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Chris Driggins

to give a ZOOM presentation on

Parrots for Patriots - Matching Vets with Parrots



Note: Fall-back-
Sunday & 3 PM

Sunday, Nov. 7th, 2021 at **3 P.M.** (PT)

Join us on a ZOOM presentation with Chris Driggins, Founder and President of "Parrots for Patriots." **(This program is NOT political, but about helping retired military veterans with PTSD and matching them with a forever bird!)**

Before "Parrots for Patriots" (PFP) had been created, Chris started the Northwest Bird Rescue in 1988, in the state of Washington. As a former Army veteran, Chris had been suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder following his military service until he began the bird rescue. Chris came up with a solution to address the companionship needs of the veterans and the bird's needs for a new home. Chris decided to bring the veterans and birds together to help heal the trauma often experienced by both sides. Thus, the bird-adoption program, "Parrots for Patriots," was created on June 1, 2015.

The PFP staff re-trains those parrots with behavior issues before offering them up for adoption. Chris believes, "Taking care of a bird helps to give the veteran a sense of responsibility and duty while providing something to spoil with unconditional love. For the birds, they're happy to have a kind person and somebody who cares in their lives."

To qualify for a bird through "Parrots for Patriots," veterans pay a small fee and agree to home visits from PFP staff and to taking parrot-care classes before their adoptions are approved. Chris takes great attention to ensure that he has found the right bird for each new companion. Chris has placed more than 100 parrots with veterans so far!

Learn more about Chris Driggins and "Parrots for Patriots" by visiting their website at: <https://parrotsforpatriots.org/> and their Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/Parrotsforpatriots/>. He is inspiring and his program is fascinating!

For the ZOOM link, go to:

<https://www.meetup.com/Redondo-Beach-Birds-Meetup/events/>

For more information, contact Janet Ragonesi at (310) 376-5954 or at Ragonesi@att.net or go on: www.sobaybirdsoc.com

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Jennifer Cunha, J.D.

Communication & Play for Parrots

Sunday, October 10, 2021

By Diane Sivas



The South Bay Bird Society was pleased to welcome Jennifer Cunha as the afternoon’s speaker at our October 10th ZOOM meeting. Jennifer was on hand to talk to us about her work involving communication and enrichment for our parrots. As we would learn, the things she has accomplished with her parrots is truly astonishing!

The President, Janet Ragonesi was unable to attend due to a previously scheduled family event. So, Gala Burkholder who had coordinated the speaker, stepped in with some announcements and calendar events. After some short introductions and a brief description of who Jennifer is and what she does, we were off and running.

Jennifer began by telling us that she is an attorney by day, but now focuses most of her time and attention on working with her cockatoos Ellie and Isabelle. She has two websites to help with teaching parrots: My Reading Pets and Parrot Kindergarten.



Strengthen Communication Skills (Environmental Control Level)

Ellie, her first Cockatoo, came to Jennifer with some behavioral challenges. She started off with trick training Ellie and quickly noticed that the time she spent working with her were the times the bird was happiest. But she soon ran out of things to teach her and didn’t know what to do. So, she decided to work with Ellie using skills she had acquired while teaching intercity kids to read. Soon Ellie had learned colors and numbers and, eventually, letters. The more Ellie concentrated on learning, the calmer and more focused she became. Jennifer turned these sessions into daily learning lessons and found that it greatly enriched her birds’ lives.

Jennifer then shared her screen to show us ways to help parrots learn. The first was titled “Tablet Play and Levels of Learning.” She gave us a list of things she does with the birds on an average day; for instance, letting them choose among different options for food, music, or other games or activities. She instructed us how often to do the exercise and for how long. She explained how giving them control over their environment can lead to beneficial effects on their behavior. Control can be a vital part of psychological well-being.



Ellie uses a Galaxy Tablet A

It has been shown that animals can learn to touch levers to ask for objects. Jennifer uses tablets to train her birds, letting them touch certain things on the screen (like “yes” or “no”). They are also able to trace objects on the screen with their beaks—kind of like a birdie coloring book—and match colored numbers on the screen.



App Game: Kids Coloring Book – Pressure Touch Skills





App Game: Number-Color Match

Over the last several years, Jennifer and her colleagues have developed the five levels of learning in communication. These include Environmental Control, Trust-Building Enrichment, Learning Skills, Child-Level Concepts, and at the top, Reading and Writing. She gave a brief description of each level and the amount of time investment needed to reach each goal.

This also teaches the bird to be more independent and helps combat boredom. Jennifer can set them up with activities while going about her daily chores at home.



App Game: Kids Color Puzzle Game

She concluded with research findings on all of this, which were impressive. Trying to increase the difficulty level and make tasks (like reading) harder only lead to more incorrect answers. They concluded that the easier it was, the more correct answers there were – much like a child.

If you want to see or learn more and possibly sign-up for any of her parrot training programs, check out her website: www.parrotgarten.com

A word about: “Parrot Kindergarten Programs”

We’re your one-stop for inspiration, fun and connection. We’ve got quick and easy video training tutorials and a weekly coaching call to support you as your little one’s teacher. Find friendship (and learn about animal intelligence) in our Clever Cookies discussion group. Finally, you’ll discover easy solutions to challenging behaviors in our monthly behavior workshops.



Explore Our World! Unit Studies & Lesson Ideas (Child-Level Concepts)

Obviously, the more difficult the task, the more time consuming it is. She also showed videos of her training sessions and how well the birds performed. Pretty cool and very cute!



Let’s Connect! Bedtime Books & Cute Crafts (Touch Training)

She also showed us the best tablets (or phones) to use—the more sensitive the screen, the greater was the response from the bird. She recommends using the Galaxy Tablet A. She did caution that use of tablets should be supervised and that they can cause frustration for the bird. Tablet training sessions should be short, and treats can help.

We finished off the meeting with our virtual spinning wheel for the Amazon gift card, won by June Baker. Way to go, June!



June Baker



Fun & Easy Family Card Games

The point of much of this is to allow birds to control their environments, including choice of foods, games (tablet, cards, drawing/coloring), and music.

Jennifer was great, and it was so much fun to see her birds’ active training sessions.



Gala has scheduled a great speaker for November—

Chris Driggins of “Parrots for Patriots.” Chris will share how he matches parrots with vets for their forever homes! The ZOOM meeting will take place at **3:00 P.M. (PT) on Sunday, November 7th**. Please plan to join us for this special meeting!

Jennifer believes:

“A bird’s full mind creates a happy bird; birds are brilliant like children. We can help to meet their need to be mentally enriched and challenged.”

Diane Sivas and Cheeto, her Blue & Gold Macaw



The President's Notes

By Janet Ragonesi

Greetings

SBBS MEMBERS, SPONSORS AND FRIENDS,

October has been a busy month for me!

I traveled to Michigan to celebrate Canadian Thanksgiving October 7 – 12 and to see my son and his family. After a 2-year break, I was thrilled to finally see my two grandsons. The oldest one is 13 years old and stands 5'8". He plays hockey and baseball. The younger grandson is 10 and he has exceptional communication skills in spite of his young age. I was fortunate to be able to attend their hockey and baseball games while I was there.



I love my son and his family dearly. We enjoyed a delicious Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings. The evening was filled with laughter, the sharing of stories and we created new memories.

During my stay, we visited an incredible artisan town called Plymouth, where they host a farmers' market and have unique boutique stores. The town center has a wonderful park where the community holds events. The day's outing was topped-off with a twist of yummy vanilla and chocolate soft-serve ice cream. I look forward to future visits to Michigan to make more family memories!

THE FUTURE OF IN-PERSON MEETINGS

At this time, I cannot say when we will meet in-person again. The Hermosa Beach Kiwanis Club policy is that only vaccinated persons can attend their meetings at the hall; all of their Kiwanis members have been vaccinated.

As a condition of using their facility, we have always followed their policies and have been good stewards of their building. We plan to continue our good relationship with the club to ensure our future use of the facility when it is allowed. I love that we can bring our birds to the meetings when we are there! I will continue to stay updated on the city's and club's policies.



For now, we will continue ZOOM meeting presentations! We have had outstanding speakers and topics that we would not have had the opportunity to invite in person! Our next speaker is from the state of Washington.

Janet



OUR FLOCK STEPS UP

You may remember, recently our website was down for repairs. Harold Buchman has agreed to work with David Benjamin on maintaining our SBBS web site. It is now backed-up and running, thanks to their expertise. Our website is almost up-to-date and our newsletters are again posted. Thanks guys!

The Social network "Meet-Up," which is coordinated by SBBS member, David Benjamin, has given us an opportunity to reach out to the community to link-in with our ZOOM meetings.



In our last newsletter I forgot to mention the volunteer efforts of another of our club members, Elaine Dunn. Elaine is always there to help. Thank you, Elaine. Your support is appreciated!

Our newsletter is the best, and I thank all of you for your input and articles to make these monthly issues possible. Gala Burkholder's organization skills and follow up with all of the details is outstanding. Our proofreaders are terrific. We would not have a newsletter we could proudly share with our friends if it wasn't edited by Sylvia Skidmore, Marie Calleja, Patte Fisher and others. So, thank you to everyone who helps to make this topical, colorful, funny and interesting communication tool to help us stay engaged and connected all month long!

OCTOBER ZOOM MEETING PRESENTATION WITH JENNIFER CUNHA, J.D.

Unfortunately, I was not able to attend our latest ZOOM with Jennifer Cunha because of my trip to see my family.

Diane Sivas has written an excellent article you can read on pages 2 and 3.



Gala Burkholder added a few photos of Jen working with her cockatoos using the guidelines outlined in her "Parrot Kindergarten" program. We can all benefit from increasing our communication with our flocks by using the fundamentals of establishing trust with our birds, and giving them more opportunity to control their environment. To learn more or sign-up for a free lesson, go to: www.parrotkindergarten.com. Thanks, Jennifer for what you are doing to improve the lives of our flocks!

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OCTOBER AMAZON GIFT CARD WINNER

Our \$25.00 Amazon gift card in October was won by SBBS member, June Baker!

One must be a current SBBS member in attendance at the end of the ZOOM meeting to be eligible to win. **Maybe you can be the winner at the next ZOOM meeting in November.**



UPCOMING SBBS ZOOM MEETING WITH A SPEAKER:

NOVEMBER 7TH AT 3 PM (PT), 6 PM (ET)

CHRIS DRIGGINS ON "PARROTS FOR PATRIOTS"

The Re-homing of Parrots and Matching with Vets.



You will be informed, entertained and inspired if you

join our ZOOM presentation given by Chris Driggins. He LOVES birds and knows so much about them! Chris and his team go beyond what most bird rescues do to make a match of a Veteran with a bird who needs a forever home. Animal companions, like parrots, have proved to be a powerful source of joy and wellness for people dealing with PTSD. The new bird owner, who is retired military, receives bird training and all of the needed supplies including a cage, toys and food to make for a smooth transition for the bird to its new home. Chris is so outgoing and impassioned with his current mission, it is no doubt you will be inspired and glad you joined us!

You might even win an Amazon gift card!



See the flyer on page 1 for info on this presentation & the ZOOM link.

Please Note: This ZOOM is at 3 PM (PT) and we turn our clocks back one-hour on the same day!

OPTIONAL MEET-UP RSVP FOR SBBS MEETINGS



In an attempt to reach out to the community, SBBS is listed as an **pet/animal activity** on the "Meet-up" website that is available to the public. Our meetings and activities are listed. Each of you who plan to participate in any one of these activities may **consider an RSVP on this site.** (This is not necessary to participate, but is optional). The more members who say they are participating, the more attractive our group looks to the public and hopefully will draw *new* members to our club. Each month, **David Benjamin will send out a RSVP under "Meet-up."** The following is the link to access this site: <https://www.meetup.com/Redondo-Beach-Birds-Meetup/events/>. Thank you for your help in spreading the word about SBBS to other companion bird owners.

Please RSVP

SBBS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND AUCTION 32 AUCTIONS ON-LINE, DECEMBER 2 - 5



As SBBS President, I am thrilled to be working with 32 Auctions again this year. I have always loved the SBBS fundraisers and auctions. Even though it is not in person, the event is run efficiently over 4 days, 24/7 which better accommodates everyone's different schedules. It is exciting to see who ultimately makes the winning bids for the popular items!

So far, we have 65 unique items donated. Our goal is to have 100 articles, **with an emphasis on more bird-related items.** **We need your help** and our **deadline** for receiving donation is coming to an end! Whether you are an SBBS member, sponsor, a family friend or a business in the community, please step up and donate. We count on your contributions to make this a fun and successful event and to keep our club continuing its mission.

If you have any questions or want to schedule a drop-off of donations please e-mail me at Ragonesi@att.net or call (424) 247-4447. Thanks!

For drop-off information, some ideas for donations or more auction details, see page 6.

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SOUTH BAY BIRD SOCIETY ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND AUCTION

DECEMBER 2 - 5, 2021



We have been preparing for our annual Fundraiser and Auction and **time is running out!** Last year's Fundraiser and Auction was outstanding. We had nearly 150 items. This year, we will continue our fundraising to help support our club with using **32 AUCTIONS online**. It was EASY, SECURE and EXCITING! We will review on how to bid on-line for your favorite items before the event and provide more details in the next newsletter.

Your donations and participation are welcomed, appreciated and are needed to help fund SBBS!



Consider **shopping** our **sponsors** for donations.

For **non-bird items**, consider ordering through **Amazon Smile**, choose SBBS as your designated charity and we will receive a small percentage of that purchase.

DONATIONS MAY INCLUDE SUCH ITEMS AS:



Gift certificates from sponsors, assorted gift cards, **various items for BIRDS** and other pets, jewelry, children's items, wine, art supplies, sporting equipment, books, bird and people toys, beauty products, candy, house-hold items, art, decorative home items, hand-painted/artisan clothing, gift baskets and collectables. **Pictures of some of the donations for THIS YEAR'S auction are on page 7.**

Items must be NEW or NEARLY NEW, clean and in working condition with batteries.

Attach an identification tag with information about your donation. **(See the forms on page 8).**

If you're not sure about a donation, please ask. No animals will be auctioned!



DROP-OFF DATES for your donations for the SBBS fundraiser are:

Saturdays, October 23, 30 and November 6 between 11 AM—3 PM or by appointment.

The drop off location will be at Janet Ragonesi's home* located in Redondo Beach.

To contact Janet for general information, how you can help, discuss possible donations, or for her *address, please e-mail her at Ragonesi@att.net or call (424) 247-4447.



REMEMBER:

THIS IS OUR ONLY SOUTH BAY BIRD SOCIETY FUNDRAISER.

We have lost our monthly revenue generated from our in-person meeting raffles. We appreciate your support and participation in order for us to continue to bring you the outstanding monthly speakers and to cover other continuing expenses.

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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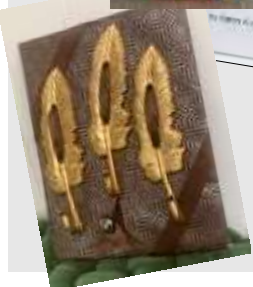
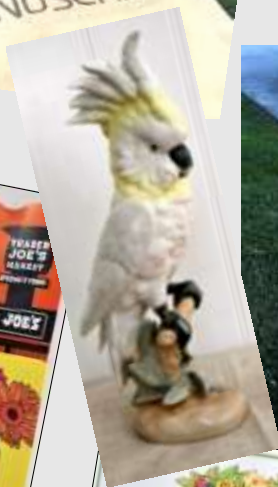
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SEE SOME OF THE ITEMS DONATED FOR **THIS YEAR'S AUCTION!**



PLEASE HELP US...

WE NEED MORE
ITEMS FOR BIRDS!



Be gentle with yourself.
Falling down is a part of life.
Get back up and allow
your True Self to guide you.
Soon you'll be shining even brighter.
Most bright lights fall down many times
before they learn to fly.



By
Mikaela
Katherine
Jones

Cheers,
Janet Ragonesi, SBBS President

Use the forms below to accompany your donations for the annual Fundraiser. See page 6 for more info.

South Bay Bird Society Auction Donation Form

ITEM TITLE:

For official use/Item Number: _____

VALUE:

SUGGESTED MINIMUM BID:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

SIZE/DIMENSION/WEIGHT (IF APPROPRIATE):

DONATED BY:

WANT ITEM SAVED FOR FUTURE AUCTION OR DONATED:

Yes:

No:

WANT ITEM RETURNED IF NOT PURCHASED:

Yes:

No:

Thank you for your donation in support of the South Bay Bird Society!



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Thank you for your donation in support of the South Bay Bird Society!

Halloween Safety For Birds



This is the time of year when most of us invite little neighborhood goblins, pirates and creatures that go bump in the night, to our front doors for treats. Sometimes, we do not think of how we may endanger our birds during those times when we entertain many costumed strangers on our door steps each October 31st.



Unnoticed Halloween Dangers for Birds

We all know that leaving a fully flighted bird outside of his cage is unwise when doors or windows are open. However, the risk is heightened when a bird is startled by people who are yelling, "Trick or Treat!" while dressed in scary or brightly-colored costumes and standing at a widely opened front door. If you add to that the fact that the bird's person is usually distracted by handing out treats and chatting with the visiting little ghouls and ghosts, the possibility of a bird escaping the home during is greatly increased.

An extraordinarily friendly bird may even wander out to see what is going on and escape outside. It could be accidentally stepped on, shut in a door, grabbed by a neighbor's dog, run over by a car or bike, or fall victim to numerous other awful manners of injury or death. To amplify the level of danger even further, trick or treating usually occurs during the night that make finding a startled and disoriented bird alive and well less likely.



Some birds are jeopardized by their peoples' innocence. For example, a bird might be left sitting in front of an uncovered window in the front of the house where passersby can see him. Although a person might think nothing of having their bird visible to strangers, a bird is often seen as an instant source of income for thieves, and can make your home more vulnerable to robbery. Even smaller birds with lots of personality may appeal to a neighborhood youngster who has always wanted a bird. Although you know your neighbors to be honest, they may innocently mention that you have birds in your home and the message may eventually get out to someone dishonest. The little love of your life is seen as just dollar signs or a novelty to dishonest people ... it's sad, but true.

Preventing Halloween Dangers for Birds

If you are handing out treats, make sure your bird is in an area where he cannot fly or walk to the opened door. Also, keep him away from windows where he can be seen by passersby and trick or treaters.



A television or radio playing in the room with him can soften doorbell and people noises. These distractions also lessen the chances of his revealing his presence in your home by talking loudly or screaming for attention each time the doorbell rings, or when he hears you talk to the people at the door.

After Halloween is over, remember that candy and candy wrappers are almost irresistible to most birds. Chocolate can harm your bird, so keep those items out of areas your bird can access.



By actively anticipating and appropriately addressing events and situations that affect them, we honor their importance in our lives and can greatly increase the chances of our beloved feathered friends living many long and happy years to come.



Jasper,
Donna Crossley's
Greenwing Macaw,
loves to dress up
as a witch each
Halloween!

Watch Out for
witches with
beaks!

OTHER AVIAN—RELATED ZOOMS

Palos Verdes/South Bay
AUDUBON SOCIETY

ON ZOOM!

3rd Tue./mo., 7 P.M.

November 16th Meeting

J.D. Bergeron,
CEO of the
International
Bird Rescue
to speak on



“IBR at 50—
Rescuing Water birds”
Hear how IBR responded to the
Huntington Beach Oil Spill!

Birding has returned with
RESERVATIONS, limited capacity,
guidelines & VACCINATIONS.

RESERVATION FORMS and Info
available at www.pvsb-audubon.org.

Contact David at the number below
to know more.

***BIRD EXCURSIONS:**

4th Sat. each mo., 8:30-10:30 A.M.:
Madrona Marsh with Audubon leaders

1st & 3rd Sun., 8-11 A.M.: Ken Malloy
Harbor Regional Park with Audubon
leaders. 1st Sun. meet in the parking lot, 3rd
Sun meet in the parking lot closest to
Anaheim & Vermont for Regional Park 2.

2nd Sun., 8-11 A.M.:

South Coast Botanic Garden with
Audubon leader David Quaadhamer

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



The Connecticut Parrot Club



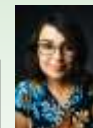
- Nov. 9, 4 PM (PT), 7 PM (ET), The Feral Quaker Parrots of Brooklyn, NY
with Steve Baldwin

You Can View YouTube Videos of Previous ZOOMS from



The Connecticut Parrot Club:

- A Virtual Tour of The Rhode Island Parrot Rescue
<https://youtu.be/EOz00Gu-tHY>
- **Tables Communication and Play for Parrots,**
Jennifer Cunha <https://youtu.be/EgzLsA3owco>
- **Journey to Combine Art and Science Through Humor,**
Rosemary Mosco <https://youtu.be/7b1qwbcxYFk>
- **Through the Eyes of a Parrot,** Dr. Graham Martin
<https://youtu.be/JKctFhynaMY>



Free Webinars at 12:00 PM (PT)

All previous webinars are available to watch on Lafeber’s YouTube Channel

October 29: **“Ask the Vet: Q & A”** with Tom Tully, DVM, DABVP (Avian Practice), DECZM (Avian)



November 5: **“The Grey Way: Home for the Holidays! Pet Bird Safety Tips”** with Lisa Bono, CPBC



November 12: **“Avian Vet Insider: The Familiar & the Rare—Bird Species Avian Vets Have Treated”** with Dr. Stephanie Lamb



November 19: **“Ask the Vet: Q & A”** with Tom Tully, DVM, DABVP (Avian Practice), DECZM (Avian)



For more info or to view a prior webinar, go to:
<https://lafeber.com/pet-birds/category/webinar/>

West Los Angeles Bird Club



Tentatively Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM

Culver City American Legion Hall, 5209 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City

For more information, go to: www.westlabirdclub.com or call Doreen at (310) 488-9749.

ZOOMS are the 4th Thursday
of the Month at 7 PM, PDT



San Fernando Valley
Audubon Society

For information on an upcoming ZOOM or
to watch a previous ZOOM presentation, go to www.sfvaudubon.org

Previous ZOOM include topics:

- “We’ll Always Have Parrots” (In Los Angeles)
- “Our Need for Birds”
- “Tracking World’s Migrations”
- “The Importance of Street Trees to Urban Avifauna”

WINGED NEWS & UPDATES

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Due to the recent ecological disaster of an oil spill off of the Southern California's coast, which directly impacts our sea and shore birds, I felt it was important to include parts of the press published over the past two weeks. This will give you an overview of how our state and others are addressing this vital issue. After all, our birds might speak, but we have to be the voice for the birds harmed by this disaster!*

[Orange County Oil Spill Fouls Wildlife: 'Potential Ecologic Disaster'](#)

Posted: Sun., Oct. 3, 2021 at 9:46 a.m., Updated: at 5:00 p.m.



Oil washed up on Huntington Beach, Calif., on Sun., Oct. 3, 2021 which first reported on Sat., Oct 2nd at 9 a.m. A major oil spill off the coast of Southern California fouled popular beaches and killed wildlife while crews rushed to contain the crude before it spread further into wetlands.

NEWPORT BEACH, CA — Crews were scrambling to contain a 126,000-gallon oil spill, which closed nearly four miles of coastline and inflicted major ecological damage to the waters between Huntington Beach and Newport Beach this weekend.

The crude emanated from an **off-shore rig** operated by Beta Offshore, about five miles off the coast and was likely caused by a pipeline leak. On Sunday morning, U.S. Rep. Michelle Steel urged President Joe Biden to issue a Major Disaster Declaration to aid Orange County.

The U.S. Coast Guard responded to the spill on Saturday, October 2nd which was reported around 9 a.m. and drew a response from all levels of government. A unified command was established to handle the environmental crisis. The public was being asked to avoid any oiled areas. Trained spill response contractors were cleaning up the disaster.

Workers mop up oil on the surface of the water at Talbert Marsh on October 4



The Coast Guard was investigating exactly how the spill happened. "Workers moved to shut down the pipeline and used pressurized equipment to retrieve as much oil as possible soon after the incident was reported at 12:18 p.m."

Significant ecological impacts was reported. As of 12:48 a.m. on Sat., Oct. 2nd, officials were already finding dead birds & fish washing up on the shore. At that time, the oil had not made it to Newport Beach yet, but "softball-size clumps" of oil were seen on the Huntington Beach shoreline.

[Birds, Wetlands May Bear Early Brunt of California Spill](#) By Amy Taxin, October 4, 2021

A staff at the California Department Fish & Wildlife examines a contaminated Sanderling from the oil spill in Huntington Beach, Calif., Mon., Oct. 4, 2021. (AP Photo/Ringo Chiu)



HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Since a pipeline spilled crude off the California coast this weekend, only a handful of oiled birds have been recovered in what environmental advocates said could be a hopeful sign for the region's wildlife.

But they said it's too soon to know how many seabirds, marine mammals and other animals will ultimately be affected by the oily film covering marsh areas and floating on the ocean — or for how long.

Oiled seabirds are often among the earliest victims of a spill because gobs of crude washing up onto the sand and wetlands can clump their feathers together, leaving them chilled by the cold ocean water. Sea mammals and fish that ingest oil can also be affected later on, while **damage to coastal wetlands**, where fish go to spawn, can erode critical habitat for scores of species, environmental experts said.

"Those wetlands are nurseries for hundreds of species and they also reduce erosion and storm surge," said Peter Kareiva, the chief executive of the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach.

But in other offshore oil spills the largest number of oiled birds have been collected two to five days out from the incident, Ziccardi said, so it's too soon to know how big the impact will be. Teams are out searching for affected animals in the spill area and beyond, he said, adding that **birds that are oiled but can still fly, should be captured by trained experts so they can be treated and released.**

("Birds and the Impact of the CA Oil Spill" continued on page 14)



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.

**Halloween is upon us! Let's be very careful to keep our birds SAFE AND CONTENT!
No Halloween candy treats for the feathery kids! Popcorn works.**

Q How do you get a bird to interact with you verbally?

A Well, some will and some won't! Working with them should be a fun game, and not a chore. Try PEEK-A-BOO as a game. Use the cage cover and hide behind it. Peek around it and say, "Peek-a-boo!" Play the game, daily for a few minutes. I have mine saying it, and I am replying, "I see you!" I will be so tickled when I get that response back! You can use the same technique, without the blanket, for learning many things. Repetition, consistency and persistence will work well for any interaction you are working on.



Q My bird is terrified of the kids in costume. Is there a way to prevent this?

A That is a loaded question, and one that is not easily answered because each household is different. Trick or Treaters can be less of a problem because you can relocate the cage for one evening. Please don't cover the cage -- unless it is bed time. The TV is a great distraction, and close the blinds.

Those of us who don't have children at home any more, have much less of a problem, as long as we are not throwing a Halloween party. If you have a terrified bird, then board it for the time your house will be in the "haunted" category. As far as costumes go, if you can slowly introduce the kids in costume to your bird (preferably without a mask) that might help. Do not hold your breath. There are enough colorful things going on, and your turning blue will only add to the problem.



Q How do I make a food change from a total seed diet to adding pellets, fruit and veggies?



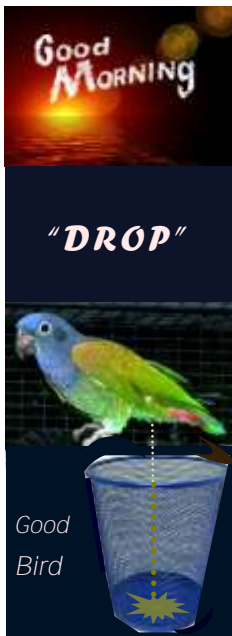
A First, cold turkey is a huge NO! NO! Add some pellets to your seed mix, a bit at a time, until it is half and half. To add fruit and veggies, put them in a separate dish from the seed or pellet mix. It will grow bacteria if you mix them together. Check to see what your bird likes to eat, along what is best for it because you want your bird to be happy, well fed and never starving. They will starve if they do not get to eat the stuff they really enjoy, along with what is good for them. Do not make this a punishment, but something they really look forward to... What would you have done as a kid if all you got was Brussel sprouts? (You may love them, but even you have your limits).



Not Again!!

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Q I saw someone that had their bird poop on command. My bird poops anytime, anywhere. How did they teach him to do that?

A Usually, your birds poop when they wake up (seldom in their sleep), so morning is a good time to start a training process. It needs to be fun and rewarding. When you uncover the cage and before the morning bomb drops, use a particular word, (I use "DROP") and say it. It is normal for them to "DROP" at that time. When they do, a big, praising, "GOOD BIRD!" is called for. Let them know how proud you are of the accomplishment! After that is accomplished, you can tell the bird to "drop" before you let them step up to come to you. When they do the job, and they will, a "GOOD BIRD!" is a must! You can eventually hold them over the wastebasket, toilet or out on the grass before you get in the car, and use the command. It is very important that pooping in the cage is natural, because a bird can get ill if it is trying to please you by holding it in, instead of pooping. (It would be nice if regularity were this easy).



This is just a story of my friend's brilliant African Grey, "Morgan."

Her owner, Richard, gave her one of the spiral toys that is for bouncing and climbing on. After it was set up in her cage, she started bouncing on it. 30 minutes went by and she was still bouncing. Richard said, "Morgan, you are going to get tired bouncing so much." Morgan's reply was, "YOU BOUGHT IT!" It's scary when your bird out-thinks you!



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WINGED NEWS & UPDATES

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Did Ship's Anchor Cause California Oil Spill?

Maybe

Posted: October 4, 2021



Oil floats on the water surface after an oil spill in Huntington Beach, Calif.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Officials investigating one of California's largest recent oil spills are looking into whether a ship's anchor may have struck an oil pipeline on the ocean floor, causing heavy crude to leak into coastal waters and foul beaches, authorities said Monday.

An anchor from a cargo ship striking the pipeline is "one of the distinct possibilities" behind the leak, Amplify Energy CEO Martyn Willsher told a news conference. He said divers have examined more than 8,000 feet of the pipeline and were focusing on "one area of significant interest."

Cargo ships entering the twin ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach routinely pass through the area. Backlogs have plagued the ports in recent months and several dozen or more of the giant vessels have regularly been anchored as they wait to enter the ports and unload. "We're looking into if it could have been an anchor from a ship, but that's in the assessment phase right now," Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Jeannie Shaye said.

Safety advocates have pushed for years for federal rules that would strengthen oil spill detection requirements and force companies to install valves that can automatically shut down the flow of crude in case of a leak. The oil & pipeline industries have resisted such requirements because of the high cost.

"If the operator had more valves installed on this line, they'd have a much better chance at having the point of failure isolated by now," said Bill Caram with the Pipeline Safety Trust, an organization based in Bellingham, Washington.

The pipeline was built using a process known as **electric resistance weld**. That welding process has been linked to **past oil pipeline failures because corrosion can occur along seams.** Annual reports filed with federal regulators in 2019 and 2020 showed inspections the pipe revealed nothing requiring repairs.

Amplify operates three **oil platforms about 9 miles off the coast of California**, installed between 1980-1984. The company also **operates a 16-inch pipeline that carries oil from a processing platform to an onshore storage facility in Long Beach.** The company has said the oil appears to be coming from a **rupture in that pipeline about 4 miles (6.44 kilometers) from the platform.**

The Amplify subsidiary known as Beta Operating Co. has been cited 125 times for safety and environmental violations since 1980. In 1999, an undersea pipeline running between two platforms sprang two leaks totaling at least 3,800 gallons of oil, causing tar balls to wash up on beaches in Orange County. Before the spill, Amplify had high hopes for the Beta oil field and was pouring millions of dollars into upgrades and new "side track" projects that would **tap into oil by drilling laterally.**

Coast Guard: 1,200-Foot Ship Dragged California Oil Pipeline

MATTHEW BROWN October 17, 2021, 4:58 PM

Investigators believe a 1,200-foot cargo ship dragging anchor in rough seas caught an underwater oil pipeline and pulled it across the seafloor, months before a leak from the line fouled the So California coastline with crude.



A team of federal investigators boarded the MSC DANIT just hours after the massive ship arrived this weekend off the Port of Long Beach, the same area where the leak was discovered in early October. **During a prior visit by the ship during a heavy storm in January, investigators believe its anchor dragged for an unknown distance before striking the 16-inch steel pipe,** Coast Guard Lt. j.g. Sondra Kay Kneen said. The **impact would have knocked an inch-thick concrete casing off the pipe and pulled it more than 100 feet, bending but not breaking the line,** Kneen said.



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Seabird Fatalities from Oil Spill Expected to Grow 'Considerably'

By [Martin Wisckol](#) | Orange County Register
 PUBLISHED: October 5, 2021 at 4:48 p.m.



Birds sit on a berm inside an oil containment zone at Talbert Marsh in Huntington Beach, CA on Monday, October 4, 2021. (Photo by Paul Bersebach, Orange County Register)

While there's cause for hope that relatively few seabirds will be harmed by the Orange County oil spill, an expert is warning that large numbers of fatalities typically don't show up until as much as a week after such events.

A clear assessment of the spill's total impact on fish, sea mammals and coastal habitat will take even longer. While modern oil cleanup efforts have become increasingly efficient, numerous variables such as wind, waves and ocean currents, make it difficult to predict how long it will take to do the job.



As of Monday evening, just eight oiled birds had been collected, according to the

running tally being kept by [UC Davis' Oiled Wildlife Care Network](#). (See the Tables of the tallies on pages 16 and 17 to see how many birds on each day were found alive, dead and released. Also, you can see what species of birds were impacted.) One, a brown pelican, was euthanized. But the **most vulnerable birds may still be out at sea.** "Most of the birds that would be affected are those who sit on the water, offshore," said William Sydeman, a seabirds researcher at Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

"It takes four to seven days after a spill for the numbers to catch up," he said. "It's good that there aren't a lot of affected birds taken in so far, but we can expect to see the number of dead birds to increase considerably in the days ahead."

If there's a hint of **good news for the birds**, it's that the spill comes at a time when their **coastal population in Southern California is at an annual ebb**, said Kim Kolpin, executive director of the Bolsa Chica Land Trust. **Birds aren't nesting or mating, the summer migrating birds have left and the winter migrating birds won't begin arriving until later this month or early November.** "If this was summer, when our migratory shorebirds were here, this would have been catastrophic."

Kolpin said another bit of good news for the bird population is that, so far, the **Bolsa Chica wetlands have been spared.** A boom was installed across the inlet, before the first traces of oil began showing up on nearby beaches, and as of midday Tuesday it was keeping petroleum out of the bird-rich habitat.



Bolsa Chica Wetlands



A temporary sand berm sits at the inlet to the Talbert Marsh to prevent more oil from entering the wetland in Huntington Beach, CA on October 4, 2021

The **Huntington Beach Wetlands have not been as fortunate, with oil entering the Talbert Marsh** and cleanup efforts well underway there. While migratory birds aren't present, there are plenty of **year-round birds that may be exposed to the oil.** Sydeman, of Scripps, said that for species that are residents of the area — including terns, cormorants and pelicans — "there's not a good time for an oil spill."

Visible injury and death aren't the only consequences facing coastal wildlife, Kolpin noted. "All the **sea mammals and fish, even if they survive this, can have toxins in them and it can effect reproduction and other aspects of their health,**" she said. Sydeman said this leads to **food-chain issues, including seabirds who dine on fish.** "They could ingest small fish that have been oiled," he said. "**Most of the birds in that area eat small fish.**"

("Birds and the Impact of the CA Oil Spill" continued to page 16, See the Tally of the Species of Birds Impacted & On What Days).

WINGED NEWS & UPDATES

Huntington Beach Oil Spill October 2021 UPDATE

REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2021 USCG Los Angeles

“Based on data and reports from trained observers and cleanup crews who are on Orange County beaches every day, we are seeing decreasing amounts of oil and are assessing segments of beach for no further treatment,” said Capt. Rebecca Ore, federal on-scene coordinator for the response. “Initially we surged our response capacity to the worst-case scenario and are now working to transition to a long-term plan for tar ball recovery.”

More than 1,800 personnel from around the country aided in the spill response at the height of cleanup operations; 116 local volunteers were trained and assisted in shoreline cleanup efforts.

The Unified Command is cognizant of environmental impacts from response efforts and is continuously assessing its footprint.

Containment boom, which is designed to restrict the flow of free-floating oil, significantly protected sensitive areas where it was deployed early in the response, is now being removed. On-water oil-recovery operations have ceased, and all public beaches in Orange County and San Diego County are open.

The Unified Command has made the decision to use smaller, more environmentally friendly drones to conduct assessments of sensitive sanctuaries further reducing environmental impacts.

Tar ball collection on Orange County beaches has decreased, and recovered tar balls are increasingly smaller in size and more dispersed. **Amplify Energy has secured the pipeline from leaking.**

The Pacific Marine Mammal Center responded to a juvenile northern right whale dolphin found stranded at Cabrillo Beach. The difficult decision was made that humane euthanasia was best for the animal. A necropsy completed Thursday afternoon found no signs of oil inside or outside the dolphin. However, additional investigations will be made into the cause of death.

To date, 32 birds have been captured, 24 have been cleaned and 8 have been rehabilitated and released.



Ruddy Duck

Pipeline P00547 Incident Wildlife Numbers

Last updated October 16, 2021 at 1700hrs

*****NOTE: Birds in table below have been collected in Los Angeles (n=2), Orange (n=80), and San Diego (n=12) counties, and mammals in Los Angeles (n=1), Orange (n=2), and San Diego (n=1) counties as of the time above.*****

*****NOTE: All live birds were visibly oiled. Not all dead birds or mammals have been found to be visibly oiled.*****

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Actual Birds and Mammals Recovered

Date	Birds Recovered Alive	Birds Recovered Dead	Total Birds Recovered	Total Birds Released	Mammals Recovered Alive	Mammals Recovered Dead	Total Mammals Recovered	Total Birds/Mammals Recovered
10/16/2021	0	5	5	1	0	0	0	5
10/15/2021	1	3	4	6	0	1	1	5
10/14/2021	1	5	6	0	1	0	1	7
10/13/2021	2	2	4	2	0	1	1	5
10/12/2021	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
10/11/2021	1	7	8	0	0	0	0	8
10/10/2021	1	15	16	0	0	1	1	17
10/09/2021	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	5
10/08/2021	1	7	8	0	0	0	0	8
10/07/2021	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	11
10/06/2021	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	8
10/05/2021	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	7
10/04/2021	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	8
10/03/2021	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	32	62	94	9	1	3	4	98

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WINGED NEWS & UPDATES

From the tables shown on both of these pages, you can see the **actual numbers of birds and mammals** and the **types of birds**, that were **found alive** or **dead** after the Huntington Beach oil spill. **All birds found alive were also covered in oil.** So far, **twice as many birds have been found dead than alive** after experiencing this disaster and the numbers of the dead continue to rise.

After the spill, officials warned that it would take four to six days for the numbers of dead birds found to greatly increase. It is unacceptable that any bird or other animal die as a result of this man-made disaster.

As the chart on page 16 shows, you can see the largest number of birds found dead on one day was on October 10th, one week after the oil leak was reported. To this day, birds are continuing to be found dead as a result of the oil spill.

On the chart to the right, you can see how many of different bird species that were impacted. The greatest number of bird species that were found dead, was that of the Brandt's Cormorant and the Western Gull. Other bird species that had more than two die, included the American Coot, Eared Grebe, Rock Pigeon, Shearwater and the Western Grebe.



Those birds who were found oiled, but had the greatest chance of being found alive were: the California Gull, Sanderling, Snowy Plover and the Western Grebe.

Snowy Plover



Western Grebe

The reasons for the differences in the rates of death were not explained. Do different species inhabit different locations that were impacted by the oil spill in varying degrees?

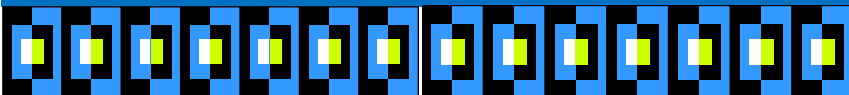


The South Bay Bird Society recently made a donation to the International Bird Rescue towards their continuing efforts to protect and save our local birds from this disaster, or from whatever the situation is. They have been rescuing water birds for 50 years! To make your own donation, go to: www.bird-rescue.org.



The CEO of the International Bird Rescue, J.D. Bergeron, will be speaking to the Palos Verdes/South Bay Audubon via ZOOM on **Tuesday, November 16 at 7 PM.** Link-in with them to hear the latest updates. Go to www.pvsb-audubon.org for more information about that ZOOM.

Bird Species Recovered	Alive	Dead
Acorn Woodpecker	0	1
American Coot	1	3
Black-Crowned Night Heron	0	1
Black-legged Kittiwake	0	1
Black-vented Shearwater	0	1
Brandt's Cormorant	0	10
Brown Pelican	1	1
Buller's Shearwater	0	1
Cackling Goose	0	1
California Gull	3	1
Clark's Grebe	1	0
Double-Crested Cormorant	1	0
Duck sp.	0	1
Eared Grebe	1	4
Falcon sp.	0	1
Grebe sp.	0	1
Gull sp.	0	2
Heerman's Gull	0	1
Northern Fulmar	1	1
Pelagic Cormorant	0	2
Pigeon sp.	0	1
Red-Footed Booby	0	1
Rock Pigeon	0	4
Ruddy Duck	1	0
Sanderling	5	0
Shearwater sp.	0	3
Snowy Plover	7	0
Spotted Towhee	0	1
Western Grebe	8	5
Western/Clark's Grebe	1	1
Western Gull	1	8
Western Meadowlark	0	1
Undetermined	0	3
TOTAL	32	62



SBBS Welcomes New & Returning Members



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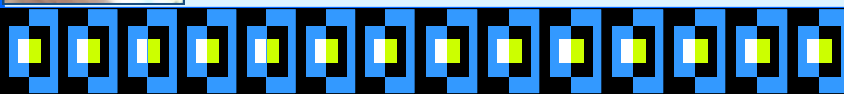
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- Keep a distance of at least 6 feet between people.



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).
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The deadline for the next newsletter is *Wednesday, November 10th*.

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South Bay Bird Society Membership Application

Return your application to: P.O. Box 3863, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-3863

We appreciate your support. Your donations are tax deductible. SBBS is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation

New ___ Renewal ___ Former Member ___ / Family \$40 ___ Individual \$32 ___ Senior (60+) \$25 ___ Lifetime \$350 ___

Name(s): _____

E-Mail Address for Newsletter Delivery: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Other Phone: (____) _____ How did you hear about us? _____

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: _____

Mark ways you will volunteer: Hold a Board Office ___ Help with Pot Lucks ___ Help with Community Outreach Events ___ Help with the Silent Auction/Fundraiser ___ Take Photos of Meetings ___ Foster Birds ___ List Other ways _____

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____