

**Greetings;**

**North Central Beekeepers, the next meeting is on September 16, 2013 7:00pm at the Northland Arboretum, Brainerd.**

**Serving committee:**

**Don Isaacson and Mary Fogel**

**Program;**

**Panel discussion of mite treatments and varroa control in preparation for the winter ahead. Also included will be discussion of control of other pests and disease including nosema ceranae. Panel will be made of those who attended the Minnesota Honey Producers Convention at Walker this past July.**

**Special meeting;**

**September 21, 2013**

**Meet at bee yard 1:00pm. (Tentatively, depending on the weather)**

**Remove the honey and begin preparing the hives for winter.**

**Possibly extracting honey later in the day.**

**Jack Berry;**

**Jack a long time NCBA member was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia in late March and started treatment in April. Jack needs our help the Jack Berry Benefit is September 29, 2013 at Timbermist 4 miles north of Brainerd on hiway #3. Food, Music, Silent Auction, Live Auction and Games 1:00—5:00pm. There is matching funds from Thrivent Financial.**

**Jack Berry cont.**

**Donate auction items to Annie Vandervest; 829-3218 or 892- 0779**

**Donations to;**

**Jack Berry benefit**

**c/o Bremer Bank**

**321 South 7<sup>th</sup>. Street**

**Brainerd, Minnesota 56401**

**Members, have you pulled your honey yet? If you haven't pulled it , why not? With the weather we have been having your bees are not bringing in enough to feed themselves. So now is the time to get it done. There are many different ways to pull honey all of them correct in your yards and totally wrong in others. First off the stinky bee repellents; Bee Go this stuff is just plain putrid, Honey Robber same stuff except it isn't as putrid to people. It is still bad. Honey Bandit; all food grade ingredients, better smell, use with smoke. If you use too much Honey Bandit the bees will just pile up and you will need to ventilate the hive or brush and shake the bees out . Escapes; If your hives are perfectly bee tight and you have more time than God escapes will work. Place a escape containing board under the honey supers and above the brood boxes then wait at least a couple of days then with luck you can remove the honey supers without many bees. Once you open the hive the bees will return wanting their honey. To prevent this in a small non stinking operation cover with wet towels and the bees will not bother. In small operations of only one yard one can brush off the bees and get along just fine as long as you have all holes in your cloths sealed (duct tape) and don a pair of bee gloves with the long sleeves. With this method smoke the bees, pop the top and smoke the top them cover with wet towels. Set an empty box the same or deeper than the frames you are removing cover this with a wet towel as well. Fold the towel**

**back on the hive and remove one frame flick the bees off with your bee brush back into the hive and place the beeless frame in the extra box. Keep covered and continue until all frames are beeless. Be sure to keep the wet towels in place. Bees will not bother wet towels. When the honey is off evaluate your hive and decide to feed 2:1 syrup or not and what the mite load is. Treat if needed.**

**FOR SALE/ WANTED**

**Wanted; 8 frame extractor**

**Jerald Schulz 218-678-2123**

**Handmade bee equipment, repair used equipment;**

**Gilbert Frank**

**31979 – 456<sup>th</sup>. Ave.**

**Aitkin, Mn. 56431**

**320-241-0549, 320-292-2452**

**Wanted; Extractor**

**Adam Davidson**

**701-610-0256**

**[Saraphim280@yahoo.com](mailto:Saraphim280@yahoo.com)**

**If you have bee related ads contact me. Burt:**



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## **September Meeting**

**September 16, 2013**

Round Table Mites and Treatments

**Meeting at Brainerd Arboretum**

**7:00 pm free lunch will be served**