SKAGIT VALLEY BEEKEEPERS





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The meeting this month of March is OUR POTLUCK., Thursday the 10th at 6:00 PM. We will meet and eat at CENEX BURLING-TON, our regular bee meeting place, this year. I hate to think people will not read this. Bring your own plate and utensils. There will be juice and a main dish provided. Bring your best bragging dish and serving spoon, from salad to dessert, your choice.. There will be a silent auction.

My wife the quilter has made several lovely table toppers and a baby blanket with a bee theme to place in the auction. . She has asked me to include pictures as she is quite proud of them. She should be. \$15 minimum, they are a lot of work. One of a kind too. The Association benefits! \$\$\$

I recommend to you the UC DAVIS newsletter I forwarded to the membership as I write this. Solid information. Lots of it, read it ALL. Take notes.

I called Mann Lake bee supply yesterday and they are taking orders for Hop

Guard. Mite Away Quick Strips are not legal here as yet. Bulk order anyone? Our speaker will be Gordon Davis , www.houseofbees.com, co-owner of House of Bees, a business which specializes in natural beekeeping supplies and seeds for bee friendly plants. He will speak on gardening for bees. That should be interesting.

I had bees starve while I was laid up and lazy with a knee replacement. I tried making fondant again using the Bee Culture article and it worked very well. I poured it too thick and could not break it with a heavy hammer. I could however, cut it with a long handled potato fork, LARGE pieces. The bees love it. I put pollen substitute patties on as well. It is time to clean, feed, treat and check for brood on a warmish day. It is time!

I have been asked by Jim Bach to further publicize the Western Apicultural Society annual meeting in Hawaii. I will have flyers at the potluck.

Potluck, ya'll come!

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