

Haddam Garden Club

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Backyard Birding: Bluebirds

I see bluebirds on the suet outside my kitchen window every day from fall through spring and it never fails to excite me. All birds capture my interest but a chubby little bluebird is always special.

The speaker at our April meeting is Sally Brocket, a local gardener and birder. Sally is going to share her experiences with backyard birding, especially bluebirds. She will show us her photos of a bluebird family born and raised in her yard as well as offer tips for attracting them to our yards.

Birdhouses and feeders, custom built by her husband will be available.

Her program will start around 11 after the club has concluded their business meeting. The public is invited.

She shared the following recipe with us:

All Season Peanut Butter Pudding

1 cup crunchy peanut butter	1 cup lard (no substitutes)
2 cups "quick" oats	1 cup white or wheat flour
2 cups yellow corn meal	1/3 cup sugar

Melt lard and peanut butter on low heat. Add remaining ingredients. Spoon into plastic freezer containers or forms (previously purchased suet containers). Freeze or refrigerate. Store frozen unless use is intended within one week. You can also add various dried fruit and sunflower "meats" to the basic recipe during winter months for woodpeckers, finches, and grosbeaks, etc. Expect squirrels to be interested in this feast.

