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## HONEY QUEEN TO VISIT

American Honey Queen Julie Schmitz will be Oregon's guest Sept. 24 to 28.

Beekeepers, spouses and friends can meet her at a reception-luncheon at 2 p.m. Sept. 25 at the Soup Tureen, 426 W. First Ave., Albany.

A meeting of the executive committee will follow the reception.

Soup Tureen proprietor Pat Saboe has offered to open the popular Albany luncheon spot on a Sunday. The restaurant is a renovated car garage which serves excellent soups, sandwiches, salads, main dishes and desserts. The meal will be served buffet style. Price is \$5 per person.

Seating is limited to 40 persons and reservations are necessary. Please return the enclosed reservation card by Sept. 20. Or, phone secretary Oliver Petty, 928-7924.

Miss Schmitz is scheduled to give a honey cookery demonstration in Albany on Tuesday. If you're interested in having her as a guest, contact Paul Heins, 926-6636 or 926-2383.

The queen will spend a few days in California before escorting a beekeepers tour to Adel-



Queen Julie Schmitz

aide, Australia for the international beekeeping congress.

Miss Schmitz, 20, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Schmitz of Bonesteel, S.D. She served as a legislative page during her senior year in high school, thus prompting an interest in politics. She currently serves as secretary for South Dakota Gov. Richard F. Kneip. She lives in Pierre.

She is a member of the Catholic church, YMCA and State Democratic Party. She enjoys macrame, water skiing, reading and sewing — and, of course, promoting honey.

## BEEKEEPER CONVENTION

- Can you make money with your honey — or honeybees?
- Is it profitable to keep bees for a hobby?
- How much does it cost to keep one hive or 1,000?
- What does it cost to move bees?
- Are you getting enough for pollination services to cover the costs of your operations?
- Do you know how to keep books on keeping bees?
- And what about income taxes for beekeepers?

You'll get answers to these and more questions at the annual Oregon State Beekeepers Association convention and business meeting Nov. 10 — 12 at the Valley River Center in Eugene.

Convention headquarters will be the Valley River Inn adjacent to the popular shopping center.

Reservation and registration information will reach you early in October, so you can make plans.

Mark your calendars NOW.

Thursday, Nov. 10 will be a "hobby day" for part-time beekeepers wanting to know more about keeping bees and

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The American Beekeeping Federation wants YOU!

The national organization for commercial and part-time beekeepers, honey producers, bottlers and scientists is winding up its annual membership drive.

So far, 24 Oregon beekeepers hold memberships this year. The federation's goal for the Beaver State beekeepers is 40.

That's the same sort of goal it has for Idaho, Pennsylvania, Washington and Illinois.

National membership stands at 1,083. The national goal is 1,677.

Minnesota has the most members — 152 and is asked to raise that to 200. Florida's membership is 80 and is expected to obtain 210 members.

Delaware, Maine, District of Columbia and Alaska have one

member each. The federation has set a goal of three for Delaware, five for Maine, one each for D.C. and Alaska.

Although Oregon is a marginal beekeeping state, it still behooves beekeepers to get behind the national effort — which helps each and every beekeeper.

Beekeepers can pay dues along with their state dues at the state convention, or send dues for one or both organizations to the state secretary.

**Oregon State Beekeepers Association dues** (0 to 24 colonies, \$5; 25 to 99, \$10; 100 to 299, \$15; 300 to 499, \$20; over 500, \$25)

**American Beekeeping Federation dues** (0 to 499 colonies, \$10; 500 or more colonies, 5 cents per colony)

Oregon members of the federation are: Joseph Illias, Michael Karnow, Charles Van Breeman, John Pierson, Florian

Schmitz, Wilma and Bill Ruhl, Portland; L.B. Alexander, Boring; Tom Thayer, Sandy; Brent, LaVerne and Michael Boylan, Raymond Lakey, Hermiston; Robert Doughton, Beaverton; Dale Bott, Central Point; Donald Grigg, Harper, Paul Heins, Oliver Petty, Donald Frantz, Albany; Donald Gubser, William Wylie, Fred Van Natta, Salem; Joe Irish, Irrigon; DeWayne Keller, Ontario; Herman Larsen, Junction City; David McCalib, Chick-A-Dee Gardens (Lee Thompson), Sherwood; Claude Phelps, Columbia City; Jack Piper, Coos Bay; Mike Smith, McMinnville; Morris X. Smith, Toledo; John Weygandt, Molalla; Glenn Williams, Fort Klamath, Kuran Shaw, Hillsboro; K and D Apiaries, Elgin; Glorybee Honey and Supplies, Eugene; Alan Nebeker, Corvallis, and Oregon Department of Agriculture, Salem.

It's not too late to make reservations for one of the tours going to Adelaide, Australia for the XXVIth International Congress of Apiculture Oct. 14 through 19.

American Honey Queen Julie Schmitz of Pierre, S.D. will be hostess for a tour arranged by Paul Heins of Albany. It leaves from Los Angeles Oct. 5 and returns Oct. 26.

Cost is \$2,250 double; \$2,586 single. For information, contact Away Travel Service, P.O. Box 769, Albany 97321.

Or, if you're a member of the American Beekeeping Federation (as some Oregon State Beekeepers Association members are), join a tour leaving San Francisco Oct. 8 and returning Nov. 6.

**It is important that all members of the executive committee meet with the president in Albany at about 5 p.m., Sept. 25. (Place to be announced.)**

This is a Sunday afternoon, and will follow a dinner-reception for American Honey Queen Julie Schmitz, of Pierre, South Dakota.

**Executive committee members, please mark your calendars.**

The meeting is necessary before the annual meeting Nov. 11-12. It must be held at least 30 days prior to the meeting and the Sept. 25 date was the most convenient date that could be arranged.

The date will give officers a chance to meet the honey queen.

#### **BEEKEEPER CONVENTION (continued)**

how to build and assemble equipment. Vice president Ken Ramsey of Brooks is in charge of the day.

President Tom Thayer is heading the program plans on the theme "Is There Money in Beekeeping?"

Guest speakers, including an accountant, as well as apiculturists and both part-time and commercial beekeepers will address assemblies.


Watch for more news in October.



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### Honeycomb Pie

#### Pastry:

- 1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/8 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 to 3 tablespoons cold water

Toss together flour, lemon rind, salt and sugar in mixing bowl. Cut shortening and butter in with pastry blender or blending fork until pieces are size of rice kernels. Sprinkle water evenly over mixture and toss with fork until evenly dampened. Roll on floured board or pastry cloth into a 10" circle. Line a 9" pie plate with pastry, flute edge. Chill while preparing filling.

#### Filling:

- 3/4 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 1 cup honey

Sift together flour, salt and baking soda; add sugar; toss together lightly. Beat eggs until thick and lemon colored; beat in butter, milk, lemon juice, lemon rind and honey; blend well. Add dry ingredients; blend well. Pour into chilled, unbaked pie shell. Bake in a 325° F. (slow) oven for 55 to 60 minutes. Cool on cake rack. Chill before serving. Serve with whipped cream.

### Fruit Cake Cookies

- 1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 cup shortening
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 egg beaten
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 1/4 teaspoon imitation rum extract
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup seedless raisins
- 1/2 cup currants
- 1/2 cup finely cut candied pineapple
- 1/2 cup finely cut candied citron
- 3/4 cup sliced glace cherries
- 3/4 cup coarsely chopped pecans

Sift together flour, baking soda, salt, and spices. Cream together shortening, honey, and brown sugar; beat until light and creamy. Beat in egg, milk, vinegar, rum and vanilla extracts. Stir in dry ingredients gradually. Mix in fruits and nuts.

Drop from tip of teaspoon onto greased baking sheet. Bake in 325° F. (slow) oven about 20 minutes. Remove from pan immediately. When cooled, frost with confectioners' sugar frosting and garnish with cinnamon red hots, or glace cherries, or colored sugar. Makes 4 dozen cookies.

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**CAPPINGS**

*Overheard at Oregon State Fair bees and honey booth:*

*Child: Where's the queen bee? Oh, there she is. Hey, wait, Mommy, there's the king beside her!*

*Hundreds of fairgoers asked questions at the state fair.*

*Beekeepers manning the booth had an opportunity to answer these, offer recipes and literature about bees, as well as to give those interested in bees information about the association.*

*One fairgoer so far has returned a membership application - with dues.*

*Association secretary-treasurer Oliver Petty's article in the July newsletter on feeding bees isomerized corn syrup may appear in The Speedy Bee, national newspaper, and Gleanings in Bee Culture, a monthly magazine. Editors asked to reprint the article.*

**Do you want to support The Bee Line?**  
 So far, it has cost \$605 to publish and mail four issues of The Bee Line. In return, we've sold \$275 in advertising and received one donation.

Display ads which are business-card size are priced at \$50 and will appear in each newsletter for one year. Smaller ads, about half that size, are available at \$25.

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