

BEE HAPPY

Honey-scented, amber-colored, wax-coated and hive-inspired—are you ready to get your summer buzz on?

MINI FACET VESSEL
Gold-lustre trimmed stoneware pot, perfect for honey or a wee succulent. Made in Omaha. \$30 (theobjectenthusiast.com).

HONEY SPREADER
Laser-etched on beechwood, from Minneapolis-based Talisman Designs. \$8 (amazon.com).

FRUIT BOWL
Hivelike holes allow air to circulate. From Holland Bowl Mill in Michigan. Various woods available, from \$130 (800/774-1230; hollandbowlmill.com).

CANDLES A mild, natural honey scent floats from Minnesota-made, 100-percent-beeswax candles. Many shapes available, from \$6 (sweetbee honey.etsy.com).

MASON BEE HOUSE
Hang this bamboo bee nursery in a sunny spot to attract pollinating Mason bees to your garden. Lasts a year or two. \$20 (888/833-1412; gardeners.com).

BEE'S OIL A mess-free blend of mineral oil and beeswax to condition butcher blocks (or the same company's bowls, see above). \$12 (800/774-1230; hollandbowlmill.com).

POLISTINAE EARRINGS Petite sterling-silver hexagons, handmade in Hannibal, Missouri. \$90 (573/231-4502; janiceho.com).

BEE'S WRAP Wax-coated fabric is an eco-friendly alternative to plastic wrap for covering bowls or wrapping cheese or bread. \$18 for a starter pack of three (802/643-2132; beeswrap.com).

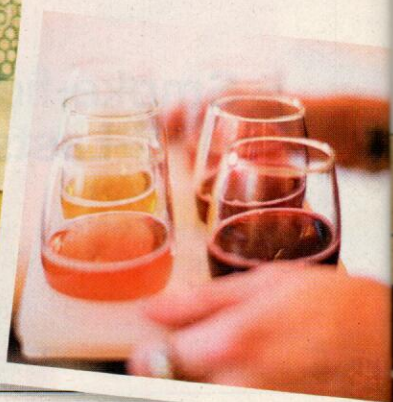
TRAVEL HONEY ON TAP

Just when you got used to craft brews, a new artisanal drink shows up. Well, an old one. Mead, a rich honey-based wine, appears in *Beowulf* and the writings of Aristotle—and now in tasting rooms across the Midwest.

New Day Craft INDIANAPOLIS (Below) Browse local art while sipping on ReThinker, a tart, dry-hopped blueberry mead, or Gold Rush, a bubbly dry cider akin to sparkling wine (888/632-3379; newdaycraft.com).

White Winter Winery IRON RIVER, WISCONSIN In a wood-beamed, up-north tasting room, sample crisp Dry Mead or tummy-warming Cyser, made with fresh-pressed apple cider and honey (800/697-2006; whitewinter.com).

Meniru Meadery CANTON, OHIO An amazing array of meads, ciders and wines includes the Tej, an Ethiopian-style honey wine made with hops, and oak-barrel-aged Blossoms, made from orange-blossom honey (330/244-8515; menirumeadery.com). **MAL**



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Art Meets News: The Work of Photojournalist Bill Foley Through July 19 Indianapolis The name may not ring a bell, but Pulitzer-winner Foley's photos—like the last shot of Egyptian president Anwar Sadat alive—are incredible. See more than 100 stunning captures from a 40-year career at the Indiana State Museum (317/232-1637; indianamuseum.org).



HAVE A BALL!

NCAA Men's College World Series June 12–24 Omaha Eight Division I college baseball teams compete for the national title at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. Be sure to check out the free daily Fan Fest in the stadium parking lot, or take in opening day's free concert and fireworks along the Missouri River (402/554-4404; cwsomaha.com). **For more events, see page 92.**