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Let's hear it for the mighty pollinators

Lots of people are keeping honeybees these days. That seems like a good idea, since wild honeybees have more or less disappeared. Keeping bees increases the bee population generally and provides pollinators for your own garden (and the possibility of your own honey).

Like most people, I am alarmed by colony collapse disorder, mites and the decline in honeybees. After all, much of the food we eat is dependent, directly or indirectly, on honeybees. Conventional mass production of tree fruit and almonds would be almost impossible without this colony-dwelling bee that can be driven about the country in hefty numbers and put to work wherever bees are needed to pollinate enormous monocultures. No wonder honeybees are stressed out.

Unlike a Central Valley almond grower, however, the average home gardener should be able to get by without the honeybee, which is not native. A healthy population

of native pollinators could probably do the job. There are thousands of native bee species in the U.S., not to mention other types of pollinating insects. Sadly, many of the same factors that hit honeybees affect native bees as well. In fact pollinators of all kinds are disappearing.

One element behind this decline is undoubtedly the loss of pollinator-friendly habitat, through development, conventional agriculture and widespread pesticide application. Native bees are affected too; they are also becoming infected with diseases and parasites spread by honeybees. All the same, non-honeybees outnumber honeybees in my garden. Bumblebees have been particularly conspicuous.

Like honeybees, bumblebees are social insects, forming small colonies. Other kinds of native bees (mason bees, for example) are solitary; that is, individual bees don't interact with one another. There may be many about at the same time, but

they don't cooperate.

The value of native bees in agriculture is beginning to get some attention. Bumblebees, it seems, venture out at lower temperatures than honeybees and even tolerate a bit of rain — valuable traits if you have early-flowering crops to pollinate. And all native bees, adapted to their work by coevolving with the plants they pollinate, can be as much as 100 times as efficient at it.

While many native bees are specialists, visiting only a certain kind of flower, bumblebees and some others are “generalists” that are happy to visit your apples, squash and so on. What can we do to encourage them? Solitary bees lay their eggs in bark crevices and hollow stems, and occasionally in man-made, purpose-built accommodations. Some bees need a certain amount of bare, uncultivated ground (without a thick covering of bark mulch!). Bumblebees nest in cavities in the ground, or beneath planks or inverted plant pots.

Slightly untidy gardens may have the edge here. Pesticides are out of the question; needless cultivation should be avoided;



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debris piles and weed patches are great. When it come to nectar sources, many of the plants that attract the honeybee also attract native generalists. Lavender and oregano, both from the Mediterranean, are magnets to both. Native plants, however, have been shown to support a larger and more diverse population of native insects, including bees. A quick Internet search for “plants for pollinators Oregon” will yield a wealth of information. **EW**

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A certain strip of land formerly reserved by deed recorded February 15, 1938, in Book 193, Page 346, of the Deed Records of Lane County, Oregon, and more definitely described as follows: A strip of land 14 feet wide East and West and extending from the Southeast corner of the above described tract of land, South to the North line of the Noti-Swisshome State Highway a distance of approximately 557 feet and used as a joint right of way by adjoining property owners, all in Lane County, Oregon; EXCEPTING THEREFROM all real property lying East of the following described line which is part of those certain tracts conveyed to John Strunk and Zula Mae Strunk in Book 262, Page 59, and in Book 362, Page 129, and including therein all real property lying West of the following described line which is part of that certain tract conveyed to Ivan R. Surcamp and Florence C. Surcamp, as recorded in Book 311, Page 272, of the Deed Records of Lane County, Oregon: Beginning at the intersection of the East-West center section line of Section 6, Township 18 South, Range 7 West of the Willamette Meridian and an existing North-South fence line, said point being South 87° 26' 54" East 1983.19 feet from the West quarter corner of said Section 6 and said point also being South 87° 26' 54" East 391.68 feet and North 2° 33' 06" East 0.63 feet from a stone said to be the initial point of the PLAT OF CHICKAHOMINY, as recorded in Book 6, Page 3, of Lane County Oregon Plat Records; and thence running along said fence line South 0° 11' 48" East 1211.67 feet to the Northern margin of State Highway 126, said point bearing North 72° 36' 24" East 25.51 feet from the North margin of Engineer's Station 754+65.6, P.T., all in Lane County, Oregon. John Strunk died on October 22, 2007. The estate assets vested in Jeanette Kay Garner, Donna Lee Lake, and John William Strunk pursuant to the Order Approving First and Final Accounting and General Judgment of Final Distribution filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County Probate Department, Case No. 50-08-01208. The beneficiary or his successor and the successor trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a Notice of Default has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.735 of Oregon Revised Statutes; the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums; together with all subsequent sums due and owing pursuant to the terms and conditions of said trust: Delinquent Installments: \$392.87 due on September 1, 2008. \$392.87 due on October 1, 2008. \$392.87 due on November 1, 2008. \$392.87 due on December 1, 2008. \$392.87 due on January 1, 2009. Late Charges Totalling: \$98.22. By reason of said default, the beneficiary or his successor has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being in the following, to-wit: \$57,039.49, plus interest at the rate of 7% per year from November 21, 2008, until paid; plus late charges in the amount of \$98.22; plus impounds, late fees and subse-

quent installments due thereafter; and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said trust deed. WHEREFORE notice is hereby given that the undersigned successor trustee will on June 19, 2009, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m., Standard Time, as established by Section 187.110 of Oregon Revised Statutes, at Lane County Courthouse, 125 E. 8th Avenue, Eugene, at the 8th Avenue entrance, in the City of Eugene, County of Lane, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in said described real property which the grantor has or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successor in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.753 of Oregon Revised Statutes has a right, at any time prior to five (5) days before the trustee conducts the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then to be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation of the trust deed, together with trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by Section 86.753 of Oregon Revised Statutes. The mailing address of the successor trustee, Scott G. Bassinger, is 1200 Executive Parkway, Suite 320, Eugene, Oregon 97401. DATED this 15th day of April, 2009. Scott G. Bassinger, successor trustee. I, the undersigned, certify that I am the attorney or one of the attorneys for the above-named trustee and that the foregoing is a complete and exact copy of the original Amended Trustee's Notice of Sale. DATED this 23rd day of April, 2009. BASSINGER & KIM. By: SCOTT G. BASSINGER, OSB #92028. Attorneys for said Successor Trustee. THIS OFFICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date of last publication: May 14, 2009.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY PROBATE DIVISION Case No. 50-09-06891 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of RICK A. ENGLE, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Star L. Wood has been appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Rick A. Engle, Deceased. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them with vouchers attached to Melya Stylos, attorney for the Personal Representative, at the address listed below, within four months

after the date of first publication of this Notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney. Dated and first published April 30, 2009, Melya Stylos, OSB #071930, Melya Stylos, LLC, PO Box 51077, Eugene, Oregon, 97405, Telephone No. (541) 686-2634, email: mstylos@stylos-law.com

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of: ARTHUR CHARD MILLMAN, Deceased. Case No. 50-09-09194 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS GIVEN that Tecla McCann has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with

vouchers attached, to the personal representative c/o Robert Cole Tozer, Attorney at Law, 975 Oak St., Suite 615, Eugene, OR 97401, (541) 345-0795, within four months of the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney, Robert Cole Tozer. DATED and first published May 14, 2009. Personal Representative /s/ TECLA McCANN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LANE In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE GRACE CURTS, Deceased. Case No. 50-09-07892 **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All per-

sons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at the office of Paul D. Clayton, 1358 Oak Street, Suite 1, Eugene, OR 97401 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, at the office of Paul D. Clayton, 1358 Oak Street, Suite 1, Eugene, OR 97401, (541) 345-3581. Dated and first published May 14, 2009. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE Richard T. Curtis, c/o Paul D. Clayton, Attorney for Personal Representative, 1358 Oak Street, #1, Eugene, OR 97401. (541) 345-3581. (541) 484-7672. PDCLaw@integra.net

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