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Swann, Angela Dooley, David and Susan Ellis, and Lisa Fifield went shopping with a grocery list two feet long that Bonnie Funderburg and Mary Swann had prepared. Right before everyone went shopping, vendors started showing up. I gave them directions where each one was to go. We had a total of eight vendors, which was great for our state meeting. I hope each one of you got to meet and talk with them. Please remember the next time you order from them, thank them for coming. It saves each one of us a lot of time and money. Thursday night some of us went to eat at Cracker Barrel; then we went back to the room to sleep. I should say try to sleep. I didn't sleep two hours all night. I got up

Letter from the President:

On Thursday, October 7th, 2010 I arrived about 2:30 P.M. at Taylor Road Baptist Church to find it set up and ready for the Alabama Beekeepers Association convention. A couple of hours later, Mary and Ken

at 5:00 A.M. and went to the church, put up ABA sign, and came back to get ready for a very busy day ahead. About 6:30 A.M. people started showing up to get their packets. The last of the vendors came in to set up. Pam and Jeff Lee, Susan Ellis, Mary Swann, and Angela Dooley worked the registration table. David Ellis and I assisted when we had time. For about two to three hours, we were very busy directing speakers for breakout sessions and directing Honey Show and Picture contestants where to go. We had a great breakfast furnished by Lisa Fifield's club the Central Alabama Beekeepers Association. A special

thanks to them for a great job. After the first speaker started, things became somewhat calm. Thanks to everyone that helped with registration and selling promotional items.

Thanks to John Mynard, Randy Hamann, and Nolan Dooley, our grill designer, for Friday's dinner. Friday afternoon went very well with excellent speakers and many beekeepers attentive to their presentations. About 3:15, Nolan and I started cooking steaks for the banquet that night. We finished twenty minutes before time to start the banquet. The kitchen was the

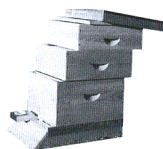
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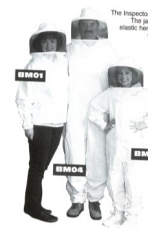
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happening place; most of you that came to the ABA convention don't have any idea how much time and effort it takes to get that much food ready for that many people. There were several ladies helping Di-
anne in the Kitchen. If I started naming everyone, I would surely miss someone. Many thanks to all that helped prepare and serve. Our convention would not have been a success without you. Thanks to everyone that brought desserts; they were wonderful. We had a great banquet and wonderful singing by Traci Hite, daughter of Hobson and Niva Hite.

Saturday morning didn't start as early; it was after 7:00 before everything got underway. The first session was good, and then we had our annual business meeting, which went very well. We have a new

annual meeting. ABA members have no concept of how much she does all year long and especially for the annual meeting. We all missed her being there directing us; but her great helper, Mary Swann, did an excellent job. Thanks Mary for taking over in Bonnie's absence.

David and Lynne Kelton brought our potatoes and steaks this year. I really appreciate both of them bringing the steaks and potatoes. They were very good. The children's program was good. There were not many children; but, this was the first year we have had a children's program. I really appreciate Elizabeth Whitaker and Sherry Ferrell for the wonderful job they did on something new.

President, Vice-President and two new directors. At dinner we had the best BBQ in the southeast, brought by Barry and Linda Banks. It was a fantastic meal. The rest of the meeting went very well. There were lots of wonderful door prizes. The Beekeeper of the year went to a well deserving beekeeper.

I would like to thank David Ellis for two great years as President; I enjoyed working with him and Susan. I'm excited about our new Vice-President, Damon Wallace; I know he is going to be the best yet. David Kelton and Barry Banks, our new Directors, both have substantial knowledge coming on to the Board. I am looking forward to working with them.

It was good to have Bonnie Funderburg at our

The Honey Show and Picture contest was also good. Damon Wallace made the comment that it was getting harder to judge. That means that contestants are doing a better job of getting their honey ready.

I would like to thank Dr. Jim Tew, Dr. Keith Delaplane, Kent Williams, Sherry Ferrell, David Kelton, Elizabeth Whitaker, Roslyn Horton, David and Susan Ellis, Mary Swann, Doris Snider, Damon Wallace and his helpers, for the commendable job they all did at the convention.

I'm already looking forward to Dr. Tew's Spring Beekeeping Symposium at Auburn on February 5th, 2011. The Alabama Beekeepers Association will sponsor the lunch again as we have for several

years. We are planning to have space heaters available. Bonnie will report what the meal will be.

I would like to thank each one of you that attended the annual meeting; you are the ones that made it a success. Thank you for placing your trust in me as your Vice-President. I hope I will be the President you expect me to be. Call me if you have some good ideas.

I would like to thank Lonnie Funderburg for the job he does; when I ask him to do something, he always does it. Thanks Lonnie. The main thing I missed at the Annual Meeting was my wife, Nancy.

She is the best half of our wonderful thirty-five years together, and I hope she can be with me next year. I did have two wonderful children keeping up with me. Argin and Lexie Dooley have adopted me as their Papa. They are two great children.

Keep Bonnie Funderburg in your prayers.

Phillip Garrison, President 

Letter from the Vice-President-

This is my first *Stinger* as your new Vice-President of the Alabama Beekeepers Association. I have to say that I am awed that the membership is en-

trusting this office to me. It will be a tough roll to fill after the standards set by out-going, now President, Phillip Garrison. Phillip's programs and State meetings for the past three years have been tremendous.

Wasn't that an outstanding State Meeting we had in Montgomery in October! The speakers, the programs, workshops, selection of vendors, the facilities were all exceptional. The ladies who provided all the food, snacks and meals for us all were also excellent. Our State bee inspectors who grilled the meat, the barbecue, the vendors, and the huge numbers of beekeepers attending were all first-rate. I really gained from the information shared. What a beekeeping event!

We are beginning the planning process for the




2011 Alabama Beekeepers Association meeting, October 7 - 8, at Taylor Road Baptist Church in Montgomery. Respected bee experts are being contacted for their participation in the meeting. But, there is still time to add speakers or programs that you would like to see. We will try to add them, if at all possible. Please, just let me know your suggestions.

Christmas is almost here, and I'm thinking of getting my wife a new hive tool to go with the new smoker that she needs. That truck bed hoist for lifting the hives into the back of the truck, which she keeps mentioning, will just have to wait. *Editor's Note: Damon sent me his letter in plenty of time. I am sim-*

ply slow putting this thing together.)

Merry Christmas to you all! Damon Wallace,
Vice-President damonwallace.beeman@gmail.com

334-745-5312 (Home) 


Letter from the Secretary/Treasurer

Many thanks for all the prayers for me. This has been a difficult time, and I apologize to those I have been late depositing their checks.

Don't forget to attend Dr. Tew's workshop on

February 5th. Please help us out with the lunch by bringing desserts or drinks.

I enjoyed seeing so many of you at the annual meeting and am looking forward to seeing you again at Auburn. I need at least two more volunteers to help with preparation of lunch at Dr. Tew’s workshop. If you are available, give me a call at 205-625-3464 or e-mail funder@otelco.net. Thanks for your help.

Bonnie 

Minutes of the annual business meeting:

Minutes of 2011 annual meeting of the Alabama Bee-

keepers Association

President David Ellis called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum. He asked if there was any new business. Then he asked Hobson Hite to give a report from the Nominating Committee.



The nominee for president was Phillip Garrison. There were no nominations from the floor. Phillip Garrison was elected president by acclamation. Nominee for Vice-President was Damon Wallace. There were no nominations from the floor. Damon Wallace was elected Vice-President by acclamation. Barry Banks was nominated to finish Damon Wallace’s one year term as a director. There were no nominations from the floor. Barry Banks was elected a director by acclamation. David Kelton was nominated to be a director. There were no nominations from the floor. David Kelton was elected a director by acclamation. Mike Stoops was nominated to be a director. There were no nominations from the floor. Mike Stoops was elected a director by acclamation.

Bonnie Funderburg was nominated to be Secretary/Treasurer. There were no nominations from the floor. Bonnie Funderburg was elected Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

It was announced that Nolan Dooley constructed our new trailer mounted grill. All agreed to come back to Taylor Road Baptist Church next year for the 2011 meeting.

Tom Kaarh made a motion that we look into 501 (c) (3) status. Motion was seconded. All agreed. Motion passed.

Bonnie Funderburg gave a Treasurer’s report. At that time there was \$11,557.81 in the checkbook and \$5,000 in a CD. Bill Evans gave a good report on

the accounting books.

David Ellis adjourned the meeting. 

Minutes of the Board of Directors:

Present: Phillip Garrison, Bill Miller, David Kelton, Jeff Lee, Davie Ellis, Bonnie Funderburg, Damon Wallace, and Mike Stoops. David Ellis presided. David Ellis recognized a quorum.

Old business: Mike Stoops looked into Honey Queen. He said the expense of moving around was born by the group or she is going to pay herself. Mike Stoops asked if he could follow up on the Honey

Queen. David Ellis made him chairman of research on Honey Queen.

New Business: David Kelton suggested we set up something for grants for struggling beekeepers. This is in conjunction with 501(c)(3) status. David Kelton was asked by David Ellis to look into this matter and talk to Dr. Tew about it. Jeff Lee was assigned to look into the process of getting 501(c)(3) status.

Bonnie Funderburg brought up that Dennis Barclift wanted a microscope for the lab at Auburn. Dennis Barclift needs to get a letter to us with the information needed. Phillip Garrison said that he would

talk to Dennis Barclift about this.

Mike Stoops proposed that we buy ten to twenty swarm traps for the state. Then Mike Stoops talked about the Heifer project. Jeff Lee talked about the fact that Dr. Tew and Sherry Ferrell come to our meetings and need projector and screen. Jeff Lee asked if we should buy these for the association. Jeff Lee will get the cost for the projector and screen. We talked about the February meal. We will reimburse David Kelton for fuel to heat the Heritage Pavilion.

Meeting adjourned. 🐝



Rex Aldridge Received 2010 Beekeeper of the Year Award—

At the annual Friday night banquet, Rex Aldridge of Robertsdale was presented with the 2010 Alabama Beekeeper of the Year Award by President David Ellis. Ellis read the lengthy and extensive contributions that Rex Aldridge has made to Alabama beekeeping. Most notable was the number of beekeepers that he has helped get started. Mr. Aldridge is a mainstay in the Baldwin County Beekeepers Association. 🐝

Jackson County Beekeepers Association—

A new beekeeping association was formed

recently. The Jackson County Beekeepers Association meets the first Thursday in every even numbered month, February, April, June, August, and September, at 6:30 P.M. in the ALFA Insurance office located at 2362 John T. Reid Parkway in Scottsboro. All area beekeepers are invited to come join in and help them grow. The contact person is Ray Latham at 256-574-5234 or raylatham@scottsboro.org. Submitted by Bob Fanning. *(Editor's Note: Since assuming the duties of Webmaster for the Alabama Beekeepers Association several years ago, Bob Fanning has diligently maintained our website. Keeping our website current and accurate is a full time responsibility. Everyone who reads this should check out www.alabamabeekeepers.com Bob Fanning will appreciate any and all assistance with upcoming events,*


club listings, and other information that he provides to beekeepers on our website. He cannot attend every beekeeping club meeting in the state. He does not read every obituary in Alabama. He needs your help. If you know of an error or omission, have a club project to publish, or a club member to recognize, send Bob an e-mail. He will thank you.) 🐝

John Eduard Schultz— April 7, 1920 – January 1, 2011.

From the Crestview Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home. “Mr. John Edward Schultz died peacefully at home January 1, 2011 following a stroke.”

This so very difficult for me to write because I can still see Mr. Schultz sitting to my right at most every Walker County Beekeepers meeting. Mr. Schultz always had an appropriate comment. He always brought an interesting gadget or gizmo. Too many years ago to remember, it's getting worse, we were discussing liquefying granulated honey at our monthly meeting. Mr. Schultz told everyone that he used an old chest-type deep freeze covered with a glass door to re-liquefy granulated honey. When I asked where I could get an old chest-type deep freeze, Mr. Schultz said, “Come by my house, and I'll give you one.” I did, and I still have the old chest-type deep freeze that he gave me. It's in my basement with

a small electric space heater from Dollar General. It works great. I'll always be thankful for having known Mr. Schultz and will really miss him at our meetings.

He will not be replaced. 

Madison County Beekeepers Float—

October 2, 2010. The Madison Street Festival was a huge success. The Madison County Beekeepers Association won first place for the second consecutive year in the float judging contest. The theme for the parade had to do with trains thus the cow catcher and train wheels and Dale's huge bee smoker from last year's float that served as a smoke stack this

year, modified by Dale to puff smoke as would a steam locomotive.

We owe a special thanks to Dale & Tammy Rohe (float designer and chief architect + trailer painter), Bob & Nancy Martin (paper Mache and train wheel designer / builder), Scott and Francis Akridge (tons of individual bees that flew all around the float [on sticks] and their live dogs Okie and Toby dressed as bees and flowers that are always a major attraction, and Henry Smith for the use of his trailer and Allison Harris. Please take time to thank these devoted members for a lot of long hours of hard work.

Also thanks to the beekeeper who marched in

full bee suits along with the float and especially Keith Fletcher who led the float with a lit smoker.

Marchers included Dale Rohe, Bob Martin, Tom Morgan, Whitney Rohe, Caleb Morse, Henry Rollins and is grandson Riley, Scott Akridge, Frances Akridge, Mary Katherine Sturtevant (our Queen Bee

on the float), Bucko Gates, Austin Martin, and Keith Fletcher.

Madison had a huge crowd turn out for the parade. An awful lot of positive comments were observed from the crown as we passed by regarding honey, honeybees and beekeeping. Our float was a big success. Another job well done by our members I really appreciate it. Bob Fanning.



The Adventures of a Beginning Beekeeper

My name is Steve Moore. I live in Crenshaw County right on the Pike/Crenshaw county line on Hwy 29 almost halfway between Troy and Luverne. I have a friend who had some bee hives and listening to

him talk I got interested in beekeeping. So I started doing some research, buying some books and asking some questions. I got a couple of real bee hives from my friend, or so I thought. Come to find out they were box hives. By this I mean they were bees that were just put in a box the size of a regular bee hive.

No removable frames, no top you could take off and look in, just a small 3-inch long entrance for the bees to go and come.

I was reading a booklet that someone had given me from the Agricultural Extension Office and found out that a box hive was illegal in the state of Alabama. You had to be able to inspect the hive for diseases and of course to see how your hive is doing, thriving or dwindling. Their suggestion for making a box hive legal was to take the box hive and turn it upside down and set the real hive with frames on top and the queen should go up top and start laying in the new frames, once they are drawn out. Well...I waited for 21 days; my thinking was to wait for any brood to

hatch before I remove the old box hive with the wild comb in the box. I went back to the hive to fix everything and make it a legal hive. To my disappointment the frames were not drawn out, and they had built new comb on the bottom of the frames I had just put on there 3 weeks ago. So, I decided to experiment. This colony was about 60,000 bees strong. I took a small beetle trap bottom board and put it on the bottom and left the pan out that you put vegetable oil in to draw the small hive beetle. I then set the base I made to accommodate the transfer of the box hive to the Langstroth hive then the Langstroth hive and then the box hive then a queen excluder and then a medium super. After 2 weeks I went back just to do a visual and they

were busier than they have ever been. I don't know if it is the ventilation factor or the increased size of the entrance or what. But I plan to go back and check on them after about 30 days. Hopefully, they will have started laying in the frames. If not I am going to get the bees brushed off of the box hive comb and onto the frames to make sure I get the queen into the Langstroth hive.

I ordered 2 three pound packages and put them in 2 hives. I was experimenting again and one of the hives had ten frames and one had nine frames. The ten frame hive was plastic foundation and the nine frame hive had brood foundation. To make a long story short I lost the hives to wax moths. Where I work I ran into a man who used to work 100 hives

of his own. He told me that I should have started my hives in a Nuc and the bees would have had more time to build up their colony and would have been able to keep the wax moths in check. Trial and error are one of life's best educators.

By next spring I plan to have 2 bee hives and also purchase 2 more package bees and put them in Nucs and see what happens. The hives will come from a beekeeper friend of mine and the package bees from a good bee company such as Rossman in Georgia.

That is it for now. I will share some more crazy happens from a beginning beekeeper very soon. Steve Moore 334-268-4344

Steventmoore@hughes.net 

Packages and Queens For Sale—

David Kelton will have 3 pound package bees for \$75.00 or 3 pound package with 1/2 pound high protein brood builder and a gallon of medicated syrup for \$95.00. These packages will be ready for pickup on April 1st. All orders must be placed by Feb. 15, 2011 and a 50% deposit will be required at time of ordering. These are selling fast and it is first come-first served.

We also will be beginning another Beginner Bee Keeping Class Jan. 20, 2011 and will meet every Monday night for 6 weeks. The cost will be \$75.00

per person this will include book and all class materials.

We will also have Queens available around May 1st. For information on ordering packages or for the bee class contact David Kelton at 256-523-4767 or 256-441-2887 or email us at

drkswire@hotmail.com 

Letter from the Editor—With all the help I had with this issue, they did not leave me much space. It is that time of the year again for many of you to pay your dues. Come to Dr. Tew's workshop on February 5th. We will have the usual table setup sell-

ing Alabama Beekeepers Association paraphernalia. That's not exactly the correct word. Anyway, come by and pay your dues. If I can remember, I'll mail out a post card before the April issue of the *Stinger* as a reminder. Look at your mailing label. If it says 12-31-2010, it's time to pay your dues. If you are one of those wonderful members who accept your *Stinger* by E-Mail, thank you. You enjoy the pictures in color, it comes a few days sooner, anyway, your renewal date will be in the e-mail. Be sure your club doesn't pay your state dues for you. Bonnie usually has a few whose club pays, and then the member pays. Then she has to communicate and refund. Save her the grief.

The last report on my scale hive was through September 18th. The scale hive weighed 184 pounds. It could not get any heavier, right? Well, guess what, my scale hive continued to gain weight until October 11th when it weighed 229 pounds. I strongly suspect that the scale hive must have been robbing out some other hive. However, my other three hives in my backyard appeared to be doing very well, also. Who knows. Today, January 7th, 2011, now you know how late I am putting this *Stinger* together, Wil Montgomery came over so he could ride with Bonnie and me to Birmingham. Bonnie had an appointment with her pulmonary doctor, and I had some business in Birmingham. Wil needed a battery for his cordless drill-driver. That cordless drill-driver is almost as handy as

a hivetool. Anyway, while Wil was here at the house, he checked on my hives. He said that the scale hive still weighed 220 pounds. Incredible! They must have made some more honey after I quit weighing.

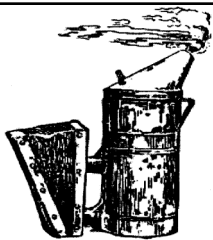
I received an e-mail last week with a short note about an error in the last *Stinger*. Apparently I have been publishing this same error for eighteen months. Please don't let me keep printing something that is wrong. Look at your local club listing on page 9. Let's keep the club listings up to date.

We might have some snow in the forecast. It's that time of the year when you should be in the shop preparing woodenware for all the splits and packages you'll have this spring. At a minimum, get a swarm

box ready so you will be prepared for that first swarm call.

While Wil was buying his battery, we got to talking about bees. The salesperson just happened to be a beekeeper. This is going to be a good year for bees. We are going to do better this year. We are going to reverse. We are going to feed supplemental pollen. We are going to super up on time. We are going to make splits to reduce swarming. We are going to have a record honey crop. See you at Auburn on the

5th. LWF 



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| Membership | 396 | Members as of September 24, 2010 |
| Report: | + 51 | New members |
| | + 12 | Paid Dues |
| | 459 | Members as of January 7, 2011 |

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Regional Clubs/Associations

Baldwin County: John Kittrell, Pres. 10828 County Road 1, Fairhope, AL 36532-5913; jonkittrell@gmail.com . Meet 7:00 P.M. 1st Monday at Robertsdale Fire Dept, St. Paul & Racine Streets, across from water tower. (Updated 06-15-2010)

Central Alabama Beekeepers Association: Allyson Andrews, Pres. jandrews1@elmore.rr.com; (334) 799-2254. Meet 6:00 PM 1st Thursday of every month. Call for meeting place. (Updated 03-12-2010)

Choctaw County: No current information available. Please update.

Cullman County: Phillip Garrison, Pres. 178 County Rd 1327, Vine-mont, AL 35179-6871, Tel (256) 734-5963, Meet 2nd Tue at 6:30 P.M. every odd month at Main Alfa Building, 307 Main Ave N.W., Cullman, AL 35055 (Updated 11-12-2002)

East Alabama Beekeepers: Ralph Sanchez, Pres, P.O. Box 68, Delta, AL 36258-0068, (256) 488-5426. Meet at 6:30 P.M. at Clay Co. Extension Office in Ashland. (Updated 01-13-07)

Escambia County: Clyde Bruley says that this club is no longer meeting. (Updated 8-26-09)

Etowah County: David Kelton, Pres. 1590 Tabor Cutoff, Gadsden, AL 35904-9755, drkswire@hotmail.com ; Tinsley H. Gregg, Auburn Ext Ofc Agent, 3299-A West Meighan Blvd, Gadsden, AL 35094. Tel (256) 547-7936. Meet 1st Thu at 6:30 P.M. at Carnes Recreation Center, 103 Case Avenue, Attalla, AL 256-570-0202 Updated (2-04-2010)

Jackson County Beekeepers Association: Contact Ray Latham, 256-574-5234, raylatham@scottsboro.org. Meet 6:30 PM even numbered months at ALFA Insurance office, 2362 John T. Reid Parkway, Scottsboro, AL (Updated 01-08-2011)

Jefferson County: Danielle Dowell, Pres. 4neerdowells@gmail.com. Meet 7:00 P.M. 3rd Thu Birmingham Botanical Gardens, 2612 Lane Park Rd. Birmingham, AL 35223-1802 County agent, [Sallie Lee](mailto:SallieLee) (205) 879-6964 Ext 11 (Updated 03-10-2010)

Limestone County Beekeepers Association: Jeff Lee, Pres. leej@pclnet.net 256-874-6067. Meets 2nd Thu of even months at 6:00 PM in ALFA building, 524 Hwy 72 West, Athens, AL 35611 (Updated 03-18-2010)

Madison County: Bob Fanning, Pres. 1332 Four Mile Post Road, Huntsville, AL 35802-1515, (256) 883-9601 k4vb@knology.net. Meet 6:30 P.M. 2nd Thu in odd-numbered months at Botanical Gardens, 4747 Bob Wallace Ave, Huntsville, AL (Updated 09-23-2010)

Mobile County: No current information available. Please update.

Monroe County: Contact Toria Sims at 4349 Turkey Hollow Rd. Frisco City, AL 36445-5154; 251-267-3520; toriasims@frontiernet.net, meet 7:00 P.M. 2nd Thu of third month (Mar. Jun. Sep. Dec.) at Southern Pine Building. (Updated 1-14-2009)

North-West Alabama Bee Club: Phillip Irions, 6010 County Road 87, Waterloo, AL 35677-3681 Tel (256) 766-0793. E-mail piri-

ons@HIWAAY.net Meet 3rd Thu 6:20 P.M. at Darby Drive Church of Christ, Florence, AL

North-East Alabama (Calhoun County & surrounding area): Joe Abernathy, Pres. 256-835-1214, abernathyjoe@mac.com. Meet 6:30 P.M. 2nd Thu 17th & Noble Sts, Auburn Extension Administration Building, Anniston, AL (Updated 12-10-2009)

Sand Mountain Beekeepers (Blount, DeKalb, Jackson, Marshall & NE AL): Lyle Greenwood, Pres, Tel (256)586-2206, lgwood@otelco.net. Meet 6:30 P.M. on 3rd Thu of even numbered months at Guntersville Public Library, 1240 O'Brig Ave. (Updated 04-26-09)

SAUGAHATCHEE BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION (Lee Co.) John Lang, president, john2@ctvea.net. Meet 1st Tuesday of even numbered months 6:00 P.M. at Lee County Extension Office, 600 S. 7th St., Opelika, AL. Contact Dani Carroll, (334) 749-3353. (Updated 1-07-2009)

South Alabama (Mobile County): This local association has ceased meeting and disbanded. (Updated 10-26-2007)

Southeast Alabama Beekeepers Association: Al Liepins, pres. 260 County Road 7700, Troy, AL 36081-4424, (334) 566-7340, alsbees48@troycable.net, Meet 7:00 P.M. 1st Thu of each month at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton, AL (Updated 01-05-2008)

Tallapoosa River: There has been no communication from this organization.

Tennessee Valley Beekeepers Association: Jerry Claborn, pres. 256-355-0403 yclaborn@charter.net . Meet 2nd Thu of even months at 7:00 P.M. at the Moulton City Hall, 720 Seminary St, Moulton, AL (Updated 09-17-2010)

Walker County: Lonnie Funderburg, 1260 Easley Bridge Rd, Oneonta, AL 35121-4110 Tel (205) 625-3464. Meet 6:30 P.M. 4th Mon at Ext Svc Bldg, 1501 N. Airport Road, Jasper, AL except July and December, picnic in July. (Updated 01-26-09)

West Alabama Beekeepers Association (Bibb, Tuscaloosa, Hale, & Pickens Cos.) Bill Hewett, Pres BillHewett3824@Yahoo.com Meet 6:00 P.M. 3rd Thu monthly at County Extension Service Auditorium, 714 Greensboro Ave., Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Current website www.PremierCos.com/Bees.htm. (Updated 03-05-2009)

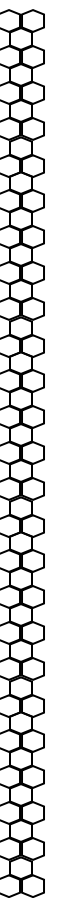
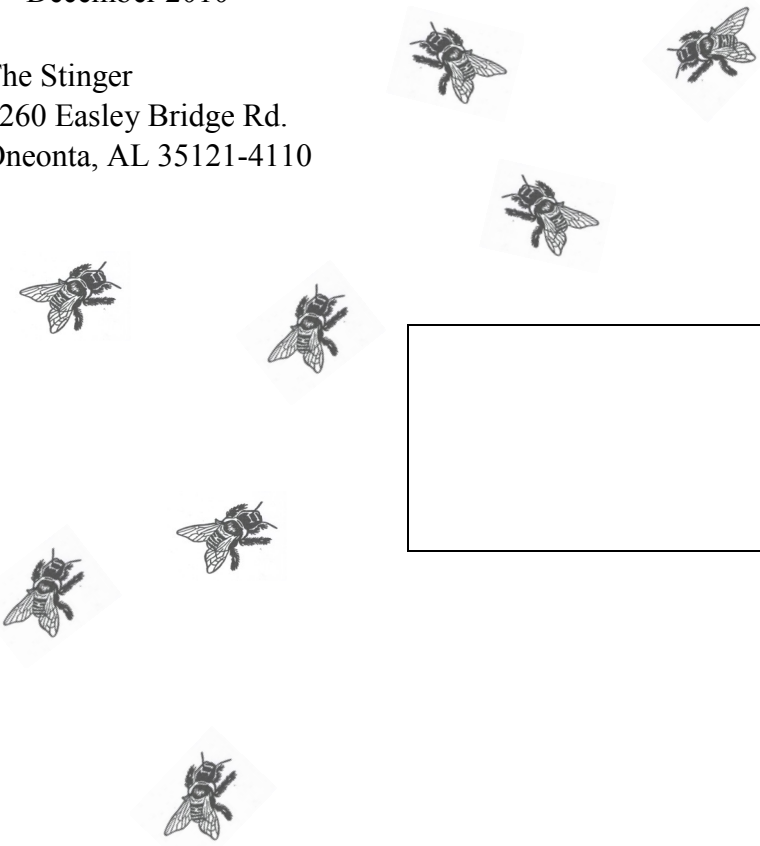
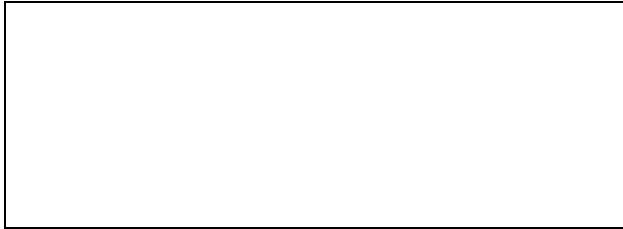
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Dr. Tew's 16th Annual Spring Beekeeping Symposium at Auburn will be Saturday, February 5th in the Lowder Business Building. Registration is at 8:00 AM. Look for a registration form in the mail. E-mail fun-der@otelco.net for an e-mailed copy if you are not a registered beekeeper. Please pre-register so we will have an idea of how much food to prepare. This workshop just keeps getting better and better. And the food isn't bad, either.

