

#### Greetings!

As spring slowly but surely makes its way to South Dakota, we're reminded of the ever-changing nature of the weather; despite a mild winter, we're still experiencing some fluctuations.

**First Class Club Movie Time Change:** Beginning in June, the time for our First Class Club movie will shift to begin at 10:30 AM.

Postponement of Canadian Rockies and Glacier National Park Trip: Unfortunately, due to unforeseen delays in booking, we've decided to postpone our trip to the Canadian Rockies and Glacier National Park. We want to give everyone ample time to plan and enjoy this experience to the fullest. The trip is now scheduled for the fall of 2025. More details to come.

Opportunity for Scandinavia Trip: On a brighter note, we have some openings available for our upcoming Scandinavia trip. If you've been considering joining us, now's the perfect time to secure your spot. We'd be delighted to have you accompany us on this adventure.

Lastly, as we enter the planting season, I want to extend my warmest wishes to all the farmers in our community. May your planting be safe, successful, and fruitful.

Warm regards,



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## MAKE YOUR OWN BIRDSEED

STEP ONE: What do you want to attract?

Different species are attracted to different foods. Here are a few examples:

**Fruit:** Orioles, Tanagers, Mockingbirds, Bluebirds, Thrashers, Cardinals, Woodpeckers, Jays, Starlings, Thrushes, Cedar, Waxwings, Yellow-breasted Chats

**Peanuts:** Cardinals, Chickadees, Grackles, House Finches, Titmice, House Sparrows, Starlings, Mourning Doves, White-Throated Sparrows, Jays, Juncos

**Corn:** Starlings, House Sparrows, Grackles, Jays, Juncos, Bobwhite, Quail, Doves, Ring-Necked Pheasants, White-Throated Sparrows

Millet: Doves, House Sparrows, Blackbirds, Juncos, Cowbirds, Towhees, White-Throated Sparrows, Tree Sparrows, White-Crowned Sparrows, Chipping Sparrows

**Sunflower Seeds:** Goldfinches, Chickadees, Woodpeckers, Nuthatches, Titmice, Redpolls, Pine Siskins, Cardinals, Jays, Crossbills, Purple Finches, White-Throated Sparrow, House Finches, White-Crowned Sparrows

**STEP TWO:** Pick a few ingredients from the following list.

I usually like to go with whatever is on sale in bulk at the store or online. All of these are safe and healthy for wild birds: Dried fruit, Peanuts. Almonds, Pecans, Walnuts, Cracked Corn, White Millet, Sunflower seeds, and Oats.

Don't forget to choose raw, organic whole foods for your blend. Backyard birds do not want your leftover BBQ-flavored peanuts! You can opt to chop some of the seeds and nuts, but you don't have to.

**STEP THREE:** Mix and serve. Mix your ingredients in a large bowl, and then spoon into your feeder. I like to make a big batch every month or so and store the surplus in a jar for refills.

### Upcoming Events **CALENDAR**

#### MAY

- 1 May Day12 Mother's Day
- 14 First Class Club Movie Day @ 1:30 PM15 First Class Club Day Join us for coffee
- and treats 9–11 AM at Brookings Main.
  Bring your documents to shred all day.
- 18 Armed Forces Day
- 22 Book Club, Brookings Main, 2–3 PM. Please check in at reception.
  May's book is *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. All are welcome. Interested in joining? Call Becky at 605.696.2285.
- 27 Memorial Day
  - · All bank locations closed
- Final payments due for Minnesota
  Twins Game

#### JUNE

- 11 First Class Club Movie Day @ 10:30 AM
- 14 Flag Day
- 16 Father's Day
- 19 Juneteenth
  - Brookings Main, Brookings East, Toronto, and White locations closed
  - Brookings Hy-Vee and Brookings Walmart locations open normal hours
- 20 Minnesota Twins Game Trip
- 20 Summer Solstice
- Book Club, Brookings Main, 2–3 PM. Please check in at reception.
  June's book is The Paris Daughter by Kristin Harmel. All are welcome. Interested in joining? Call Becky at 605.696,2285.

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:**

July 11 Travel Show for Scandinavia at Brookings Main lower-level training room from 1 to 3 PM. RSVP to Becky by July 5.

# MOVIE DAY DETAILS

New Movie & Summer Show Time!

Time: May: 1:30 PM (doors open at 1 PM)
June: 10:30 AM (doors open at 10 AM)
Location: Cinema 8 Theatre in Brookings
Cost: \$5 (includes ticket, pop, and popcorn)

Bring a friend, neighbor, or family member. You may even win a door prize! For specific movie information, check the bank entrance doors or the drive-up window, visit bankeasy.com/first-class-club, or give Becky a call at 605.696.2285 approximately one week before the movie date.