


BIRD LINE NEWS



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SPECIAL MESSAGE

Dear Members:

Happy 10th Anniversary to one and all!!! I cannot believe that it is our 10th year in existence already! Our Club has come so far since that first meeting in a warehouse. This club has plenty to be proud of. A great group of board members, and lots of hard working members that pitch in when the need arises.

As I was looking back on the past I started to reminisce about our club. So many memories flowed through my head. We have had members come and go. Then there are the ones that have been a member from the beginning. Just a few of them left. But as the saying goes, "They're oldies but goodies." You guys know who you are, so thank you for sticking around and believing in the club as does the rest of our newer members. It takes dedication, hard work, and a great love for birds to make a club work. All of these are the qualities that our club possesses. I remember one time someone at another show asked me what DELCO stood for. Not only does it stand for Delaware County but it also stands for:

D-edication of our members
E-ducation for all
L-ove of birds
C-ompanionship with our pet birds & an
O-utstanding Club

I am sure that All will agree with that analogy.....We have one outstanding club.

We have lots of new and exciting memories yet to make. Our 2nd Mart coming up in March will prove to be a great one I am sure. Other Clubs and Vendors are still talking about our First one. All good things I am told.

I always learn at least one new thing at our meetings even if it is not bird related. I hope that is true for all of our members that attend. For the members who come for coffee and food, that's good too!!! Connie always makes the coffee hot and delicious. Try a cup at our next meeting.

TO MARK OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY AS A CLUB, THE BOARD HAS HAD COMEMORATIVE PENS MADE. IF YOU DID NOT PICK ONE UP AT THE HOLIDAY PARTY, PLEASE SEE CHRIS PHELPS AT THE JANUARY MEETING.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Thank You, and as Always, Respectfully,

Christine Phelps.....The Bird Nanny & Treasurer !!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 31st, 2007 - Philadelphia, PA - Delco Bird Club's 2nd Annual Bird Mart & Extravaganza - Philadelphia Airport Ramada Inn, 76 Industrial Hwy (Rt.291) - 9am-4pm - Contact **Connie Metz (610) 604-3316** or e-mail: **Conniecmm1@aol.com**
www.delcobirdclub.com

Apr 15, 2007 9AM – 4PM
Thrifty Birds Mart , Sheraton Reading Hotel,
Papermill Road Wyomissing, PA 610-376-3811

We are starting to plan the 2nd Annual Bird Mart for March 31st of 2007. So mark your Calendars for this Day.

REMINDER!

**NOW IS THE TIME TO PAY
 YOUR DUES FOR 2007!**

**PLEASE SEE CHRIS WEBB AT THE
 NEXT MEETING TO RENEW YOUR
 MEMBERSHIP!**

Family membership \$20.00 per household
Senior (over 65) or junior (under 18) membership
\$10.00

MESSAGE FROM THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year! Join us on January 11th for an evening with Dr Jeleen Briscoe from University of Pennsylvania Veterinary Hospital. Some of you remember Dr. Briscoe collecting skin samples and swabs from our birds as part of a study she was involved in. She will give us an update on the results of that study as well as some highlights from her recent visit to an Avian Medical Convention.

Dr. Briscoe will be bringing some of her Veterinary students with her to visit our club. Bring your birds to visit with these future vets. They learn a lot from our birds!

See you on the 11th!

Esther Scholz 1st VP

Events for 2006/2007

January 11, 2007- Nominations of Officers. Dr. Jeleen Briscoe speaking on the results of the "Staph Study" which many of our birds participated in.

February 8, 2007- Election of Officers. Talk given by Dr.Len Donato DVM from Radnor Veterinary Hospital. www.RadnorVet.com

March 8, 2007-Planning Meeting for March Bird Mart. All members should attend to see how YOU can help make this Mart a Great Success!

March 31, 2007-2nd Annual Bird Mart sponsored by Delco Bird Club, Saturday 9AM-4PM, Ramada Inn, 76 Industrial Highway, Essington, Pa. 19029

April 12, 2007- Arlene Boles from the Tri State Bird Rescue, <http://www.tristatebird.org/index.htm>

May 10, 2007-Toy Making with the Foxwells! Jim and Candy from Birdsnest Specialty bring supplies to purchase and share their knowledge on making toys for our birds! www.birdsnestonline.com

June 14, 2007- Summer Kick off Party!

Message from the 2nd VP

As we kick off this Happy New Year with Mart preparations, it is time for all to help. Let's get those flyers hung in our favorite stores. Most Wawas have a community board along with major food stores, like Acme. Small corner deli's in your neighborhood even have them. Check with your Churches, gyms, schools, doctors, vets, etc. Some post offices I have been in have one also. I carry a folder full of flyers in my car (and pushpins) and hang the flyers whenever I see a bulletin board while out and about. It only takes a second while you are in the store anyway. You would be surprised at the amount of free bulletin boards there are if you would just look around. **The flyers will be at the meeting for all to take.**

Also, it is time for help in getting those donations for the mart's raffle table. Remember how much we had to raffle off last year? How about those door prizes. That was the end result of the hard work a few of us did soliciting businesses. Even if it is not a "pet related business" don't be afraid to ask. Gift certificates for shops, salons, eateries are all good donations to raffle off.

With all the members the club has and all the different areas we live and work in, these tasks at hand should not be a task at all, but become routine. **Commit, Volunteer, Dedicate.**

Remember, as always, the raffle table needs and welcomes your donations.(and ideas)

Connie Metz

Conniecm1@aol.com

Board Meeting Minutes 01/04/07

Meeting called to order at 7:15pm

HAPPY NEW YEARS TO ALL OF THE MEMBERS

In Attendance: Tom N, Connie M, Debbie P, Esther S, Chris P, Francis H, Linda M, Flo C, Margaret O and guest Member Colleen Robinson.

Treasurers Report: Please see in the Newsletter.

Outreach: See that under Esther's Newsletter.

Web Page: Our Web Page is now up and running. So please go and see it. Thank you Dave for all the Great stuff you have done on the new site. <http://www.DELCOBIRDCLUB.COM> Tell us what you think of the new site... delcobirdclub@yahoo.com or Luvbrds@msn.com

Bird Mart: We are planning the 2nd Annual Bird Mart for March 31st of 2007. **Mark your Calendars for this Day.** Fliers for the Mart will be available at our monthly meetings. You can help by putting them out in all the places you go to please.

Dr Jeleen Briscoe will be at the meeting this coming month she is going to chat to us about the test results that she has taking from our birds. We are now taking Names for the **Nominations of the Officers** this night too. So Please come to the meeting if you are planning to run for one of the places on the Board. We need to have everyone at this meeting and for the next meeting we will need everyone their to put in your vote for the Elections.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15PM

Submitted by Margaret Ouali
610-713-0331

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Cockatiels

Great breeding stock, lots of splits from babies to 1 year olds. All are National Cockatiel Society banded. Call for available birds Debbie Park (484) 469-4301. Leave a message.

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Replace that old, torn sheet or blanket with a colorful, durable, fitted and machine-washable bird cage cover. Assorted colors and sizes to fit your cages. Call Paula Kreiser 610.858.1356 or email pkreiser222@yahoo.com

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Call Michael for more information: 610 296-5541

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For Sale - a parrot pvc gym on wheels approx. 5 ft + tall. \$100.00 Please call Barbara (302) 529-7134

Brandy - 6 year old female Eclectus parrot for sale; comes with Kings cage and toys; friendly and says a few words. Asking \$600.00 to a good home, where she will get the love and attention she deserves. Please call Laurel at 610-970-8896

Greenwing Macaw Pair for sale

Domestic, beautiful feather, raised together, 9&10 yrs old. Asking \$2,000 OBO
e-mail Nancy @ nchambers2@nyc.rr.com

HANNAH the UMBRELLA COCKATOO needs a home!

I BELIEVE HER TO BE FOURTEEN OR FIFTEEN YRS. OLD. MY FRIEND BILL AND I TAKE CARE OF HER, I AM 73 AND BILL IS 78. SHE BONDED WITH BILL AND LOVES HIM. SHE JUST TOLERATES ME. SHE IS OUT ABOUT 2-1/2 HOURS A NIGHT. WE SPOIL HER WITH TOYS, I SHOWER HER NIGHTLY. SHE LOVES RITZ CRACKERS TO DIP IN THE WATER. SHE IS IN A LARGE CAGE, AND HAS HER WINGS. I FEEL I AM GETTING TO OLD TO SPEND THE TIME WITH HER SHE NEEDS, I AM LOOKING FOR A SINGLE MALE, OR A MARRIED COUPLE WITHOUT KIDS. SHE HATES FEMALES AND KIDS. MONEY IS NOT IMPORTANT I WANT HER TO HAVE A HAPPY LIFE, AND BE TAKEN CARE OF.

I WOULD LOVE TO MEET WITH ANYONE WHO FEELS THEY HAVE THE TIME AND QUALIFICATIONS I AM LOOKING FOR.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND TIME.

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Welcome to all our new members in 2006!!

Pat Farina

Janice Cameron

Mary Ellen Cavanagh

James & Tammy Chism

Sybil Vernon

Brenda Griffith

Anne Marie White

Michael Hennessey

Kathryn Wessel & Karen Shearer (K&K Parrots)

Dean & Cindy Alexander

Laura Anne Quinn

Kirsten Collins

Steve Dalton

Grace Burrows

Erika Scarborough

Joe Ceccola

Catherine I. Metzler

Tess Brant

Rich Theobald

**GOT OLD BIRD RELATED MAGAZINES?
WANT TO UNLOAD THEM AND HELP THE CLUB?**

**WE OFFER THEM TO BIRD MART ATTENDEES FOR A SMALL DONATION
GET RID OF CLUTTER AND HELP THE CLUB AT THE SAME TIME**

**BRING THEM TO THE NEXT DELCO BIRD CLUB MEETING
AND GIVE THEM TO CONNIE METZ (AT THE RAFFLE TABLE)
OR FRANCIS HILARIO**

OUTREACH UPDATE

Rest up...we'll have another busy Outreach season starting March 31st, 2007.

Our next Gig will be at our 2nd Annual Bird Mart on March 31, 2007!

Please plan on participating! More info on the Mart as we get closer to March.

Thank You to all our members that participated in our 2006 Outreach Year!

We were very successful on many levels.

Sincerely,

Esther Scholz, Outreach Coordinator

Luvbrds@msn.com, 610 446-6427

LIBRARY NOTICE

Please bring all borrowed books and other items back to by the December meeting, so that we can make a complete list of library items available. Also, if you have any books or tapes you wish to donate/lend, please bring those also. If you would like lent items returned to you, please put your name and phone number on the inside cover. Thanks!!

Beverly Jiminez, Delco Bird Club librarian

NEW FEATURE – BIRD JOKE OF THE MONTH (thanks to Connie Metz for this great suggestion)

A burglar broke into a house and was skulking as silently as he could when he heard a voice say "Jesus is watching".

He stopped dead in his tracks and listened.

A minute went by and he heard nothing, so he started to move again. "Jesus is watching", came the voice in the dark.

His eyes were adjusting to the light and he noticed a cage in the corner containing a parrot.

"Was that you talking bird?"

The parrot said "yes"

"What's your name little bird?"

"Clarence", the parrot said.

"Clarence? who would name a bird Clarence?" , the burglar laughed.

The parrot said, "The same person who named the rottweiler Jesus"!

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

A storehouse of useful bird information!

<http://www.parrotpages.com/links/aviandiseasearticles.shtml>

websites to report lost or found parrots

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/911ParrotAlert>

<http://www.911parrotalert.com>

<http://members.boardhost.com/macawchat/>

<http://pets.lostandfound.com/index.tpl>

<http://philadelphia.craigslist.org/laf/>

<http://www.birdhotline.com/index.html>

websites for info on Katrina Parrots – the Crisis in New Orleans

<http://911parrotalert.com/index.asp>

http://www.birdsjustwannahavefun.com/katrina_help.htm

<http://www.for-the-birds.org/>

<http://www.bailey-foundation.org/forums/viewforum.php?id=31>

http://www.yourparrotplace.com/ebooks/YPP_Article_Compilation_2004_eBook_YPP.pdf

This link, courtesy of YourParrotPlace.com, provides a 148 page e-book of bird related articles

<http://www.parrottalk.com/missing.html>

Tips on recovering lost birds. This may be very useful as warm weather approaches!!

<http://www.cockatielrescue.org/rescue.phtml>

This link directs you to a list of rescues and sanctuaries organized by state. Some have web links, others do not. In spite of the name, it's not just for cockatiels!!!

<http://www.arcadiabirdsanctuary.org>

<http://www.bailey-foundation.org>

<http://www.the-oasis.org/>

<http://www.phoenixlanding.org>

pet bird rescues and sanctuaries

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Pet Adoption Center Opens in Media Cats, Dogs and Rabbits Need Homes for the Holidays

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Animal Rescue Foundation of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Inc. (ARF)
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Jen direct (cell): (609)238-3691
e-mail: ja20@mac.com
www.arfsepa.com

(MEDIA) November 24, 2006 – No one wants to think of their pet waking up on a holiday morning behind bars. That is exactly what happens to many homeless cats, dogs and rabbits in public shelters each holiday. It's the inspiration for a national campaign called "Home 4 the Holidays" that aims to help as many orphaned pets as possible find homes this holiday season.

To help, Animal Rescue Foundation of SE PA (ARF SEPA) is hosting the "Home 4 the Holidays Pet Adoption Center" in Media from now through January. ARF SEPA has more than 100 rescued pets looking for homes.

"Our goal is for the public to adopt a pet versus buying a puppy or kitten at a pet store this season," says ARF SEPA director Jen Coccodrilli. "Giving a cat, dog or rabbit a loving home is a wonderful gift to give."

The "Home 4 the Holidays Pet Adoption Center" will be open Thursday and Friday evenings and all day Saturday and Sunday starting December 2nd. Media Real Estate donated retail space for the center, located at 300 Baltimore Pike at the corner of Baltimore and Radnor. The location is the former home of Benjamin Moore Paints and also Governor Rendell's reelection headquarters.

"We are very thankful to Media Real Estate for providing this wonderful space to ARF SEPA rent-free," states Coccodrilli. "Their generous donation is making a difference in our community."

"We do have to raise funds to pay the utility expenses, which will amount to more than \$1500 for the two months we occupy the space," continues Coccodrilli. "We're looking for donations from businesses and pet lovers to help offset costs of running the center."

Persons interested in adopting or learning more about Animal Rescue Foundation can contact the group via their website at www.arfsepa.com or telephone at (610)994-4300. ARF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization operated entirely through volunteer efforts.



Animal Rescue Foundation of Southeastern Pennsylvania

www.arfsepa.com

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Meeting Directions	
<p>Meetings will be held at the Media Community Center (4th & Monroe) at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month.</p> <p>Take 476 (Blue Route) to the Media/Swarthmore Exit. Turn West onto Baltimore Pike. Follow Baltimore Pike six traffic lights to Monroe Street. Turn right onto Monroe. Turn left onto 4th Street. The Hall is on your left and is handicapped accessible.</p> <p>If you have any questions, or need more directions, please call Tom Neill (610) 622-2508</p>	
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