

BIRD LINE NEWS

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MAY, 2007

UPCOMING EVENTS

**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!

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June 14, 2007-
Summer Kick off
Party!

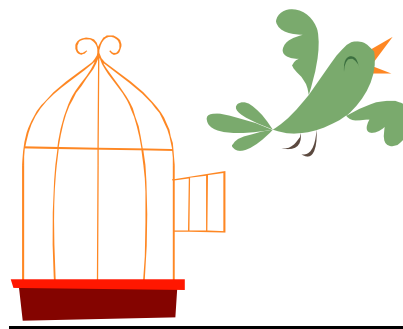
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, the date for next year's Mart is April 12th 2008. If this year goes as fast as last, it will be here before you know it. The raffle table is in need of donations - please see Connie if you have anything to give.

The Foxwells are coming to the May meeting. This is the time to stock up on all those toys and supplies.

Please bring something for the snack table. See you May 10th

Thomas J Neill Jr



MESSAGE FROM THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

This is time to stock up on your bird toys and stuff for them to play with - the Foxwell will be coming on the 10th of May. So if you need to get some of the stuff you did not get at the Mart then come out to the Meeting and pick out some cool stuff for your Bird to play with.

Connie is look for stuff for the Raffle table if you have stuff that can be placed on the table to be raffled off please bring it for her.

We are revamping the Bylaws for the club so please read that in the newsletter. We will be voting on the 14th of June for all the changes that are being proposed. It would be nice to have all attend the meeting to vote on this.

The Events for 2007/2008 will be posted in a later newsletter. I have got a lot of stuff lined up.

Margaret Ouali

1st VP and The Director for the Adoptions and Rescues for the Delco Bird Club

Message from the 2nd VP

As we spring into May the weather should be getting warmer, allowing us to get out more. The club has reserved a space at the **Town Talk Flea Market on May 6th, rain or shine, at the Delaware County Community College, Rte 252, Media, PA.** Come on out and bring those new or gently used bird items you no longer need and help to raise some money. If you cannot attend call me with any donations you might have at **610-604-3316**. We will have a few birds there and Debbie Park will be hosting the membership drive if you want to come join the fun in promoting the club under the blue tent!

Purchase your raffle and 50/50 tickets at the May 10 meeting. They are only one dollar or you can buy six for five dollars. Take a chance at winning one of our club's toys made by Debbie or myself with those wonderful toy parts we get from Birdsnest Specialty. Have you tried any toy making yourself? All the parts you need will be available to buy at the meeting and if your toy making is a disaster, you can buy already made toys. Jim and Candy always have a great display for us to choose from.

As a member of the board, I ask that all club members read over the proposed changes to the bylaws for voting on at the meeting. These changes are for your benefit and have come about due to issues and concerns that have risen in recent months. Those bold enough to say Happy Mothers Day to me will receive a free raffle ticket.

See you at the meeting and remember - the refreshment and raffle tables welcome your donations.

Connie Metz, 2nd Vice Pres
610-604-3316 Conniecm1@aol.com

Board Meeting April 17th, 2007 7:12pm

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

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

Outreach: See Esther's Blog.

Fundraising: Donations are now depleted due to our Bird Mart; if you have anything you would like to donate, please bring it to the meeting so it can be placed on the raffle table.

Web Site: We are adding a new section to our web site where we will be able to place other club events that all of the clubs in the area are having.

Cockatiel Society: We are going to be affiliated with the American Cockatiel Society and National Cockatiel Society as a club. This will help us for when we have our next Bird Mart if we plan to have a Cockatiel show.

Bylaws: The board has discussed the changing and adding of our present bylaws. Please see the bylaw pages in this newsletter. These changes will happen once we take a general club vote on them at the June Meeting.

Dr. Bob: The board approved a 200.00 gift card to be given to Dr. Bob for his services at the Bird Mart.

Foxwells: The Board has approved for some monies to be spent for toys for the raffle table.

Ended 9:05pm

Submitted By: Colleen Robinson

OUTREACH UPDATE

Thank you to Colleen, Erika, Margaret and their birds for joining Blueberry and I at the Roosevelt School on Friday, April 13th!! We received rave reviews!

We have 'tentatively' scheduled an Outreach at **Coopertown Elementary School's "Spring Fling"**.
Saturday May 12th from 10AM to 2PM.
800 Coopertown Rd, Bryn Mawr, Pa. 19010

Please feel free to join us for part or all of the day!
Contact Esther with questions: Luvbrds@msn.com

If you would like to be on the Outreach e-mail list, PLEASE e-mail or call Esther and you will receive up to date Outreach news. This does not commit you to anything. You can let me know when you can join us. Esther's contact info is below.

Future Outreaches:

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

Please e-mail me if you can make any of these dates: Luvbrds@msn.com
 Thank You All for your continued support of this worthwhile endeavor.

Sincerely,
 Esther Scholz, Outreach Coordinator
Luvbrds@msn.com, 610 446-6427

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Melvin Rubin & David Veit
 Richard Elijah
 Jeff & Pat Levine
 Roger Reilly
 Lin Hammerschmidt
 Seamus Gallagher
 Judith DeGeorge
 Barry's Bird Barn

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.

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CLASSIFIEDS

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) 461-3640. Leave a message. Or email debbiescockatiels@yahoo.com

FINCHES FOR SALE

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

Franelhi'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 franelhisflyers@rcn.com or <http://birdshows.com/avianservices.htm>.

NCS Banded Baby Cockatiels of various mutations now available for new homes

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 pkreiser222@yahoo.com

CLASSIFIEDS

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

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

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 - Pies: \$10.00 each

Cages will come with some breeding pairs.

Call Michael for more information: 610 296-5541

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.

Nanday Conure, Female, 9 yrs old

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.

Member Karen Brandow needs to find a new home for her birds; please see below.

Looking for a new home by June 15 - Baby (cockatiel – male, 9years old) and Snowflake (parakeet – female, 7 years old) who reside in separate cages but have bonded together and go as a team, hand tamed, talk a bit, need to be adopted - very fun birds. **Contact Karen Brandow - 610-446-3960**
Pictures of the birds are available by email.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

Q: What's got six legs and can fly long distances?
A: Three swallows!

Q: Why did the parrot wear a raincoat?
A: Because she wanted to be a Polly unsaturated!

Q: Which bird is always out of breath?
A: A puffin!

Q: When is the best time to buy budgies?
A: When they're going cheap!

Bylaws to be voted on at the June Meeting (The ones in red are the changes that will be voted on)

Article 4 Section 1: The officers of the club shall be a President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer all voted on by the membership for a one (1) year term.

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

Article 4 Section 2: The club shall have a Board of Directors consisting of the President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 3 Membership Representatives for each 100 members then 1 additional Membership Representative will be elected/appointed by the Board of Directors for each additional 25 members.

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 five (5) Membership Representatives will be appointed by the Board of Directors on an "as needed" basis. The appointment of the Membership Representatives shall take place after the election of the Board of Directors.

Article 4 Section 5: 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 Directors if needed.

Article 5 Section 6: 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 Representatives 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.

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 at the Board meetings. A Treasurers report shall be read and approved at every Board meeting, then be shared with the general membership at the monthly meetings. He/She is also responsible for collection of all membership fees and forwarding membership forms to the membership representatives 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.

Article 5 Section 8: 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 automatically be dismissed from the position and said position will be open to appointment by the Board for the completion of term.

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 good 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 three (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 6 Section 1: Any member that has been in good standing for a minimum of 1 year may be nominated at the January meeting. Election will be held at the February meeting.

Any member that has been in good standing for a minimum of one (1) year may be nominated at the November meeting. Election will be held at the December meeting.

Article 6 Section 4: The newly elected officers will assume their duties at the March meeting.

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

Article 7 Section 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 and 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.

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Article 7 Section 2: Dues will be prorated for members joining after January. All dues are due by January 15th of each year.

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Article 7 Section 3: Any member in arrears after March 15th will have their newsletter subscription terminated and will not be entitled to vote on any club matters until said dues are paid.

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Article 8 Section 4: Starting June of 2008 an outside auditor will perform a yearly audit on out Treasury account.

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