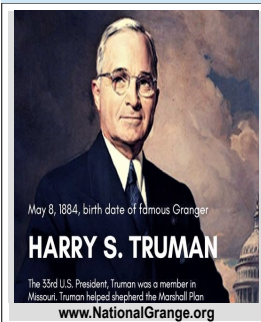


# MAY Calendar Highlights & BEE QUIZ by Kristin Paulson, MA State Lecturer

- 1] Approximately how many species of bees are there in the world? A) 10,000 B) 15,000 C) 20,000
- 2] The oldest bee fossils date back to when? A) 25 million B) 50 million C) 100 million
- 3] Out of 4,000 native bees, what is the only social bee native to North America? A) Bumblebee B) Carpenter Bee C) Mason Bee
- 4] About how many honey bees on average live in one colony? A) 10,000 B) 50,000 C) 100,000
- 5] What is the U.S. per capita yearly consumption of honey? A) 1.3 pounds B) 1.9 pounds C) 2.5 pounds
- 6] What is the average speed that the worker bees fly? A) 5 miles per hour B) 10 miles per hour C) 15 miles per hour
- 7] How many trips from the hive do bees make to produce one pound of honey? A) 30,000 B) 60,000 C) 90,000
- 8] Bees must collect nectar from how many flowers to make one pound of honey? A) ½ million B) 1 million C) 2 million
- 9] How much honey can a honey bee make in their life? A) .003oz.(1/12 tsp) B) .036 oz.(1 tsp) C) 1 oz.(1 Tbsp)
- 10] How many flowers does a honey bee visit during one collection trip? A) 25 to 50 B) 50 to 100 C) 100 to 150
- 11] Honeybees account for what percentage of all insect pollination? A) 75% B) 80% C) 95%

Sources: <https://www.worldwildlife.org/> <https://www.earthday.org/fact-sheet-bees/> <https://beekeepinglove.com/>



**May Biographies:** 1] Harry S. Truman [B: 5.8.1884] Born, raised, married, & a State Senator in Missouri, Harry was also a Grange member. Vice President Truman became the 33rd President when FDR died in 1945. Truman stated; *“Who, more than a boy who grew up on a farm, & who was an active farmer, realizes the value of the National Grange? Its contributions to the American farmer & to farm life have been beyond measure. Grange affords a forum for free & full discussion of pressing problems, while at the same time it’s a center of social activity, which brightens & enriches the life of our communities everywhere.”*  
 2] J.F.K. [B:5.29.1917 in Brookline, MA] John F. Kennedy, the 35th President said: *“The thousands of Grange halls which dot the nation, all of them community centers for civil, spiritual and social activities, continuously enrich our open society. The counsel of Grange leaders, and the cooperation & understanding of member families, are vital to the operation of national farm programs dedicated to strengthening the family farm system under which our agriculture has become the most productive of all time. Grangers have been concerned with the responsibilities of citizenship as well as the problems & progress of agriculture.”*

**May is National Military Appreciation Month, National Foster Care Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, & Photography Month. May Info: (Maia, Greek Goddess\_Growth), Birthstone: Emerald, Flower: Lily-of-the-Valley, & Full Flower Moon & total lunar eclipse is 12:11am May 16.**

Date	Name of Special Day	Description	Event Type
05/01/22	Silver Star Service Banner Day	Silver Star medal replaced Citation Star in 1948 to honor military in combat.	National Day
05/01/22	Global Love Day [May Day in USA]	<a href="http://www.thelovefoundation.com/globalloveday/">www.thelovefoundation.com/globalloveday/</a> Make & give May Baskets & flowers	International Day
05/03/22	Foster Care Day [Foster care Month]	Help children in foster care by supporting your local DCF.	National Day
05/04/22	Star Wars Day	“May the Fourth be with you!”	National Day
05/05/22	Cinco De Mayo	May 5 is a celebration of Mexican heritage and pride.	National Holiday
05/06/22	Military Spouse Day	Ronald Reagan proclaimed this day to be on Friday before Mother’s Day	National Day
05/08/22	World Red Cross Day	Henry Dunant, founder of Red Cross, received 1st Nobel Peace Prize.	International Day
05/08/22	Mothers Day [on 2nd Sunday]	In 1914, President W. Wilson proclaimed Mothers Day be on 2nd Sun. in May	National Holiday
May 8+9	Remembrance & Reconciliation Time	Remembrance for all Those Who Lost Their Lives during the Second World War	International Day
05/12/22	Nurses Week: May 6th to 12th	Week ends on birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale.	National Week
05/13/22	National Apple Pie Day	For over 100 yrs., we have used the saying: “as American as apple pie”	National Day
05/14/22	Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Day	Food Drive held by Postal workers since 1998 on 2nd May Sat. <a href="http://www.nalc.org">www.nalc.org</a>	National Day
05/20/22	World Bee Day	'22 theme is “Bee engaged: Build Back Better for Bees”	International Day
05/21/22	Armed Forces Day	President Truman proclaimed 3rd Sat. of May as Armed Forces Day in 1950.	National Day
05/21/22	Endangered Species Day	<a href="https://endangered.org/">https://endangered.org/</a> / <a href="https://www.nwf.org/Garden-for-Wildlife/Certify">https://www.nwf.org/Garden-for-Wildlife/Certify</a>	National Day
05/27/22	Red Nose Day	End Child poverty at: <a href="https://rednoseday.org/">https://rednoseday.org/</a>	International Day
05/30/22	Memorial Day [Last May Monday]	1868 Decoration Day became Memorial Day in 1970 to honor deceased military.	National Holiday

Sources: <https://www.history.com/> [www.almanac.com](http://www.almanac.com) <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/> / QUIZ ANSWERS: 1..C) 2..C) 3..A) 4..B) 5..A) 6..C) 7..B) 8..C) 9..A) 10..B) 11..B)