



South Bay Bird Society

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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.

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ANNUAL FUNDRAISER & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, December 8, 2019

By Diane Sivas - with a few additions by Gala Burkholder

The SBBS 2019 Silent Auction and Annual Fundraiser took place on a rainy Sunday afternoon, December 8th. As in past years, we had a room filled with 200 auction items of every shape and size – something for everyone, it seems. This event always gives us an opportunity to knock out some of that last-minute holiday shopping while visiting with friends who we may not have seen for a while – maybe not since last year’s auction.



SBBS President, Janet Ragonesi briefly reviewed the guidelines before the start of the auction. A 30-minute “preview” period was followed by a 30-minute opportunity to “Buy It Now.” The “buy it now” was half an hour whirlwind as folks scurried through the aisles making sure they were getting those “must have” items. General bidding began immediately thereafter, with table closings happening every 10 minutes. Karen

Allen did the final countdown just before tables closed to give everyone a few extra seconds to check on their bid or add a bid. She reminded us this event is a fundraiser to help our club achieve our mission throughout the year.



As always, we have a lot of people to thank for the success of this event. Board members Janet Ragonesi, Karen Allen, Patte Fisher, June Baker and myself — along with past board member Marie Calleja — were on board every step of the way – from gathering and tagging donations, to wrapping and storing, to getting everything delivered and set up at the Kiwanis Club early on auction day. Their tireless efforts are what helped make the afternoon great. Once again, our bid sheet wizard, Ron Ellwood, made sure that everything was tagged and



cataloged correctly. Patte Fisher tracked and stored all of the auction items and supplied the holiday music collection. June distributed press releases about the fundraiser to all of the local papers. Janet selected the menu and ordered the food.



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.

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

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("Annual Fundraiser!" continued from page 2)



David Benjamin

David Benjamin took on the task of inflating, tagging and placing the balloons on every table. In addition to her IT duties, Gala Burkholder oversaw the sound support, brought holiday decorations and created signs that were posted inside and outside the hall, so we could attract more guests. And we had members that showed up early, too, just to help.

Once again, our SBBS members and Board members went out of their way searching for the wide variety of donated items that we had out for bidding. There wouldn't even be an auction without great things to sell, and we certainly extend big thanks to everyone who committed time and effort to round up these gifts.

And finally, SPECIAL thanks to everyone who generously opened their wallets and purchased items. As you know, this is our only fundraiser of the year and the money made will keep your club functioning throughout 2020.



Ron Ellwood & Diane Sivas

So, here we are at the end of another year. I wish you all a very happy holiday season and extend my best wishes for a happy and prosperous 2020.

Happy New Year, all, and see you next year!

More Fundraiser and Silent Auction Photos on page 11.



Donna Crossley with her granddaughters, Hannah & Emily and her daughter, Michelle

One member, Adrienne Kozak volunteered before, during and after the event to help make this event run smoothly. The volunteers finished setting up for the event one-half an hour earlier than in any of the previous years which allowed for plenty of time for a break, lunch and a group photo before the event was scheduled to begin!



Adrienne Kozak

Angelina, assisted by Barbera Buffie, took on the task of working in the kitchen and setting up the tables with food, as well as handling cleanup at the end of the day. Donna Crossley treated us to 200 home-baked cookies for all of the "cookie monsters" in the crowd. Yum!



Barbera Buffie & Angelina Loyola



Andre was back on board this year to help with set up and tear down of tables and chairs in the room and carried many of the auction items to the auction tables and again to the shopper's cars. He also served as "security" for the afternoon, and under his watchful eye, the day came off without a hitch. He was seen carrying a huge umbrella escorting people to and from to their cars during the rain showers. A big thank you for tackling these important tasks.



Andre escorts our shoppers in the rain.



A group photo of some of the volunteers who helped to set-up for 2019 Fundraiser & Silent Auction.

The President's Notes By Janet Ragonesi



Greetings SBBS Members, Sponsors and Friends:

I hope all of you, your family and flock are enjoying this festive holiday season. As we approach a New Year, I wish you a happy and healthy 2020. **Looking back on 2019, it was a busy year for many of us.**

SBBS FOCUSES ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

With the onset of the fires, floods and possible earthquakes, SBBS has been focused on getting us ready for a natural disaster. At several of our SBBS meetings, members Donna Crossley, Marie Calleja, along with the South Bay Animal Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) stressed the importance of being prepared during an emergency. Donna and Marie showed us items to make our own birdie first aid kit and ways to house or care for an injured bird. (See meeting photos on page 10.)

As part of SBBS's community outreach, Donna Crossley, Marie Calleja and Janet Ragonesi gave an emergency preparedness presentation as it relates to birds at a June CERT meeting in Redondo Beach. They, along with Gala Burkholder, answered many of their avian-care questions.

SBBS NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE

The SBBS July-August 2019 edition of the newsletter and the website have practical information with various resources and check-off lists for your family and your flock to prepare for a major earthquake or other disaster.



I thank everyone who contributed to the web site with articles and pictures. I appreciate your suggestions and ideas to make our club better meet your needs. SBBS sponsors are also easy to find on the SBBS web site! We will continue to provide you valuable information throughout 2020! Check out the on-line sites sobaybirdsoc.org or sobaybirdsoc.com, as we have both domains.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

SBBS members did attend a few community outreach events this year! One event was "The Blessing of God's Creatures" in Torrance. Unfortunately, no birds could be taken to this community event due to the outbreak of Newcastle Disease. But Krista Renta and Joni Malukas bought a hamster, guinea pig and dog for the day.



SBBS 2019 MEETING REVIEW

Looking back at this past year's general meetings, we've tried to bring you a variety of topics and speakers, while having fun at the same time. *Take a look back at our SBBS meetings with a few photos on page 10.*

SBBS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER



AND SILENT AUCTION UPDATE

This annual event was outstanding and we raised \$3,058. We had an assortment of donated items, gift baskets, certificates and all-around good will. Our SBBS elves were hard at work from September on through the auction. Thank you to the board, and member volunteers who arrived early to help set up and break down the festivities. Even though it rained for the first time ever during our fundraiser, those who attended the event did not let it dampen their spirits. A big thanks goes out to everyone who supported this annual event! If you have any suggestions or ideas for the 2020 fundraiser, we certainly would appreciate your positive input!



If you have baskets from the auction, we always appreciate them donated back to the club for next year's fundraiser. Bring them to a meeting.

Just a reminder when taking advantage of those on-line after-Christmas sales... SBBS is signed up and participating with Amazon Charity Donations.



THANK YOU TO OUR ANGEL DONORS



Many thanks to those who have stepped up for SBBS during 2019 and continue to do so into 2020. We are grateful for your continued support! Your support, however large or small, is essential to our continued success and operation.

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

SBBS is a registered 501(c)3 Public Benefit Corporation. Sponsors, members and friends: if you are planning to make a monetary donation to SBBS for your 2019 tax year, please send your tax-deductible donation to:

SBBS P.O. Box 3863 Redondo Beach Ca 90177-3863.

SBBS ELECTIONS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS & OFFICERS

SBBS is seeking members to volunteer for one of the officer's or director's positions. We are looking for individuals willing to serve in a post of their choice, and to attend most of the general and board monthly meetings.

We will be holding elections on February 6th. ALL board positions, both voting and non-voting, are available. Currently, we have several VACANT board positions for which we urgently need your help. (See page 15 for a list of all officers. Position duties and responsibilities will be sent out later to all members).

Please contact the nominating Chairperson, Marie Calleja, at mpcalleja56@gmail.com or call (310) 529-1408 if you want to step up for SBBS!

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 SBBS

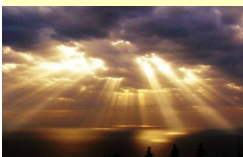
If you don't want to hold a board position, **there are other ways to help keep SBBS "in flight" *even if it is only a one-time commitment.* Here are some ways you can help the club achieve our goals:**

- 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 or topic for a future program
- 4) Participate in a "SBBS Community Outreach Event"

As SBBS President, I would like to thank all of you who volunteered to support our club in 2019. Each of you gave your time, efforts and experience to help us achieve our goal to promote the well-being of companion birds.

2020 BEGINS WITH OUR ANNUAL SPONSOR AND MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENING

Join us on Monday, January 6th! View page 1 for details. We look forward to seeing our SBBS sponsors, our members, and hearing your bird tales. I may have a few stories to share myself.



**COMPASSION WITH ACTION
brings light and hope for all.**

Cheers, Janet



Diane Martin Bock

**May 6, 1946-
November 28, 2019**



It is with a heavy heart, The South Bay Bird Society announces that Diane Bock, a long-time SBBS member crossed the Rainbow Bridge on November 28, 2019, in her home in Pacific Palisades. Diane's legacy of philanthropic works is endless. She was a SBBS lifetime member, friend and Angel Donor for many years. Her financial support of our club included underwriting the cost of our monthly newsletter.

Diane was a no-nonsense person. Her heart and soul was dedicated to her family, flock and friends including the South Bay Bird Society.

For many years, Diane Bock and Donna Crossley filled a room with their flock of parrots at America's Family Pet Expo. People came from all over So. Cal to attend the Expo year after year to see Donna and Diane's birds and talk with these ladies about responsible pet ownership. Their twenty-five-year friendship was unconditional, reliable and cherished by both women!

In Diane's memory, SBBS will make a donation to the St Jude's Children's' Research Hospital!

Diane will be missed, but not forgotten!

Palos Verdes/South Bay

AUDUBON SOCIETY PROGRAMS 7 PM

held at the Madrona Marsh Nature Center

Monday, January 21, 7 PM

Presentation by: Josefina Madunich on the Galapagos Islands



She was a naturalist on the Galapagos Islands for 17 years and is very knowledgeable about the flora and fauna of the islands. She leads tours of the Galapagos Islands.

BIRD WALKS:

4th Sat. each mo., 8:30-

10:30 am: (12/28, 1/25)

Madrona Marsh with Audubon Leaders



January 5 & 19*, 8-11 am:

Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park with Audubon Leaders. 1/5 meet in the parking lot, 1/12 meet in the parking lot closest to Anaheim & Vermont for Regional Park 2.

January 12, 8-11 am:

South Coast Botanic Garden with Audubon leader David Quaadhamer

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

The Palos Verdes Christmas Bird Count was on 12/22.



THANK YOU to everyone for your donations of **FOOD & RAFFLE ITEMS** at the **SBBS MEETINGS.**

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



(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. She was also a great help at our December fundraiser!

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



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

BIRD WATCHING WITH BOB SHANMAN

When: January 8 (2nd Wednesday), 8:00 am

Where: **MADRONA MARSH**

When: January 15 (3rd Wednesday), 8:30 am

Where: **WHITE POINT NATURE PRESERVE**

1600 Paseo Del Mar, San Pedro, CA

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

Where: **GEORGE F. CANYON**

27305 Palos Verdes Dr. 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)

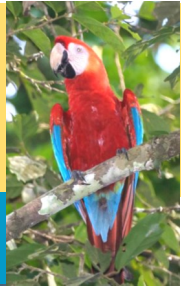
Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

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





Monday, February 3, 2020, 7 P.M.



Monthly Drawing A Potluck Dinner

Randy Harwood Shares His Trip To PERU

See Macchu Picchu, Birds in the Amazon, Nazca Lines and More!



Location: Kiwanis Club of Hermosa Beach

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

Sorry, no BIRDS ALLOWED at the FEBRUARY MEETING 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 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 received several plants for Christmas presents and my concern is what ones might be harmful to my birds?

A Any plant that has a creamy substance when you pull a leaf or flower off, any plant from the Pothos family, mistletoe, be careful with anything that has berries and Poinsettia plants. There are many more, but these are the most common. Make "caution" your middle name and steer clear of anything you are not sure of.



Q My bird is driving my dog bonkers. He won't let the poor dog eat. He guards the food dish like it was his. The dog is a wuss and just cries.

A Feed them in separate rooms and at different times. If they have to be fed at the same time, the bird goes in the closed cage to eat, (locked if necessary) and does not come out until the dog is finished.



Q My bird likes to snuggle under the covers and bites me if I move. How do I correct this behavior?

A Parental behavior needs correcting. The bird does not belong under the covers as that causes nesting behavior. This could also spell the demise of your bird should you fall asleep and roll over on him. Let's use some common sense here and set the ground rules. You do not sleep in the bird's bed, and he doesn't sleep in yours!!!!



Q My parrot does not like anyone except me. People are always poking fingers at him or sticking their fingers in the cage. I don't want anyone to get hurt, but I am not always right where I can prevent it. What do you suggest?

A You tell people, "My bird bites!" before they come over, or as they come in the door. Make a little sign that says, "This bird bites! Stick your finger in at your own risk." Or "Tease my bird and I will let him out!" Or even, "I live here and you don't. Don't mess with me!" Be creative, and if that doesn't work, don't have that person over.



Q People always want to feed my bird. Is there something I can do to stop it?

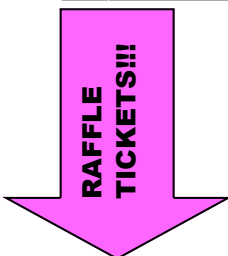
A Ask nicely that they do not feed him, and explain that he is on a special diet to protect his health. You can also leave out a small dish of healthy bird treats and tell people they can give the bird those if they want to share. Remember that you took great care to choose a special bird for yourself and your family, and I suggest you do the same with friends!!!!



Our birds are our feathery family and rely on us for their health and safety.
They are with us for many, many years.
People tend to come and go
and generally take care of themselves, if we are lucky.



Have a Safe and Happy New Year!



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

Do you buy raffle tickets at the meetings? Each month, I bring a certain amount of money to buy tickets and I'm given a string of tickets which I have to tear apart and quickly put them in the raffle barrel before the first ticket number is called! I check to see if any of my numbers match. Then, there are those who yell, "Mix them up!" I keep thinking, there has to be a better way to conduct our raffle.

Well, after much discussion during several board meetings about these issues and the fact that the cost of the raffle prizes have gone up, we decided to increase the price of the tickets to \$1.00 each. As a bonus, for each \$5.00 spent, you will get an extra ticket. Thus, you will get 6 tickets instead of 5 for each of \$5.00 of purchase. Food and raffle donators will continue to receive 2 raffle tickets.

It is my belief, *most people* will probably spend about the *same amount* of money as before, but it will be **quicker and easier** to tear apart the tickets and **easier to mix them up** in the raffle barrel. The board will reevaluate this change after 6 months. Even though the prices of the tickets are increasing beginning January 1, 2020, each person's chance to win a prize will probably be about the same, while it will be **more fun and easier** for all of us to participate in the raffle. Thank you for trying out our new approach!

Sincerely, Gala Burkholder



2019 SBBS MEETINGS IN REVIEW

Looking back at this past year's general meetings, we've tried to bring you a variety of topics, speakers while having fun at the same time!

- January **Sponsor and Member Appreciation Night**
"A Moment to Share a Bird Story"
- February **Donna Crossley & Marie Calleja**
"Disaster and Emergency Preparedness: Are you ready NOW?"
- March **Dr. Rosskopf**, "Avian Obstetrics"
- April **Lisa Fimiani**
"Gardening With Natives— Look Who You'll Attract"
- May **Chan Quach**
"Bird Behavior"
- June **Johnny Hernandez**, of The South Bay Community Emergency Response Team
- July **Annual Pool Party** at Myrna's House
- August **Roundtable Discussion** on, "Earthquakes, Were You Ready?"
- September **Annual Picnic** at Columbia Park, Theme: "Margaritaville... We are the Original Parrot Heads!"
- October **Bob Shanman**
"The Facts About Bird Migration"
- November **Jeff Maxwell**
Sharing of his stories about being on the hit TV Show "M*A*S*H"
- December **Annual Fundraiser & Silent Auction**

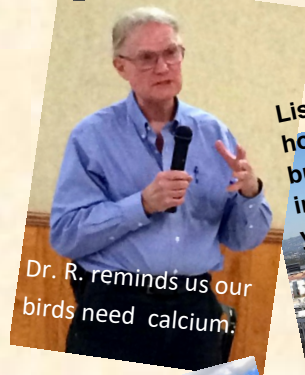


Sebastian watches the Rose Parade he used to be in!

Donna & Marie help us to get prepared.



Lisa tells how to get butterflies in our yards.



Dr. R. reminds us our birds need calcium.



Johnny with CERT



Chan takes his macaws for a ride.



Marie at the picnic with her parrot hat.



It took a flock...Thank You!

Myrna Frame is the Bar-B-Que Queen!



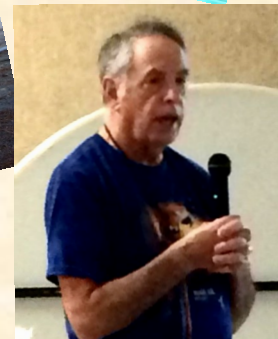
Quit hogging the pool toys!



Bill, Patte & Ron chilling at the park.

If you have a suggestion regarding a topic you would like SBBS to include in an upcoming meeting or newsletter, or recommendation for a future speaker, contact a board member or Janet Ragonesi at (310) 376-5954 or ragonesi@att.net.

Cheers! Janet Ragonesi, SBBS President



Bob told us birds can fly non-stop for 2 weeks over the ocean!

Jeff Maxwell made us laugh all afternoon!





Donna Crossley's granddaughter, Hanna, and her daughter, Michelle decide what to buy.



Photos from some of our 2019 Fundraiser/Silent Auction

"Ladies in Waiting"...for the auction.

(Left—right):
Mary Ramos,
Carol Olson
and
Sandra Luther



Sylvia Skidmore & Pat Julien take a break.



Donna Crossley's granddaughters, Emily & Hannah, and her daughter, Michelle, are happy to be together!

Joni Malukas has her list & checking it twice!



Diane Sivas & Barbera Buffie are surprised at the variety of choices of auction items.



Karen Allen & Elaine Dunn model their matching shirts.



Krista reviews the gift baskets.

We had fun at this year's Silent Auction on December 8th!



Volunteers bring "Good Cheer!"



Elaine Dunn spots the fresh croissants.

Diane Sivas plans her "Buy It Now" purchase.



Susan Sullivan brings her grandsons each year.



SBBS Welcomes New & Returning Members

NEW MEMBERS:

RENEWALS: Jan Stevens

LIFETIME MEMBERS: Cary & Anita Pao, Karen Allen, Ron & Perry Ellwood, Dr. Rosskopf, Jack Ford, Janet Ragonesi, Bree & Deven Brozey

MEMORIAL LIFETIME MEMBERS:

Lorrie Mitchell, Diane Bock

Number of Current Members: 70

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.

To join SBBS, please print page 16 of the newsletter or go to www.sobaybirdsoc.com and click on "Membership" to find a membership application. Fill the form out, include a check and send it to SBBS, P.O. Box 3863, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-3863. If you 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

Program: TBA

Wed., Jan. 15 At 7 PM

At the American Legion Hall

5309 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City

www.westlabirdclub.com

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

The Orange County Bird Breeders

Saturday, January 11, 7 pm

Speaker: Dr. Greek (No birds)

Balearic Center, 1975 Balearic Center Ave, Costa Mesa

www.ocbirdbreeders.org

TUNDRA By Chad Carpenter

Even birds look for a good deal !



"Laugh Kookaburra"

Cartoon Submitted by Marie Calleja

Long Beach Bird Breeders

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 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.

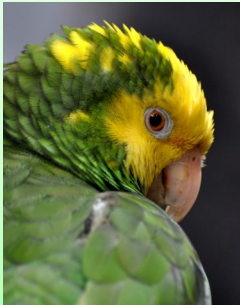


Gala & Kahlia

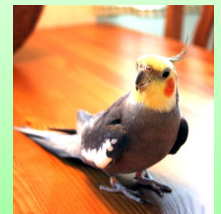
E-mail your ideas of what you would like to SEE, along with your SUBMISSIONS to: gidgetscal@aol.com.

☀ *The deadline for the next newsletter is Tuesday, January 14th*

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

“Laugh Kookaburra”

**HOW THE
PENQUINS
CELEBRATE
NEW YEAR'S EVE.**

**Wishing you, your
family and your
flock a
Happy New Year!**

Cartoon submitted by Marie Calleja

TUNDRA By Chad Carpenter





Note: Omar's Santa Monica store will be closing. (see below)

SHOP our sponsors.

SBBS members get a 10% discount from Birds & More and Animal Lovers

Birds & More
Hand-fed baby birds
Birds supplies & accessories
Grooming • Day Care
Karen Lee Allen

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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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Thank you to all!

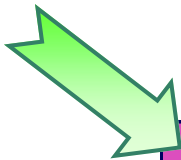




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_____ How long have you been keeping birds? _____

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