Online Bee-sources

Pollinator Proponents

- The Honeybee Conservancy is a non-profit attempting to raise awareness about the importance of bees, and to inspire people and communities to act as stewards and advocate for bees and their natural environment. There is a whole hive of information and activity to be found at <u>http://thehoneybeeconservancy.org/</u>
- Honey Bee Haven is a joint project of Pesticide Action Network and Beyond Pesticides, formed to protect honey bees from pesticides. In addition to finding news and information, you can add a bee haven you create to others displayed on their interactive map at <u>http://www.honeybeehaven.org/</u>

Attracting Bees to Your Garden

- This article from the **About.com Gardening** combines background on understanding what will attract bees to your garden, general advice, and two plant lists for attracting bees. Dig in at <u>http://gardening.about.com/od/attractingwildlife/a/Bee_Plants.htm</u>
- For a quick take, Good Housekeeping's "the daily green" offers up a partial list of tried-and-true plants to attract bees.
 http://www.thedailygreen.com/going-green/tips/bee-friendly-plants
- Those more horticulturally-inclined should enjoy the detailed information and plant list provided by The Melissa Garden, a honeybee sanctuary in California. <u>http://themelissagarden.com/plants.html</u>



Creating a Bee Garden

- Among the results of Dr. Gordon Frankie's Urban Bee Gardens project at the University of California, Berkeley, were these helpful guidelines for creating a great bee garden of your own.
 http://nature.berkeley.edu/urbanbeegardens/general_guidelines.html
- The David Suzuki Foundation offers a great collection of simple and creative tips for making a bee garden.
 <u>http://www.davidsuzuki.org/what-you-can-do/food-and-our-planet/create-a-bee-friendly-garden/</u>

For the Green-Thumb-Impaired

• Even if a bee garden isn't in your immediate future, you can still do your part for bees and other essential insects by creating habitats. Check out these links for pollinator walls, bee towers, and insect hotels that show there is also plenty of creativity and ingenuity to be found in caring for our insect friends:

http://www.honeybeesuite.com/pollinator-walls-bee-towers-and-insect-hotels/

http://www.apartmenttherapy.com/insect-walls-inspiration-for-making-a-homefor-bugs-the-gardenist--164531

http://www.studiogblog.com/garden-construction-materials/shed-other-gardenbuildings/encouraging-native-bees-with-insect-walls/

http://www.inspirationgreen.com/insect-habitats.html