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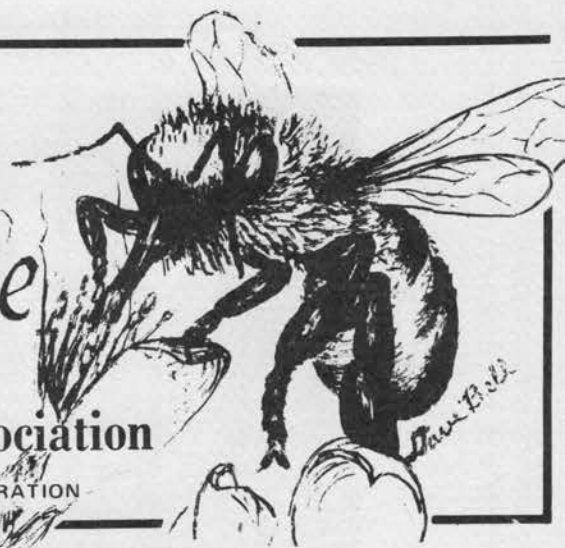
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# The Bee Line

## Oregon State Beekeepers Association

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# Meet your new officers!

OSBA President, PAUL HEINS (P.O. Box 517, Albany, 97321), is the owner of the Heins Honey Company in Albany. "I worked bees for my father as I was growing up. We had 1000 hives. My son had 30 plus hives as a 4-H'er so I worked and owned bees during that time," commented Paul.

Previously, Mr. Heins has served on the National Honey Queen Committee (8 years) and on the American Beekeeping Federation Board of Directors. He's now serving on the committee for the Jan. 81 ABF meeting in Seattle. He urges us to take advantage of this meeting.

The Heins family includes Jean (wife) and five children (ages 23-29). Paul enjoys hunting and traveling along with serving on the Albany School Board.

Paul has a message for OSBA members:  
"Bee Active."

"Bee a part of a new and alive State Organization."

"Bee a Honey and send me your ideas of things you would like to see happen in 1981."

"Bee and active member-recruiter. In numbers we have strength. Let's stick together, not get stung."



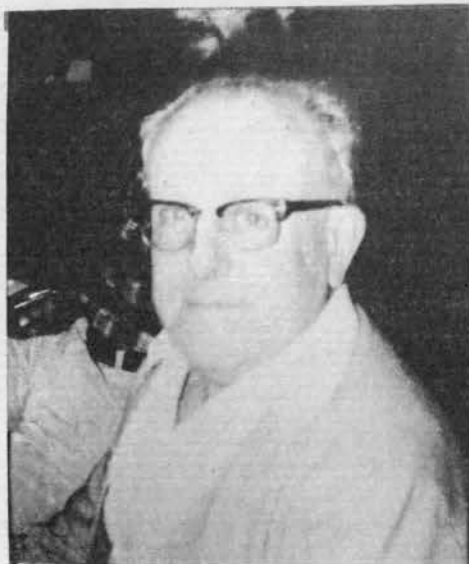
Paul Heins

### THANK YOU

Diana and John deserve a BIG THANK YOU from all of us for keeping the BEELINE coming during the past many months. I can see that it is going to be quite a job--and then they had the secretary-treasury job on top of the BEELINE!

Again, many thanks and the best of wishes to you and your newly-expected little beekeeper!

## MEET YOUR NEW OFFICERS\*\*\*\*\*



Bill Ruhl

BILL RUHL, owner of the Ruhl Bee Supply, (1424 NE 80th, Portland, 97216) was elected Association Vice-President and Program Chm. He's been keeping bees for 50 years and has about 200 hives. His honey bees are used commercially for pollination and honey production.

Bill is one of the 75 members of the Portland Beekeepers which meets at Ruhl Bee Supply on the 3rd Friday at 7:30 P.M. Previously, Bill has served as a Vice-President of OSBA.

He and his wife, Wilma, have two children, Kathleen, 33, and Bill Jr., 30. His hobbies include fishing and hunting.

## NEW MAGAZINE RATES

Magazine rates are going up. As of December 1, 1980 Gleanings in Bee Culture will be \$6.75 for a one year subscription only. There is no discount on a two year subscription.

On January 1, 1981 the rates for American Bee Journal will be \$7.13 for one year and \$13.88 for two years. Until January 1 you can still get the magazine for \$6.75 for one year and two years \$12.93.

These rates for both magazines represent a 25% savings to members over the regular rates. You must send for the magazines through your state secretary.

Secretary-Treasurer, GEORGE HANSEN, lives in Woodburn (293 Bradley St. 97071) and has been into bees for 10 years. He is currently working 400 hives and earning his living in pollination and honey.

"I became interested in bees when I bought a house with a box hive in the shed. Got help hiving it. It died. Felt so bad, I bought 4 packages. That started me on the road to financial ruin!" commented George.

Mr. Hansen belongs to the Willamette Valley Beekeepers (30 members) which meets the last Monday in Salem. He has headed up fairs and

exhibits committee last year and was commended at the Fall meeting for his good job at the State Fair!

George and his wife have 2 boys, ages 4 years and 15 months. Soccer and carving are some of his spare-time interests.

"I want to write articles for the BEE LINE such as bear stories and other tall tales. I would like to get some correspondence from beekeepers about their interesting run-ins with bears and some amusing (in retrospect) disasters, fibs about honey production, etc. I'll keep beekeepers anonymous where desired and will only stretch the 'truth' where it is necessary to make a good story," says George.

So----Beekeepers, drop George a line!



George Hansen



John Campbell

JOHN CAMPBELL, Vice-President from Southern Oregon (7843 Gold RAY Road, Central Point 97502), has been keeping bees for 5 years. His 80 hives are used commercially for honey production and pollination. They're also his hobby.

"I became interested in bees when I was young and used to collect them from flowers and keep them in a jar. I wanted some hives but my folks said, 'NO.' Later, I got 4 started and raised some honey for the house and the bees just grew and grew. The swarm calls started coming. I finished the first season with 10 colonies."

When asked about his family, John invited us all to his wedding. He married Kim Larson of Medford on Dec. 13, 1980.-- Best wishes Kim and John from OSBA.

Carpentry is John's occupation. He is a member of the Southern Oregon Beekeepers. This group of about 40 meets every first Monday at the Extension Auditorium.

John's Message: "I urge each of you to use the association to your advantage this year; get into it."



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Jimmie Ralls  
Photo somewhere in  
Christmas mail rush!

Vice President of the Eastern Region, JIMMIE WAYNE RALLS, lives in Powell Butte (RT. 1, Box 290, Zip 97753). He became interested in beekeeping 10 years ago when his father-in-law gave him a couple of old 8 frame hives. "Bought a couple of packages of bees from Sears and it just went from there!" Jimmie's 50 hobby hives are used for honey production.

"My wife and I run a very small bee supply business. Lots of people in our area are interested in bees and come with questions. If I don't know, I try to send them to someone who does. Beekeeping is a never-ending learning process. It's more than just putting bees in a hive and taking honey out once a year!"

Jimmie continues, "As far as I know, there isn't a Bee Club in this area, but there are lots of beekeepers."

The Ralls have a daughter, Charity (7), and a son, Joel (5). They enjoy camping, playing tennis, square dancing, and, of course, beekeeping. Jim's regular job is a lumber grader at the mill.

Jimmie's message: "For a Bee Club or Association to function or operate smoothly, it needs input from not only its officers, but every one of its members.

"If you're an OSBA member in my area, introduce yourself and let's get acquainted."

Dear Santa,

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Wed.	8:30 AM	Bees and Their Relatives -- Carl Johansen, WSU, Pullman
Jan. 21	9:15	Bee Behavior, Pheromones and Social Order--R.D. Akre, WSU, Pullman
	10:00	BREAK
	10:30	Bee Anatomy -- John Corner, Provincial Apiarist, Vernon, B.C.
	11:15	Beekeeping Equipment-- Roger Morse, Cornell Univ., Ithaca
	1:30 PM	Bee Management-- Don Peer, Nipawin, Saskatchewan
	2:15	Swarm Prevention and Swarm Control -- Mike Burgett, OSU, Corvallis
	3:00	BREAK
	3:30	Bee Diseases -- Hachiro Shimanuki, USDA, Beltsville
	4:15	Comb Honey Production-- Roger Morse
Thurs.	8:30 AM	Nutrition of Honey Bee Queen, Drone and Worker Brood and Adults--
Jan. 22		Martha Gilliam, USDA, Tucson, AZ
	9:15	Medication and Comb Rotation for AFB and EFB-- Roy Thurber, PSBKA, Kirkland
	10:00	BREAK
	10:30	ETO Fumigation -- Jim Bach, WSDA, Yakima
	11:15	Package Bee and Queen Introduction Techniques --Alfred Dietz, UG, Athens
	1:30 PM	Charting Nectar Flows and Their Use in Bee Management -- Doug McCutcheon, BCDA, Surrey
	2:15	Pollination -- B. J. D. Meeuse, UW, Seattle
	3:00	BREAK
	3:30	Setting Up An Outyard -- Bill Rahr, PSBKA, Bellevue
	4:15	Honey Bee Queen Raising for Hobbyists--Al Sylvester, USDA, Baton Rouge, LA

The American Beekeeping Federation has decided this will be the last convention North of the 40 degree latitude. That means never again will we have the opportunity to have a beekeeping short course with so many world reknowned speakers so DON'T MISS THIS!



Marvin Smith

Coastal Vice-President, MORRIS L. SMITH, lives in Toledo (Rt. 1, Box 504, 97391). He learned beekeeping as a child from his father and has been keeping them for 60 years. Currently, he has 7 hives.

Mr. Smith's family includes several sisters and a brother. He's a retired watchman and enjoys photography, stamp collecting, horticulture (fruit), and belongs to the Lincoln County Historical Society.

ABF Meeting in Seattle  
Jan. 19-23, 81

Mr. Roy Thurber has sent us the following message:

"We're spending a huge bundle to bring speakers from all over the U.S. to talk at the ABF convention..... There will be a short course for Oregon-Washington beekeepers at the same time--our winter meeting.

Some really fabulous speakers will be at ABF and have agreed to give talks aimed at the small beekeepers for our short course! It's an opportunity of a lifetime!

Pre-registration is a good idea--we're expecting over 1000 participants.

(Ed. Note--Maybe some folks will be wanting to car-pool from Oregon to Washington. Check with your fellow beekeepers.)

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Seattle, Washington

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

(In case of emergency, where you can be reached during your stay here)

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After December 29, 1980

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January 21, 1981

per day

Beekeeping Short Course \$15.00 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

January 22, 1981

per day

Tillicum Village Jan. 21 \$22.00 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Harbor Cruise to Blake

Island State Park with

Indian Salmon Bake

Ladies Luncheon Jan. 22 \$11.50 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Beef Stroganoff

Coronation Ball Jan. 22 \$15.75 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Breast of Capon

Annual Banquet Jan. 23 \$19.20 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Broiled Filet of Salmon

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND ME:

Honey show information

Optional tour information

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Display booth information

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Thanks to my husband,  
Bob, who allowed himself  
to be conned into typing the  
final copy for the printers!  
Joan

Radio spots promoting bees and honey will be aired for January, February, and March on a trial basis. Approval was voted at the 1980 Fall OSBA meeting.

The FCC requires stations to use a certain percentage of their broadcast time for Public Service Announcements--information of interest or value to the community--at no charge to the organization sending in the "spot."

We will not be advertising "buy Joe Blow's honey" or "Jane Doe's bees for pollination rent."

I will be contacting all Oregon broadcasting stations. If you hear one of OSBA's PSA's you might compliment the station. We want to encourage the stations to use these announcements.

If you do not hear them used on your area stations, you might call and inquire. Perhaps I will have missed your local station; if so, let me know. The spots will be 10-30 seconds long.

Samples of PSA's I have researched and written up for use on Oregon's airways follow:

"It is estimated that pollination by bees increases the yield of a crop by 25-75 percent. More than 20 fruit and vegetable crops and 30 seed crops need to be pollinated by bees. This information furnished by the Oregon State Beekeepers Association."

"Beeswax has many uses: cosmetics, drugs, waterproofing, crayons, dental impressions, church candles, varnish, polish, etc. U. S. Industries need twice as much beeswax as is produced by American bees and must import wax from the Southern Hemisphere. This inform.----"

"Lower your oven temperature by 25°F when baking products made with honey or they may brown too quickly. This helpful hint from ----."

Joan Olstrom  
Bee "PR" Person

## ADDRESS CHANGE ?

If you change your address, PLEASE notify the newsletter. Each Beeline that is returned costs the OSBA money that could be put to a better use. Each returned newsletter also delays your receiving it on time.



Joan  
Olstrom

JOAN OLSTROM (3164 Maple Ct., Reedsport, 97467), will be editing the BEE LINE this next year. She was leading a Small Animals 4-H club. The kids expanded from ducks and rabbits to goats, chickens, and bees. She received her first hive as a Mother's Day gift.

Joan's 24 hives are mainly for honey production because she doesn't like to move them about. Her husband says he always has to carry more than half the weight! Its nice to keep them in one place all year.

Besides this new job of editing the BEE LINE, Joan does some other writing, keeps house for her husband, Bob, and son, Eric (12), a cat, dog, and several rabbits. She's also helping her teacher-contractor husband build their new house--complete with honey room!

Joan's hobbies include reading, sewing, recipe development, and learning to play the organ. This new job has limited her practice time.

The BEE LINE is your paper and Joan is just the one selected to get it all together and in the printers and Post Office. She will need your help for meeting notices, address changes, advertisements, etc. If you have an article to contribute, she'd be delighted to include it with a by-line for you! If your recipe is not an original, please give credit to the source.

By the way, Joan is pronounced JO-ANN, but she'll answer to JONI, MOM, and HEY-YOU!

**CHOCOLATE CRUSTED EGGNOG PIE**

- 9" Chocolate pie shell
- 1 1/2 cups finely crushed chocolate cookies or wafers
- 6 Tbsp. melted Butter or Marg.
- 1 Tbsp. unflavored Gelatin
- 3 Tbsp. HONEY or 2 Tbsp. if using dairy Eggnog
- 1/8 tsp. Salt
- 1 cup Milk or dairy Eggnog
- 3 large Egg Yolks, slightly btn.
- 1 tsp. Vanilla
- 3 large Egg Whites
- 1 Tbsp. light HONEY
- 1/2 cup Whipping Cream
- 1/4 tsp. Nutmeg

Mix chocolate crumbs with melted butter. Press firmly in 9" pie pan and chill. In saucepan mix gelatin, HONEY and salt. Stir in milk or eggnog and slightly beaten egg yolks. Cook over medium heat till mixture thickens slightly. Add vanilla and chill till partially set. Beat egg whites till soft peaks then add 1 Tbsp. HONEY in a stream, beating until stiff peaks. Whip cream. Fold egg whites and whipped cream into chilled partially set custard. Put into chilled crumb shell. Sprinkle nutmeg over top and chill until firm, approximately 2 hours.

Wilma Ruhl

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**DUES:**

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**DEC.-JAN. Do's and Don'ts-----**

Be sure covers are rain tight and mouse guards are in place.

Be sure hives are on stands, not on the ground.

Hives tilted forward slightly will let moisture drain out.

The bees will appreciate a sunny location which is protected from wind and flooding.

Open hives only for emergency feedings--if hive is too light when you lift it.

Check your stored, extracted combs for wax moths!

Check out-yards occasionally for damage from storms, animals, or trespassers.

Work on hive repair or new construction.

Read a new beekeeping book or subscribe to a magazine if you don't already get one.

Pay your dues to OSBA. Join a local club if there's one in your area. If there isn't, organize one!

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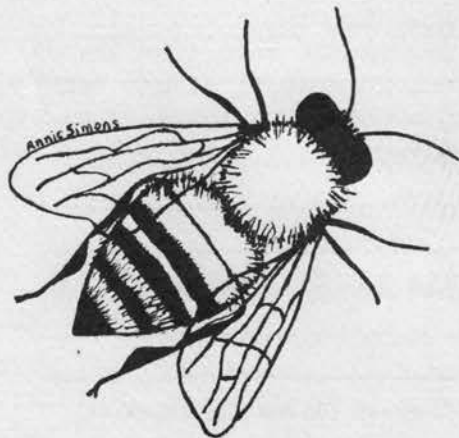
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