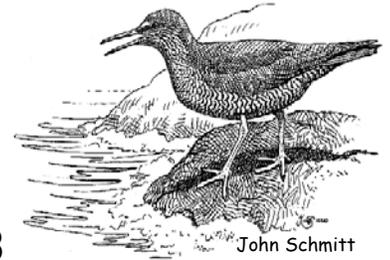


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A Great Eight Years

by Jay Miller, President

After eight years, Marquita Miller, is retiring as Program Chair. Even when I was co-Chair (for the first six years), most of the arrangements, correspondence and Tattler articles were done by Marquita.

Being Program Chairs did two things for us. First it meant that we would be on the Sea and Sage Board. Sea and Sage is an organization that we both strongly believe in and being on the board gave us a very close look at how everything works. It also meant that we had the opportunity to meet most of our guest speakers. On the whole, they have been an interesting group of people with great life stories.

However, the highlight of every year is the Annual Dinner. Our first speaker was Frank Gill, who is now the acting president of National Audubon. We then had Sherri Williamson, one the country's leading Hummingbird experts. We then went outside the box and got Ken Dial to explain his theory of the origins of flight. When the Ivory-billed Woodpecker was the big news in birding we had Tim Gallagher here to plead his case. For our fifth year our presenter was Kenn Kaufman. Our expectations were very high for a Kenn Kaufman presentation but he went even beyond what we had hoped for. When most people thought that David Sibley would only show up at a birding festival or convention, we had him for Sea and Sage's fiftieth anniversary dinner. He also signed a sketch that he drew at the workshop he conducted. It is now hanging in the Blue House. Paul Lehman, a leading bird distribution expert, was the next presenter. Marquita ended her tenure with a great birder, author, field trip leader and a friend of Sea and Sage, Jon Dunn. I know that I am prejudiced, but I think Marquita has done a fantastic job.

We are especially happy that Dick and Pat Cabe have agreed to take over as Programs Co-Chairs. They are long time Sea and Sage members and we are sure they will do a great job. We wish them the best of luck.

General Meeting

Friday evening, May 21 - 7:30 pm

“Birds in Flight“

presented by John Avise

John Avise is a Distinguished Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology in the School of Biological Sciences at University of California Irvine, and a member of the Board of Directors at Sea and Sage. He has spoken here on one prior occasion when he discussed his genetic research on creatures ranging from birds to marine turtles to fishes. John is also an avid photographer and his presentation will include many of his favorite photos of local birds as well as a discussion of why we should be especially interested in the flight behaviors of our feathered friends.

In his professional career, John has authored twenty books and more than three hundred scientific articles on genetics, ecology, and evolution. You can see a list of his books and other accomplishments by visiting the website http://www.faculty.uci.edu/profile.cfm?faculty_id=5292. Many of his pictures of Orange County birds can be viewed at <http://nathistoc.bio.uci.edu/birds/index.htm>, a web site designed by Peter Bryant under the auspices of UCI.

John's programs are always interesting ones and I'm sure this one will be no exception. We do hope you will join us. The doors open at 7:00 and the meeting will begin at 7:30. We meet in the Duck Club (building) next door to Audubon House in the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine. For those who arrive early, Audubon House will be open before the meeting, from 6:30 to 7:15 pm.

—Marquita Miller, Programs Chair

Directions: From the San Diego Frwy. (405), exit on Jamboree south toward Newport Beach. At the 1st signal, Michelson, turn left. Continue on Michelson to the 4th signal which is Riparian View; turn right toward the Irvine Ranch Water District plant. Follow the signs directing you to Audubon and the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary. Continue down the road to a short hill into a parking lot. The first building you see will be Audubon House; there is plenty of free parking.

Are You A Birdnapper?

You found a baby bird on the ground. . . Now what?

The information below is from Songbird Care and Education. Both Songbird Care and Education and the Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center care for birds in trouble.



Parent birds will feed their babies after you have touched them. Birds have a poor sense of smell and the parents won't know that you have touched their babies. They will even be foster parents for an abandoned baby of the same species and age as their own young. Additionally, there is no danger to you from picking up a baby bird and returning it to the nest, and no need to be afraid to do this.

Parent birds will search for their babies even after 24-48 hours of absence. Most birds have their own territories. Even if the nest and babies are gone, the parents remain in their home territory, waiting to welcome their babies home. Once you have returned the babies to their nest, or created a new nest for them and replaced the babies, the parents will start right back in caring for them where they left off before disaster struck, such as nest blown down in the wind.

Birds only need to be rescued if they are: injured, cat caught, icy cold, naked, orphaned or abandoned. Determining that a baby is orphaned can be tricky, and many people step in to rescue what they believe to be an orphaned bird when in fact it is not. People often believe the parents are not feeding a baby when it is simply a matter of them not seeing the parent coming in to feed, as this is usually done very quickly, since a parent bird does not want to attract the attention of a predator to the location of the nest. They will quickly fly in, poke the food down the baby's throat and fly back out in a matter of seconds. **Watch for the parents:** observe the baby bird continuously for 60-90 minutes from a distance of 50 feet. Watch carefully; the parents fly in and out quickly. If the babies aren't crying, you can assume they are being fed. **NOTE: even if one parent bird has been killed, there is no need to rescue the babies, since the other parent will take over feeding the babies.**

SYMPTOMS OF AN INJURY OR ILLNESS

- Falling over on side
- Weak or shivering
- Wing tweaked upward
- Feathers fluffed
- Unable to flutter wings
- Attacked by a dog or cat
- Wings drooping
- Bleeding

If you have the bird in a box, check the feces

- Clear with white poop (or green bile) indicates a baby bird is not being fed, and is likely abandoned.
- Color in the poop indicates that the parents are feeding the baby, and the bird should be put back where found.

FALLEN BABIES. Naked and pin-feathered birds should be kept warm while trying to locate the nest. The babies will get chilled quickly.

RE-NESTING: An entire nest of birds can be placed in a small tissue-filled wicker basket or butter tub with drainage holes in the bottom. Nail back near the original location.

One single nestling must be returned to the original nest with his siblings. The parents will only sit on and feed the babies in one nest. If the nestling cannot be returned, call Vicki Anderson (714-964-0666).

FLEDGLINGS: These birds have feathers and short tails, and can perch, hop or walk. They are learning to fly, a process that may take two weeks. They should be left alone to practice hopping and fluttering from low shrub branches to the ground. The parents are close by, and continue to feed the babies until they learn to fly and eat on their own. Parents will guide the fledglings into the bushes at night to hide from predators.

SAFE RETURN OF THE FLEDGLING

- Keep pets and children indoors so that the parents will return to the baby.
- If a bird can perch on your finger, place him on a branch in a bush near the area you found him.
- If you found him in a high traffic area, move him to a safe area under the cover of bushes.
- Parents communicate with their young by a series of voice calls. They are able to locate their babies and move them where they wish.
- At a distance - indoors is best - watch continuously for 1 hour for the parents to return. They fly in and out very quickly. If the parents don't return, call a wildlife rehabilitator.

HUMMINGBIRD TIPS

- The young birds secure themselves to the nest by weaving
- If you find an injured or orphaned hummingbird on the ground, scoop up what he is sitting on with him and place him on crumpled tissue paper in a shoe box with holes in the lid. Always use tissue or paper towels, NOT cloth; his feet may become entangled in the cloth.
- Call a wildlife rehabilitator. Hummingbirds will die within 4 hours if not fed. Babies that are fed sugar water or hummingbird nectar for more than 24 hours may develop crippling deformities.

TEMPORARY CARE INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL BIRDS

- **NO** food or water.
- Keep the bird warm. Tissue-filled shoe box or other small box with holes in lid. Place on a heating pad on **LOW**.
- Keep bird in a dark, quiet place.
- Leave the bird alone; don't handle or bother it.
- Keep children and pets away.
- Call a wildlife rehabilitator.

RAISING AN ORPHANED BIRD

Keeping a native wild bird in the State of California is against the law if you don't have a permit, even if you plan to release the bird.

Songbird Care and Education
Vicki Andersen: (714) 964-0666
Susan DiGregorio: (562) 598-8028
Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center
(714) 374-5587

Orange County Rarities

by Doug Willick



To report a RARE or UNUSUAL bird, or to receive the current RBA report for Orange County, call the OrCoRBA at (949) 487-6869, or join OrangeCountyBirding; website directions tell you how to join. Go to: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OrangeCountyBirding/>

Before we begin, a brief look at some of the more interesting discoveries that have occurred in the county early in the spring 2010 migration season, we'll first recap some of the winter period's highlights that remained into March. In addition to a number of relatively late-lingering **Hooded Mergansers**, a **White-winged Scoter** near the Huntington Beach Pier and a **Black Scoter** off Bolsa Chica State Beach, were still present on Mar. 12. At least one **Reddish Egret** continued to be reported at the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve (BC) through at least mid-March; reports of this species in the county (especially BC) have become irregular, however, records have been steadily increasing here in recent years. A **Least Bittern** was again detected at Laguna Niguel Regional Park (LNRP), Mar. 21, while a **Red-throated Loon** found on Warner Basin (e. Anaheim) in Feb., was last seen Mar. 7. Continuing sightings of a **Zone-tailed Hawk** in the east Orange area, including one in the vicinity of Irvine Regional Park, Mar. 7 and 25, and one over Santiago Oaks Regional Park, Mar. 21, may potentially all be related to the same first-year bird discovered in the Orchard Hills area back on Dec. 22.

Although positive identification of an adult male **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** at Carbon Canyon Regional Park was not obtained until Mar. 7-18, this bird was originally reported here Jan. 6. An **Eastern Phoebe** wintering at Mason Regional Park (MRP) was last reported Mar. 26. A **Loggerhead Shrike** seen irregularly through the winter at Upper Newport Bay (UNB) was reported again on Mar. 17. Relatively few warbler rarities were uncovered during the past winter in "OC." The most notable of these, an adult male **Pine Warbler**, was again reported at Estancia Park on Apr. 2 (back for its fourth winter at this location).

American Redstart individuals were at Mile Square Regional Park (MSRP) through at least Mar. 29, and at Mason Regional Park (MRP) through Apr. 3, while single **Black-and-white Warblers** were also at the same two locations, and on the same respective dates. Wintering **Orchard Orioles** (two males) continued in Newport Beach through at least Mar. 10, and in Fountain Valley through Apr. 2.

As far as interesting "new" discoveries go, including spring migrants, fairly large numbers of **Brant** (per county standards at least) have been seen along the coast during the last month or two. Some of the larger reports included as many as 200 flying by the Newport Pier (in groups of up to 50), Mar. 8 (David Campbell, Peter Gierow), 41 at BC on Mar. 12 (Neil Gilbert), and 20 counted here, Mar. 24 (Vic Leipzig). Smaller groups of Brant were reported from several other coastal sites. Good numbers of migrating

Pacific Loons were also seen along the coast, with over 1,000 going by the Dana Point Headlands (over a period of about an hour and a half) on Apr. 3 being exceptional; 600 were also counted here Apr. 10 (both Robert McNab). **Common Murre** sightings included one from Newport Pier, Mar. 8 (D. Campbell, P. Gierow), one from Huntington Pier, Mar. 12 (N. Gilbert), one off Crystal Cove State Beach, Mar. 13 (Jan Goerrisen), and a dead individual found in Dana Harbor, Mar. 12 (Dwight Mudry).

The only reports of migrant **Swainson's Hawks** in the county were of one over Rancho Mission Viejo property, Mar. 10 (Mark Billings), and two over Santa Ana, Mar. 26 (Doug Willick). Certainly the biggest highlight since the last "Rarities" column was the discovery of a **Sooty Tern** at BC, Apr. 4 (Peter Knapp). This is an exceptionally rare visitor to California, although this is about the fourth or fifth to occur in Orange County. An adult Sooty Tern was at BC last summer (from late July to late August), therefore it is quite possible this is a returning individual. Peter also had a **Gull-billed Tern** at BC, Apr. 7. Sixty-plus **Royal Terns** at BC on Mar. 24 (Vic Leipzig), was a relatively large concentration for the county.

Unusually early spring migrants in the county included a **Western Wood-Pewee** at Huntington Central Park (HCP), Apr. 10 (Brian Daniels), and a **Yellow-breasted Chat** in the Villa Park Flood Basin, Apr. 3 (D. Willick). A **Plumbeous Vireo** at LNRP, Mar. 26-28 (Shirley Reynolds), was quite possibly a bird known to be present the previous winter (last reported in mid Jan.). A **Brown Creeper** in Lemon Heights, Mar. 6 (N. Gilbert), had also likely been wintering in the area, adding to just two others known to be in the county this past winter. A **Canyon Wren** singing in the steep terrain east of the Villa Park Dam, Mar. 29-Apr. 3 (N. Gilbert), was possibly the first detected in this area in about the last 25 years. Although an Apr. 10 search for Estancia Park's wintering Pine Warbler was unsuccessful, a breeding plumage **Palm Warbler** was a nice consolation prize (D. Willick). A **Black-and-white Warbler** was reported from HCP, Apr. 7 (Jim Roe), where none was known to have wintered. Other rare spring migrants this past month included a nicely photo-documented **Brewer's Sparrow** at San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary, Mar. 18 (Liz Creasey, visiting Massachusetts birder), and a male **Yellow-headed Blackbird** at LNRP, Apr. 2 (R. McNab).



Chapter News & Announcements



For more information on Sea & Sage activities, check out our schedule of chapter activities at: <http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/Chapter/ChapterSchedule.html>

Audubon House Volunteers

We would like to thank the following people for helping to staff Audubon House in April and May: Sonia Appell, Mitch Bigos, Pat & Dick Cabe, Barbara Chidester, Deana Collins, Carolyn Cooper, Joanne Cull, Tom Drouet, Frank Feller, Judy Fritts, Pat Heilig, Cindi Herrera, Sarah Jayne, Steve Jelnick, Lois Jones, Nancy Kenyon, Donna Krebs, Joan McCauley, Sally Menzel, Bobbie Miller, Eunice Morita, Shirley Price, Betty Purdy, Barbara Reber, Roberta Ray, John Shaddy, Bev Spring, Betty Swift, Beryl Vogel.

Audubon House is open daily from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Our Volunteers greet visitors, answer the phone, sell merchandise, answer questions about birds, check out binoculars, etc. If you are interested in helping at Audubon House, please contact Judy Fritts at 949-551-4513.

Bookstore News

Just out, *Peterson Reference Guide to Molt in North American Birds*. Other new arrivals include *Birding Lite*; *Birdfinding Guide to Costa Rica*; *How to Keep a Naturalist's Notebook*; and *City Hawk: Story of Pale Male* (children's book). Also in stock: bird calls, lens cleaning cloths, bucket caps, new line of note cards and jewelry. May's special is *Amazing Hummingbirds of the US* (DVD) (\$21 on sale for \$13.50).

Go Paperless!

Sign up to receive your newsletter via email — get your issues faster, help save natural resources, reduce waste, and help our chapter save money! You can read it online or print out the pages you need to refer to more frequently. They're in pdf format and will look and print exactly like the original. Email nancykenyon@cox.net to start your paper-free Tattler delivery today! (offer good only for chapter members in good standing)

Spring Brunches

What a glorious spring we have been experiencing! What a spectacular time to come to the Marsh for a gourmet brunch and invite friends and family to enjoy the wonders of spring at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary! It also could be a unique birthday or anniversary present for a special person(s). A delicious 5 course gourmet brunch will be served along with a naturalist led "walk about" between Course 2 and 3. More details, dates and time are found on an enrollment form which you can download from our website, www.seaandsageaudubon.org under special events. If you have any unanswered questions, please contact Helen Nicholas at 949-726-0858.

Our Chapter Exhibits

Our Exhibits Chair, Mary Joseph, is doing a great job organizing and staffing chapter exhibits at community events. These events promote Sea & Sage with displays, taxidermy birds, brochures about our activities, and lots of communication with visitors. Helping to staff a chapter exhibit is lots of fun because you have the opportunity to meet so many interesting people while promoting our chapter. Mary says she'd like to staff our exhibits using 2-hour shifts and she can be on site early to set up and late to pack up the exhibits, but she can't do that and staff the exhibits all by herself; she needs help!

So far this year, she has committed to 4 events in the spring and 1 in the fall; there may be more coming up.

April 17 — Earth Day in Huntington Beach

April 25 — Earth Day at the Muth Center in Back Bay

May 1 — Spring Festival & Native Plant Sale at Shipley Nature Center in Huntington Beach

June 6 — Bugs and Butterflies at Riley Wilderness Park (She has enough helpers for the June 6 exhibit.)

Oct. 3 — Children's Book Fair at Orange Coast College

If you would like to help Mary staff our exhibit at one or more of these events, please contact her at: 714-848-8362 or mary.stg.joseph@gmail.com. Thanks.

Slate of Officers and Directors for 2010

The following slate of officers and directors was placed in nomination at the Annual Dinner on March 19, 2010. There were no nominations from the floor.

President: Jay Miller

Vice President: Scott Thomas

Secretary: Cheryl Egger

Treasurer: Hal Sheakley

Director 2013: Amber Oneal

Director 2013: Star Howard

The voting will take place on May 21, 2010, at the May General Meeting.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee (Susan Sheakley, Scott Thomas, Carolyn Noble, and Nancy Kenyon)

Sylvia's Workshop Schedule

Bird Embroidery Class - See webpage & June Tattler. (2010)

Birds of Southern CA - Sept. 29-30 to Dec. 15-16 (2010)

Western Mountains & Their Birds - Jan. to mid May (2011)

Birds of Southern CA - late Sept. 2010 - ends before Xmas.

Learning Mountain Bird Sounds - starts right after the above workshop ends. (2011) For more information on these and other workshops, see our chapter webpage.

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Volunteers Needed to Help the Terns

Volunteers are needed to help monitor the Least Tern colony at Huntington State Beach. We watch for breeding behavior, eggs, chicks, fledglings, predators and record our observations; we also help to educate the public about the tern colony. Volunteers get free entry to the state beach. Check our chapter webpage for full information on this project. To volunteer, contact Cheryl Egger at 714-842-9232 or <dc.egger@verizon.net> .

Camp Scholarships Needed

We are looking for chapter members who would be willing to make donations or sponsor a scholarship for a child who wants to attend our summer nature day camp this year but needs financial assistance in order to do so. For questions or information about our camp and its scholarship program, please contact Grace McElhiney (714) 969-9617 or see our chapter webpage for information on the camp program

2010 Spring Adult Research Camp at Starr Ranch

Audubon California's Starr Ranch Sanctuary invites you to a spring wildlife class for adults. Join staff biologists for a peaceful weekend at beautiful 4000-acre Starr Ranch in southeast Orange County and experience nature hands-on as a wildlife researcher. This spring, participants will learn some of the techniques used by biologists to study both large and small mammals in the field. On Saturday we will investigate large mammal activity using scent baited tracking stations and motion triggered cameras. Later in the day we'll place and bait live-traps in several locations around the sanctuary to study the habitat associations of native mice, woodrats, and other rodents throughout the sanctuary. At dusk, if time allows, we will conduct a nocturnal wildlife survey in Bell Canyon. Early Sunday morning, the group will return to the trap sites to identify and release the captured small mammals.

Dates and Times: 10 AM Saturday, May 15 – 11 AM Sunday, May 16 (10 AM – 10 PM Saturday and 7 – 11 AM Sunday for those not staying overnight)

Cost: \$90, or if tent camping, \$95

No meals provided but kitchen and picnic facilities will be available for your use.

Space is limited. Reservations or questions:

Call: 949-858-0309 or visit www.starr-ranch.org

Summer Bat Walks

We have scheduled 4 adults-only walks and 5 families and adults walks for the 2010 Summer Bat Walk series. It's a very popular program for very good reason. Stephanie Remington, a local biologist whose specialty is bats, will combine a wonderful powerpoint presentation with her verbal input on the subject, and we'll follow that up with a guided tour along a path in the marsh to view 2 local species of bats fulfilling their responsibility of making a contribution toward keeping the insect population down. It's a fun activity for all ages. Note: In the 6 or so years that I have been involved in this program, I have never seen a bat fly into someone's hair. You have a money-back guarantee if this should actually happen to you! Because registration is open for all the walks, any one of them can fill at any time. Refer to our website at www.seaandsageaudubon.org for information on times, dates, and availability, and an enrollment form which you can download for registration. If you have unanswered questions, please call Helen Nicholas at 949-726-0858.



Hospitality Chair Needed for our General Meetings

For the past 4 years, Merri Levy has graciously hosted the refreshments table at our general meetings. Now, she is stepping down and it's time for someone else to take over. We need a committee of 2-4 people to help organize the refreshments (we pass around a signup sheet once or twice a year), contact each month's cookie providers to remind them to bring their goodies, take turns bringing the juice, paper cups, napkins, and serving plates, and setting out the refreshments at the meeting. The refreshments table is often the place where people gather after a meeting so anyone on the Hospitality Committee should enjoy socializing with other people. If you're interested in helping with the General Meeting Hospitality Committee, please contact Jay Miller (949-707-1287).



Barn Owl Webcam

At Starr Ranch, Sanctuary Manager, Pete DeSimone has set up a web cam on an active Barn Owl nesting cavity in a eucalyptus tree. Seven owlets were born between Feb. 3 and 16 and they are growing rapidly. Viewers can watch the owls moving around in the nest cavity, eating and interacting with each other. If you log on during daylight hours, you can hear other birds in the area as well. It's great fun! The live Barn Owl webcam can be viewed at www.starranch.org . You'll never get any closer to a live Barn Owl nest than this!

Sea & Sage Audubon Coastal Christmas Bird Count - 1/3/10

This Christmas Bird Count was organized, coordinated, and compiled by Steve Alter of Sea & Sage. A copy of the data for each section of the count can be found on our Sea & Sage webpage at www.seaandsageaudubon.org

Total number of species: 201 Special thanks to the 125 birders who helped with this count.

Greater White-fronted Goose	6	Osprey	10	Caspian Tern	27	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	100
Brant	15	White-tailed Kite	7	Forster's Tern	197	California Gnatcatcher	27
Cackling Goose	1	Northern Harrier	23	Royal Tern	20	Western Bluebird	187
Canada Goose	1364	Sharp-shinned Hawk	4	Black Skimmer	55	Hermit Thrush	94
Gadwall	158	Cooper's Hawk	35	Pomarine Jaeger	2	American Robin	13
Eurasian Wigeon	4	Red-shouldered Hawk	21	Parasitic Jaeger	1	Wrentit	22
American Wigeon	2592	Red-tailed Hawk	96	Xantus' Murrelet	3	Northern Mockingbird	154
Mallard	1076	American Kestrel	58	Cassin's Auklet	50	California Thrasher	11
Blue-winged Teal	107	Merlin	3	Rhinoceros Auklet	10	European Starling	2771
Cinnamon Teal	155	Peregrine Falcon	3	Rock Pigeon	1901	American Pipit	512
Northern Shoveler	1304	Clapper Rail	23	Band-tailed Pigeon	9	Cedar Waxwing	667
Northern Pintail	982	Virginia Rail	14	Mourning Dove	833	Orange-crowned Warbler	227
Green-winged Teal	455	Sora	8	Red-crowned Parrot	67	Yellow Warbler	2
Canvasback	17	Common Moorhen	6	Greater Roadrunner	2	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Aud)	4638
Redhead	78	American Coot	3004	Barn Owl	1	Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)	9
Ring-necked Duck	8	Black-bellied Plover	1309	Great Horned Owl	5	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Greater Scaup	4	Pacific Golden -Plover	3	Burrowing Owl	3	Townsend's Warbler	83
Lesser Scaup	945	Snowy Plover	55	White-throated Swift	92	Palm Warbler	1
Surf Scoter	4262	Semipalmated Plover	862	Anna's Hummingbird	817	Black-and-white Warbler	1
White-winged Scoter	1	Killdeer	387	Costa's Hummingbird	1	American Redstart	2
Black Scoter	1	Black Oystercatcher	4	Allen's Hummingbird	450	Northern Waterthrush	1
Bufflehead	520	Black-necked Stilt	230	Belted Kingfisher	38	Common Yellowthroat	458
Common Goldeneye	11	American Avocet	466	Acorn Woodpecker	3	Wilson's Warbler	17
Hooded Merganser	14	Spotted Sandpiper	42	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	2	Spotted Towhee	89
Red-breasted Merganser	88	Wandering Tattler	1	Red-naped Sapsucker	2	California Towhee	93
Ruddy Duck	1205	Greater Yellowlegs	39	Red-breasted Sapsucker	2	Chipping Sparrow	6
California Quail	14	Willet	916	Nuttall's Woodpecker	65	Lark Sparrow	7
Red throated Loon	24	Lesser Yellowlegs	4	Downy Woodpecker	38	common	177
Pacific Loon	53	Whimbrel	21	Northern Flicker	76	Savannah Sparrow (Belding's)	129
Common Loon	5	Long-billed Cur,ew	56	Black Phoebe	584	Savannah Sparrow (Large-billed)	5
Pied-billed Grebe	132	Godwit, Marbled	696	Say's Phoebe	120	Fox Sparrow	14
Horned Grebe	8	Bar-Tailed Godwit	1	Cassin's Kingbird	134	Song Sparrow	487
Eared Grebe	84	Ruddy Turnstone	26	Western Kingbird	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	25
Western Grebe	1000	Black Turnstone	5	Loggerhead Shrike	7	White-throated Sparrow	1
Clark's Grebe	39	Surfbird	14	Plumbeous Vireo	2	White-crowned Sparrow	1321
Northern Fulmar	2	Red Knot	24	Solitary type Vireo sp	1	Golden-crowned Sparrow	14
Pink-footed Shearwater	5	Sanderling	455	Hutton's Vireo	33	Dark-eyed Junco (Oregon)	118
Black-vented Shearwater	485	Western Sandpiper	14010	Western Scrub-Jay	9	Dark-eyed Junco (Slate-colored)	1
American White Pelican	9	Least Sandpiper	1065	American Crow	1252	Summer Tanager	3
Brown Pelican	381	Dunlin	142	Common Raven	46	Western Tanager	2
Brandt's Cormorant	688	Short-billed Dowitcher	319	Tree Swallow	70	Red-winged Blackbird	384
Double-crested Cormorant	782	Long-billed Dowitcher	490	N. Rough-winged Swallow	39	Western Meadowlark	286
Pelagic Cormorant	4	Wilson's Snipe	24	Barn Swallow	1	Brewer's Blackbird	273
American Bittern	4	Bonaparte's Gull	3363	Mountain Chickadee	2	Great-tailed Grackle	68
Great Blue Heron	74	Heermann's Gull	459	Bushtit	1507	Brown-headed Cowbird	44
Great Egret	93	Mew Gull	3	Cactus Wren	2	Orchard Oriole	1
Snowy Egret	140	Ring-billed Gull	2179	Rock Wren	3	Bullock's Oriole	11
Reddish Egret	3	Western Gull	1151	Bewick's Wren	13	House Finch	2332
Green Heron	7	California Gull	2939	House Wren	68	Lesser Goldfinch	771
Black-crowned Night-Heron	100	Herring Gull	31	Marsh Wren	69	American Goldfinch	289
White-faced Ibis	116	Glaucous-winged Gull	21	Golden-crowned Kinglet	3	House Sparrow	875
Turkey Vulture	84	hybrid	2	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	428		



May Field Trips



Additional information, including bird lists from previous trips, will be posted on our chapter webpage at: www.seaandsageaudubon.org
For questions about these trips or to make reservations, contact Field Trip Chair, Nancy Kenyon, at 949-786-3160, or nancykenyon@cox.net. The status of each trip (whether or not it is full) is posted on the webpage Field Trip Schedule.

Spring at Huntington Central Park Friday, April 30 - 8:00 a.m.

Huntington Central Park is considered by many birders to be one of the best birding spots in Orange County, especially in the spring, due to the variety in vegetation and the availability of water. We hope you will join Pat & Dick Cabe for a great morning of birding. Meet at the north end of the Huntington Beach Library parking lot, just above the bandstand area. **Directions:** Exit 405 or 22 freeways at Goldenwest and drive south past Slater and turn in left at the Huntington Beach Library sign (also known as Talbert). Drive forward to the second stop sign and turn right into the northwest corner of the parking lot.

Pat & Dick Cabe, Leaders

Peters Canyon Saturday, May 1st - 7:30 a.m.

Peter's Canyon is a regional park which boasts a variety of habitats and birds. It's a great place to find spring migrants. **Directions:** From #5 Freeway, take Jamboree east. Turn left on Canyon View Ave., not far from Santiago Cyn Rd. From #55 Frwy, take Chapman east. Turn right on Jamboree and right again on Canyon View; the park will be on your left. Be prepared to pay the \$5 parking fee into the machine if you don't have a regional parks decal. The regional parks card/pass cannot be used.

Linda Oberholtzer, Leader

Monthly Bird Walk at Santiago Oaks 1st Sun: May 2, June 6 - 7:30 a.m.

Join Linette Lina for a monthly bird walk at Santiago Oaks Regional Park at 7:30 am. **Directions:** Take the 55 freeway to Katella Ave in Orange. Exit and drive east on Katella 3.2 miles to Windes Dr. Turn left on Windes Dr. and follow the signs to the park. Be prepared to pay the \$5 entrance fee if you don't have a county parks pass. Meet in the upper end of the parking lot.

Linette Lina, Leader

Big Morongo Preserve & Vicinity Saturday, May 8 - 7:00 am

Big Morongo Preserve is a mecca for migratory birds as well as resident desert species. This willow-cottonwood, riparian oasis, with a year-round stream, surrounded by mesquite woodland and desert, attracts a wide variety of birds including the nesting Vermilion Flycatcher, Brown-crested Flycatcher, Summer Tanager, Yellow-breasted Chat, Ladder-backed Woodpecker, Lucy's Warbler, Gambel's Quail, Verdin, and often, many migrants. Least

Bell's Vireos, Sora and Virginia Rail may be found in the marsh beneath the cottonwoods. The late spring date means we may encounter a bewildering array of flycatchers as migrants. The nearby Black Rock unit of Joshua Tree National Park adds true desert birds such as Scott's Oriole, Black-throated Sparrow, Cactus Wren (interior subspecies) and Costa's Hummingbird to the mix.

An excellent source of information about the preserve can be found on the Big Morongo Canyon Preserve website at: www.bigmorongo.org

Directions: Take the Riverside Frwy. (#91) to the San Bernardino Frwy. (#10) towards Palm Springs. Drive past Banning and the Palm Springs exit to #62, the Yucca Valley/Joshua Tree exit where you should turn off. Drive approximately 7 miles to the center of Morongo Valley. Turn right on East Street across from Rocky's Pizza; then take the first driveway to the left, into the preserve parking lot where we will meet. Bring binoculars, a hat, water, snack, jacket & lunch. For trip participants who arrive before 7:00, we will be birding in Covington Park, adjacent to the Big Morongo Preserve.

Bruce Aird, Leader

Monthly Bird Walk at the SJWS 2nd Sun: May 9, June 13 - 8:00 a.m.

Join Chris Obaditch for a monthly bird walk around the ponds of the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine. (See directions on page 11.) The walk, which is open to interested birders of all ages, will meet by the front door of Audubon House. Children under the age of 11 must be accompanied by an adult.

Chris Obaditch, Leader

Upper Newport Bay by small boat ® 3rd Wed: May 19, June 16, July 21 - 8:15 a.m.

Join us for the rare chance of birding the Upper Newport Bay from the deck of a small boat. Spotting birds from the water offers one a different perspective and the birds seem to view us differently also. Trip duration is about 3 hours. Space is very limited. Contact Nancy Kenyon for trip reservations at 949-786-3160 or nancykenyon@cox.net.

Nancy Kenyon, Leader

Two Upcoming field trips in June to plan ahead for — Information on these trips will be in the next Tattler as well as on the chapter webpage.

Fri, June 11 - Yorba Regional Park - 7:30 am
Sat, June 26 - San Bernardino Mts. - 8 am ®

An Outstanding Volunteer

by Trude Hurd

For more information about our Education program, visit our chapter webpage at — <http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/Education/Education.html>



I have trained and worked with several hundred volunteers during my seventeen years as Project Director of Education with Sea and Sage. I love their enthusiasm, friendliness, dedication, and diversity. One volunteer in particular stands out because she effectively coordinates not one but three education activities and volunteers for two more. Can you guess her name? She was born in Pennsylvania, began college as a French major and ended up in business, was president of a local chapter of National Organization for Women, worked for many years as a CPA although it was a male-oriented field, raised two children mostly as a single parent, volunteered 400 hours for the Marsh Education Project in 2009, and, get this, didn't want to teach! If you thought of **Helen Nicholas**, you are correct.

As a child, Helen attended a small school in the country and figured she would "marry a farmer and have four kids." Therefore, she considers her family's move to California at age 12 as "significant" because it introduced her to classes in science, art, and music which opened up her world. Helen has a long history of being socially conscious. She rode her bike to college (in jeans but then changed into a skirt once she got there), volunteered at her children's school, was very involved with the women's rights movement in the 1980's, and helped with hospice.

What brought her to Sea and Sage Audubon? A friend! Longtime friend Diane Bonanno recruited her for Sylvia Gallagher's birding class. When Sylvia announced that Trude needed help, Helen volunteered. She became Community Tour coordinator and schedules groups such as scouts that request a special tour of the marsh. She had assisted with the Bat Walk programs and liked being out in the marsh. So when Jay and Marquita Miller became the chapter Program chairs and resigned as coordinators for the Bat Walk program, Helen stepped in because she didn't want the program to disappear. "It is a magical time, I go home relaxed, and people enjoy them." Managing two education activities isn't too hard, according to Helen, because duties for Community Tours are mostly during the school year while Bat Walks are mostly in summer.

In between these two duties, she finds time to help as a substitute for Outdoor Adventures and Summer Camp programs because she likes working with kids and seeing their minds and eyes light up with understanding. Isn't this enough? Not if you are Helen. She thought Sea and Sage should reach even more audiences and decided to combine this with her love of cooking. The resulting Spring Brunches feature a gourmet meal and a walk around the marsh which is a great social opportunity for those new to the marsh.

Helen loves showing people the marsh with all its wildlife. "We have a great education program that reaches a lot of people. I want people to be aware of why wetlands are important so they can help maintain the integrity of wetlands." Helen has donated a lot of volunteer hours during her lifetime, and we are very fortunate to have access to her talents. She has many interests and lots of ideas, and left me with one important phrase, "Take time now." I hope that you will take her advice. Bring a friend to an Audubon event. Enroll in a Bat Walk or Spring Brunch. Volunteer for our school programs or summer camp. Do it now. Our planet Earth needs people like you and me and Helen.



Summer Bat Walks at the Marsh

Nine Bat Walks are scheduled for May, June & August at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary; some are designated for adults only while others are for families and adults. The trips begin around 7 pm and last for two hours. The trip fee is \$15 per adult and \$7.50 for children ages 7-12. See page 5 for full information on the walks. Enrollment forms can be found at Audubon House as well as on the chapter web page. <http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org>

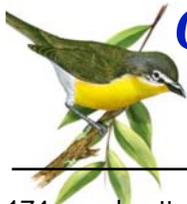
May 13, Thursday - adults only
May 20, Thursday - adults only
June 4, Friday - families & adults
June 10, Thursday - adults only
June 11, Friday - families & adults
June 24, Thursday - adults only
June 25, Friday - families & adults
Aug. 6, Friday - families & adults
Aug. 13, Friday - families & adults



Spring Brunch at the Marsh

Sundays: May 2, May 16, June 13 - 10 am -12 noon

Only \$24 per person for 2 hours of enjoyment at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary, plus a 4-course gourmet brunch eaten outdoors. You must sign up for this event in advance; group size limited to 15 adults. Enrollment forms are at Audubon House and on the chapter webpage.



Our Annual Dinner & Silent Auction

174 people attended our 2010 Annual Dinner on March 19th at the Irvine Hilton. The room had ample room for the chapter display tables on one side and the Silent Auction tables on the other side. Everyone enjoyed the social hour before dinner with the no-host bar and the opportunity to look at the displays and make the rounds at the Silent Auction tables where a large number of interesting items were so artfully laid out by Cheryl Thomas. Gretchen McCausland's beautiful floral centerpieces graced each table, making the room look inviting and festive.

The Fern Zimmerman Conservation Award was presented to Trish Smith for her efforts on behalf of the Coastal Cactus Wren. The Gallagher Award was presented to Dick Purvis for establishing the very successful Orange County nest box program. Lois Jones and Betty Purdy received a special Appreciation Award for their many years of work on the Fern Zimmerman Library which is housed inside Audubon House. We enjoyed Jon Dunn's great program on "Warblers of California and North America." It was definitely a memorable evening! The following morning, Jon presented a more in depth workshop on warbler migration routes and identification.

We would like to thank all the people who worked together to make this event such a success. The unstinting efforts of Cheryl Thomas's work on the Silent Auction deserves special recognition. Organizing the auction was a big undertaking and Cheryl began planning for it 11 months in advance, putting in many long hours on the project; this year's Silent Auction netted \$4250. Thank you, Cheryl, for doing such a great job!

We would also like to thank the following for their generous contributions to the auction: Amy Hooper, Anonymous, Beverly Hargrove, Bluebird Society, the Borren Family, Carolyn Biller, Carolyn Honer, Catherine Waters, Christine Dickey, Chukchansi Gold Resort, Communication Specialists, CowGirl Chocolates, Dean Koontz, Debbie Evans, DeeDee McGann-Gollwitzer, Dorothy Guillaume, Figge Photography, Granite Grove Bed & Breakfast, Home Depot, Irvine Hilton, Irvine Lanes Bowling, Jay House, Joan Curtis, Jr. League of Orange County, Karly Moore, Kate Grabenstein, Katherine Thomas Estate, Knott's Berry Farm, LA Dodgers, LA Lakers, Laura Wantz, Marmalade Cafe, Mary Holley, Mary Joseph, Miss Feeney's Finery, Newman's Own Organics, Newport Marriott Spa Hotel, Nora Garibotti, Outback Steakhouse, Pamme Turner, Quinn's Tavern, Sally Shepard, Sea World, Shari Holley, Sorenson's Resort, Strike Lanes, Susan Schwartz, Thomas Mangelson, Tom Bodamer, Walli Skrocki, Wendi Steinman, WildBird Magazine, Wild Birds Unlimited, and Verdi Canyon Railroad.

Next year's Annual Dinner will be held at Mile Square Park on Friday, March 18, 2011.

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Plan Ahead for these Great Summer Activities

Potluck Picnic at Starr Ranch

Sat. evening, June 5th - 6:00 pm

Full information on the Potluck Picnic will be in the next Tattler as well as on the chapter webpage. Contact Nancy Kenyon for more information.

Summer BBQ at the Marsh

Sat. evening, July 31st - 5:30-10:00 pm

Full information on the annual Summer BBQ will be in the next Tattler as well as on the chapter webpage. Contact Nancy Kenyon for more information.

SUMMER NATURE DAY CAMPS

Sea & Sage operates a very popular Summer Nature Day Camp program at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine. The camp programs are carefully planned months in advance by the dedicated naturalists of the Sea & Sage Camp Committee. Activities are geared for specific age groups and provide children with hands-on experiences through outdoor activities in the beautiful setting of fresh water ponds and trails at the Sanctuary. The camp sessions fill up quickly, so don't wait till the last minute to sign your child up! Full info is on the chapter webpage and at Audubon House. Make this summer a memorable one!

Fledgling Camp

June 28-July 2 — 7-8 years

Youngsters will learn how to observe birds on daily nature walks, keep a birding journal, and have fun playing games, learning songs and doing crafts.

Marsh Bird Camp

Session 1: June 28-July 2 — 7-8 years

Session 2: July 5-9 — 7-8 years

Campers will explore all aspects of marsh bird life such as feathers, nests and feeding. They will also enjoy daily nature walks, see live hawks & owls from a rehabilitator, make a birdbath, keep a nature journal, do crafts, and much, much more.

Birds, Bugs and Blossoms Camp

July 12-16 — 7-8 years

(PRIOR MARSH CAMP EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.) This camp will cover the birds, bugs, and native plants of our neighborhood. Included will be a daily nature walk, an offsite field trip, major craft activity, learning bird sounds, and a last day scavenger hunt.

Chapter Financial Report - 2009

	Chapter Operations (Excluding Educ. Project)	San Joaquin Marsh Education Project	Combined
BALANCE SHEET			
Assets			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash & Equivalents	62,333	67,697	130,030
Investments	350,517		350,517
Other Current Assets	29,723		29,723
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	442,573	67,697	510,270
FIXED ASSETS			
Furniture & Equipment, etc.	3,412	0	3,412
TOTAL ASSETS	445,985	67,697	513,682
Liabilities and Equity			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Restricted Funds and Payables	10,327		10,327
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,327		10,327
EQUITY			
Endowment Fund	307,643		307,643
General Fund	96,376		96,376
Conservation Fund	31,639		31,639
San Joaquin Marsh Fund		67,697	67,697
TOTAL EQUITY	435,658	67,697	503,355
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	445,985	67,697	513,682
INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT			
Income			
Chapter Transfer to Marsh Education Project		21,200	*see note
Dues Split	10,355		10,355
Direct Mail Appeal	29,798		29,798
Other Donations	2,679	28	2,707
Grants		13,000	13,000
Merchandise Sales - Bookstore	26,464		26,464
Other Income **	78,781	39,366	118,147
TOTAL INCOME	148,077	73,594	200,471*
Expenses			
Chapter Transfer to Marsh Education Project	21,200		*see note
Education Program Expenses		101,237	101,237
Newsletter Publication	13,984		13,984
Committee Expenses	13,223		13,223
Cost of Sales - Bookstore	26,147		26,147
Other Chapter Expenses ***	79,206		79,206
TOTAL EXPENSES	135,760	101,237	233,797*
NET ORDINARY INCOME	(5,760)	(27,643)	(33,326)
INTEREST AND INVESTMENT INCOME			
	14,806	331	15,137
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)			
	9,123	(27,312)	(18,189)
* Note: Internal transfer of \$21,200 not shown in combined totals.			
** Chapter Income includes \$30,000 transferred from Conservation Fund Reserve Account.			
*** Includes \$30,000 Conservation Director Support.			

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Audubon House Open 8 am - 4 pm daily (949) 261-7963

Stop by Audubon House for a trail map; browse through our bookstore & gift shop; look at our taxidermy birds and check our reference library. Be sure to stop by; we're there to help.

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If you are signing up as a new Audubon member be sure and use the application in the Tattler or on our website that has the C9ZC150Z in the lower right hand corner. This tells National Audubon who to credit for your recruitment. Sea & Sage gets 100% of the first year's dues of new members (even if you give more than the minimum membership fee). When renewing your membership and you pay more than the standard renewal fee (\$35 for regular and \$15 for senior/student membership), the extra you contribute goes to National Audubon; the chapter does not get any of the contribution back. So, if you are feeling generous at renewal time and you want Sea & Sage to benefit, you should send your renewal fee to National and a separate check with your donation to the chapter. If you have any questions please contact Phil Brobst at (949) 261-7963.



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Chapter Mission Statement: Sea and Sage Audubon is a leader in creating an understanding of nature in Orange County, through conservation, research and environmental education programs for children and adults. This is accomplished with classes, field activities, publications and volunteer opportunities.



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May 2010

01 Sat	Peters Canyon trip.....	7:30 am
02 Sun	Santiago Oaks Monthly Bird Walk.....	7:30 am
02 Sun	Spring Brunch at the Marsh.....	10:00 am
04 Tues	Conservation Committee Meeting.....	6:30 pm
08 Sat	Big Morongo Preserve trip.....	7:00 am
09 Sun	SJWS Monthly Bird Walk.....	8:00 am
11 Tues	Board Meeting.....	7:30 pm
13 Thurs	Bat Walk for adults	7:00 pm
14-17 F-M	Kern River extended weekend trip (full).....	5:30 am
16 Sun	Spring Brunch at the Marsh.....	10:00 am
19 Wed	UNB by small boat.....	8:15 am
20 Thurs	Bat Walk for adults.....	7:00 pm
21 Fri	GENERAL MEETING.....	7:30 pm
25 Tues	There is NO 4th Tues. Conservation Lecture tonight....	

June 2010

04 Fri	Bat Walk for families.....	7:00 pm
05 Sat	POTLUCK PICNIC at Starr Ranch.....	6:00 pm
06 Sun	Santiago Oaks Monthly Bird Walk.....	7:30 am
10 Thurs	Bat Walk for adults.....	7:00 pm
11 Fri	Yorba Regional Park trip.....	7:30 am
11 Fri	Bat Walk for families & adults.....	7:00 pm
13 Sun	SJWS Monthly Bird Walk.....	8:00 am
13 Sun	Spring Brunch at the Marsh.....	10:00 am
16 Wed	UNB by small boat.....	8:15 am
18 Fri	NO GENERAL MEETING.....	7:30 pm