XXLarge	big or little		\$12	\$5	\$17			
LONG SLEEVE T								
Size	Logo	Qty.	White		Black			
Small	big or little		\$18		\$25			
Medium	big or little		\$18		\$25			
Large	big or little		\$18		\$25			
X Large	big or little		\$18		\$25			
XXLarge	big or little		\$20		\$27			
		Ship- ping					Total # items ___ X \$3	
							Grand Total	



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Treasurer's Initials	
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Don't Forget the Next Meeting is November 11

**Meeting Located at
Chinook Middle School
4301 6th Ave.
Lacey, WA 98516**

Class starts at 6 pm and meeting at 7 pm



Headline News

Andrew Schneider reported on November 7, 2011 for Food Safety News interesting news on honey sold in stores. He noted that three-fourths of the honey sold in U.S. grocery stores isn't exactly what the bees produce, according to testing done exclusively for Food Safety News.

"The results show that the pollen frequently has been filtered out of products labeled "honey."

In the U.S., the Food and Drug Administration says that any product that's been ultra-filtered and no longer contains pollen isn't honey. However, the FDA isn't checking honey sold here to see if it contains pollen.

Food Safety News purchased more

than 60 jars, jugs and plastic bears of honey in 10 states and the District of Columbia.

The results concluded:

- 76 percent of samples bought at groceries had all the pollen removed, These were stores like TOP Food, Safeway, Giant Eagle, QFC, Kroger, Metro Market, Harris Teeter, A&P, Stop & Shop and King Soopers.

- 100 percent of the honey sampled from drugstores like Walgreens, Rite-Aid and CVS Pharmacy had no pollen.

- 77 percent of the honey sampled from big box stores like

Costco, Sam's Club, Walmart, Target and H-E-B had the pollen filtered out.

- 100 percent of the honey packaged in the small individual service portions from Smucker, McDonald's and KFC had the pollen removed.

- Bryant found that every one of the samples Food Safety News bought at farmers markets, co-ops and "natural" stores like PCC and Trader Joe's had the full, anticipated, amount of pollen."

For the full story go to <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2011/11/tests-show-most-store-honey-isnt-honey/>