

Planting for Pollinators

On Tuesday, June 8th, Kim Woods of Waggle Dance Honey Bees presented information on making our lawns and gardens pollinator friendly. Kim shared lists of native plants like bee

balm, Missouri Ironweed, and allium that support pollinators. She provided tips to make a water source for pollinators as well as a Mason bee house. She also shared a recipe for a plantain first-aid salve. Attendees could then use Kim's suggestions to purchase native plants provided by Weesies.

Related Resources

- <u>Waggle Dance Honey Bees</u>
- Ascension Kitchen's recipe for plantain first-aid salve
- <u>Weesies Brothers Garden Center</u>
- Mason Bee Houses (Kim advises you use one you can clean after each season)
 - Woodlink Cedar Mason-Bee House
 - Don Harper's "How to Construct a Sturdy, All Wood Mason Bee House"
- Meadowlilly's Farm's "Make Your Own Bee Bath for Thirsty Bees"
- Plants to attract pollinators: (just a sampling of Kim's suggestions)
 - Clover
 - Willows
 - Elms
 - Hyacinths
 - Sedum
 - Sunflowers
 - Allium
 - Lavender

- Missouri Ironweed
- Maples
- Crabapples
- Snowdrops
- Crocuses
- Basil
- Chives
- Rosemary

