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Note The Day & Time!

Sunday, June 9, 2019, 2 P.M.

Monthly Drawing A Potluck Snack/Lunch

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The South Bay Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will be speaking to us on how we can work together during an emergency to best help our feathered friends and other pets.

The South Bay Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) consists of a group of volunteers based in the South Bay who provide assistance to animals and local agencies by helping with sheltering needs during a natural or human-caused disaster.



Their goal is to reunite animals with their families in the aftermath of an emergency and provide assistance to affected animals.

CERT Group Leader
Johnny Hernandez



Group leader, Johnny Hernandez, along with other group members of CERT, will explain to us about their rescue and sheltering operations. They will share ways the South Bay Bird Society can work together with them in times of disaster to best take care of our feathered friends and other pets. Through our cooperation, we can be better prepared for any future emergencies in our community.

So, plan to come to the meeting and we will learn ways we can work together when a disaster strikes!

Location: Kiwanis Club of Hermosa Beach

2515 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach, (Cross streets are Gould & Valley)

No BIRDS ALLOWED at the June MEETING due to a NEWCASTLE Disease Outbreak.

For More info: www.sobaybirdsoc.com or contact Janet at (310) 376-5954

Photos by: Gala Burkholder

Chan the Birdman of San Fran!

May 6, 2019

By Diane Sivas

How much fun was the May meeting?!! If it wasn't for the Newcastle virus outbreak, we might have had macaws flying all over the room but, sadly, they had to stay home. Not to worry, though, Chan was a hit even without his cast of bird characters

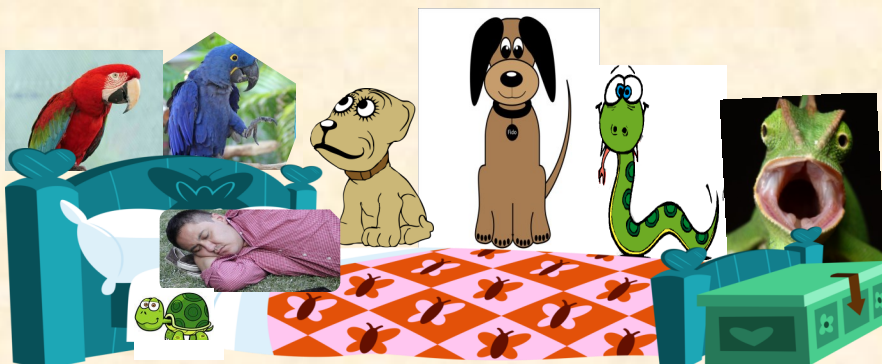
Early Bird Drawing
Winner: Lori Kendal



We had a good crowd and while folks were grabbing some food and settling in, we had the Early Bird drawing, won by Lori Kendall. Janet coaxed out the guests that were in attendance and put the spotlight on them. There were a couple of May birthdays (Elaine and Oliver), so we had to fire up the vocal cords and sing for them. Newcastle is apparently getting more widespread, so everyone should be cautious about taking birds too far from home. Karen Allen reminded us that, in the event of a visit from USDA, we are not obligated to let them into our homes. Just say no to that. Janet announced

upcoming programs, starting with our June 9 afternoon meeting when the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) folks will be our speakers. These guys are always in need of supplies, so if you have anything they might be able to use, bring it to the meeting. Just a reminder, too, that we will not have a meeting in July. Finally, Gala tried to stump the crowd with newsletter questions, but it seems that more people are reading it. Remember, you'll win raffle tickets if you can answer her questions.

With business out of the way, Janet introduced Chan Quach. He started off with his "teacher" voice and launched into his "intro course." Chan grew up on a farm and began working with birds when he was in College. He attended U.C. Santa Cruz, eventually moving and settling in San Francisco. (He currently resides in LA.) He talked about the 325 square foot apartment he shared with two macaws, a tortoise, dogs, a snake and a chameleon. He proved it with pictures and told us how everyone learned to coexist. The snake had a place, the dogs had a space, and the macaws had their space, and everyone lived in harmony. They even all sleep together – with him! Impressive.



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Diane Sivas kisses her
Blue and Gold Macaw, Cheeto



SBBS MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of SBBS is to study all avian species (native and foreign) and their habitats; to disseminate among the general public and supporting members, information on all aspects of avian care and breeding and the preservation of endangered species and their habitats through written publications, educational lectures, seminars, activities; and to support and promote the propagation and preservation of species that are threatened with extinction.

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Chan Quach & His Macaws

His birds are all free fliers. He uses harnesses but showed us video of them flying free and then returning to his arm. There's a learning curve, of course, and he later told us that he uses "modeling" techniques to teach the youngsters. If one of the babies tries to bite, even playfully, he does not pull away. If one is screaming, he ignores it, turns his back, and pays attention to those who are quiet. That way they learn that they will not get attention if they're screaming. Attention is given when they're quiet. And speaking of quiet, macaws and a 325 sq. foot apartment can be a nightmare for neighbors. He combats this by communicating and educating neighbors and inviting them in to meet the birds. The biggest challenge he faces is a screaming Hyacinth macaw, but he lives by the motto that they won't scream if we don't yell at them. When they start screaming, he said, just don't show up. If they scream when you do show up, walk away.



Sunshine is his youngest Hyacinth. He trains her alone, out of the view of the others. He is always close by so she feels secure, but encourages her to play on her own and practice independence. He wants her to learn that she doesn't always need to be on him.

The last part of the program was a discussion about things that prevent birds from securing a "forever" home. Aggression, territorial behavior, excessive screaming, generalized mess and destruction of property are a few of the issues that came up from our members and guests. Parrots are challenging pets to be sure, but Chan takes on the challenge with patience and is living proof that just about any kind of behavior can be resolved. Even with snakes and furry animals around!

Chan presented us with a lot of food for thought. I'm guessing that we'd all like to be a little more like him. His patience is impressive and his love for his animals is clear. Hopefully, we'll be able to have him back, with his birds, after the Newcastle problem is behind us.



Chan Quach and
SBBS President, Janet Ragonesi



Remember that next month we will have a visit from the CERT crew. This will be another informative meeting. You can never be too prepared. Sunday afternoon, June 9 is the day. Check page one of the newsletter for more details.

The President's Notes By Janet Ragonesi

IT NEVER RAINS IN CALIFORNIA!



Rain, hail, lightning and thunder hit the South Bay this past May 22nd. The lifeguards closed the beaches for a time. Everyone was asked to get out of the water and leave the beach.



I am sure the flowers, bushes, grass and trees will be richer in color and greener for Memorial Day. This special day serves as a remembrance of those that have died in military service for the United States!



Happy Birthday to all of the members with May and June birthdays!



REMINDER:

Our Next Meeting is

SUNDAY, JUNE 9th, from 2-4 PM

The South Bay Animal Emergency and Disaster Team (CERT) will be our speakers.

If you love animals, you will want to attend this meeting. Johnny Hernandez will show a power-point presentation about their mission. Being prepared *before* the emergency or disaster is our first line of defense. The representatives of CERT will provide us information and an understanding of what they do so we can better coordinate with them in the event of an emergency.

SUSPENDING MOST COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS

Due to Virulent Newcastle's Disease, we will be suspending our community outreach events with our birds until the disease (being found in poultry farms) has been eradicated! This means no new cases of VND can be discovered in poultry farms for four months.



As a safety reminder, no birds are allowed at SBBS meetings.

LOOKING BACK & AHEAD:

Reflecting on the MAY 6th meeting with Chan Quach, Bird Behaviorist

Chan gave us an outstanding professional video and slide presentation on tips to improve our birds' behavior. SBBS will welcome Chan to come back again soon to share even more methods of working with our feathered friends.

SBBS ANNUAL PICNIC IN THE PARK, 12 noon - 3 PM

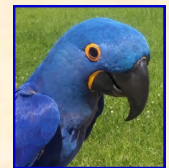
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

COLUMBIA PARK IN TORRANCE



"MARGARITAVILLE— We are the Original Parrot Heads!"

Details including a map and flyer to follow



SBBS MEMBERS GET THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SENT DIRECTLY TO THEIR E-MAIL!

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, June 9th at 2 PM!

Cheers, Janet

Happy Father's Day



Laugh
Kookaburra:



Mike Luther and his
Pineapple Conure

Ron Ellwood and his dog,
Lilly Fern



Scott Byington and his
Blue & Gold Macaw



Paul Carreiro and his
Cockatoo, Shasta



Cartoons Submitted by



June Baker

&

Marie Calleja



Thank you to those submitting cartoons to share. If yours hasn't been included in the newsletters yet, they will be included in a future issue.

Palos Verdes/South Bay
AUDUBON SOCIETY PROGRAMS 7:00 PM
 held at the Madrona Marsh Nature Center

June 18 "Butterflies"
 Presented by: Tracy Drake



July 16 "Community Science: How Lots Of People Working Together Can Save the World"



Presented by: John Thomlinson
www.pvsb-audubon.org

Do you attend the monthly SBBS meetings and arrive early? If so, the club could use your help.

Please consider "stepping-up" to ARRANGE the food and beverages on the tables near the kitchen for our monthly potluck. If this something you are interested is assisting with or overseeing, please contact the president, Janet Ragonesi at (310) 376-5954. Thank you.



THANK YOU to the following people for their donations at the **MAY MEETING:**

RAFFLE ITEMS:

Marie Calleja Ron Ellwood
 Sylvia Skidmore June Baker
 Janet Ragonesi

FOOD ITEMS:

Yolanda Keh Ron Ellwood
 June Baker Sylvia Skidmore
 Krista Renta Marie Calleja
 Gala Burkholder Donna Crossley
 Janet Ragonesi

Each donator received 2 **RAFFLE TICKETS** towards winning a raffle prize for their donations!



The SBBS board is working to make our club better in many ways. So now, when you come to the meeting you can renew your membership using your credit card.



You could WIN A PRIZE by helping to clean-up after the monthly meeting. Those who stay around a few extra minutes to lend a hand to help take down tables, put away chairs, sweep the floor, wipe-down dirtied tables or counters, put items for home in cars, etc. will be considered to be the randomly chosen person to WIN A PRIZE. When we all pitch in, the clean-up goes much quicker and easier. THANK YOU!

The MAY WINNER was MICHAEL LUTHER



BIRDING coordinated with the PV Peninsula Land Conservancy, Madrona Marsh, the Ballona Wetlands and more led by Bob Shanman from Wild Bird Unlimited

When: June 12 (2nd Wednesday), 8:00 am
 Where: MADRONA MARCH

When: June 19 (3rd Wednesday), 8:30 am
 Where: WHITE POINT NATURE PRESERVE

1600 Paseo Del Mar, San Pedro, CA

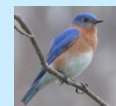
When: May 22 & June 26 (4th Wednesday), 8:30 am
 Where: GEORGE F. CANYON

27305 Palos Verdes Drive East, Rolling Hills Estates, CA



Other BIRDING locations:

Where: BALLONA WETLANDS, KM HARBOR PARK, BIXBY MARSH
 (See "Events" on Wild Birds Unlimited web site: wbu.com for more info.)



Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

RSVP: at pvplc.org, select "Events & Activities"

For more information, call (310) 541-7613 or www.pvplc.org.



Your ENTIRE family is invited to a



IT'S THE SOUTH BAY BIRD SOCIETY'S ANNUAL POOL PARTY!

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019

11 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

POT LUCK AND BBQ

AT THE HOME OF MYRNA FRAME

62 CREST RD EAST, ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274

BRING YOUR SWIM SUIT, TOWEL AND HAT

AND A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE.

Reservations & Gate Entrance Request To: CURTISMYRNA@VERIZON.NET



No BIRDS ALLOWED due to a NEWCASTLE Disease Outbreak.

For more information visit: www.sobaybirdsoc.com or contact: Janet at (310) 376-5954.



Q & A *By Karen, the Parrot Lady*



The answers to your questions are MY opinion based on nearly 50 years experience. I donated my time to Avian and Exotic Animal Hospital, working with Doctors Roskopf and Woerpel. I have hands-on experience owning my own Exotic bird shops, raising and breeding, grooming and caring for parrots of all kinds.

Ask me your questions and I will answer to the best of my knowledge. If I don't have an answer I will make every effort to find one for you and tell you my source.

Here we go!!!!

Q What will happen to my bird if something happens to me?

A



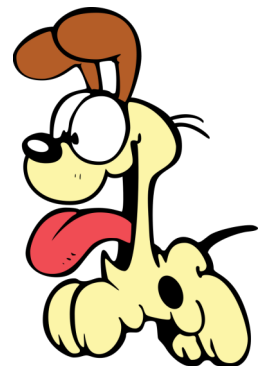
First, you need to have a will or a trust. Get a professional to help you do it properly. Name the person in that document that you trust to take your feathery friend, **BUT FIRST**, check with that person to make sure it is **OKAY**. (Do not spring this on someone.

This would not be a birthday or Christmas surprise that will thrill someone. Your bird needs to go to a person that will love and care for him as you have!!!).



Q My bird, dog and cat all sleep together. Is that alright?

A In your case it might be, but generally speaking, it is dangerous for the bird. Depending on the size of the dog, it could roll over on the bird. I get the same question about people sleeping with their bird, and I give them the same answer. The bird's beak is very strong, the cat's nails are very sharp, and a playful dog does not always know his own strength.....I could go on for days, but you get the idea!



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Q I love to take my bird for walks. Any safety suggestions?

A You can use a harness, a birdie leash, or a carrier. Your bird may stay on your shoulder, however, someone's dog can jump on you, and you would lose control. The same thing happens when the idiot in the Mac truck decides to honk at you to get the bird's attention. If you do not have the wings clipped, wave bye-bye to your bird. Always lean on the side of caution and be safe!!!



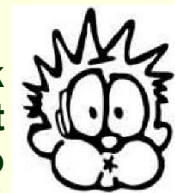
Q I want to buy an Amazon Parrot. There were two, and one came right to me, but the other one is prettier. What would you do?



A My rule is: always let the bird choose you. **ALWAYS!** If you are buying a bird to match your furniture, **GET A STUFFED ONE.** If you are buying a bird for its prettiness, **GET A STUFFED ONE.** If you are buying a bird for decoration, **GET A STUFFED ONE.** If you are looking for a loving family member that will bring you nothing but joy, get the one that **PICKED YOU!**

Q My bird makes gas-passing noises any time anyone sits down near her. How can I correct this?

A Oh, Good Grief! You are up that well-known creek without a paddle. Of course, everyone laughs, and that kind of attention is so much fun that there is no stopping it. Ignore it, and it might go away, but don't hold your breath in the process!



See you at the next meeting on June 9th.

Karen, The Parrot Lady



Karen Allen has been involved with birds and a SBBS member for over 35 years. She is a lifetime member of SBBS. Karen owns her own bird shop, "Birds & More" located at 4301 Redondo Beach Blvd., Lawndale, CA. The phone number is: (310) 370-7550. She counsels and trains new bird owners and is a published writer.

Send your questions for "The Parrot Lady" to:

Karen Allen, P. O. Box 3863
Redondo Beach, CA 90277-3863
Email: Birdsnmor@aol.com

(Editor's Note: Dr. Irene Pepperberg has spoken multiple times over the years to the SBBS membership. The club has helped to sponsor her research with African Grey parrots as it relates to childhood cognitive behavior.)



Dr. Irene Pepperberg & Alex, an African Grey Parrot before "ME"

Inside Pepperberg's Lab: Mutual Exclusivity in Parrots— A Special Case of Inference

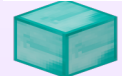
Posted on February 13, 2019

By: Irene Pepperberg, Ph.D.



African Grey Parrot, Griffin

In previous blogs I've talked about the importance of using "inference by exclusion" (inferring where something can be found after being given information about where it is absent) for examining nonhuman cognition. Many species succeed at the task at some level, but only a few exhibit a very special case of this behavior involving symbolic communication—something called **Mutual exclusivity (ME)**. Interestingly, African Grey Griffin demonstrated something very much like ME when initially learning his labels.



The term was first coined by Markman (Markman & Wachtel, 1988), but was previously studied by Carey (1978) under the term *fast mapping*, in experiments to determine how children acquired their early labels. The task is something like the following: A child is shown two toys that s/he can label (e.g., a ball and a block) along with one novel object (e.g., a cherry pitter). The child is asked to give the experimenter the "dax."

Now, the child knows that neither the ball nor the block is ever called a "dax," so, **by exclusion, s/he picks up the novel item**, and thereby maps the novel label to the novel object Shusterman (Shusterman & Krieger, 1984) used a similar strategy to teach sea lions new labels for new objects.

Of course, the extent of mapping is dependent upon context—if a subject is given several of these trials at once, with several new labels (e.g., "dax," "glif," "nep"), and then given all of the novel objects at once and then asked to choose the "dax," the mapping often isn't as good as if the original trial is repeated several times; that is, with only one novel object-novel label connection. **However, learning with exclusion is often faster than simple pairing of label and object, and is therefore thought to help children expand their vocabulary.**

ME also seems to help children eventually learn category labels and labels for attributes of objects—but not in their early stages of acquisition. Interestingly, **children often have a very difficult time learning that a specific object can have two labels**—here, they initially take ME too far, believing not only that every object has a name, but also only *one* name. So, for example, they happily label the family pet as a "doggie," but will vehemently state, **"No animal...doggie!"**, excluding the second novel label. Obviously, at some point, they override this aspect of ME, because all normal children learn lots of labels for each of their objects. And, at that point, **ME will then help them learn new attribute labels**—e.g., novel colors.



So, when given a yellow block, a blue block, and a vibrant pink block, and asked to give the experimenter the "fuchsia" one, few of them hesitate in their choice...not only do they know that all of the objects are blocks; they also know the referents for yellow and blue, and thus use ME to infer that the novel vocalization had to refer to the color label for the novel attribute. Furthermore, if later asked if "fuchsia" is a color, shape or material, they say it is a color.

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So, how does Griffin fit into all of this? Well, this label training differed a bit from that of Alex, the African Grey. When I started working **with Alex in 1977, I didn't know anything about ME.** (it was just beginning to be studied in children), but I figured that if I wanted him to learn object labels, I'd best start with items that had very few other attributes, such as color and shape. So, for example, "paper" referred to pieces of a white index card, "wood" to uncolored tongue depressors, and "hide" to amorphously shaped pieces of rawhide. **He had no problem learning these labels.**



When it came time to teach color labels, I dyed several objects with one shade of food color, and then we modeled "What color?" with responses of "green paper," "green wood," so that the attribute—the color green—was an additional label rather than a second, separate label, and that two items with different object labels had only that one particular novel attribute in common. Again, **Alex had no trouble learning color labels and, in the same way shape labels** (Pepperberg, 1981, 1983). By the time Griffin came on the scene, however, all the various object in the lab came in all sorts of colors and shapes, and we decided to see if that made any difference when teaching him his labels.

Therefore, **Griffin learned labels for objects by seeing several differently colored versions of the same item**—e.g., green, blue, yellow wooden sticks or pompons and humans responding to the questions "What matter?" appropriately. He was able to infer that, because the various groups of wood or wool and different color, but common material attributes—those materials were called "wood" or "wool." And when we taught him color labels for a group of variously colored but otherwise identical cups, he also learned to respond to "What color?" with those color labels. So far, no problem. But what would happen when we tried to get him to learn attribute labels not as additional, but as alternate labels, for the various items he could already label? Specifically, what would happen if we showed him a woolen pompon and asked, "What color?" instead of the usual "What Matter?"



ME then came into play: Indeed, when asked "What color?" for an item for which he already had a label ("wool"), he at first ignored the query, rejected the color label, and responded "wool" (Pepperberg & Wilcox, 2001) even though he know the appropriate color label! And he simply wouldn't learn the label "cup!" Just like the your children who initially used ME to exclude "animal" for a dog, **it took months of training to get Griffin to understand that an object could be both "green" and "wool," or "blue" and "wood"—and likewise with shape and novel object labels.**



Eventually, of course, Griffin, again like children ,fully understood how objects could be categorized with respect to various different attributes and now is as competent as was Alex with respect to labeling all these attributes (Pepperberg & Nakayama, 2016), and better than even 5-year-old children on physical tasks of inference by exclusion (Pepperberg et al., 2018) **However, it was quite exciting to find that the path of label acquisition, including ME, could be so similar for species that are so evolutionarily distant!**



Alex, Griffin & Dr. Pepperberg

Clearly, animals know more than we think, and think a great deal more than we know.

— Irene Pepperberg —



SBBS Welcomes New & Returning Members

RENEWALS: Mike Luther, Jon & Irene Templeton,
Fernand Bournival, Len Vanderroof, Kathy Powell

LIFETIME MEMBERS: Diane Bock, Cary & Anita Pao,
Jimi K. Anderson, Karen Allen, Ron & Perry Ellwood, Dr. Roskopf,
Jack Ford, Janet Ragonesi, Bree & Deven Brozey

Number of Current Members: 76



Don't fly off the membership list!

Please pay your dues.

Your dues help support your club by providing educational programs, newsletters,
the website, beverages and more.

SBBS is currently upgrading our membership files. To help us, please go to
www.sobaybirdsoc.com and click on "Membership" to find a membership
application. Please fill it out and include your check and send it to SBBS, P.O. Box
3863, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-3863.

If you want to join and have received a hard copy
or found the membership application on the back
of the newsletter, fill it out and send it to the
above address. If you have any questions about
your membership, please contact Membership
Director, Ron Ellwood (310) 850-0594.



West L.A. Bird Club

7 PM, Wednesday, June 12

**Speaker: Tomi from
Pet Store: "Animal Lovers"**
"Birdie Chi Chat"

7 PM, Wednesday, July 10

Movie Night!

**"Kakapoo, The Unnatural
History of the Kakapoo"**

American Legion Hall

5309 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, CA

www.westlabirdclub.com

President, Doreen (310) 488-9749

The Orange County Bird Breeders Club

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month.

Balearic Center, 1975 Balearic Center Ave, Costa Mesa

www.ocbirdbreeders.org



The West Valley Bird Society

Friday, June 21, 7:00 pm (rain cancels meeting)

Ms. Barbara Herman's House

10450 De Soto Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311

(Bring some food to share.)

www.thewestvalleybirdsociety.com



Long Beach Bird Breeders Club

Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month

at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall,

5938 Parkcrest Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90808

(S. of Carson, E. of Woodruff Ave.)

For info call: (562) 881-9847

Longbeachbirdbreeders.com



PARROT EDUCATION & ADOPTION CENTER



PEAC is not taking in any parrots right now, but they do have a lot of nice birds ready to be adopted. There are classes going throughout the month. The San Diego location has classes the last weekend of the month. Classes in Orange County are on the third Saturday of the month. There is a new class now being offered in Hemet on the first Sunday of the month. Please check the website for topics, times, and directions. **Please contact PEAC at parroted@cox.net or visit their website www.peac.org for more information.**

All members are invited to make bird-related submissions for a future SBBS newsletter in any of the following segments:



Gala & Kahlia

- ☀ In "Wing Tips," share a tip to take improve the lives of both you and your bird(s).
- ☀ In "Laugh Kookaburra," send a bird-related cartoon, joke or humorous photo.
- ☀ In "Creative Corner" send photos of your bird-related drawings, ceramic pieces, needle point, paintings, etc. or texts of poems or photos with a unique point of view.

E-mail your ideas what you want to SEE and your SUBMISSIONS to: gidgetscal@aol.com.

☀ *The deadline for the next newsletter is Friday, June 14*

Thank you., Gala Burkholder



Adoptions

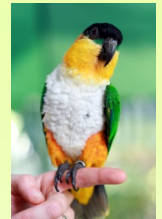
There are so many birds needing homes out there.

If you are considering another bird, please think about adopting one.

Call one of these rescue/adoption groups.

They all have many wonderful birds just waiting for someone to come and take them home.

Many of these groups have websites—take a look!



Organization

Phone

Contact

Parrots First	(866) 248-7670, ext. 5937	www.parrotsfirst.org
Parrot Rehabilitation Society	(619) 224-6712	www.parrotsociety.org
Southern Nevada Parrot Education, Rescue & Rehoming		www.southernnevadaparrotrescue.org
Santa Barbara Bird Sanctuary	(805) 565-1807	www.sbbird.org
Fine Feathered Friends Foundation	(310) 613-9549	curtismyrna@verizon.net



Contact Patte Fisher,

our Raffle Coordinator to let her know what kind of items you would like to see on the monthly raffle table!

Winner

E-mail her at pattefisher@verizon.net or Phone (310) 316-9843. All ideas are welcome!

HELP WANTED

Myrna Frame, of Fine Feathered Friends Foundation, is looking to hire a person with experience working with all sizes of birds to help care for birds one day a week.

If you are interested, contact Myrna at (310) 613-9549 or curtismyrna@verizon.net.



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2515 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach, CA 90245 (near the corner of Gould and Valley Drive)

Most meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 pm. *

* Sometimes, special meetings are held instead on Sunday afternoons, but verify the meeting date by checking the website at www.sobaybirdsoc.com.

You don't have to own a bird to attend. You are invited to bring a dish to share at our potluck which is followed by a speaker and a raffle.

Members are invited to attend Board Meetings which are usually the 2nd Monday of the month. Call Janet for details and to RSVP.

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Thank you to all!





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