

## **2024 Stahlman Beekeeping E-mail Notes Issue #12a**

Spring has arrived. And the bees are making the best of it. I am seeing many posts of swarms -- Finding them. There is almost nothing posted about stopping them. This newsletter addresses that issue based on what I have seen with my own bees.

I have given three bee talks, sat in on a bee meeting at a local club, mowed grass, and as this article shares, worked my bees. It is interesting that I gave a talk to the Beekeepers of the Neuse on Thursday evening. The question was asked about a double screen board. That question played right into what I had just finished using trying to prevent a colony of bees from getting away from me. This technique I used may not fit every beekeepers idea of how to prevent a colony from swarming but it works for me. The technique can be used for many other tasks. The advantage for me is I don't have a lot of equipment to house swarms and I don't have room to place them in my backyard. Some of you may liken this to skyscraper beekeeping.