

Backyard bird watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

The May Bird of the Month: The black-capped chickadee

Spring is here and you should be seeing the summer birds showing up and your winter and fall birds moving on. The hummingbirds are here in full force. We have seven feeders around the house and they’re all going strong. For most of the month of April, we had two large flocks of purple finches and pine siskin visiting my feeders. Both flocks got as large as 30-40 birds. It was truly amazing to listen to them sing and talk to each other in the mornings and evenings.

This month is the chickadee. They are one of my favorite birds here at my home. They’re small and fast. I love just sitting here listening to them sing and feed. They will fly down and grab a sunflower seed and fly back to the tree. It happens so fast, if you’re not watching you’ll miss it happen.

Description: They’re one of the smaller birds in your front yard. They are 5-5 1/2 inches tall. The male and female are identical

in coloring. They have a black cap and throat with a white chest and tan belly.

Nesting: They like to excavate nest holes in rotted wood or your birdhouse if you have one out. Both male and female build or excavate their nest. They like to use green moss and animal fur as a liner for the nest. They have one brood per year with five-seven eggs that are white with fine red-brown speckles.

Feeding: They love black oil sunflower seeds. They will visit suet feeders from time to time. They also love peanut hearts and pieces. Put some nutty peanut butter out and watch them feed. They love it. If you can, watch them feed while in the tree. They also love mealworms, doughnuts and raw hamburger. I’m sorry, if I have a perfectly good doughnut; it’s not going to the birds. No way. I don’t get doughnuts for myself very often, why would I give them a perfectly good doughnut? They are very acrobatic feeders. You can see them hanging upside down feeding on berries or insects. They don’t like to feed on the ground. If you

want to use a feeder, make sure it’s a platform or hanging feeder. The important thing is keep it off the ground. They don’t like to eat feed that’s on the ground.

Habit: They are year round residents in the Illinois Valley and Rogue River Valley. During winter they will build flocks of six-10 birds. Their winter feeding territory is about 20 acres. In the spring the flock breaks up and the males start to sing and they pair up.

Did you know?

- They come to your feeder for one seed at a time. I’ve watched them dart in from a near by tree and grab a seed and dart back to the safety of the tree. Watch them when they’re in the feeder. You can see them weighing the seed in their mouth and dropping it if it is too lightweight and then choosing another.
- Maine and Massachusetts claim the chickadee as their official state bird.
- Chickadees are a type of titmouse.
- Their call is actually a complex language used to recognize other members of the

flock and warn of predators.

I enjoy my chickadees very much. They’re entertaining to watch and lovely to listen to – especially when they are mating. I hope you enjoy them as much as I do.

If you want to talk about the birds in your backyard send me an email at birdwatching@frontiernet.net.

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Church News

Community Bible Church

God Bless the Moms

2 Timothy 1:5 (NKJV) “When I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also.”

Last Sunday was the Sunday we set aside to remember and acknowledge mothers in a special way. It is a very good thing to have a time set aside to do this, but it is good to remember our moms all the rest of the year also.

A survey that was taken a few years ago by a university found that twenty percent of moms felt that they were less “valued by society since they had become moms.” I have seen cultural shifts in my life that make it seem that you limit yourself if you become a mother, but I guess that depends on what you think has value.

I wonder if George Washington’s mom thought she had wasted her life becoming a mother – or Winston Churchill’s, or Billy Graham’s, or John Glenn’s, or many, many others whose children had world-changing impact. What about the mothers whose children were just good, ordinary people who helped to

build the nation we live in – people who faithfully and diligently did their work because moms taught them to be that way?

Yes, I know there are some children who don’t do right and don’t follow anyone’s good teaching – and that is truly sad, but that should only encourage moms and dads to work all the harder to point their children in a positive direction. To raise good kids is hard work, and it takes courage, determination, diligence, planning, and sacrifice.

A pastor I know has a saying: “More is caught than taught.” What kind of example do your children see in you – what will be your legacy left to them? It’s not too late to begin, and you may have to start by saying, “I’m sorry I haven’t done what I should.” You need to make sure your children realize it is not just you who wants their best. God wants them to have a full, joy-filled life.

God bless you, Moms. Invest in your children. Hope to see you in church.

In Christ,
Pastor Dave

Ministry at CBC

No A.W.A.N.A. until fall

Sunday, May 15
Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.
Prayer and Praise – 6 p.m.

Community Christian Academy
Preschool – High school

Senior Exercise Class
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
9-10 a.m. in Dining Room

Slim dollars and opportunities ahead for lazy Americans:

by Glenn Mollette

Higher wages for all people is a worthy cause to achieve. The states that want to raise the minimum wage should do so. Keep it on the state level. Washington State, Texas and Kentucky are three different states with entirely different economies. While one state may offer a minimum of \$15 another state may find it tough to go beyond \$10.

Sadly too many people have jobs that aren’t worthy of a higher minimum wage. Receiving wages means rendering work or service for the wage. I’m all for paying high wages to good workers who do a good job.

I get tired of going to restaurants where the service is lousy and the attitudes of the workers are just as bad. On top of this they have the audacity to expect a 20 percent tip. I usually break down and give a generous tip anyway because I typically feel sorry

for people. Recently a waitress was so rude, so slow, so unresponsive, while carrying a drink around the whole time and sipping out of a straw, that I only left a \$2 tip. The waitress was a total slob. This was supposed to be a slightly upscale restaurant but we were surely dismayed. I bet this same waitress wants \$15 an hour. The next day I sat in a hole in the wall barbecue joint where the food was A+ and the waitress was kind, responsive and very attentive to taking care of us. I left a 30 percent tip because I was so appreciative of her efforts.

A popular coffee chain promises higher wages and even some medical insurance to employees. The price of the coffee and specialty drinks should certainly cover the higher wages. On too many occasions the service and the attitudes of the workers are a

turn off.

In our little town there is a Mexican restaurant that has grown dramatically over the years. They are almost always full. The food is great. The service is friendly and very responsive. The waiters look at the customers, listen to them and work to fulfill their requests. The entire staff is made up of immigrants from Mexico. Occasionally we go to another little joint for breakfast. The staff is a mix of Hispanics and Asians. The food is great, the service, friendliness and responsiveness of the servers is always impressive. I don’t mind leaving a tip and they deserve whatever they make.

A couple of years back I replaced the roof on my house. I contracted with a company that had a good reputation. I woke up one morning to 16 Hispanics on my roof.

They tore off the old shingles and replaced them with new ones in one day’s time. My roof has not lost a single shingle and we’ve had a lot of storms. The roof was expensive but they did a great job and it was worth the cost.

Millions of Americans work hard and produce every day. America is what we are today because of men and women who give a hundred percent at their jobs every day. These good Americans earn their pay and often are worthy of even more.

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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	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.	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	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. Bishop Larry Hammersmith 541-592-3919
*** 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	*** 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	*** 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	*** Illinois Valley Baptist Church 541-592-6149 102 South Redwood Hwy (in the County Building) Pastor Steve Root Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Wednesday Bible Study, Prayer & Youth Program 7:00 PM Friday Ladies Bible Study 11:00 AM
*** 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	*** 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	*** 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	
*** Illinois Valley Praise Center 28569 Redwood Hwy. CJ Non-denominational Bible-believing Church Sunday school – 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service – 10:30 a.m. Thursday Seekers Meeting – 7 p.m. Youth Group Thursday – 7 p.m. www.ivpraisecenter.com	*** 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.	*** ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 25904 Redwood Hwy., CJ 541-592-2006 Rev. Bryant Bechtold Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.	



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TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY
10AM - 2PM

Immanuel United Methodist Church
200 W. Watkins, Cave Junction

BINGO FOR ALL AGES
WEDNESDAYS
EARLY BIRD 6 - 6:30PM
17 GAMES 6:30 - 9:30PM
HAMBURGERS FOR SALE
520 E. RIVER STREET, CJ
IV SENIOR CENTER
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

