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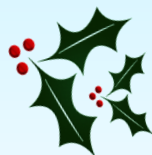
The Annual Holiday Fundraiser & Silent Auction

Sunday, December 8th *1:00-3:30 pm

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* AUCTION TIMES:



Preview
1:00-1:30 pm
Buy It Now
1:30-2:00 pm
General Bidding
2:00-3:30 pm

(See more info. on pages 4, 10 & 11)



Jasper, The Greenwing Santa Bird

There will be complimentary hors d'oeuvres, homemade goodies and drinks.

Find wonderful gifts for family, friends, pets and you.

This is a great way to give to a good cause while finishing your last minute shopping.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!



Location: Kiwanis Club of Hermosa Beach
2515 Valley Drive • Hermosa Beach, CA
(Cross streets are Gould and Valley Drive)

For more information please visit: www.sobaybirdsoc.com
or call: Janet Ragonesi: 310-376-5954

For your birds' safety, they will not be allowed at this event.

Photos by: Gala Burkholder

WELCOME BACK, PRIVATE IGOR!

(or an afternoon with Jeff Maxwell)

Sunday, November 3, 2019

By Diane Sivas



Private Igor

We were very happy to welcome back our friend Jeff Maxwell as the featured speaker at our November 3rd afternoon meeting. Jeff's visits are always highly entertaining, and we are always happy to see him. As many of you probably already know, Jeff played cook, "Private Igor," on the TV show "M*A*S*H". These days, Jeff shares his life with his wife and "George," a female Double Yellow Headed Amazon who is now 35 years old.



Jeff Maxwell & his parrot, George



Diane Sivas kisses her Blue and Gold Macaw, Cheeto

The meeting kicked off with a welcome to all in attendance and a shout out to guest (and childhood friend of Janet), Barbara from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. I understand that she will be in the South Bay for a while so we look forward to seeing her more often. Janet filled everyone in on auction/fundraiser details and preparation. This event is only a month away and we need volunteers to help out. Please consider stepping up. And, speaking of stepping up, Marie Calleja will be the nominating committee for upcoming board position elections. Check out the newsletter for available positions. Also, Janet announced that long time VP/Treasurer, Kathy Powell, will shortly be moving to Prescott, Arizona to begin a new adventure. We all thank her for her many years of service and wish her the very best in her new life. I will be assuming her treasurer duties, along with my current job as VP/Secretary.



Kathy Powell



Although no introduction was necessary Karen did the honors, and we welcomed Jeff back to SBBS. Taking a cue from Janet, Jeff started by asking if he could donate to the auction and told us that he has some old scripts from his "M*A*S*H" days. Wow! Who wouldn't want to get their hands on that? **(SEE PAGE 9 FOR JEFF'S GENEROUS DONATION OF AN ORIGINAL "M*A*S*H" SCRIPT FOR THE FUNDRAISER!)** Oliver Dean's hat reminded Jeff of a story which is, unfortunately, once again relevant. During the last Newcastle virus outbreak in 2003, Jeff was outside with George and noticed a guy walking up his driveway. He told Jeff, "We need to protect the Condor...we need to euthanize your bird." Jeff, in no uncertain terms, sent the guy away, and then got involved with others who helped push back on task forces that were canvassing neighborhoods looking for birds. Because of his high profile, he was able to get on TV and in the news, which really helped stall the task forces' efforts.



Jeff Maxwell

("Private Igor!" continued on Page 3)



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.

THE SOUTH BAY BIRD SOCIETY

Is a Public Benefit Corporation and a qualified tax-exempt organization under IRS Code Section 501 (C) (3).

(“Private Igor!” continued from page 2)



Moving on to his life in “M*A*S*H”, the show ran from 1972 to 1983, and Jeff played Private Igor, the cook, for the last nine years of the show. He came from a nightclub comedy career and was intimidated by the talent of the trained actors he worked with on the show—particularly Alan Alda and the show’s writer, Larry Gelbart. But he managed to use those feelings of intimidation to help form the character of Private Igor.

Jeff is also the author of the book, *Secrets of the “M*A*S*H” Mess (The Lost Recipes of Private Igor)*, and a Podcast titled “M*A*S*H Matters” with Ryan Patrick. The podcast is released on the 1st and the 15th, and allows calls from listeners who are interested in all things “M*A*S*H”. Check it out at: <https://mashmatterspodcast.com/>.



Karen Allen & Jeff Maxwell

Of course, there were a lot of questions for Jeff. After 9 years, did he ever think of writing a script (Larry Gelbart wrote everything by himself); did the actors ever ad-lib (too much respect for Gelbart to do that); were other cast members animal lovers (yes, Radar and Loretta Swit); were there animals on the show (yes!). And how did George come into his life? From a woman who was very secretive and had several babies from which to choose. The price tag was \$300. Jeff picked one of the babies, and they have been together ever since. He told us he sometimes feels guilty about keeping George from her life as a flying bird, but the trade off is that he is able give her a wonderful life.

It was so enjoyable to see Jeff again. He thanked us and told us to keep asking him back. I think we can handle that! Thank you, Jeff, for another fantastic visit. In appreciation of his presentation, SBBS gave a donation to the American Cancer Society in Jeff Maxwell’s and his wife Sherie’s name.



WHAT ARE YOUR BIRDS EATING FOR THANKSGIVING? -“Pumpkins for Parrots!”

by Ann Brooks

Why pumpkin? Birds require vitamin A, and many are deficient because of an inadequate diet. One of the best sources for vitamin A are foods rich in beta carotene. These are generally the dark orange, red, and green vegetables and fruits. So this is the perfect time of year to take advantage of current crops of scrumptious pumpkins and winter squashes. Not only are these beta carotene rich, but they also make a quick foraging activity.



Ways to serve pumpkin to parrots Simply putting half a pie pumpkin or squash on a skewer, or in a bowl, can give a bird fun and exercise activity at the same time. No need to remove the seeds! Just wash thoroughly prior to feeding, and buy organic if possible. You can leave cut pumpkins and squash out for 2-3 days, making for several days of fun!

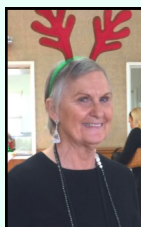
What other foods are rich in Vitamin A? Other vitamin A sources include carrots, broccoli, sweet potatoes, papaya (including seeds), cantaloupe (seeds especially good for macaws), leafy greens, apricots, and mango. If your bird is eating a packaged seed diet, it’s possible they are vitamin A deficient. A seed diet also leads to obesity! Try to convert your bird to a whole foods and pellet diet for long-term health.

Why is Vitamin A important for birds? Birds with vitamin A deficiencies can have dull feathers, and many other symptoms. Your avian veterinarian will check the papillae in the roof of your bird’s mouth during their annual exams. Pointed papillae are a sign of good vitamin A health. Make sure your bird has the opportunity to enjoy these nutrient dense foods!

The President's Notes By Janet Ragonesi

Greetings SBBS Members, Sponsors and Friends:

As SBBS President, I look forward to seeing you at our



"ANNUAL Fundraiser/Auction"

Sunday, December 8th, *1–3:30 PM

**Preview time: *1-1:130 PM, Buy it now:
1:30-2 PM, General Bidding: 2–3:30 PM**



I would like to thank the members, sponsors and friends that have donated items and services to our fundraiser. I appreciate the members and other volunteers who participated in the wrapping of items prior to the auction. Cheers to each of you for stepping up for SBBS!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME to come to this event. We look forward to our members, sponsors, family, friends and fellow bird clubs attending our Annual Fundraiser & Silent Auction! PLEASE SHARE this information with others. The festive event is fun and comes complete with food, holiday music and friendly people to meet. This is the time of the year we raise funds for SBBS! Your attendance is an opportunity to bid on some great holiday gifts and take home fun items for your friends, family members, yourself and your pets. **Cash, checks and credit cards will be accepted. For your birds' safety, they will not be allowed at this event.**



CHECK OUT the Fundraiser/Silent Auction flyer on page 1, volunteering for the event on page 4, Auction Guidelines on page 10 and photos of past Auctions on page 11!



**WE HAVE OVER 150 ITEMS
currently for your
SHOPPING PLEASURE!**

**HAVE FUN WHILE SUPPORTING
SBBS!**

SBBS Member Volunteers Who Set-Up For The 2018 Fundraiser/Silent Auction



Join Our Team This Year To Make This Event Fun For All!

As with all of our events, volunteers are critical in achieving a fun and well-organized activity.

This event requires a "flock" effort to coordinate and provide our annual fundraiser as many of you have already done. Thank-you. We are near the finish line and **we need your help** to provide assistance before, during and after our event on December 8th.

We start setting up at 9:45 am. (*Bagels and cream cheese will be provided.*) Setting-up involves such tasks as covering the tables with plastic table cloths. Then, auction items and holiday-wrapped boxes are arranged on the tables and the easels. Bid sheets are taped on the tables near each item. Decorations are put on the walls to add a festive atmosphere. We all work together. The set up continues until we are all ready for the event at approximately 12:30 PM so that all volunteers can take a break and get some lunch. If you can't come right at 9:45 am, that is okay. Just come when you can and lend a hand.

At the closing of the auction, we will need more help from approximately 3:15-4:30 PM to put away items and to clean-up the room.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
HELP!**



DO YOU STILL HAVE ITEMS TO DONATE FOR THE FUNDRAISER/SILENT AUCTION?



If so, contact Janet at (424) 247-4447 or at ragonesi@att.net as to whether or not we are accepting any additional donations.

No birds or any other animals will be auctioned.

MONETARY DONATIONS:

SBBS is a registered California 501 (c)3 Public Benefit Corporation and your donations are **TAX DEDUCTIBLE.** Your support, however large or small is essential to our continued success and operation.



Consider donating to SBBS when making your year-end contributions. Thank you.

GET READY FOR CYBER MONDAY!



SBBS is signed up and participating with Amazon Charity Donations.

For SBBS to receive a percentage of your online purchases from Amazon, please follow the directions. It is easy and you will be supporting SBBS.

1. Log into "Smile.Amazon.com" (Your account and password are all the SAME - in fact the site looks the same). Be sure to log into Smile.Amazon.com each time your shop. This way, SBBS receives the benefits every time you make a purchase.
2. Under "Select a charity", input "South Bay Bird Society" under where you see "Or pick your own charitable organization".
3. When you log into this site, you will see "Supporting South Bay Bird Society" at the top.
4. Tell your friends and family—everyone can participate as long as they are in SMILE.AMAZON.COM. We'll receive .05% of each purchase made from AMAZON from everyone that buys anything off this page.
5. Each quarter we will either receive a check or a direct deposit from AMAZON.
6. Please spread the word: "SMILE.AMAZON.COM". Thank you for supporting SBBS.

PLEASE CONSIDER RUNNING FOR ONE OF THE 2020 OFFICER POSITIONS



SBBS is seeking members to step up for one of the SBBS officer or director positions for a one year term. We are looking for individuals willing to serve in a position of their choice, and to attend most of the general and board monthly meetings.

We plan to have an election of officers in February 2020. ALL board positions, both voting and non-voting, are available and require nominations. We currently have several vacant board positions and need more help to share various responsibilities. (See page 15 for a list of all officer positions.) In the January newsletter or e-mail, we will have a list of positions with their duties.

Any SBBS member who is interested in serving in any capacity should contact the nominating Chairperson, Marie Calleja, at mpcalleja56@gmail.com or call (310) 529-1408.



SBBS is all about the birds and our continued success as a non-profit organization depends on all of us! Serving on the board is a great way to make new friends and help plan our future activities.

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP

If you don't want to hold an officer or director position, there are other ways to help keep SBBS "in flight" even if it is only a one-time commitment. Here are some ways you can help the club achieve our goals:

- 1) Oversee the arrangement of food brought to a pot luck
- 2) Visit some of our sponsors to distribute the SBBS newsletters and flyers while picking up raffle donations
- 3) Recommend a speaker for a future program
- 4) Participate in an upcoming "SBBS Community Outreach Event"

The only way to have friends is to be one.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



Cheers, Janet

Palos Verdes/South Bay

AUDUBON SOCIETY PROGRAMS 7 PM

held at the Madrona Marsh Nature Center

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Monday, January 21, 7 PM

Presentation by: Josefina Madunich on the Galapagos Islands

BIRD WALKS:

4th Sat. each mo., 8:30-10:30 am:
Bird Walk through Madrona Marsh with Audubon Leaders

December 1 & 15*, 8-11 am: Bird Walk through Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park with Audubon Leaders. 12/1 meet in the parking lot, 12/15 meet in the parking lot closest to Anaheim & Vermont for Regional Park 2.

For Info: www.pvsb-audubon.org or call David at (310) 833-3095.



www.pvsb-audubon.org



(Linda Jensen gets dessert)

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 is something you are interested in assisting with or overseeing, please contact the President, Janet Ragonesi at (310) 376-5954. Thank you.

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. Congratulations to ARIENNE KOZAK, the winner of the prize at the November meeting.

When we all pitch in, the clean-up goes much quicker and easier.

Thank-you!



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

NO BIRD WATCHING WITH BOB IN NOVEMBER

Bob's Birding Dates Are As Follows:

When: January 22 (4th Wed.), 8:30 am

Where: **GEORGE F. CANYON**

27305 Palos Verdes Drive East, Rolling Hills Estates, CA

Other BIRDING Locations:

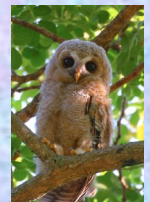
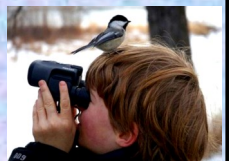
Where: BALLONA WETLANDS, KEN MALLOY HARBOR PARK (see PV/SB Audubon Society in the top, left, yellow box), BIXBY MARSH

(See "Events" on Wild Birds Unlimited web site: wbu.com to know more)

Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

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

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



THANK YOU to everyone for their donations at the **November 3rd Meeting!**

FOOD:

Myrna Frame, Ron Ellwood, Janet Ragonesi, Gala Burkholder, Marie Calleja, Patte Fisher

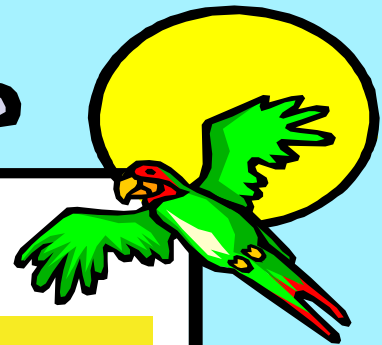
RAFFLE ITEMS:

June Baker, Jackie Harkey, Ron Ellwood, Barhra Simon-Render, Marie Calleja and Janet Ragonesi

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



South Bay Bird Society



Annual Potluck & Sponsor Appreciation Night

Mon., Jan. 6, 2020, 7:00 PM



Please bring a dish to serve 8 people or make a \$10 donation.

Also, bring your best bird stories. Poems Welcome!

Raffle

We will update you on the elections for board positions.



Location: Kiwanis Club of Hermosa Beach

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

For more information, call (310) 376-5954 www.southbaybirdsoc.com

Sorry, no birds allowed due to Virulent Newcastle Disease Outbreak



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 Rosskopf 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.

Q I am dealing with ants everywhere. What can I do?

A Calling an exterminator to treat your property is always a good idea. Here are some other hints:

- Ant spray works, but never near your birds!!!!
- Diatomaceous Earth can be sprinkled around any area that has ants, as well as getting rid of fleas on your dogs and cats (RUB IT ON).
- I put coasters under the wheels of my cages and fill the coasters with cinnamon. You can use flour or talcum powder if you wish, but the cinnamon smells nicer.
- Plant peppermint outside. Ants do not like it.
- Make a line of either cinnamon, chalk or cucumber - the ants will not walk through it.



Q Is there food my bird can eat that would be fun for them?


A Beef and beef bones, chicken and chicken bones, corn on the cob, Cheerios, peanut butter on celery or on a cracker, mashed potatoes with broccoli, cheese (plain) or melted on a cracker or toast, a piece of pizza, peas in the pod, green beans, banana nut bread, pumpkin and zucchini breads, corn bread with corn mixed in. I could go on for days!!!



Use your imagination and please share with us what you do.

No-nos: Chocolate; avocado in any form (raw or cooked) is deadly! No booze; iceberg lettuce has no nutritional value (romaine, red leaf and butter leaf are all fine).

Q What can I use in the cage bottom that is safe?

A  Sheeted newsprint, paper towels or newspaper are the safest. The sheeted newsprint newspaper without print on it is the best. (You can get it where they sell moving supplies). The regular newspaper is fine below the grates. It will make your bird look dirty when the print wears off on them.

Corn cob, cat litter and sawdust tend to grow bacteria at a very fast rate when dampened -and there is no such thing as "DRY POOP!"

Q Should I cover my birds at night, and if so, why?

A I cover mine at home. The birds need 12 to 14 hours of sleep every night. Mine start to yell at 6 PM to let me know that it is bed time. I cover them until I get up in the AM. This gives them a full 14 hours and a sense of privacy, even if it is not quiet. I almost always have babies to feed, so lights are on, and the babies do not understand the word QUIET! Covering them also protects them from any unwanted drafts that might sneak up in the middle of the night.



*Christmas is approaching.
Mistletoe and Poinsettias are poisonous, tinsel is not edible,
Christmas trees can cause very sick birds,
and lights can cause fires if wires get chewed on or bulbs broken.
Ornaments break easily and can mess up the bird's insides if swallowed,
and cut badly if picked up in a foot or mouth.*



So guess what—

*NO birdies flying at Christmas, or creeping around the house to check out trees.
Santa Claus wants you to protect your furry and feathery children and to keep them safe,
or you will certainly be on his Naughty List!!!*

Have a wonderful and safe holiday season!
Your birdies love you, Santa loves you,
and we, at the South Bay Bird Society love you!
Have the grandest of New Years to come!

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

See the **2 items** that will be at the **SBBS FUNDRAISER & SILENT AUCTION** being held on **December 8 from 1:00 pm-3:30 pm!**

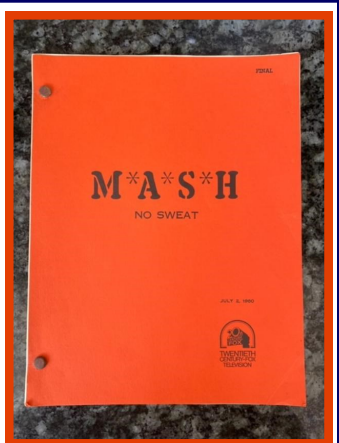


Cockatoo Ceramic Piece



Thank you for your donations!

WOW!
**Former Cast Member,
Jeff Maxwell donated
an ORIGINAL SCRIPT
from the classic TV series:**
"M*A*S*H"





Cash, Checks, Debit or Credit Cards ACCEPTED

SBBS AUCTION GUIDELINES

1. **SILENT AUCTION PREVIEW** BEGINS at **1:00 PM**
2. **“BUY IT NOW” BIDDING** is OPEN from **1:30—2:00 PM**
3. All **“BUY IT NOW” bids are FINAL** at the “Buy It Now” price. *REMOVE your ITEMS and BID SHEETS ATTACHED to the items and also the BID SHEET TAPED TO THE TABLE and proceed to the CASHIER BY 2:00 PM to purchase your items.*
4. **GENERAL BIDDING** is OPEN from **2:00 –3:30 PM** A group of tables will be open for a short time period in which you can bid on those items. *SEE BALLOONS with the TIMES identified.*
5. **CHANGE YOUR MIND?** -If you have written a bid on the bid sheet and you change your mind, you **MUST CROSS YOUR NAME OFF ON THAT BID SHEET BEFORE** that table CLOSSES.
6. **WHEN YOU ARE THE HIGHEST BIDDER** -When a group of tables are closed, *REMOVE each of your winning ITEMS with it’s BID SHEET ATTACHED to the item and also remove the BID SHEET TAPED TO THE TABLE and proceed to the CASHIER. You may leave your items on the table near the cashier AT YOUR OWN RISK until you are READY TO PAY for ALL of your items.*
7. In the event of a **“BIDDING WAR,”** a Board Member will call a **“LIVE AUCTION”** to settle the winning bid.
8. All guests at the fundraiser are entitled to place bids for any items. Please **DO NOT BLOCK GUESTS FROM BID SHEETS** at any time.
9. **ENTRY** and **EXIT** from the Kiwanis Club will **ONLY be allowed using the FRONT DOOR** facing Valley Drive.
10. Have your **PAID RECIEPTS** and **BID SHEETS ACCESSIBLE AS YOU EXIT THE AUDITORIUM** to one of **SANTA’S HELPERS** for to verify you are the rightful new owner as you leave the auditorium.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SBBS!

Are you naughty
or nice?



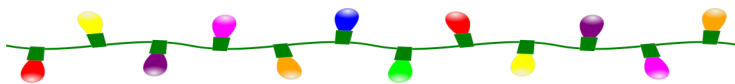
Photos from some of our prior
Fundraiser/Silent Auctions



GOOD FOOD!



Join us on December 8th for more fun at
this year's Silent Auction !



**EVERYONE IS
WELCOME!**





SBBS Welcomes
New & Returning Members

NEW MEMBERS: Jeff & Tess Mellinger

RENEWALS: Jackie Harkey, Oliver Dean,
Adrienne Kozak, Lisa Cooley, Gala Burkholder

LIFETIME MEMBERS: Diane Bock,
Cary & Anita Pao, Karen Allen, Ron & Perry Ellwood,
Dr. Roskopf, Jack Ford, Janet Ragonesi,

Bree & Deven Brozey

Number of Current Members: 71

Don't fly off the membership list! Please pay your dues.

Your dues help support your club by providing newsletters,
educational programs, 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.



The West L.A. Bird Club

HOLIDAY PARTY

Wed., Dec. 11 AT 7 PM

Catered Dinner & Raffle

\$15 / Person

\$8 / Child Under 12 yrs.

At the American Legion Hall

5309 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City

www.westlabirdclub.com

RSVP BY 12/7 to:

President, Doreen at
djseelig@aol.com
or (310) 488-9749



The Orange County Bird Breeders

Holiday Potluck Dinner & Opportunity Drawing

Saturday, December 14, 7 pm (No birds)

Balearic Center, 1975 Balearic Center Ave, Costa Mesa

www.ocbirdbreeders.org



"Holiday party in Rolling Hills Estates"

Cartoon Submitted by Maria Calleja

Long Beach Bird Breeders

Holiday Potluck Dinner & Raffle - Nov. 26th

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



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 info.

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

- ☀ In **“Wing Tips,”** share a tip that could 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.

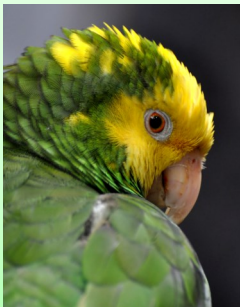


Gala & Kahlia

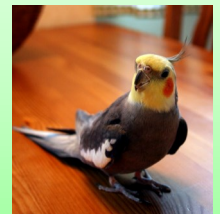
E-mail your ideas of what you would like to SEE, along with your SUBMISSIONS to: gidgetscal@aol.com.

☀ *The deadline for the next newsletter is Tuesday, December 10th*

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.*

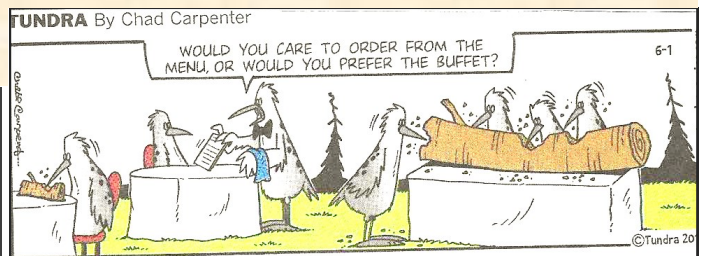
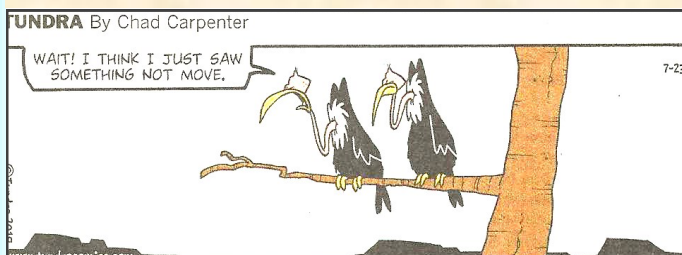


Many of these groups have websites—take a look!

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Santa Barbara Bird Sanctuary	(805) 565-1807	www.sbbird.org
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“Laugh Kookaburra”

“How the wild birds celebrate Thanksgiving...”



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Cartoon submitted by Marie Calleja



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Meetings are held at the Kiwanis Club of Hermosa Beach

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 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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Do you want to volunteer in ANY way for SBBS?

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The people listed above have chosen to “Step-up” to help with our club.

They have listed their contact information for your reference in SBBS business.

Thank you to all!

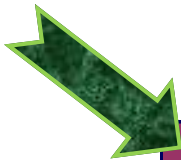




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To help us plan programs and activities, please tell us what kind of birds you own: _____

_____ How long have you been keeping birds? _____

During the meetings when you are invited to bring your bird, we sometimes take pictures of the birds for our newsletter. We like to identify them by name. If you want, please list your bird species and the names of those you might be bringing so we can label the photos: _____

Do you keep birds primarily as: Companions ___ Breeders ___ Both ___ Renewal Month: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____