

# Slices of Life by Jill Pertler

*I'm all right, how about you?*

By: Jill Pertler

One of the most challenging aspects of living with teenagers is confronting their vast and superior knowledge. Every parent who's been there understands a teen's life experiences have brought them to the point of knowing almost everything – or maybe there's no almost about it.

I'm okay with my kids thinking they are right – as long as they keep their opinions to themselves. When they share their ideas and try to exert them on others (most specifically me), there's where the dilemma comes in.

My teens believe they are right. That's their right.

Unfortunately their "right" is often in direct opposition to my own (wise and learned) point of view. I also believe I am right, and we all are aware two rights do not make a left. (It takes three rights to do that; go ahead try this little

experiment yourself.) Which is exactly what my household experienced the other night when my husband and son ganged up on me – three rights. This was a rare occurrence, because usually my husband is as learned and wise as any old owl. On this occasion, however, he didn't give a hoot about the logic of my reasonable opinion.

I should have known better than to engage them in discourse on the rights and wrongs of any given topic. I avoid doing so with the men in my family. They are competitive and hate losing. To compound matters, my son is left-handed. Never argue with a lefty about being right.

So the three of us stood at a standstill. They were right and I was right. We probably should have done the three rights thing, made a turn in the opposite direction and left the situation alone. Maybe went for ice cream and called it a day.

It's hard to leave things alone, though, when you think you are right. Am I right?

I forget what we were squabbling about, but their claim of correctness was okay with me. "Let them be right" is one of my lesser-publicized mottos. My impediment came when they attempted to find fault with my own rightness. They accused me of thinking I am always right. Like there's something wrong with that.

Of course I always think I'm right. It would be illogical, unintelligent and inappropriate not to. I haven't met anyone who sets out to find an opinion they believe to be wrong. What would it say about my sense of self-respect and self-esteem if I didn't think enough of myself to choose to believe I was right?

We all think we are right. It's the nature of things.

My husband and son furrowed their brows at my admission. Was it an admission or declaration? I could almost see their brains churning. Because they weren't sure, they couldn't be certain whether they were winning the argument.

If there's anything more

important than being right, it's winning an argument. Or maybe not. What did I have to gain by pursuing this one any further? My guys weren't on the threshold of giving up, and I had stuff to do – like pet the cat and watch the weather channel.

I ended my filibuster by offering one last tidbit of logical information regarding the importance of semantics: Believing you are right and being right are two different things. I always believe I am right. But I never know for sure. I could be wrong. We all could be.

Their jaws dropped at my disclosure. I grabbed the cat and the remote, and left it at that.

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## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Jesus said these things to his disciples to let them know that belief in Him was and is belief in God the Father. Jesus also said that no one but the Father knows the day or the hour when the world will end. Not prophets, not preachers ... no one knows, despite what they think they may know.

We have only to look at the latest prediction as to the end of the world to see that such speculation is foolhardy. We are called to be believers in God, not soothsayers who attempt to see into the future. Ours is a big enough task ... trying to follow God's word and believe in his Son. Most of us haven't gotten that right yet ... much less having the ability to tell others when the end of time will be.

### CALENDAR

Thursdays, 4:00pm  
Good Shepherd Singers Rehearse

Sundays, 9:15am  
All-Comers Bible Class

Sundays, 10:00am  
Worship and Communion

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April 30  
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## AMERICAN LEGION POST 70 and AUXILIARY UNIT 70 Memorial Day Ceremonies

<p>May 26</p> <p>May 28</p> <p>May 30</p> <p>May 30</p> <p>May 30</p>	<p>10 a.m.</p> <p>9 a.m.</p> <p>10 a.m.</p> <p>11 a.m.</p> <p>Noon</p>	<p>Illinois Valley High School</p> <p>Post 70 and Boy Scouts will put American flags on Veterans graves at Laurel Cemetery.</p> <p>Memorial Day Ceremony at City Hall</p> <p>Memorial Day Ceremony at Laurel Cemetery</p> <p>Memorial Day Ceremony at Deer Creek Cemetery, Selma</p>
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### Principal's Students of the Month – May

**Aleesia Hennings** is the daughter of Stephanie and Chris Hennings. She is a member of Volleyball and Track & Field Teams. Aleesia has earned a varsity letter and was awarded Most Improved Player in Volleyball. After graduation Aleesia will attend Rogue Community College to earn an Associates Degree in Business. She will then transfer to Central Oregon Community College to get a degree in Culinary arts.

**Taysha Hodge** is the daughter of Angela Hodge and John Hodge. She is a member of the track team. She has received numerous ribbons for her participation in track meets. After graduation Taysha is not sure what she would like to do. Maybe join the Air Force, go to college, travel or join the Peace Corps.

**Samantha Milner** is the daughter of Amy and Michael Milner. She is a member of the SMILE club, Track and Cross country Teams. Samantha was awarded Most Improved in Cross Country and earned varsity letters in Cross Country and Track. After she graduates in 2014 Samantha plans to attend college.

**Danielle Lavassaur** is the daughter of Jenny LaVassaur. She is a member of Cougar Pals, Art Share, National Honor Society, and the Girl's Basketball Team. Danielle has earned a Varsity letter in Basketball. Danielle volunteers at the Boys and Girls Club for the dinner program. After graduation Danielle will attend a four year university to major in health care.

<p>Elementary School Lunch Menu Sponsored by</p> <p><b>HOMETOWNE INTERIORS</b></p> <p>541-592-2413</p> <p><b>MONDAY, May 30</b></p> <p>No School - Memorial Day</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY, May 26</b></p> <p>Super submarine sandwich, hearty garden salad, grilled cheese sandwich on whole wheat, bean &amp; cheese burrito, beefy potato bowl</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY, May 27</b></p> <p>No School - School Budget Reduction Day</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY, May 31</b></p> <p>No School - School Budget Reduction Day</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, June 1</b></p> <p>waiting for menu</p>	

<p>IVHS School Menu - Sponsored by</p> <p>SISKIYOU COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER</p> <p>25647 Redwood Hwy. Cave Junction</p> <p>541-592-4111</p> <p><b>MONDAY, May 30</b></p> <p>Memorial Day - No School</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY, May 26</b></p> <p>Pasta with marinara/ meat sauce or bean &amp; cheese burritos, chicken burger or cheese burger, cheese, bbq chicken or supreme pizza, Italian turkey &amp; cheese spicy chicken wrap, or chef, anti pasta or garden salads</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY, May 27</b></p> <p>No School - School Budget Reduction Day</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY, May 31</b></p> <p>No School - School Budget Reduction Day</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, June 1</b></p> <p>Taco salad, teriyaki beef rice bowl, spicy chicken burger, hamburger, pepperoni, sausage, cheese or Italian griller pizza; veggie or turkey &amp; cheese sandwich, turkey wrap, chef, garden or Mandarin chicken salad</p>	




### Compassionate Health Care At A Time When Needed The Most

Q. Does it cost me for Hospice care?

A. No one is refused service because of lack of financial resources. There is no co-pay or deductible for Hospice services when covered by Medicare or Medicaid. Most insurance plans pay for all or a portion of Hospice care. Other benefits vary. Discuss your question with your selected hospice agency if you have limited or no insurance coverage.

# Places of Worship

<p><b>BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> 5181 Holland Loop, CJ 541-592-4169 "We celebrate God's Presence in our lives!" Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 200 Watkins St., CJ Phone 541-592-3876 Pastor Charles Chase Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 9:15 a.m. Child-care for small children</p>	<p><b>TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH</b> 10300 Takilma Road, Takilma Pastor Dan Robinson Bible Study / Prayer Time 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS</b> 209 S. Junction Ave., CJ Sacrament Meet - 10 a.m. Sunday School - 11:20 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 12:10 p.m. Bishop G. Frank Sybrant 541-245-3394</p>
<p><b>7th DAY ADVENTIST</b> 265 S. Old Stage Rd., CJ Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Worship 11 a.m. Prayer/Praise 7 p.m. Tuesday Pastor Marvin Clark Church (541) 955-4943 Madrone Adventist School 541-592-3330</p>	<p><b>ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 407 W. River St., CJ 541-592-3658 Fr. William Holtzinger, Pastor Mass - Sunday 11 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Holy Days TBA</p>	<p><b>VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH</b> 498 Laurel Road, CJ P.O. Box 1248 Pastor Marvin Porter Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. <a href="mailto:evfree@frontiernet.net">evfree@frontiernet.net</a> 541-592-6160</p>	
<p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SELMA</b> 18285 Redwood Hwy., Selma 541-597-4169 Pastor Monty Pope Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m.</p>	<p><b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> East River Street &amp; Lewis Court, CJ Pastor Don Torala Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10 a.m. Tuesday Youth group - 6 p.m. Church Phone: 541-592-2290 <a href="http://www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net">www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net</a></p>	<p><b>FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> 451 S. Junction Ave., CJ 541-592-3956 Pastor Mark McLean Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study</p>	
<p><b>COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH</b> Pastor Dave Gordon 113 S. Caves Ave., CJ Office: 541-592-3896 Email: <a href="mailto:cbccca@cavenet.com">cbccca@cavenet.com</a> Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Christian Academy Pre-K to 12th grade Awana - Wednesdays - 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>ILLINOIS VALLEY PENTECOSTALS</b> 987 Caves Hwy., CJ 541-592-4716 or 541-218-2792 Sunday - 2:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b> 25904 Redwood Hwy., CJ 541-592-2006 Rev. James Boston Worship Service - 5 p.m. 1st Sunday of each month</p>	



## Lovejoy HOSPICE

541-474-1193

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### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Beyond Loss Support Group  
Mondays ~ 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.  
Mutual support ~ open to adults (over 18)