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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As the warm weather is upon us, that means doors and windows are open more often. Please keep your birds safe by clipping their wings and pay close attention when they are out of their cages.

Buy your feathered friends some nice new toys/parts and enjoy the food the club has provided at the June meeting.

Have a great, safe summer! See you at the September 11th meeting.

Thomas J Neill Jr

## MESSAGE FROM THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

It is time to spoil your "FIDS" and who else can help us best in spoiling them but the Foxwells. Let's welcome Birdsnest Specialty this month as they share with us their multiple choices of toys, treats and others for our Feathered Kids. That night will surely be a night for us all. Get ready for your toy ideas as you will be able to make one for your birds to enjoy. Did I mention that you can also get some parts for your birds' toy if in case you are missing one? See you all there.

For our Bird of the month, let's all clap our wings (I meant our hands) for Alex, he did a good job last meeting for Dr. Sambruna and his Mom (Margie Lyons) is a happy one. I am sure Mom will get a nice toy for him. He deserves one Mommy Margie.

Francis D Hilario

# MESSAGE FROM THE 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

The warm weather is upon us and that could only mean one thing; it's Flea Market time! I will be doing as many as possible again this year. Member representative Debbie Park will be joining me again, hosting a Delco Bird Club membership drive table. We attended our first Flea Market on Sunday, May 18 at DCCC. Thanks Judy D. for stopping by and lending a hand. Our next one will be Sunday, June 1 at Upper Darby High School. Donations of gently used, clean, items are welcome.

The fundraising for June will consist of an HD radio we will be raffling off and 4 passes to the Adventure Aquarium in New Jersey. Tickets are only one dollar each. Let's all do our part and help support the club by purchasing tickets for these items along with the 50/50 and regular raffle table.

I know it is a long way off, but mark your calendars now for Bird Paradise's Parrot Palooza! October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 are the dates this year. We will have a membership table again. If you have never been to a Parrot Palooza yet, you have missed one fun day. Other clubs and rescues attend, Bird Paradise feeds everyone from an awesome BBQ, door prizes are given away all day, silent auctions take place, Dr Irene Pepperberg, Sally Blanchard and Lara Joseph lecturing on enrichment, and the entire store is on sale!

Remember as always, the raffle table welcomes your donations and recycled toy parts and thanks you for them. Be kind to Dad.

Connie Metz

#### **OUTREACH UPDATE**

# BIRD'S EYE VIEW Delco Bird Club Events for 2007/2008

#### **UPCOMING OUTREACHES**

1) CHOP Staff Appreciation Day

Friday, June 13, 2008. 11AM to 3PM.

Four locations: Voorhees, NJ, King of Prussia, and Center

City (Phila.)

These will mostly be held outside so please bring birds that

are safe outside

(wings clipped or harnesses & leashes).

We will need birds that are friendly with people or that you can keep safe in a crowd.

We each must care to keep our birds and the public SAFE!

Thank you...Esther

**June 12, 2008**: The Foxwells from Birdsnest Specialty will kick off our summer party.

July 2008: Summer break, no meeting.

August 2008: Summer break, no meeting.

September 11 2008: (Tentative) Photo night with your

birds.

October 9 2008:

November 13 2008:

#### **MEMBER REP MESSAGE**

by Debbie Park

Please see me or a board member if you are interested in becoming a membership representative for the club. To all you gardeners, please save all plant/flower containers you may have acquired during this spring season and bring them to the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

# **Board Meeting Minutes May 13th 2008**

Started: 7:09 pm

Attendance: Colleen R, Connie M, Debbie P, Esther S, Linda M, Francis H, and Erika S.

Treasurer's Report: Will be discussed at the meeting.

Audit: The board will have an additional meeting in June to discuss our first annual audit, which will be for the years

2007 and 2008.

Outreach: See Esther's Blurb.

**Fundraising:** We will be raffling off an HD radio and 4 passes to Adventure Aquarium at the June club meeting; see Connie for tickets

**June Party:** The Board approved the Dinner for the June party, which will be wings, chicken strips and drinks. Please bring your favorite side dish or desert to the party.

**Club meeting dates:** We have booked the hall for our club meetings for the following dates this year; May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 & June 12<sup>th</sup> 2008. We also have tentative dates for the year 2009; September 11<sup>th</sup> 2008, October 9<sup>th</sup> 2008, November 13<sup>th</sup> 2008, December 11<sup>th</sup> 2008, January 8<sup>th</sup> 2009, February 12<sup>th</sup> 2009, March 12<sup>th</sup> 2009, April 9<sup>th</sup> 2009, May 14<sup>th</sup> 2009, June 11<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**Membership:** Membership dues are due please see Colleen to keep your newsletter and membership rolling. The club is seeking membership representatives, please see a board member if interested.

Ended 9:00 pm

Submitted By: Colleen Robinson

# **Delco Bird Club's** Bird of the Month **May 2008**

**Bird Name: Alex** 

Bird Species: Alexandrine

**Owner: Margie Lyons** 





Isn't he clever?! Junior's learned to speak by repeating what I'm repeating...



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#### DELCO BIRD CLUB'S COCKATIEL SHOW APRIL 12, 2008 ESSINGTON PA

10<sup>th</sup>

11<sup>th</sup>

12<sup>th</sup>



Josh Maple awarded by Wendy Lomas NCS panel judge

NCS16P-208-06 Amber Penniston Best in Show N/ Η 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> WP NCS64S-96-04 Sherri Lewis NCS16P-135-02 CPpd H Diane Baxter W/ N NCS76B-02-07 April Blazich Н Ppd ACS204M-619-06 Erna McCormick Н ACS46R-604-06 Joan Redondo N/ Н C/ ACS46R-605-06 Joan Redondo Н N/ С NCS64S-197-07 Sherri Lewis 9<sup>th</sup> CP

Exhibitors: 11

NCS91J-05-06

NCS91J-02-08

NCS91J-29-06

NCS64S-157-07

Josh Maple

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Sherri Lewis

ACS JUDGE: LINDA OLDBERG

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Entries: 50

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Sherri Lewis awarded by Wendy Lomas NCS panel judge

#### N = NOVICE C = CHAMPION G = GRAND CHAMPION

**BEST NOVICE** 

Entries: 6			Exhibitors: 4	
Best Novice 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup>	W WP/ WCP Pd CP WP	H C C	NCS76B-02-07 NCS76B-01-07 14H-02-07 ACS204M-824-08 NCS04H-10-06 NCS04H-06-06	April Blazich April Blazich Amber Pennington Marina Horba Francis Hilario Francis Hilario



Amber Penniston awarded by ACS judge Linda Oldberg

Congratulations to our own Francis Hilario for his cockatiels, placing 5<sup>th</sup> and 6th in the ACS novice division.

And to member rep Debbie Park who had two cockatiels place 7th and 8th in the NCS show.

#### PARROT OF THE MONTH

Watch for a different bird each month from A to Z.

#### Goffin's Cockatoo



Genus: Size:

Cacatua 32cm (12.5 in)
Species: Adult Weight: 300g (10.5 oz)

Races including nominate:

one

**Colorization Adult:** Both adults' small white cockatoos, with white crest, white/blue eye ring, pink on lores, ear coverts yellow tinge, yellow under wings and tail, pinkish suffusion on breast and under parts. Bill grey/white. Eye brown/black in males, in female red.

Colorization Juvenile: Immature babies are similar to adult.

The Goffin's Cockatoo is also known as: Tanimbar Cockatoo, Tanimbar Corella. Their range is the Tanimbar Islands, Indonesia. The Goffin's Cockatoo's habitat is that of coastal lowland primary and secondary forests and cultivated areas. Feral populations of Goffin's Cockatoos are common in urban parklands and gardens in Singapore. Their status in the wild has a world population of 300,000 to 400,000.

Other than some crops taken, little is known of their diet. Their call is that of a loud scream. The young sound like Cockatiels, and they also produce a mewing sound. The Goffin's Cockatoo may be vocal at night. In display, birds strut with their crest raised. They are the smallest of the Cockatoos and have the shortest crests.

As pets they can be clownish, playful, but at times may be very loud. These birds are vigorous chewers so provide bird-safe, unsprayed fir, elder, pine or willow branches, wood toys (are chewers!), vegetable tanned leather chewables, knotted toys for undoing, ladders, acrylic non-destructibles. Also provide overhead misters or shallow water bowls for bathing. Goffin's love people and like to cuddle, although they are usually less dependent than other cockatoos. Most Goffin's respond to music and love to dance. They are very bright, love to play, and may quickly learn to open the cage door.

They have two to three eggs per clutch with an incubation period of 28 days and they live 40 plus years. World Parrot Trust has aided the conservation of this species by paying to have wild-caught birds rereleased back into the wild. This was done because of the immediate threat to these particular birds. They have been heavily traded in wild bird trades and have been trapped as crop pests.

This bird is small in size, but big in personality! If you are able to provide the time and stimulating environment they need, a Goffin's Cockatoo can be a delightful companion for years to come.











#### BIRDS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION FROM THE BAILEY FOUNDATION

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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 web site <a href="https://www.bailey-foundation.org">www.bailey-foundation.org</a>

#### Sonny - male Orange Winged Amazon

Sonny came from a very loving family who experienced a major lifestyle change, and were forced to find a new home for Sonny. He is a very friendly bird who steps up easily and loves to cuddle. He gets along with other birds once he gets used to them. He is relatively quiet and enjoys his time out of his cage.

#### 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 grow 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!

#### Lucky - male Nanday Conure with special needs

Lucky is a very gentle and sweet bird and 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 to 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 grown nicely and he is learning to trust people again. He says many 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

CHRISTINE WEBB 610-209-9035



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October 18 & 19, 2008 Bird Paradise Burlington, NJ

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#### Frandelhi's Flyers

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#### Jojo The Grey Adoption and **Rescue For Birds**

If you are looking to adopt or place a bird up for adoption, please call Margaret Ouali at 610-713-0304 or mailto:jojothegrey@yahoo.com web site jojothegrey.com

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28 Vista Drive, Nanticoke, PA (570)735-4316

#### For Sale (3 items)

Brooder from Deans Animal Supply. www.thebrooder.com/model.htm Used once to pick up baby African greys from out of state. Practically new and comes with car charger. Original cost was \$369.99 asking \$200.00. Cage used for an African grev: purchased new for about \$300 asking \$100. Price negotiable, extra bowls included with the cage.

Two custom breeder cages, used for African greys and are still in good shape. Asking \$100 for both. Contact Richard Elijah at 215-490-6464. I can deliver, or items can be picked up at my house in the Germantown section of Philadelphia.

#### **Finches For Sale**

Gouldians, shaftails, red faced parrot finches. Call Dave for availability at 610-566-5103

For Sale - Green Rump Parrotlet babies: I have several of these little gems available. All have been hand feed and are tame, price \$225-\$250. Also have a few birds that I would be interested in trading for other Green Rump blood lines. Call Lori Castle at 717-957-4241

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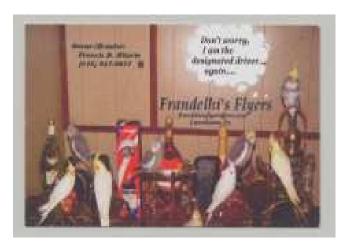
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# **Meeting Directions**

# Meetings will be held at the Media Community Center, 4 & Monroe Sts, Media PA 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of the month.

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 4<sup>th</sup> street. The Hall is on your left and is handicapped accessible. If you have any questions, or need more directions, please call Tom Neill (610) 622-2508

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