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This article covers another management issue -- small hive beetles. It will be short and to the point. I have also added something to share with you. I have held office in many beekeeping organizations. I want to encourage any new beekeeper to understand they can have an impact on the future. Now that I am much older, I can look back and appreciate all the people who touched my life. I am most proud of those that were students and are now the club officers and teachers to those just beginning their road to keeping honeybees.

I am so thankful for all beekeepers (new and old). I have had an opportunity to learn from the best. In fact, I am still learning. I would like to mention that the Central Ohio Beekeepers Association invited me to a special 20th Anniversary of the club bee yard.

We all had to learn something about beekeeping at some point in our lives. I have some very special friends that contributed to the years I spent living and working in central Ohio. Many of them came together in a special event this past Wednesday on The Ohio State University campus. I mentored many of them, depended upon many of them, and love them to this day. Every organization needs someone to be the glue to hold a group together. The glue is the leadership of a group. Central Ohio Beekeepers have been blessed with great leaders. Those that were students and young beekeepers have grown up. Those that matured are now the leaders and have the responsibility to carry forward all the efforts to make a club meaningful.

I received the gift of seeing those individuals grow into the leaders of today.

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