

2024 Stahlman Beekeeping E-mail Notes Issue #21a

I am not sure how many of you missed last week's notes, but I have not forgot you. Now is a very busy time for me. I spent last week in Ohio visiting with a number of beekeepers -- friends that make me very proud of their efforts to promote beekeeping in Ohio. The visit took me back to the early 2000's and reminded me of the activities I was involved in. It included being in meetings with several hundred individuals that Judi and I call friends.

It got me to thinking that one never knows the impact one has on what was done so many years ago. I was reminded by one, "I want to get stung so I can live as long as you have!" Another reminded me of the "Fun-in-the-bee yard days with COBA" which I started and as I learned is still going on. I was also reminded of the "Ohio Queen Project carried out by OSBA with several individuals now raising great queen stock. I count my blessings each and every day when I see these individuals -- now older and successful beekeepers.

For those that ask, "Are you still keeping bees?" I wake up each and every morning to a new day thinking about what I can do today and yes, bees are in the picture.

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