







FARM FRIDAY FUN

WITH ARIZONA AGRICULTURE

INSECTS

-  Entomology is the study of insects.
-  Insects can be beneficial or harmful for growing plants. Some examples of beneficial insects include lady bugs, praying mantis, bees, and butterflies. Some harmful insects include aphids, grasshoppers, and boll weevils.
-  Beneficial insects are those that help plants grow or help get rid of unwanted pests.
-  Harmful insects destroy plants or spread disease.
-  Over one million species of insects have been discovered and described but it is estimated there are as many as 10 million species on earth.
-  It takes bees about 10 million nectar-collecting trips to make one pound of honey.
-  Insects can be found in almost any habitat, from mountain ranges covered in snow to the hottest deserts in the world.
-  Insects have been around for over 350 million years. That is longer than dinosaurs and flowering plants!

*Some of these facts were provided by the Royal Entomological Society.

