



# BEE LINES

Regularly scheduled meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at [1305 Pine Avenue in Snohomish](#) in the Christ the King Lutheran Church building.

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## Dates to Remember

**Dec. 11, 2007: Regular meeting and annual holiday pot-luck.**

## Minutes of the November meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Robnett at 7:00 pm. Roll call was by sign in. Minutes of the October meeting were approved as read.

Treasurers report:

Savings balance as of 10/31/07 is \$832.97 The checking balance is \$1055.35.

October meeting minutes: Approved as corrected. It was brought to our attention that only one board position required filling (the one currently held by Connie Buler). A clarification was requested by Scott Jenrich regarding the status of the motion by Lindsey to appoint a committee to design a research project that will produce queens suitable for our Puget Sound environment. A clarification in the minutes has been made to more clearly reflect that it was the motion to table that was adopted and not the original motion. (The original motion may be moved from the table for consideration at a future time).

Election of officers: Competition was, as last year, extremely fierce, however eve-

ryone came out unscathed and we did come up with an excellent group. They are as follows:

President: Stan Pallo

Vice President: Linzy and Marcy Johnson

Secretary/Newsletter Editor: Donna Wirt

Treasurer: John Bryant

Board member: Jim Tunnell

All newly elected and reelected officers will will take their seats in January, joining board members Scott Jenrich and Cindy White.

Congratulations to our association!!

Discussion: The beekeeping discussion included problems with dampness in the hive and feeding during cool weather. The solution for dampness is bottom to top ventilation. Provide ventilation openings at the top of the hive and keep the entrance and bottom board clean. Keep the hive tipped forward slightly to keep the rain water out. A screened bottom board will also assist with ventilation. Jim Tunnell noted that he began drilling extra vent holes in his 4 quart top feeder when he observed a lack of air circulation while feeding. Remember that a reasonably strong colony will not die of cold alone in our climate but it will most certainly die

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when cold and damp. Scott Jenrich, during the feeding discussion described successfully feeding bees in an emergency situation by pouring granulated sugar on a paper placed on the top frames inside of an empty top box.

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Board member: Cindy White: (360)563-2605  
Board member: Scott Jenrich: (360)658-1198

Announcements: [Our annual Holiday Party Potluck will be held at our normal meeting location day and time, but in a different room.](#) [All members and their family and friends are welcome.](#) The association will provide utensils and soda. This will be a true pot luck, so bring whatever you wish. There is a microwave and range available to reheat dishes. Anyone having extra door prizes or inventory items they wish to donate, please bring them that evening.

### **December beekeeping**

Keep the entrances free of dead bees. This is a good time to go to beekeeper meetings and read all of the beekeeper magazines that have been stacking up all year. Repair old equipment, and assemble all the new supers and frames you will need next year. If you need permits for out yards, apply for them now.

### **January beekeeping**

Make or order spare hives or other equipment required for the coming season. See that hive entrances are kept free of dead bees. Note the amount of bee loss in your apiary note book. Order queens and package bees now to avoid the last minute rush.