OTHER NEWS There's over 4,000 reasons to love bees

BY STATEPOINT MEDA

While most people picture the beloved honey bee when they think about bees, North America actually has 4,000 species of native bees, many of which are busy right now.

"Throughout spring and summer, these insects dutifully pollinate crops and wildflowers, playing a vital role in fostering healthy ecosystems," Clay Bolt, manager of Pollinator Conservation and Great Plains communications, World Wildlife Fund, said.

According to Bolt, native bee species are beautifully varied in their appearance, behaviors, feeding habits and habitats.

They can be striped, metallic, fuzzy, thin and rotund, in a spectrum of colors. The world's smallest species—the Euphorb mini-fairy bee—is only found in southern deserts. At two millimeters, U.S. nickel is thick.

Different bee species fly at different times early morning, daytime or night. Many emerge seasonally in spring or summer, while

others remain hidden underground for years awaiting summer monsoons. Bees inhabit diverse environments, from cold mountain peaks to beaches.

Generalist species visit many flower types, while specialists pollinate only specific flowers. And unlike bumble bees and other hive-dwelling bee species, such as honey bees and stingless bees, over 70% of the world's bee species are in fact solitary, hardworking moms who quietly nest in overlooked places like decomposing logs and alongside garden paths.

If you've ever asked yourself, "what is a bee?" you might be surprised to learn that they are vegetarian wasps.

However, unlike their wasp relatives, which often feed their young protein in the form of paralyzed insects and the hamburger they might steal from your picnic table, most bees it is about as long as a provide their offspring with protein made from pollen mixed with tect them. nectar.

The mother bee compacts these materials it within her nest cavity,



A bee collects pollen off the bloom of a sunflower at Buffalo Dunes golf course. BRAD NADING/GARDEN CITY TELEGRAM

lays a single egg atop the mixture, then seals the chamber where the young bee will develop entirely without maternal assistance.

HOW CAN YOU HELP BEES?

Sadly, bees face threats to their survival, but there are steps you can take to help pro-

Bees need healthy, pesticide-free foods throughout their lives. into a pellet and places This is one of the greatest gifts you can offer these pollinators, especially because parks and gardens often grow flowers that only bloom during peak summer.

By planting a variety of plants that flower from early spring through autumn, the number of native bees and other pollinators visiting your garden will increase exponentially.

"Through small acts of kindness, you can transform the lives of these remarkable

creatures, while filling your heart with profound hope and wonder as you witness their delicate yet ongoing care of our shared world," Bolt said.

The recently celebrated World Bee Day also kicked off World Wildlife Fund's new "Stories of Hope and Wonder," an ongoing series that connects people to the wonder of nature and offers hope for a future benefiting both people ference in their own and wildlife.

Each month, "Stories of Hope and Wonder" will feature a different species overcoming some of nature's toughest obstacles to ensure its survival. To access these stories, visit www.worldwildlife. org/hopeandwonder.

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Case No. FI-2025-PR-000058 (Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

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THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that on June 24, 2025, a petition for issuance of letters of administration was filed in this court by Judy Irsik, an heir of Law rence G. Roth, deceased. All creditors of the decedent are noti-

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