



## HCBC Monthly Meetings Summary

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**November 1, 2016**

**Rich** talked about membership dues and being able to get the Yellow Book.

**Spencer** talked about the Christmas party - December 6, at 6pm – potluck dinner, cake walk and silent auction.

The Phorid Fly or Zombie Fly is a small fly that makes bees fly at night. They were confirmed to be in NC last night. The fly lays eggs in the bee abdomen. You can catch a bee flying at night and let it die in a jar. Small zombie flies will emerge through the thorax and head of the bee. They may have jumped species.

There is a form you can complete now to be put on a register to be notified if farmers are going to spray for pesticides. It is a brand-new program and is trying to create communication between farmers and beekeepers.

**Elections.** We elected the following for offices:

- **Vice President** - Rich Byers
- **Treasurer** - Cynthia Schwartz
- **Directors** - Al Edwards and Spencer Higgins

**Bill** talked about being a Master Beekeeper and taking the test last Saturday at the State Meeting. He said fifteen people took the test and he talked about the benefits of being a Certified Beekeeper.

**David Zachary** volunteered to be our new Webmaster. He will talk with Cindy Way for assistance. He does the website for the Sylva Legion and we can see his work on [sylvalegion.org](http://sylvalegion.org).

**Show and Tell:**

- **Tyree** talked about his hive yard as the pictures were displayed on the wall.
- **Rick** and **Beth** told us about their hives and showed us pictures of their hive yards.
- Some members talked about the Japanese Hornet attacking hives.

Interested in taking the Master Beekeepers test? Go to the NCSBA website and select the Master Beekeepers section.

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Meeting adjourned

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