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President's Message

I was going to say some things about what is going on and how the meetings are going but I changed my mind. Today July 14 we had the memorial service for my dad, Wesley Tate, who just passed away. Our local association had three pillars that made everything go, Ancel Goolsby, Walt Petersen, and Wes Tate. They took the time to mentor folks, teach bee classes, have field days at their bee yards, work the state fair, everything an association needs to keep going and be viable. Joy Petersen attended the memorial and so did Joe Jovanovich, very close friend of Ancel Goolsby. Joy and Joe gave me a big smile as I mentioned Walt and Ancel and how they and Wes were the three pillars of our association.

The state association recently lost many precious beekeepers from our ranks as we have lost Bob Stump, Alice Van Wechel, Miriam Bishop, and Wesley Tate. I would like to make sure we all recognize their work and understand how precious they are to our associations, state and local, and how they have touched our lives. Bob Stump, the soldier who keeps going, keeping everything going, teaching classes and attending any meeting where he could help the state. Alice, the lady that was so kind to everyone, added class to a meeting of rough and tumble beekeepers and could very quietly remind us all there is more to life than bees. Then there was Miriam, where did she have the energy to do everything she

did? Her life was one of giving, to the Peace Corps, to her family and friends, local associations and her beloved state association. Dad, who served as state inspector, attended meetings with the Washington State Department of Agriculture on bee kills and other beekeeping issues and made lots of time available to support the local association. Walt Petersen and Ancel Goolsby were strong supporters of our state association for years.

The task for us is how do we rise up to the occasion? How do we replace these pillars of beekeeping as they leave us and how do we remember all the contributions they have given to beekeeping? I'm not sure how that is done, but we seem to do it but once in awhile; we all need to reflect back on those that got us here and gave us this opportunity to achieve the next level. Being military myself, I salute each and everyone of the pillars that have made us who we are and have touched our membership so greatly.....

Jerry Tate

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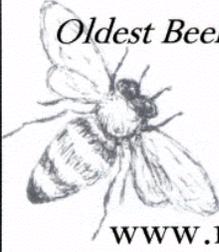


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Washington Beekeepers Remembered



Miriam Bishop

Beloved sister, daughter, aunt and friend, died peacefully in Bothell, WA on June 22, 2007 at the age of 59 from pancreatic cancer that had metastasized into the liver.

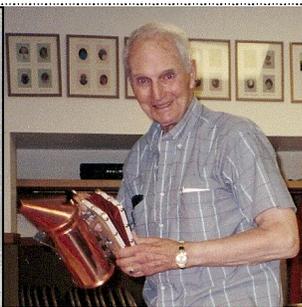
She had a very full life. Born in Princeton, NJ August 9, 1947, she was raised on a farm in Bellevue, WA and graduated from Sammamish High School. She spent several months traveling Europe alone backpacking and began climbing mountains. She worked for REI in its early years and also tutored in German. She worked her way through college over several years and graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelors degree in English at 28 when she married Arthur Eash and soon moved to Vashon Island.

In the early 70's she began working with bees and became the President of the Washington State Beekeepers Association. After her divorce in 1984 she bought her own country place on Vashon Island. In 1989 she joined the Peace Corp and spent over 2 years in Nepal helping people cultivate a healthy bee population. After her return to Vashon Island in 1991 she worked for Attorney Bill Apple in Seattle as a paralegal.

Then in 1995 due to poor immunity and a respiratory aversion to air pollution she found a unique mountain home site in Twisp, WA and began to design and build her home. She married Donald Goldstein in 1996. That marriage ended in 2007. In Twisp, as well as Vashon Island, she performed in many musical productions and was especially fond of Gilbert and Sullivan, and Handel's Messiah. Her love of music and singing was always very apparent. She loved family and friends, the outdoors, her home, horses and her cats. She was involved in numerous spiritual groups and endeavored to be healthy both spiritually and physically with exercise like hiking and chopping firewood. She ate healthy and took lots of supplements.

She is survived by mother Imogen Bishop and step father Harry Priester, Lake Stevens, WA; two sisters, Kathy Marcey, Lake Stevens, and Priscilla (Don) Schager, San Bruno, CA; four brothers, Edward (Jan) Bishop, Sammamish, Donald (Jolene) Bishop, Jr., Everett, David (Lydia) Bishop, Lake Stevens, and Tom (Debbie) Bishop, Salem, OR; and numerous nieces and nephews and grand-nieces and nephews. She had no children. She is preceded in death by father Donald Vincent Bishop who died in 1996 also of pancreatic cancer.

Miriam's Memorial Celebration will be Sunday, September 16th, 2007 at 4:00 in the afternoon at the Methow Valley Community Center in Twisp, WA. Bring a potluck dish, beverage, finger food or dessert.



Wesley B. Tate

Retired Senior Master Sergeant

(Age 85)

Born June 22, 1922, in Paul, Idaho and passed away in Spokane, WA. June 28, 2007. Wes graduated from High School in Fairfield, Montana in 1941 and joined the Army Air Corp 26 May 1941. Wes was assigned to the 680th Ordnance Company, Clark Field in the Philippines as an ammunition carrier for the planes. When they lost all their planes his unit fought with the Philippine Division and surrendered at Bataan. He was a survivor of the Bataan Death March and was sent to Japan where he worked in a

steel mill in northern Japan as a POW. He always felt that being assigned to the northern climate of Japan saved his life because of his Malaria. During his internment his family moved from Montana to Phoenix Arizona. He returned to the United States in April of 1946 where he returned to civilian life in Phoenix, AZ. He met and married his wife Emma May Tate in Phoenix where they started their family. Prior to the Korean War he joined the Marine Reserve and then activated to the Korean War with the first Marine Division. He was part of the landing at Inchon on 15 September 1950 going ashore with the first wave and fought with the division around the Chosin Reservoir including the march out of the "Frozen Chosin". After returning from Korea he transferred to the Air Force where he fought in Viet Nam. He retired from the Air Force with 27 years of Service in 1971. Upon his retirement he and Amy, his brother in law Robert McMillan and sister in law Gracie started Mountain View Honey Farm which they owned until about 1985 when they retired again. Wes, in 1987, opened Tate's Honey Farm with his son Jerry. Wes was a key figure in beekeeping in Spokane as president of the local association Inland Empire Beekeepers and was an executive board member of the Washington State Beekeepers. Wes lost his loving wife Amy in December 29, 1986 and is survived by his sons Jerry and his wife Rita, Clifford and his wife Joanne, and daughters Lisa Vandyke and Melanie Wilmoth, all of Spokane. He has six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his younger brother David Tate of Phoenix, AZ and his older sister Ester Brendgord of Havre, MT. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles E. Tate, and mother Leota M. Tate who died in a house fire when he was five months old, stepmother Ruth Tate and his sisters Margaret, Laura and Evangeline and granddaughter Jacqueline Jo Tate. A memorial service was held at Thornhill Valley Funeral Home, 1400 S. Pines Rd, Spokane, WA, Saturday July 14, 2007. In lieu of flowers make donations to the Disabled Veterans or American Cancer Society.

Wes believed in living one day at a time and it served him well for 85 years.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

WA State Beekeepers Association
June 23, 2007 Executive Board Minutes
Jody Lynn Pilarski, Secretary

The meeting location was the Bar 14 Restaurant, Ellensburg Washington.
The Meeting was called to order by Jerry Tate, WSBA President.

Reports

The **Secretary's Report**-minutes in last newsletter.

A motion was made to accept the Executive Board minutes from the March 10, 2007 meeting as written.

Motion/Second/ Approved.

The **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was distributed by Lisa Knox, Treasurer. The general account balance is \$10,620.40. The scholarship/research savings and CD balances subtotal is \$65,986.69 for a total balance of \$76,607.09. The treasurer also submitted a handout reviewing the account activity of the Carl and Alice VanWechel Research Fund. This account was established on 9/25/2000. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted.

Motion /Second/Approved

Membership Report

Current membership is as follows:

WSBA Regular membership	78
Honorary members	7
Pending renewals from 2006	23

Master Beekeepers Certification Committee Report

The Master Beekeeper Committee began reviewing and updating the Apprenticeship Certification tests. Test numbers 1-5 were completed by the committee. The plan is to have the new tests ready for the spring start of classes. It was noted that one person from the Spokane area completed the Apprentice course work on line. The Master Beekeepers Committee will be offering the test at the annual convention. The last revision of these tests was in 2000.

Area Reps

Colder weather continues to have an impact on the season. European Foul brood seems to be gaining a foot hold and increasing. Bee pastures lands are also becoming harder to find. It is felt this issue will be the next major difficulty for commercial beekeepers. Most beekeepers are still supplementing and feeding due to slow blooms and strange weather. There were mixed reviews regarding the success of queens and queen stock. The group seemed to all agree that more needs to be done to increase the genetic diversity of queen stock. There were also mixed reviews regarding the use of Formic Acid. Some areas had good results with Formic Acid, other saw little results with high mite loads in early spring.

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WSDA Update

Beekeepers to advise WSDA on apiary industry

OLYMPIA - An advisory panel of beekeepers, a university researcher and an orchardist has been formed to recommend research needed by the state's bee industry and also enhance communications with the Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA).

WSDA created the committee at the request of industry as a mechanism to obtain advice on issues affecting the apiary industry, including hobby beekeepers. The committee will suggest research projects that strengthen the apiary industry in Washington.

"Bees provide an indispensable service to farmers in pollinating their crops in addition to producing honey," said WSDA Director Valoria Loveland. "This panel will alert WSDA to problems and opportunities where industry and regulatory officials can work together to keep the bee industry viable."

Loveland appointed nine persons to the panel for two-year terms ending in July 2009. The panel includes:

- Jerome Tate, Tate's Honey Farm, Spokane. Tate is president of the Washington State Beekeepers Association.
- Eric Olson, Olson's Honey, Yakima. Olson is vice president of the Washington State Beekeepers Association.
- Carolyn Elliott, Trees 'n Bees, Auburn.
- James K. Smith, Bonney Lake.
- Tim Hiatt, Hiatt Honey LLC, Ephrata.
- Paul Hosticka, Octopus Garden Honey, Dayton.
- Stanley Pallo, Stan Pallo Bee Yards, Startup.
- Hermann Thoennissen, Kennewick. An orchardist, Thoennissen represents the interests of growers that purchase pollination services.
- Steve Sheppard, Ph.D., Washington State University, Entomology Department, Pullman.

The group will meet with WSDA officials as needed, with the first meeting scheduled for August. The committee is expected to advise WSDA on the type of research that would benefit their industry. Research would be conducted by academic institutions or other organizations.

Funding would come from fees that more than 270 beekeepers pay each year to register their hives with WSDA.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, honey bees are essential for production of more than 90 food crops. In addition, honey bees contribute to the pollination of many plant species across the state-benefiting landscapes, gardens, and vegetable plots. Washington's beekeepers provide pollination services ranging from tree fruit orchards in Eastern Washington to blueberry and cranberry crops west of the Cascades. Industry leaders also transport their hives to serve growers in California, Arizona and other states.

--Related links:

Washington State Beekeepers Association -- <http://www.wasba.org/>

WSDA Apiary Registration Form --

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Washington State University Department of Entomology --

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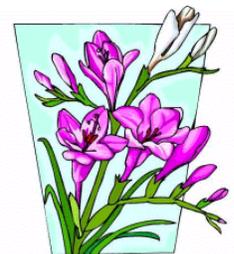
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USDA Update: End of the National Honey Board?

News from USDA: USDA Seeks Comments on Establishing New Honey Packers And Importers Promotion Order
The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently announced that it is seeking comments on a proposal for a new national Honey Packers and Importers Research, Promotion, Consumer Education and Industry Information Order.

"The proposed national research and promotion program would replace the existing Honey Promotion, Research and Consumer Information Order, and the Department is recommending a referendum be conducted, prior to the implementation of the proposed order, to ascertain if the persons covered and assessed favor it," said Lloyd C. Day, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), a marketing and regulatory programs agency.

The program would be administered by a 10-member board and its alternates and will be responsible for carrying out activities intended to strengthen the position of the honey industry in the marketplace, and developing, maintaining and expanding domestic and foreign markets for honey and honey products. The national coordinated generic program would be financed by a mandatory assessment of \$0.01 per pound on honey and honey products paid by first handlers and importers that handle or import at least 250,000 pounds of the commodity annually.

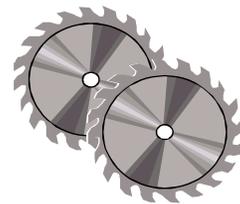
The proposed rule was published in the June 4, 2007, Federal Register, along with a proposed rule on the procedures to be used in the referendum to determine if the program will go into effect.

Comments on both rules must be received by Aug. 3, 2007. Comments should be mailed in triplicate to the Research and Promotion Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, Stop 0244, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-0244; by phone (888) 720-9917; fax (202) 205-2800; or find email instructions at www.regulations.gov. Click on "All Documents Open for Public Comment," then click on Docket ID "AMS-FV-06-0176." Viewers can then choose between seeing the proposal in PDF or HTML format.

AMS encourages all eligible individuals to participate in its committee and board activities. It is USDA's policy that membership on industry-governed boards and committees accurately reflect the diversity of individuals served by the programs.

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Pollinator Protection Act: IMPORTANT! Write your Congressman

Pollinator Protection Act of 2007 Introduced into the Senate

Introduced into the Senate by Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA) along with eight other co-sponsors introduced the Pollinator Research Act of 2007 into the Senate. This bill provides funding for research that will improve the security of crop pollination and support strong populations of honey bees and native bees.

The recent widespread loss of honey bee colonies from Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD) has received a lot of media coverage. At this time the cause of CCD remains a mystery. It may be one or more factors, such as parasitic mites, disease, pesticides or diet.

The European honey bee is and will continue to be the most important single crop pollinator in the United States. However, with the decline in the number of managed honey bee colonies from diseases, parasitic mites, and Africanized bees as well as from Colony Collapse Disorder it is important to increase the use of native bees in our agricultural system as well. Research into Colony Collapse Disorder, as well as the biology of crop-pollinating with native bees is vital to this effort.

The Pollinator Protection Act is a modified version of Congressman Hastings Pollinator Protection Act (H.R. 1709), which addresses Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD). This bill not only addresses Colony Collapse Disorder in honey bees, but also the decline of native pollinators in North America. This bill will enhance funding for research on the parasites, pathogens, toxins, and other environmental factors that affect honey bees and native bees. It supports research into the biology of native bees and their role in crop pollination, diversifying the pollinators upon which agriculture relies.

This bill can help to improve crop security and the sustainability of agriculture, by helping farmers in the United States diversify their pollinator portfolio said Scott Hoffman Black, executive director of the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. The Pollinator Protection Act of 2007 will provide the financial support needed to strengthen the honey bee industry and the role of native bees in crop pollination.

The Pollinator Protection Act provides for:

- \$25.25 million to the Agriculture Research Service over five years for research, personnel, and facility improvements regarding honey bee and native bee biology, causes/solutions for CCD, and bee toxicology, pathology, and physiology.
- \$50 million to the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service over five years to fund research grants to investigate honey bee and native bee biology, immunology, ecology, genomics, bioinformatics, parasites, pathogens, sub lethal effects of insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides, native bee crop pollination and habitat conservation, and effects of genetically modified crops.
- \$11.25 million to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service over five years to conduct a nationwide honey bee pest and pathogen surveillance program.
- Annual reporting to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate on the status and progress of bee research projects.

The Pollinator Protection Act of 2007 works in conjunction with Senator Baucus Pollinator Habitat Protection Act (introduced May 24, 2007), of which Senator Boxer is a co-sponsor. The Pollinator Habitat Protection Act addresses an important aspect of CCD and the decline of pollinators in general: the continued loss of pollinator habitat due to development. The Pollinator Habitat Protection Act leverages existing conservation efforts to improve the health of our nation's pollinators.

Senator Boxer's Pollinator Protection Act differs in that it directly applies research funding to strengthen honey bees and native bees, the foundation of crop pollination in the U.S. Honey bees and native bees are vital for \$15 billion and \$3 billion in crop production each year, respectively, yet research in these fields has received little funding and attention throughout its history. No other industry or service that provides such vital services to this nation is as under-funded as beekeeping and native bee management and habitat conservation.

In conjunction, these two bills take major steps to focus resources and conservation efforts on the decline of honey bees, native bees, and other pollinators, and provide a foundation for further study into a service we have often taken for granted. In supporting funding for research, we provide avenues to further understand the problems facing our crop pollinators, and in turn ensure the health of our nation's food supply.

"Almost all of our pollination eggs are in the honey bee basket," says Mac Vaughan, conservation director of the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. "The Pollinator Protection Act of 2007 will support honey bees and greatly expand our under-

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Pollinator Protection Act, continued

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standing of bumble bees, sweat bees, mason bees, squash bees, sunflower bees, and miner bees. This bill strengthens the honey bee basket and adds additional pollinator baskets for agriculture."

Importance of Protecting Pollinators

Pollinators are essential to our environment. The ecological service they provide is important for the reproduction of nearly 75 percent of the world's flowering plants. This includes more than two-thirds of the world's crop species, and one in three mouthfuls of the food that we eat. The United States alone grows more than one hundred crops that either require or benefit from pollinators.

Beyond agriculture, native pollinators are keystone species in most terrestrial ecosystems. Fruits and seeds derived from insect pollination are a major part of the diet of approximately 25 percent of birds, and of mammals ranging from deer mice to grizzly bears.

Why are native bees so helpful? Collectively, native bees are more versatile than honey bees. Some species, such as mason bees, are active when conditions are too cold or wet for honey bees. Many species also are simply more efficient at moving pollen between flowers. Bumble bees and several other native species can buzz pollinate flowers, vibrating the flower to release pollen from deep inside the pollen-bearing anthers; which honey bees cannot do. Crops such as tomatoes, cranberries, and blueberries produce larger, more abundant fruit when buzz pollinated.

Pollinator Protection Act Cosponsors

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Master Beekeepers Meeting Minutes

Master Beekeeper Committee
June 23, 2007
Ellensburg, WA

Called to order by Co-chair Lundy at 10:05AM.

Committee members present: Paul Lundy, Jo Miller, Jody Pilarski, Jim Bach, and Louis Matej.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Certificates: WSU has turned over certificate issuing responsibilities to the Master Beekeeper Committee (MBC). Tim Buehler has the stamp with Steve Sheppard's signature and the gold seal stamp.

Over extensions: Tim Buehler has served notice that he needs to cut back. He'll continue to be responsible for the certificates and the database, but will not be able to attend every meeting. Paul Lundy has taken on additional local responsibilities outside the committee and needs to cut back, too.

Jo Miller admits she has been a slacker as a co-chair and will try to be more responsible. She is over extended during the school year, but will try to use the 2-month summer vacation to co-ordinate another committee meeting on-line.

Unauthorized use of Apprentice book: Van Sherod contacted John de Groot about using the Apprentice booklet in his class. Van says John is not using the Master Beekeeper materials and it's not an issue.

Field days: attendance was very low, probably due to the cool, wet weather.
Queen problems continue in the WSU hives on the west side.

Apprentice Level Patches: Louis Matej stressed that patches should be made available to persons who have passed a level in the program. Bob Smith has them and can be contacted about the price.

Apprentice tests: During the remainder of the meeting we went through Tests One through Five to eliminate questions that were based on opinion. The remaining tests will be done at a later date, possibly on-line.

Adjourned at 11:05AM

Jo Miller
Acting Secretary

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Old Business

WSU Report-Steve Sheppard

Dr. Sheppard was not present for the meeting. Eric Olson and Jerry Tate reviewed progress of the queen rearing program. It was mentioned that the part time technician had quit so the program is currently running short of staff. The queens seemed to be smaller than the previous year and a higher supersedure rate has been noted. It was felt that the queens from 2006 were had better performance.

Several options were mentioned regarding developing and seeking out funding to support/expand research including a multi-state effort. There was also a Bill presented in Congress called the Pollination Protection Research Act of 2007. This proposed legislation calls for the importance of research dollars and includes efforts to build the WSU program. All members were encouraged to call their representatives to support this Bill.

It was also reported that Dr. Sue Colby is moving ahead with importing drone semen to increase the diversity of bee stock. Ben's project is also moving forward and he has been working very well in collaboration with commercial beekeepers.

Report on Apiary Board Formation-Voting

As of this meeting date there has been no action regarding the twelve candidates forwarded to the Apiary Advisory Board Director for approval.

New Business

Discuss/report by Jim Bach on Nosema ceranae

Jim reviewed the proposal that local associations take samples to be sent in for testing. Jim will send research bottles to participating board members, including the correct solution, for the collection of the samples. He in turn, will then send the samples to the lab in France that is conducting the research. Jim again stressed the importance for our state to be included in the data collec-

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tion and analysis of this issue. Each executive board member will be sent a sample collection packet. He distributed handouts explaining the sampling instructions in addition to a survey form that would accompany the samples. Jim asked that one sample be taken from the board participant's colony and one from a random hive in a different area. After the samples have been taken the bottles need to be sent to Jim for further packaging and mailing.

Supporting Local Clubs

Paul Lundy presented a proposal to help support local clubs with their educational efforts. Paul presented an ideal to create a local association grant program to promote beekeeping. The intent is to help smaller associations that don't have a lot of money to organize activities in a effort to increase the interest of beekeeping in their areas. The money could be used to set up field days, fair booths, display hives and teaching apiaries. A motion was made for Paul to develop a process for this type of program.

Moved/Second /Approved

Convention

Speakers are being confirmed for the convention. The new date has also been confirmed; October 18, 19 & 20, 2007. It was felt that Saturday afternoon was the best time for the graduate students to present their work. The room rate has been set at \$85.00 for convention participants. There was also a discussion regarding grant applications. It was agreed that the requests needed to be submitted within the established times frames and written in a clear and specific manner to be considered.

Other Business

Hats

Lisa mentioned that the khaki/blue colored WSBA hats were sold out. She requested an order of 40 hats to restock the supplies.

Motion/Second/Approved

Funding Structure – Hats

Lisa mentioned that for ordering hats, the association used the general checking account to pay for the order with the profits from the sale of the hats being deposited into the PR account. Lisa requested using the PR account to both pay for the orders and depositing all profits back into the same account (PR). Discussion occurred regarding the purpose of the PR fund verses the General Fund. A motion was made to use the General Fund for both paying for hat orders and depositing the profits of the hat sales.

Motion/Second/Approved

Meeting was adjointed at 2:00 pm.

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