

Gillespie Creek Journal

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**Swanson's Hawk
Resting Near JW's
Home On Quail Run
Golf Course
Photo by JW of Sun
City, AZ
6/12/25**

Snail

By Langston Hughes

Little snail,
Dreaming you go,
Weather and rose
Is all you know.
Weather and rose
Is all you see,
Drinking
The dewdrop's
Mystery



**Male Rose Breasted
Grosbeak Feeding His
Fledglings. Where Is
Mom?
6/28/25
Gillespie Creek, WI
Photo by JA**

Softly

By Debbie Hilbish

My soul wept, [softly](#). For ideals left far behind
that could not reconcile with reality.
Ever and again wrap me, [softly](#), with love's touch
to keep me dry.
A solicitous cloak to becloud, [softly](#), round my
heart.
Leave room there only for escaping sighs and
memories of Blue Waltz, wafting on a summer
breeze, [softly](#), warming souls and drying eyes.

Debbie and I met in 2011 selling our books at the Reader's Oasis
Bookstore in Quartzite, Az. Her books are available on Amazon

The month of June marks hot weather, the longest day of the year, outdoor parties, games, swims, nighttime star gazing, sudden violent storms, weddings, freedom, new discoveries.

[June is the setting for celebration of Earth's Joy!](#)

Edna St. Vincent Millay describes a young person's summertime energy source in this poem.

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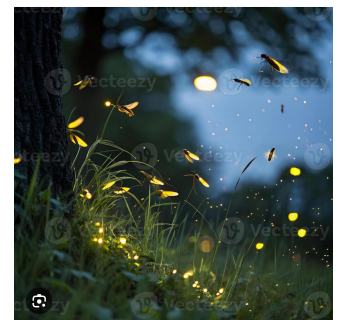
*"My candle burns at both ends;
It will not last the night;
But ah, my foes, and oh, my
friends...
It gives a lovely light!"*

Today's *Nature Notes* celebrate the wonders of Nature June 2025 from America's Southwest corridor to the Midwest.



**Who Spent Winter 2025
In This Stillwater, MN
House?**

B W of the Chicago area messaged me Tuesday night, "Lightening Bugs!, I'm so glad



**Lightening Bugs
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