

# THE BUZZzzzzzzzzzzzz



## OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

Reminder October meeting is next Monday October 14<sup>th</sup>

7:00 PM

Beulah Recreation Center

6901 Hopkins Road

Come about 6:30 to socialize and network before the meeting.

Door prizes are only available to those in attendance so “you got to be in it to win it”.

It’s time to get back to face to face meetings so we can help each other to be more sustainable beekeepers.

\*\*\*\*\***CANCELED**\*\*\*\*\*

The VSBA state meeting October 25-27<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled because of Hurricane Helene.

They are working to reschedule for late January or early February



Beekeeping Study Group Meeting

October 21

7:00 PM

Beulah Recreation Center

6901 Hopkins Road

Spring Beekeeping Class

A close-up photograph of a bee on a bright yellow flower, likely a clover. The bee is positioned on the right side of the flower, facing left. The background is a soft, out-of-focus yellow.

## 4-week session

**9am-4pm**

**January 18<sup>th</sup>**

**February 1<sup>st</sup>**

**February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**March 1<sup>st</sup>**

First class is on January 18th. Class information and sign up coming soon!!!!

A background image of autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and red, with some green leaves still visible. The leaves are scattered across the frame, creating a seasonal atmosphere.

# October To-Do List

## \*Attend bee club meetings

The month of October is nearly "last call" for beekeeping for this year. We can expect to have several good days to complete all bee-yard projects. It is not panic time, but it is must-do time.

## THE HIVES

### \*Plan to visit each hive one more time this year.

- Make your final hive inspections. Try to move the honey frames to the upper hive body and the "outer" positions in the lower hive body. Concentrate the brood to center of the lower box.
- Combine any weak hives with stronger hives (remove the weak queens & use newspaper to combine hives).
- Remove any remnants of any mite treatments that were used this fall.
- Continue checking the hive weights by lifting the backsides. Hives will need to contain enough honey or emergency feed to maintain the population. Any hive that is light should be fed a heavy sugar syrup (2:1 ratio).
  - Start preparing emergency / solid food for winter. Sugar blocks or candy boards
- Add entrance reducers or place mouse guards over the hive entrances, also be prepared to provide upper entrance/ventilation for the hive.

# PHOTO OF THE MONTH:



Photo by Vikki Davis

*Want to display your photo? send it to: [srdpottery@gmail.com](mailto:srdpottery@gmail.com)*

*\*Original photos only and plz state for the Rockwood News letter in subject line.*

## IMPORTANT LINKS

Club website: <https://rockwoodbeekeepers.com/>

2024 Complete Club Calendar: <https://rockwoodbeekeepers.com/calendar/>

Club email: [rockwood.beekeepers@gmail.com](mailto:rockwood.beekeepers@gmail.com)

Club Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RockwoodParkBackyardBeekeepers>

