

The Voice of SEA AND SAGE AUDUBON, an Orange County Chapter of the National Audubon Society

## President's Message by - Melíssa Rapp

As the new president of Sea and Sage Audubon, I am honored to have this opportunity to lead this organization. Thank you for your trust and support. I look forward to working alongside the board, staff, volunteers, and all our members to advance our mission: to protect birds, other wildlife, and their habitats through education, citizen science, research, and public policy advocacy.

After working 25 years as an internal medicine physician, the first place I thought about volunteering after I retired was Sea and Sage Audubon. I wanted to give back to Sea and Sage and to support conservation work. My child spent more than 10 years participating in Sea and Sage's Marsh Education programs, and her experiences had a profound impact shaping her career. I have been an active voting member of our Board of Directors as Secretary (2023), Vice-President (2024 to 2025), and Programs Co-chair (since 2024). I have also worked supporting our mission in various ways through my volunteer work with the Conservation Committee and as co-chair of the Tackling Climate and Trash Subcommittee. I believe outreach is very important. I assisted in leading events such as Earth Day. Through speaking engagements as a UC Master Gardener, Orange County and for Sea and Sage Audubon, I educate and promote sustainable landscaping and the preservation of habitats.

In these turbulent times, I believe that we must stay true to our mission. One of the best-ways to accomplish this is to strengthen our alliances, increase our outreach, educate the next generation, and actively advocate. At our recent Earth Day event, Congressman Dave Min spoke with a group of us. His message was that we must unite for our common purposes and actively advocate. We can easily do this because we <u>care</u> about birds! We will be continuing to work on outreach to the community and expanding advocacy. If each of us gets involved and we unite as a collective, we can ensure that species and habitats are there for the generations to come. I encourage everyone to actively participate in whatever way you choose. As our community grows, our voice will be louder and stronger!

I thank Jonathan Aguayo for his service to the Board and for his support during the transition in leadership. I look forward to leading Sea and Sage and getting better acquainted with each of you. By working together, we can carry out our mission and having our voice heard.

#### General Meeting - Online Presentation Friday, June 20th - 7:00 PM *Via Zoom*

" Healing Through Birding" presented by Tiffany Kersten



Tiffany Kersten did not set out to do a Big Year, but after a series of unanticipated and serendipitous events, she found herself amidst one. As a sexual assault survivor, she spent 2021 traveling to all corners of the Lower 48 States tallying birds and gifting personal safety alarm to women she met along the way. Her goal was to see 700 species, and to raise awareness of women's safety in the outdoors. She ended up surpassing her goal and setting a record of 726 species. In her presentation, Tiffany will lead us through the fear, empowerment, struggles that all play vital roles in her personal growth she experienced on this wild adventure.

Tiffany Kersten is a Wisconsin native. She holds a B.S. in Wildlife Ecology from Northland College and has spent over a decade as an environmental educator, teaching about bird migration with the Cape May Bird Observatory, monitoring shorebirds on Cape Cod, banding Honeycreepers in Hawaii, and finally landing in South Texas where she worked for the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge and then managed the McAllen Nature Center. After completing her Lower 48 States Big Year in 2021, she founded her own company, Nature Ninja Birding tours. She guides primarily in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas and offers international tours as well.

Meeting room opens at 6:30 PM; join us at 6:45 pm. for a Sea and Sage project highlight; meeting starts at the 7:00. Link to join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84198423399 Meeting ID: 841 9842 3399 Need help? Email Melissa Rapp at reedjandm@cox.net

#### Melíssa & Catheríne, Program Co-Chairs

# **Conservation** News

Susan Sheakley, Conservation Chair



You can Help! Volunteers are needed to meet conservation demands.

## **CELEBRATING SPRING MIGRATION!**

We hope you enjoyed spring, and the migration phenomenon along the Pacific Flyway by birding, and perhaps by contributing to Sea & Sage's annual **OC Spring Count**. See our website for information on how to participate.

This year, **Sea & Sage's April 27 Earth Day** event brought attention to migrating birds - and people - by focusing on the "calls to action" of **World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) 2025** to: \* Reduce bird collisions by making glass visible and dimming lights at night

- \* Protect insects and pollinators
- \* Reduce pesticide use
- \* Plant native plants
- \* Keep birds safe from pets
- \* Reduce plastic pollution

\* Advocate for sustainable urban planning and bird-friendly spaces.

The **Earth Day event**, organized by chapter leaders and the Events Committee, included bird walks and talks, an IRWD display on water conservation, and five exhibit tables created by Conservation and the Marsh Education Project about the actions advised by WMBD 2025 to create bird-friendly urban places and Sea & Sage volunteer opportunities. The event was successful on several levels. **Thank you all!** 

There was wonderful energy in the Discovery

**Room**, as visitors stopped by the displays and talked about individual action and volunteer opportunities. It was inspiring to be amid such enthusiastic interest and commitment.

**Congressman Dave Min** honored us by making time in his schedule to drop by our event. After catching part of the OC Bird of Prey Center's presentation on Orange County's raptors, Rep. Min took a few moments to visit the exhibits, say a few words, and answer questions. **To discover** how you can help with WMBD actions and other local, state, federal, or international activities to support birds, please join us at one or more of our conservation meetings. **Why not start this summer?** Contact Susan Sheakley, Scott Thomas, or any team leader listed below for meeting notices.

**Conservation Committee** (Susan, Chair; Scott, Vice Chair): work on a variety of issues affecting birds and other wildlife, habitats and natural resources to determine actions Sea and Sage can take to protect. **Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday** (June 3, July 1, Aug 5) 6:45 pm.

**Tackling Climate & Trash** (Sudha Warrier, Chris Byrd, Susan, Scott): review and make possible comments on proposed local Battery Energy Storage System and OC Climate Action Plan; support BBQ efforts to reduce plastic & other waste to the landfill; staff Scrape & Rinse station; research and develop outreach materials. **Meets 3**<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** (June 17, July 15, Aug 19) 4:00 pm. *Volunteers needed for BBQ preparation and staffing.* 

**Bird Collisions** (Hope Guerra, Scott, Susan): develop outreach and action to reduce window collisions at homes, in new development, and existing commercial and public buildings. **Meets 3**<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday** (June 17, July 15, Aug 19) 7:00 pm.

**Coastal Commission and Related Issues** (Scott, Susan): protect coastal birds, other wildlife, and resources. Attend public meetings. **Meeting Dates and Time TBD** - sign up to be notified of next meeting.

**Legislation & Advocacy** (Vic Leipzig, Scott, Susan): track and comment on selected state & federal bills; arrange meetings with OC local, state & federal leaders. **Meets last Sunday** (June 29, July 27, Aug 31) 4:30 pm



Summer Barbecue at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary Sat., July 26<sup>th</sup> - 4:30 to 8:00 p.m.



Bring the family and friends and join us for this special occasion: dining in the meadow, listening to the birds and watching them fly overhead, used book sale, live music, evening walks around the marsh, a brief program and door prizes.

Our menu will include, baked chicken, freshly grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, vegetarian burgers, Caesar salad, chips, watermelon, cake, lemonade, iced tea, soft drinks, and coffee.

We are determined to be more environmentally friendly by reducing the paper and organic waste, trash, and single-use items going to the landfill. Reusable **place settings will be available. If you would like to bring your own, we welcome you to do that.** We thank you for your support. A scrape/rinse station will be available, and we happily accept volunteers to help us with this activity.

Advanced reservations for the Summer BBQ are essential so we can know how much food to buy. To register and pay for your tickets, go to the <u>seaandsageaudubon.org</u> website after June 1 and look under WHAT'S NEW to find the **Eventbrite** registration link. Tickets for the barbecue and program are \$25.00, children under 5 are free; tickets for the BBQ volunteers are \$20.00. Everyone will need to pick up their meal ticket at the Welcome Table when they arrive. **You will be served according to what is on your ticket**.

Activities begin at 4:30 pm when the Used Books Sale opens. Dinner will be served from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. A guided marsh walk begins at 6:00pm that will take in the sights and sounds of evening marsh life. At 7:00 pm, the program will start with a drawing for the door prizes. Then we will introduce our 2025 Bloom-Hays Award recipients, followed by door prizes at 7:30 pm. We will not be hosting a speaker this year, in order to avoid the mosquitoes that arrive at dusk. The evening will conclude after door prizes.

**This event is staffed entirely by chapter volunteers!** If you can help us out in any capacity, we would really appreciate it and you will save \$5 on your barbecue ticket! Gail Richards will be contacting everyone who volunteered last year. Be ready to give her a big "yes"! For information on volunteering, contact Gail Richards at <u>agrich@me.com</u>

If you are not able to use Eventbrite, please use this form to register. Print clearly!			
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# Chapter News & Announcements

For more information about Sea & Sage activities, visit our chapter webpage at <u>seaandsageaudubon.org</u>



## **Audubon House Volunteers**

We would like to thank the following people for helping to staff Audubon House in May and June, Bridget



Gardner, Jade Goodman, Elisa Guzman, Ann Harmer, John Hargrove, Sue Henry, Dawn Hubbard, Sarah Jayne, Braedon Kamm, Mary Meister, Paula Monroe, Kelly Morgan, Steve Munzinger, Dagmar Muthamia, Michelle Olson, Barbara Reber, Jennifer Reed,

Paul Saiki, Susan Sheakley, Hsini Shyu, Art Strauss, Barb Wasbin, Pat Wells, Phil Westin and Irene Wotta. 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 call Dev Sellin, 714-943-3682, or Paula Monroe, 480-299-9885.

## New Naturalist Training Class Begins This Fall

Great Blue Heron standing on the trail. Tree Swallows darting into a nest box. Amphipods swimming in a glass dish under the microscope. Taxidermy birds with different beak shapes on a table for up-close views. Are you looking for something fun to do at the marsh that has a positive impact on children? Then join our outstanding Outdoor Adventures Naturalists. We are not looking for bird experts; we need someone with a strong desire to share nature with elementary school children, a willingness to learn specific techniques about how to effectively share nature at the marsh, and a commitment to volunteer for only 2-tour mornings a month from October through May. If you or someone you know is ready to train this fall to help Santa Ana children experience nature in a fun way, contact Project Director Trude Hurd at

SeaAndSageEducation@gmail.com

## Thanks for a Great Job!

As you know, a program of varied field trips depends solely on the dedicated leaders who willingly give of their time and expertise to lead our chapter field trips. These trips are a vital part of our chapter activities. The following people helped to make our field trip program a success this year: Jonathan Aguayo, Jeff Bray, Samuel Bressler, Jon Dunn & Tom Benson, Curtis Marantz, Brittany O'Connor, Robert McNab; Bettina Eastman, Diane Etchison, Martin Fee, Pete Gordon, Betty Kanne & Jim Kendall; Vic Leipzig, Lana Nguyen, Roy Poucher & Hope Kanaley, Sharon Rockwell, Matthew Schreiner & David Pryor, Darrell Wilson & Sally Menzel.

## Ignite a Child's Love for Nature

This summer, we are helping to make it easy to inspire children to connect with the great outdoors! We have some exciting new products specially designed for kids aged 6 and up:

#### Discover the joy of nature with:

-The <u>How to Draw Birds art kit</u>, perfect for sparking creativity and appreciation for wildlife

- The <u>Three in a Tree</u>, an engaging counting card and dice game that makes learning fun

- A sturdy water bottle to keep them hydrated

- A <u>stylish Junior Ranger baseball hat</u> to make them feel like true adventurers

- A <u>Junior Ranger canvas tote</u>, ideal for carrying all their gear in style

These products are now available at the Nature Store, where every purchase fuels your child's love for the outdoors. Visit us and equip your young explorers for their next adventure! We can't wait to see you soon!

#### June 7, 2025 — Joint trip with Orange County California Native Plant Society and Audubon Starr Ranch Sanctuary – *Reservations Required*

Join Sea & Sage Audubon and the Orange County Chapter of the California Native Plant Society for a special joint field trip at the stunning **Starr Ranch Sanctuary**, a 4,000-acre Audubon preserve tucked away in southeast Orange County. This unique outing will feature two small groups, each led by a team of experts including a wildlife biologist/ornithologist and a botanist/restoration ecologist. Explore native habitats and learn to identify birds and plants along the trail with expert guides including biologists Adam DeLuna, James Lee, Jonathan Aguayo, and botanists Sandy DeSimone and Sandy Leatherman.

#### Saturday, June 7, 2025

Meet at **8:00 AM**; walk concludes around **11:00 AM** The walk is approximately three hours long and includes moderate physical activity, including some steep trail sections.

**Reservations are required and space is limited.** To reserve your spot, email **Jonathan Aguayo** at jonathan.aguayo@psomas.com. Be sure to receive a **confirmation email** to secure your reservation.

Reading Group: Tues June 17 – 1 to 2:30 Life List: A Woman's Quest - by Olivia Gentile Reading Group: Tues Aug. 19 – 1 to 2:30 Collapse: How Societies Choose – by Jared Diamon

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# **Education News this Summer**

Trude Hurd, Project Director of Education



#### NEW: Outdoor Adventures for Adults!

Have you walked around the ponds at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary and wondered what lives underneath the water's surface? Are you curious to see what the little pond animals look like under a microscope? You asked for it, you got it! This summer, Education Project Director Trude Hurd and Education Assistant Mindy Bergen will host a special morning for you and your friends to use microscopes to better understand the magic and mystery of the underwater world of the marsh! Best of all, it's a fundraiser with all proceeds going to fund school buses to bring Santa Ana school children to the marsh for Outdoor Adventures in fall 2025. So everyone benefits!

Date: Sunday, August 3, 2025.

Time: 10 AM to Noon.

Fee: \$50 pre-paid; must be over 18 to enroll. Where: Learning Center at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine.

Sound fun? It will be! For enrollment info., contact Trude Hurd: <u>SeaAndSageEducation@gmail.com</u>

### **Grateful for Donations for Spring Field Trips**

This spring, ten people with generous hearts donated a total of \$6,210 to bring Santa Ana school children to the marsh for a fantastic science program. For many children, this was their first time using binoculars & microscopes and seeing birds in a natural habitat. Outdoor Adventures helps increase the Santa Ana students' knowledge about wetlands and how to protect birds with their specific actions.

We are very grateful to Anonymous, Anaheim United Methodist Church, Judith Frantz, Kate Grabenstein, Paul Klahr, Patricia Knight, Nancy Moore, Helen Porter, Barbara Reber, Joel & Gloria Weintraub and Phil Westin who donated to ensure that children have a personal experience at the beautiful marsh and learn how they can care about the environment. At press time, we still need \$1,890 to fully fund all 27 of the field trips in spring. Does science education speak to your heart? You too can make an impact by donating today. You'll be glad you did! **Contact Trude Hurd to learn how**. (P.S. All funds received above this amount will be used for field trips in Fall).



From Left: Sandra, Ray, Michele, Emma, Youlin, and Mary.

### Welcome to our New Naturalists

In 2024-5, five volunteers completed Outdoor Adventures Naturalist training and one will finish this upcoming fall. Their backgrounds are as varied as the birds we encounter at the marsh: retired pharmacist, professor at UCI, tutor for 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade Tustin children, Nature Day Camp volunteer, Sea and Sage Board member, and one of Sylvia Gallagher's students. Each one is unique and shares a love of nature.

During Project Director Trude Hurd's four training classes, the six recruits learned how to ask engaging questions, how to teach children to effectively use binoculars and microscopes, and how to identify common birds and macro-invertebrates encountered during the tours. They showed curiosity and patience while working with experienced naturalists to observe and practice during actual Outdoor Adventures programs in winter and spring. We are proud to add these six to the Outdoor Adventure Naturalists:

Mary Harward, Youlin Kingery, Emma Trammell, Michele Meyer, Ray Wong and Sandra Geiler.

## **Orange County Rarities** by Samuel Bressler



To report a RARE or UNUSUAL bird, or to receive reports from other birders about rare or unusual bird sightings here in Orange County, send an email to: <u>OrangeCountyBirding+subscribe@groups.io</u>

April proved exceptionally quiet for both expected and unexpected migrants, perhaps due to colder temperatures persisting later into the year than usual. Whether this means that there will be a peak of migratory activity in May, or if the end of the migratory season is pushed further back into June, remains to be seen.

Two **White-winged Scoters** continued off Newport Beach April through the 17th. **Calliope Hummingbirds** were found at Irvine Regional Park on April 30th. **Neotropic Cormorants** continue to establish across the county; individuals were reported in April from San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary, the Upper Santa Ana River, Carbon Canyon Regional Park, Mile Square Regional Park, and Tri-City Park. The first breeding record for the county seems a matter of when, not if. The wintering **Little Blue Heron** along the lower Santa Ana River was last seen April 12th.

The **Tropical Kingbird** at Huntington Central Park was last seen April 11th, while an **Eastern Phoebe** at Sea Terrace Park in Dana Point proved to be a one-day wonder. **Plumbeous Vireos** were at North Lake on April 9th-13th, Pepperwood Park on April 11th, and Veeh Ranch Park on April 15th.

Notable sightings during April also included a pair of Black Skimmers frequenting Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve from the 10th to the 20th, a species that continues to generate excitement among local birders. Additionally, a rare Swainson's Hawk was spotted soaring over Santiago Canyon on April 22nd, marking a highlight of the month for raptor enthusiasts. Northbound shorebirds were also seen in modest numbers, with a Pectoral Sandpiper documented at Upper Newport Bay on April 19th.

Four April records of **Purple Martin** (at Anaheim Coves Park, Huntington Central Park, Upper Newport Bay, and Laguna Niguel Regional Park) was a good count for this scarce spring migrant. By contrast, the only **Bank Swallow** in fall was an individual at San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary, April 25th through the end of the month. A **White Wagtail** along the Upper Santa Ana River on April 25th was not subsequently refound.

White-throated Sparrows were at Black Star canyon April 8th and O'Neill Regional Park, April 16th, while the wintering Green-tailed Towhee at Overlook Park was last seen April 11th. A flyover Yellow-headed Blackbird was at Huntington Central Park April 27th.

Several overwintering vagrant warblers continued into April, included continuing **Black-and-white Warbler** and **American Redstart** at Huntington Central Park, last seen April 24th and 26th, respectively; the continuing **Lucy's Warbler** at Sea Terrace Community Park (last seen April 6th). Presumed migrants included **Northern Waterthrushes** at Bartlett Park April 17th-25th, and Harriett Wieder Regional Park April 29th, and a **Palm Warbler** at Veeh Ranch Park April 13th-18th. A second Palm Warbler at Del Obispo Park April 25th-30th may have overwintered locally. A **Rose-breasted Grosbeak** was at Santiago Oaks Regional Park April 8th, while an **Indigo Bunting** was at Hiltscher Park April 30th.

# **Directions and Membership**

Sea and Sage Audubon Society's mission is to protect birds, other wildlife, and their habitats through education, citizen science, research, and public policy advocacy.



## Tattler Subscriptions

Non-Audubon members or members from other Audubon chapters who wish to subscribe to our chapter newsletter, may do so for \$14.00 per year. Make check payable to "Sea and Sage Audubon" and mail to: Tattler Subscriptions, 2968 Ceylon Dr, Costa Mesa CA 92626-3600

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E-mail

## Directions

to the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary (5 Riparian View, Irvine) Our entrance is from Campus Dr., not Michelson

From the San Diego Fwy (405): Exit on Jamboree, south toward Newport Beach. At the 1st signal, Michelson, turn left. Continue on Michelson (past the old entrance to the SJWS) to the 5th signal which is Harvard and turn right. Drive to University & turn right. Drive to Campus Drive & turn right. Stay in the far right lane and immediately turn right onto Riparian View which will enter the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary. The entrance road is marked by a large sign. If you miss the turn and reach Carlson, turn right and go around the block again to Harvard. The sanctuary is open every day from dawn until dusk.

## **Audubon House**

AH is open daily from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The restrooms, trails, and parking lots are open daily from dawn until dusk. Call 949-261-7963 for information.

## Your Audubon Membership Payment

The fastest and easiest way to join Audubon is with a donation of at least \$20 using a credit card. When you join National Audubon, you are also joining Sea & Sage. Go online to http://www.audubon.org/membership. Write in at least \$20 in the box that shows \$0.00. If you want to donate an additional amount to Sea & Sage, vou'll need to make an electronic donation on our website or mail a separate check to our Sea & Sage address below. Another way to join or renew your membership is to print and mail the form below with your \$20 check (payable to NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY) to: Membership, Sea & Sage Audubon, PO Box 5447, Irvine CA 92616.

## Temporarily Away or Moving?

Please notify Gail Richards of your new address if you are moving from your current address; or, let her know if you don't want to continue to receive the Tattler. This will save us postage. Gail Richards, Membership Chair membership@seaandsageaudubon.org

## **Audubon Membership Application**

We invite you to become a member of the National Audubon Society and the Sea and Sage Audubon chapter. Members receive the AUDUBON magazine as well as the WANDERING TATTLER newsletter. **NEW MEMBERSHIP is \$20 for an individual or for a family.** (The membership is good for one year.)

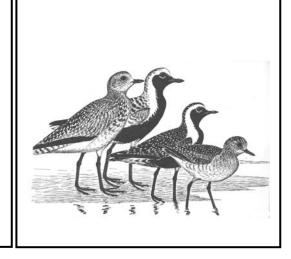
**To join:** Go online to <u>http://www.audubon.org/membership</u> and pay by credit card. On the payment page, write in \$20 in the box which says \$0.00. Be sure to include your email address so that we can contact you when necessary. (Our chapter code is C15.) If you have difficulties paying online, fill out the form below and then make your check payable to – NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY – and mail it to: Membership, Sea & Sage Audubon, PO Box 5447, Irvine CA 92616.

To renew your membership with a credit card, go online to: <a href="http://act.audubon.org/a/renew">http://act.audubon.org/a/renew</a> On the Renew Your Membership page, you will see several options for your Annual Gift. Your Annual Gift automatically renews your annual membership to Sea and Sage Audubon Society. Your can renew your	
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Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center – for injured or sick birds and other native wild animals in need of help (corner of Newland & PCH in HB) 714-374-5587. <u>http://www.wwccoc.org/</u>

#### SCHEDULE of CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

(R) – Space limited; reservations necessary – see webpage
(\$) - Pay in advance – see webpage writeup for event

#### June 2025:

03	Tues	Conservation Com. Mtg via Zoom 6:45 pm
07	Sat	Starr Ranch Audubon Sanctuary ® 8:00 am
08	Sun	Monthly Bird Walk at the SJWS ® 8:00 am
80	Sun	Least Tern Preserve Bird Walk
10	Tues	Board Meeting via Zoom 7:00 pm
15	Sun	Anaheim Coves Bird Walk 8:00 am
17	Tues	Quail Hill Open Space Preserve Bird Walk 7:00 am
20	Fri	GENERAL MEETING via Zoom
29	Sun	Upper Newport Bay Monthly Bird Walk 8:00 am
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17	Thurs	Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Bird Walk 8:00 am
19	Sat	Summer Pelagic Trip ® \$ 6:30 am
20	Sun	Carbon Canyon Bird Walk 8:00 am
26	Sat	SUMMER BARBECUE ® \$ 4:30 pm
27	Sun	Upper Newport Bay Monthly Bird Walk 8:00 am
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31	Sun	Upper Newport Bay Monthly Bird Walk 8:00 am