THE MONTCLAIR BIRD CLUB QUIZ 167

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Singing birds are not a napping nuisance in the afternoon. Morning is another story. Why do birds tend to sing the most very early in the morning?



American Robin-one of the early morning culprits.

Link to ponder: <u>Woodhouse in the west</u>.

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Songs carry farther in the cooler morning, and there is lower humidity and less wind to disrupt the message. Other theories claim that bird songs travel just as well in the afternoon but may be disturbed by wind. If the message is primarily to tell other males to stay away, why not get an early start?



Northern Mockingbird-another early riser.

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Seeing beyond



Southwest Wings