

Backyard Bird Watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

Attracting Birds to your Backyard:

Over the years I’ve talked about ways to get birds to your backyard. I thought it was time to up-date it a little. If you love to watch birds like I do, nothing would make you happier than to have them nest and feed in your backyard. How do you make them stop and nest or eat there? You need to give them some incentives.

Encourage Insects: The number one food source for nesting backyard birds is insects. Not your seed. If you have no insects near by, you won’t have birds there. Yes, your seed helps, but what they live on is insects. Studies have shown that 96 percent of birds raise their young on a strict diet of insects. So, how do you increase your insect total? It means you ditch the pesticides and fill your garden with native plants that support insects.



Offer nesting material: Some birds nest on bare areas they’ve scratched out on the ground, but most species construct a nest from twigs, grasses, plant fibers and feathers. Some will even use mud as a kind of mortar. So, don’t be overly obsessive about keeping your garden neat, or you’ll remove the very material they need to stay in and around your yard.

Provide Water: Birds need to drink and bathe, regardless of weather they’re nesting or not. Install a bird bath and you’ll attract birds in all seasons. You’ll have to remember to watch out for hard freezes. That may crack the bath. It can be icy or snowy, your bird bath will be used and liked.

Provide a bird house: You want them to stay? Give them a house to live in. I have houses that Tree Swallows come to every year. Most bird houses should be four to six feet off

the ground. If you hang you house 30 feet up in a tree, you won’t be successful. Install nesting boxes for them to use. Most species that nest in cavities are non-migratory and stick around for the winter. By late winter and early spring resident birds are already beginning to scout out the best nesting spots. If you have boxes or houses available for them, you are ready for breeding season.

I hope you enjoy the birds in your backyard. Give them what they need to be healthy and you’ll be happy.

Remember I’m always at My Place Cafe for breakfast each Saturday morning. Come on by and say hi. For questions, you can email me at birdwatching@frontiernet.net.

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Healthier America, saving our nation from collapse:

By Glenn Mollette

My mother once felt bad because we didn’t have an ashtray in our house. Many of our relatives smoked. They would come to our house and sit for an hour or more and light up while sitting in the living room. She stated, “I don’t have an ashtray to offer our guests,” as though we should have felt embarrassed and inhospitable. It wasn’t long after that statement that a couple of ashtrays appeared in our house and my uncles and other visitors would sit and knock the ashes off in our new ashtrays. My parents did not smoke and my father put the fear of God into me when it came to smoking. I dared not ever light a ciga-

rette up in his presence or I would be in serious trouble. Yet, all around us friends and family smoked.

Eventually most of our smokers died. Most of them died in their early seventies. I had a couple of smoking cousins who died much younger. I’ve inhaled enough smoke from family, farmers and church people to do me a lifetime.

I met a lady the other day, about fifty years old, carrying a oxygen tank in one hand and a cigarette in the other hand. I don’t know what she is thinking.

I am for American liberty all the way. If someone wants to smoke

then let that person smoke. However, I don’t want to pay for it with my life nor do I want to pay the growing national medical bills.

Smoking costs American taxpayers billions a year. Each year we have to “cough” up hundreds of dollars per person to pay the medical bills of the American smoker. Cigarettes are already heavily taxed and a large portion of the tax should go to the state’s Medicare/Medicaid program because smokers will eventually need serious medical treatment.

A case can also be made for alcohol sales and even junk food. However, we have to eat and junk food is

all many Americans can afford.

Colorado, Washington State and more to come are now turning to marijuana. If people want to smoke it so be it but let there be enough tax to cover the medical costs.

America is medically bankrupt. Medicare and Medicaid cannot keep up with the one trillion dollar and growing price tag. Medicare and Medicaid costs are devouring the national income. We enjoy the freedom to treat our bodies as badly as possible but then we want everybody else to pay for it.

Healthy Americans should get a tax break. People who keep their

body mass index within a determined number and under should be rewarded when filing their income tax report.

Nobody wants to deal with this issue but we can’t afford to ignore it any longer. A healthier America would save this nation from financial collapse.

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Church News

Community Bible Church

He is Risen!

“He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come; see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead.”
Matthew 28:6 & 7

There would not be Christianity as we know it today without the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Remove Jesus’ resurrection from the dead and Christianity is reduced to religious and moral teaching for the here and now. After Jesus’ crucifixion, His disheartened disciples were at a loss; for they had not expected Jesus to die. Yet, after the resurrection we see a group of men on fire for God – proclaiming the message of the resurrection (**Acts 2:22-24**). Saul, who was later known as Paul, was a devoted enemy of the Christian faith (**Acts 8:1-3**) and yet he became a devoted follower of the risen Christ. In

1 Corinthians 15:12-20, Paul wrote of the fundamental importance of the resurrection. In verse seventeen, Paul states, “And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile, you are still in your sins.” Then in verse twenty Paul proclaims his confident hope: “But now Christ is risen from the dead and has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep (died).” For two thousand years those who have come to know Jesus as their risen Savior have proclaimed the same message. “He is risen” and has left us with the firm confidence that because He is risen we too shall be resurrected from the dead. This year as the time comes for us to celebrate Jesus’ resurrection, find a church that celebrates this, and go and rejoice with them.

**In Christ,
Pastor Dave**

Ministry at CBC

Sunday, April 20
Easter Sunday
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Join us for a musical celebration:
“Lift up the Cross”
Wednesday
Prayer 10:30 a.m.
A.W.A.N.A. April 16
6:15-8:00 p.m.
Age 3 to Grade 6
Community Christian Academy
Preschool – 12 grade

New Covenant Teaching Ministry

“Come and Meet Jesus”

A unique presentation of the Feast of Passover from a Christian perspective will be held on Friday, April 18th, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at New Covenant Teaching Ministry, hosted by Pastor Betty Steward.

“To all who want to know the Messiah of Israel and Redeemer of the world, come and hear the wonderful story and join in this won-

derful celebration in this time of year. It is my belief that all of Israel and all Christians and all people who believe in the Messiah of the Word of God would love to hear the secrets that are hidden in the Word of God. This might be the very time He returns, but even if He doesn’t return to set up His Kingdom in the world today, at least come and let Him set up His Kingdom in your heart.”

The Passover Seder (pronounced, ‘say-der’, which means ‘order’ in Hebrew, is a Jew-

ish ceremonial dinner revolving around the story of the exodus from Egypt, and is a memorial to the freedom given to God’s people who once were slaves.

To reserve a seat, please email newcovenantteaching@frontiernet.net or call 541-660-7099 with your name and the number of people who would like to come.

There is no charge to attend. Children are welcome to attend. However, childcare will not be provided. The evening will include teach-

ing on the Passover, praise and worship songs, Hebrew-style dance, and dinner. Bring a dish if you can, but please, no pork or leaven.

Come expecting to feel the awesome presence of Jesus!

New Covenant Teaching Ministry is located at 1515 Redwood Avenue in Grants Pass, about ½ mile past the Fairgrounds on the left. Directions are also available on the church website, www.newcovenant-teaching.org.

Places of Worship

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH 5181 Holland Loop Rd., CJ 541-592-3923 “Come Join the Worship!” Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Sonny Moore www.kbcc.us *** 7th DAY ADVENTIST 265 S. Old Stage Rd., CJ Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Worship 11 a.m. Pastor Christian Martin Church (541) 592-3218 Madrone Adventist School 541-592-3330 *** IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 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	COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH Pastor Dave Gordon 113 S. Caves Ave., CJ Office: 541-592-3896 Email: cbccca@gmail.com Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Christian Academy Pre-K to 12th grade Awana - Wednesdays - 6 p.m. *** ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH 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 *** TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH 10343 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 *** First Baptist Church of Selma 18285 Redwood Hwy., Selma 541-597-4169 Pastor Monty Pope Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m.	GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH East River Street & Lewis Court, CJ Annemarie Richardson Lay Pastor. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10 a.m. Church Phone: 541-592-2290 www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net *** VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH 498 Laurel Road, CJ P.O. Box 1248 Pastor Marvin Porter Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. evfree@frontiernet.net 541-592-6160 *** FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD 451 S. Junction Ave., CJ 541-592-3956 Pastor Mark McLean Morning Worship 9:30 & 11 a.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study	ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 25904 Redwood Hwy., CJ 541-592-2006 Rev. James Boston Worship Service - 5 p.m. 1st Sunday of each month *** THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS 209 S. Junction Ave., CJ Sacrament Meet - 10 a.m. Sunday School - 11:20 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 12:10 p.m. First Councilor Larry Hammersmith 541-592-3919
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I.V. Lions Annual
Easter Egg Hunt
Rain or Shine

Sunday, April 20, at Jubilee Park
Activities begin at noon.
Starting whistle for FREE egg hunt 1 p.m.
Categories: 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12

Lots of Eggs with Special Prizes

Bring your camera!
FREE activities:

I.V. Lions' Train
Easter Bunny
I.V. Fire District
Concession Stand
will be open

A Lions Club Community Project