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UPCOMING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE **EVENTS** Well summer is here!! The June party is on the 14th - I'm sorry, but I will not be able June 14, 2007to attend. Have a great time and enjoy the dog days of summer. I will see everyone in Summer Kick off September. Party! Thomas J Neill Jr **Please contact Debbie Park at debbiescockatiels** @yahoo.com or call 484-461-3640 and let her know what you'd like to bring!! **MESSAGE FROM THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT** WOW! It is June and time to start doing all the Summer Stuff that we all love to do. We will be having our June Party and the theme this year is **American** Pride – the Red, White and Blue. Our meeting is on Flag Day. Do you need to have a cage repainted? We are having Bobby Bechtel come out to the Club to tell us how he refinishes cages. He will be bringing a cage or two to show us how it is done. So if you need to have a cage refinished, please come and see how one is done and how great one looks. We all have a cage that is still in good shape but needs to be sandblasted and repainted. We are also voting on the By-Laws – come out and cast your vote. Margaret Ouali 1st VP and The Director for the Adoptions and Rescues for the Delco Bird Club

Message from the 2nd VP

Welcome all to our annual June "picnic" on the 14th. Come out and celebrate Flag Day with your feathered and un-feathered friends and enjoy some good ole American food. The regular raffle table and 50/50 will be on hand, so show your patriotism and say to me "I'm A Yankee Doodle Dandy" and receive a free raffle ticket. Bring your dollars and buy a chance to win a **\$50.00** gift certificate for toys only generously donated by <u>www.wranglersroost.com</u>. Visit their web site for your one stop shop of Feathers, Food and Fun. The site is really cute and Tanya Johnson has been so nice.

A special thanks to Debbie Park and Bob the bird for roughing it out with me at my three Flea Markets where she hosted a membership drive and a total of \$51 in donations was raised. Our club's Flea Market at DCCC raised \$135. Thanks to Jude DeGeorge for helping out and staying until the end to pack up. She is always a pleasure and funny too. Also, thanks to everyone and especially Gail Gallagher who donated items for the Flea Market and to Esther, Debbie and Tom for bringing out their birds in the 30 to 40 mph winds. I am looking forward to doing another Flea Market in September. I will keep you posted when I have more information so save those gently used and new bird items.

Last, Gourmet Pet Supply Inc. has donated bird treats to the raffle table and has offered our club members a **15%** savings using discount code "**Delco**" at <u>www.beakappetit.com</u>. Their foods are all natural, human-quality, organically grown with no fillers. I have some brochures for those who do not have internet access.

If you are not planning to attend the picnic, June 14th, have a wonderful and safe summer and I will see you in September. I am looking forward to having some fun with those who will be attending.

Remember, as always, the raffle and refreshment tables welcome your donations.

Connie Metz, 2nd Vice Pres 610-604-3316 <u>Conniecmm1@aol.com</u>

Board Meeting May 15th 2007 Called to Order @ 7:22pm

Attendance: Tom N, Margaret O, Connie M, Colleen R, Christine P, Debbie P, Erika S, Esther S, Linda M, Francis R and guest member Christine W.

Treasurers Report: Will be talked about at the club meeting. **Outreach**: See Esther's Blog.

Bylaws: We will be voting by a show of hands on the changes to the bylaws at the June 14th meeting.

Fundraising: Connie is going to see if she can get a table for the club at the Delaware County Community College Flea Market in September. If you have any donations please get in touch with Connie by either email or by phone.

June Party: Since our meeting is on Flag Day the theme for this year's party is American Pride Red, White and Blue. The Board approves monies to be spent on hoagie trays for the club. We are also having Bobby Bechtel come out to show us how he refinishes birdcages.

Pre-editing: Tom's wife Audrey will now be proof reading all of the forms and the newsletter for the club. This way everything will look and sound professional.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:55pm

Submitted By: Colleen Robinson

OUTREACH UPDATE

Thank You to Keith and Amber Flury and to Margie Lyon for attending Coopertown Elementary's Spring Fling with Blueberry and I. All the students and their families were enchanted by the birds and the bird owners!

Future Outreaches:

 Monday July 2, 2007 from 1PM to 2PM Media-Upper Providence Free Library
 East Front St., Media, Pa. 19063

2) Wednesday July 25, 2007 from 10AM to 11AM.
Gladwyne Montessori School
920 Youngsford Rd.
Gladwyne, Pa. 19035

Please consider joining us, it is lots of FUN and your Bird will surprise you! We also are available for Birthday parties! Spread the word!

Esther Scholz 610 446-6427 Luvsbrds@msn.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Mark & Sandra Christy Steve & Mary Alice O'Connor Anne White Colleen Carty Debbie & Rich Tinney Dana Sykes Stephanie Clark & Enrique Biosca

REMINDER!

NOW IS THE TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2007!

PLEASE SEE COLLEEN ROBINSON OR DEBBIE PARK AT THE NEXT MEETING TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

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

Birds Eye View : Delco Bird Club Events for 2006/2007

Delco Bird Club Recycles

Starting in March, the Delco Bird Club will start recycling all aluminum cans, plastic bottles, cardboard, and paper. New Member Representative Erika Scarborough will collect the items and recycle them for the club. The program can also include any computer printer ink and toner cartridges in addition to any discarded cell phones.

A box will be located near the food table during each meeting.

June 14, 2007- Summer Kick off Party! Please contact Debbie Park at <u>debbiescockatiels@yahoo.com</u> or call 484-461-3640 and let her know what you'd like to bring!!

If you already spoke to Connie at the May meeting about something to bring, THANK YOU!!!

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Frandelhi's Touch Cages, toys, playpens, nest boxes and carriers, personally built by Francis for yours and your birds' likings. Any wood craft ideas for them, EMAIL frandelhisflyers@rcn.com or <u>http://birdshows.com/avianservices.htm</u> . NCS Banded Baby Cockatiels of various mutations now available for new homes	FOR SALE Parrotlets (Green Pacifics) unrelated pairs ready to breed. \$100.00/pair. Some single adult Parrotlets available. One Breeding Pair of Pacific Parrotlets, plucked: Free! Red Rump Breeding Pair: \$100.00 Doves - Pieds : \$10.00 each Cages will come with some breeding pairs. Call Michael for more information: 610 296-5541
Bird Cage Covers 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 <u>pkreiser222@yahoo.com</u>	FOR SALE : Foster & Smith model Z1 cage – like new, barely used!!! Inside is 37-1/2"x 27-1/2"x 39"high; outside is 44"x 35"x62-1/4" high including seed catcher. Unit is only 2 yrs old, tan color, and comes with extra seed dishes. Contact AnneMarie 610-513-8801.

DELCO BIRD CLUB ADOPTIONS AND RESCUES

THE FOLLOWING BIRDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION.

Sammy (Momma) - Nanday Conure, Female, 9 yrs old, comes with her cage.

Shamrock - Blue Front Amazon, female, 12 years old. Prefers men, talks, comes with her cage

For more info Please call Margaret at 610-713-0331 Margaret Ouali, 1st VP and The Director for the Adoptions and Rescues for the Delco Bird Club.

MORE BIRDS ARE COMING INTO THIS PROGRAM. PLEASE CONTACT MARGARET IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ADOPTING A BIRD. THANKS FOR HELPING BIRDS IN NEED.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

What kind of fish can be found in a birdcage? A perch!

How can you tell a miser from his pet canary? One's a little cheap, but the other's a little cheeper

Why did the duck put his head in the stream? To liquidate his bill

> Why did the duck leave the stream? It had more interest in the bank

NEW REVISED BYLAWS - TO BE VOTED ON AT THE JUNE MEETING

THE DELCO BIRD CLUB BY- LAWS, Revised June 2007

ARTICLE I - Name

Sec. 1 The Club shall be known as the Delco Bird Club. This will be a non-profit organization.

Sec. 2 The Club known as Delco Bird Club was founded the month of January of the year

Nineteen hundred and Ninety Seven.

Sec. 3 The founder and co-founder of the Club known as Delco Bird Club are Christine Phelps and Sue Grosso.

ARTICLE 11. • Objectives

<u>Sec. 1</u> The purpose of the Club will be to create and maintain lasting friendship among owners and breeders of caged birds.

Sec.2 To help members with problems concerning their birds.

Sec.3 To encourage the interest and educate the general public about birds as charming and loving pets.

Sec.4 To become more informed of the dietary requirements and promote' better nutrition in pet birds.

Sec.5. To encourage and assist anyone in their aviculture interest through the exchange of knowledge.

Sec. 6. To keep members informed through the monthly newsletter.

<u>Sec. 7</u> To keep abreast of and participate in state and national legislation and health issues pertaining to the keeping of birds.

ARTICLE III - Meetings

<u>Sec. 1</u> Meetings will be regularly held on the second (2nd) Thursday of each month and called to order promptly at 7:00 PM. If the business meeting extends longer than 1/2 hour, business will be tabled until after the program. Sec. 2 There must be a minimum of 5 meetings held by the Board of Directors per year.

ARTICLE IV - Officers and Board of Directors

<u>Sec. 1</u> The officers of the Club shall be a President, a 1st Vice President, a 2nd Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer all voted on by the membership for a (2) year term. The voting will take place every odd year.

<u>Sec. 2</u> The Club shall have a Board of Directors consisting of the President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and up to but no more than 5 Membership Representatives will be appointed by the Board of Directors on a "as needed" basis. The appointment of the Membership Representatives shall take place after the election of the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3 Only one (1) member per household may serve on the Board of Directors at a time.

<u>Sec. 4</u> The Delco Bird Club shall have a Director of Outreach Programs, who shall coordinate all Outreach activities. Such Director will be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall carry one (1) vote.

<u>Sec. 5</u> No one shall be eligible to run for a Board position if they so hold another Board position with another club, but can be so appointed by the Board of Director's if needed.

ARTICLE V - Duties of Officers and Board of Directors

Sec. 1 The President shall call the meeting to order and serve as coordinator of all activities.

Sec. 2 The President shall act as Club representative or appoint a member.

<u>Sec. 3</u> The 1st Vice President shall assist the President, as needed and shall preside at the meetings in the absence of the President. The 1st Vice President shall assume the office and duties of the President in the event the latter can no longer continue in his/her office. The 1st Vice President is also the Program Director.

<u>Sec. 4</u>' The 2nd Vice President shall also assist the President and 1st Vice President as needed. The 2nd Vice' President shall be second in line to succeed the president, and first in line to succeed the 1st Vice President. He/she shall be responsible for serving as fund raising coordinator.

<u>Sec; 5</u> The Secretary shall attend all general and Board meetings or arrange for a suitable replacement and keep a full and correct record of the proceedings and submit this record to the Newsletter Editor for

Inclusion in the monthly newsletter. He/She shall also handle all Club correspondence.

<u>Sec.6</u> The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all monies belonging to the-Club and shall disperse it at the direction of the Board of Directors. He/she is also responsible for collection of all membership fees and forwarding membership forms to the Member Representative who will keep an accurate record of membership status. On the expiration of his/her term of office, he/she will turn all monies and accounts (including records) over to the incoming Treasurer.

<u>Sec. 7</u> The Membership Representative shall be responsible for presenting the opinions, views, and grievances to the Board for the general membership. Shall also assist any officers in fulfillment of the club duties as required.

<u>Sec. 8</u> The Board of Directors shall exercise, conduct, and account for the property and affairs of the Club. In order to be an officer on the Board, said officer must be a member in good standing. A member shall be considered a

member in good standing if their yearly dues are paid up-to-date' and they have' attended 50% of the meetings in the previous year. A member of the Board of Directors missing 3 or more consecutive Board meetings will be reviewed for dismissal from the position and said position will be open to appointment by the Board for the completion of term if needed.

ARTICLE VI - Election and Officers

<u>Sec. 1</u> Any member that has been in good standing for a minimum of 1 year may be nominated at the <u>November</u> meeting. Election will be held at the <u>December</u> meeting.

Sec. 2 Any nominee with unpaid dues will automatically be withdrawn prior to the vote count.

<u>Sec.3</u> All ballots will be opened and counted at the meeting by an unbiased party appointed by the Present Board of Directors members. If a nominee is running for an office that is uncontested that person will automatically assume said office.

Sec. 4 The newly elected officers will assume their duties at the January meeting.

<u>Sec. 5</u> When an officer leaves their position before their term is up, the position will be appointed by the Board for tile completion of the term, and then filled by the regularly scheduled election.

<u>Sec. 6</u> There will be no absentee ballots, unless you are a member in good standing and are unable to make the meeting due to illness or catastrophe.

ARTICLE VII - Dues

Sec. 1 Annual membership dues for all members will be the following: \$20.00 for individuals or family, \$10.00 for members under the age of 18 or over the age of 65. This entitles you to 1 vote, 1 newsletter, and one free classified in the monthly newsletter. All family members are invited to the monthly meetings, but are not entitled to vote. Additional" voting" memberships can be added to the family membership at \$5.00 per person per vote. Sec. 2 All dues are due by January 15th of each year.

<u>Sec. 3</u> Any member in arrears after June 15th will have their newsletter subscription terminated and will not be entitled to vote on any club matters until said dues are paid.

<u>Sec. 4</u> Visitors are welcome at any meeting. After two (2) such visits, they must be advised that further attendance will require their applying for membership. This does not apply, however, to any member's immediate family.

Article VIII - Bills

<u>Sec. 1</u> All non-operating expenses or bills must be presented to the President who shall authorize payment through the Treasurer.

<u>Sec. 2</u> No officer or member shall incur any bills without having received prior authorization for the expenditures from the President and Treasurer. Total expenditures shall not exceed \$100.00 in a month period without authorization from the Board of Directors excluding operating expenses, including but not limited to: newsletter printing, postage; hall costs and photography. Exception is made for speaker costs though not to exceed \$250 without approval vote of general membership.

<u>Sec. 3</u> No officers or members shall receive salary, wages, or inurement for their contributions to the Club. <u>Sec. 4</u> Starting June of 2008 an outside auditor will perform a yearly audit on our Treasury account.

ARTICLE IX - Grievances

Sec. 1 Any member wishing to lodge a grievance against another member shall do so to the Board of Directors, in care of the Secretary, and in writing or alternately, may make a motion to be heard at a general meeting. The Board of Directors shall immediately notify that member in writing through the Secretary and request written rebuttal to the charges within (30) days of notification. If the grievance was filed verbally in a general meeting, then the rebuttal shall be read at the next general meeting and floor be opened for discussion. Upon the presentation of both the grievance and the rebuttal, the Board of Directors shall investigate, discuss at the general meeting, and render a decision within (30) days.

ARTIVLE X - Authority

Sec. 1 Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall be parliamentary authority on all questions not covered by bylaws.

ARTICLE XI - Disbandment of Club

<u>Sec. 1</u> In the event of total disbandment of the Club, all outstanding bills will be paid by the Treasurer and monies held in the Treasury over \$500 will be donated to a tax exempt avian organization that qualifies under section 501 C of the IRS code. The final Board of Directors shall decide on it. The remaining balance will be held in a trust fund for no more than 3 years for possible use in' the restart of the Club in the event a new Club is formed, said \$500 will be dispersed to the newly formed Club.

Sec.2 After 3 years any money that is still held in trust will be donated to the previously defined avian organization.

ARTICLE XII - Amendments

<u>Sec.</u> 1 The Board of Directors or a member in good standing may propose Amendments to the bylaws at any regular meeting. Any revisions shall be printed and made available for members to review in the monthly newsletter. The revised bylaws shall then be voted on a quarterly basis, at the March, June, September and December meetings.

BIRDS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION FROM THE BAILEY FOUNDATION (a paid advertisement from Chris Webb)

As many of you know, I am an active volunteer and foster home for the Bailey Foundation. I am currently fostering the 6 Bailey birds described below, and will be happy to give you details on any one of them. There are many other birds available, please check out their website <u>http://www.bailey-foundation.org/</u>

Buddy – 14 YO male Lesser Sulphur Crested Cockatoo

Buddy seems to be a good natured bird who craves human contact. He has been mistreated, however, and bites out of fear. In recent weeks, he has come to trust people and allows petting of his beak, chest, head and legs through the cage bars. His behavior remains unpredictable, however, and he would do best in a home with a seasoned bird owner, where he will receive consistent love and attention.

Mango – 2 YO male Peach Front Conure

Mango is a young, friendly bird who loves fruit, especially dried papaya, and enjoys slowly destroying his wooden toys. He tends to bite your fingers when he steps up, but this is decreasing over time, and I believe he will be a good companion with consistent positive reinforcement from his caregiver. Mango can be a bit noisy, as with most conures, but does not scream excessively.

Roscoe – 10 YO male Nanday Conure

Roscoe is as charming as he is naked!! He has plucked his chest and back repeatedly, and feathers will most likely not regrow in these areas. His remaining feathers are beautiful, however, and his tail is long, full, and gorgeous!! He is very friendly, loves a good head scratch, and has a sweet, low voice that sounds like a whisper. He plays vigorously with his toys, and screams for joy while doing it!!

Congo – 8 YO male? Patagonian Conure

Congo is an exceptionally beautiful Patagonian, and is in perfect feather. He has a comical voice, and says a few words; he also plays rough with his toys, but is friendly once outside his cage. Congo enjoys human interaction, and will run through his repertoire of sounds and words to get it!

Lucky – male Nanday Conure with special needs

Lucky is a very gentle and sweet bird who has only one leg. How and when he lost his leg is unknown; however, he seems to have adapted well to his disability and gets around fine! His cage has been customized for his needs, to minimize injury from falling, but Lucky hardly seems to think he needs it! He can be quite vocal when he greets his family, and thoroughly enjoys company.

Bing – Cherry-Head Conure

Bing was removed from a bad situation and brought to the Bailey Foundation for help. He was plucked in spots, but his feathers have regrown nicely and he is learning to trust people again. He says a very words, and appears to want to be with people. He will mutter under his breath if people are nearby, but not paying attention to him. He will be a fine companion with patience and understanding.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE BIRDS, OR OTHERS AVAILABLE AT THE BAILEY FOUNDATION, PLEASE CONTACT ME

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