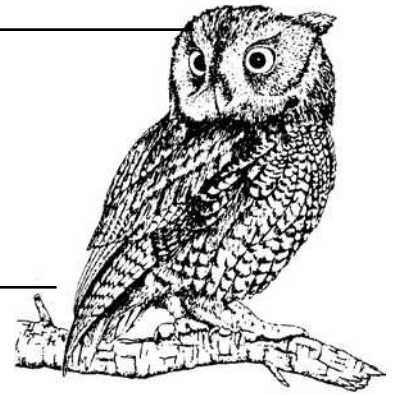


# El Tecolote

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## SANTA BARBARA CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT TIED FOR NUMBER TWO IN NATION!

By Joan Easton Lentz

**S**anta Barbara birders have done it again! On January 2, 2010, we had great weather, great participation, and great birds—a recipe for a hugely successful Christmas Bird Count! A record high number of 223 participants in 78 groups combed the territory within our Count Circle, which is centered at the intersection of San Marcos Pass and Foothill Road.

The result was a total of 216 different species, enough to put us ahead of all other California Christmas Bird Counts and to tie with one of the big, new Texas Counts: Guadalupe Delta/McFadden Ranch. (They had rain!)

Wonderful birds were tallied, some of which had been “staked out” beforehand and some of which were found new on Count Day. In the top tier were the real goodies: a Long-tailed Duck at the harbor, a Red Knot at Isla Vista Beach, a Broad-billed Hummingbird at a private feeder, a Broad-tailed Hummingbird at Fairview Gardens, an Eastern Phoebe near Ocean Meadows Golf Course, two Lewis’s Woodpeckers, a Plumbeous Vireo, and a returning Grace’s Warbler back for its second winter.

Each Count has its strengths and weaknesses, and this year’s was a standout for Orioles. What a show! Three Orchard Orioles, two Hoodeds, 10 Bullock’s, 2 Baltimores, and a Scott’s made for great bird finding. There were lots of hummingbirds, including 19 male Allen’s, 33 selasphorus (sp.), and a rare Rufous Hummingbird.

On the other hand, numbers of montane species were particularly low. A few Mountain Chickadees, a Red-breasted Nuthatch, and a couple of Golden-crowned Kinglets were just about all, along with one Townsend’s Solitaire on East Camino Cielo. Only ONE Pine Siskin in Mission Canyon is certainly a lucky, lucky break, in contrast to some years when Siskins could be seen at every feeder!

The bigger the CBC grows, the more we need everyone’s help. I want to thank **Santa Barbara Audubon Society** for their constant support and the **Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History** for waiving the fee for Fleischmann auditorium. The Compilation Committee makes a huge difference when we crunch the numbers, and this year it was better than ever. Thanks to **Dave Compton, Rebecca Coulter, Jared Dawson, Patrick McNulty, Joan Murdoch** and **Bill Pollock** without whom we could never manage a Count of this complexity. Bill Pollock has written a special computer database program for the Count, which has saved hours and hours of our time. Thanks also to all those who worked on the countdown potluck: **Lee Moldaver, Carol Keator** and everyone else who helped make the evening a great success.

Let’s hope the bird numbers can keep up with the numbers of birders as we continue our great reputation as one of the “birdiest” places in the country!

*Results of the Bird Count are on page 2 and 3 of this issue.*

## WE DID IT!

By Dolores Pollock



**S**anta Barbara Audubon Society proudly announces that we will build the new aviary at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History SOON! Due to the generous contributions of our members, we approached our goal. Thanks to the **Wallis Foundation** (\$40,000) and the **Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians Foundation** (\$25,000), we have exceeded our goal. The **Santa Barbara News-Press Holiday Fund** provided additional funds. We have raised close to \$200,000.

By the end of the month we expect final approval by the City of Santa Barbara and to have accepted a contractor’s bid. If all goes as planned, we could break ground next month.

THANKS to all who helped make this dream a reality.

The mission of the Santa Barbara Audubon Society is to help conserve and restore the earth’s natural ecosystems and improve its biological diversity, principally in the Santa Barbara area, and to connect people with birds and nature through education, science-based projects and advocacy.

# Santa Barbara Christmas Bird Count Results Jan 2, 2010

## DUCKS, GEESE, SWANS

1	Gr. White-fronted Goose
	Snow Goose *
2	Ross' Goose *
8	Brant
34	Cackling Goose *
195	Canada Goose
20	Wood Duck
147	Gadwall
1	Eurasian Wigeon *
98	American Wigeon
529	Mallard
	Blue-winged Teal *
9	Cinnamon Teal
341	Northern Shoveler
18	Northern Pintail
109	Green-winged Teal
	Canvasback
21	Redhead
155	Ring-necked Duck
2	Greater Scaup *
106	Lesser Scaup
262	Surf Scoter
111	Bufflehead
7	Common Goldeneye
21	Hooded Merganser
84	Common Merganser
26	Red-breasted Merganser
301	Ruddy Duck

## QUAIL, TURKEYS

14	Wild Turkey
	Mountain Quail
137	California Quail

## LOONS

64	Red-throated Loon
42	Pacific Loon
13	Common Loon
6~	Loon species

## GREBES

98	Pied-billed Grebe
39	Horned Grebe
34	Eared Grebe
1516	Western Grebe
6	Clark's Grebe
3435~	Clark's / Western Grebe

## SHEARWATERS

	Northern Fulmar
107	Black-vented Shearwater

## PELICANS

540	Brown Pelican
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## CORMORANTS

124	Brandt's Cormorant
343	Double-crested Cormorant
16	Pelagic Cormorant

## HERONS

1	American Bittern *
1	Least Bittern *
66	Great Blue Heron
54	Great Egret
47	Snowy Egret
	Cattle Egret
6	Green Heron
96	Black-crowned Night-Heron

## NEW WORLD VULTURES

93	Turkey Vulture
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## HAWKS

x	Osprey *
21	White-tailed Kite
11	Northern Harrier
12	Sharp-shinned Hawk
27	Cooper's Hawk
81	Red-shouldered Hawk
132	Red-tailed Hawk
2	Golden Eagle

## FALCONS

38	American Kestrel
10	Merlin
3	Peregrine Falcon

## RAILS, GALLINULES

12	Virginia Rail
13	Sora
3	Common Moorhen
1739	American Coot

## PLOVERS

153	Black-bellied Plover
298	Snowy Plover
100	Semipalmated Plover
68	Killdeer

## STILTS, AVOCETS

94	Black-necked Stilt
	American Avocet

## SANDPIPERS

12	Spotted Sandpiper
30	Greater Yellowlegs
296	Willet
	Lesser Yellowlegs *
60	Whimbrel
49	Long-billed Curlew
136	Marbled Godwit
	Ruddy Turnstone
59	Black Turnstone
1029	Sanderling
3	Western Sandpiper
258	Least Sandpiper
2	Dunlin
116	Long-billed Dowitcher
13	Wilson's Snipe
	Red Phalarope *

## JAEGERS, GULLS, TERNS

	Black-legged Kittiwake *
2	Bonaparte's Gull
1181	Heermann's Gull
131	Mew Gull
277	Ring-billed Gull
1297	Western Gull
922	California Gull
12	Herring Gull
2	Thayer's Gull *
14	Glaucous-winged Gull
1	Caspian Tern *
107	Forster's Tern
125	Royal Tern
219	Black Skimmer
3	Pomarine Jaeger
5	Parasitic Jaeger
1~	Jaeger species

## ALCIDS

1	Common Murre
6	Rhinoceros Auklet

## PIGEONS

686	Rock Pigeon
713	Band-tailed Pigeon
171	Eurasian Collared-Dove
	White-winged Dove *
497	Mourning Dove
	Common Ground-Dove *

## CUCKOOS

4	Greater Roadrunner
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## OWLS

6	Barn Owl
75	Western Screech-Owl
30	Great Horned Owl
2	Northern Pygmy-Owl
1	Burrowing Owl

## SWIFTS

10	White-throated Swift
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## HUMMINGBIRDS

1022	Anna's Hummingbird
3	Costa's Hummingbird *
19	Allen's Hummingbird *
33~	Selasphorus sp.

## KINGFISHERS

22	Belted Kingfisher
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## WOODPECKERS

969	Acorn Woodpecker
	Red-naped Sapsucker *
21	Red-breasted Sapsucker
56	Nuttall's Woodpecker
56	Downy Woodpecker
9	Hairy Woodpecker
131	Northern (red-shftd) Flicker
~	Northern (yel.shftd) Flicker *

**TYRANT FLYCATCHERS**

- 416 Black Phoebe
- 85 Say's Phoebe
- 2 Tropical Kingbird \*
- 69 Cassin's Kingbird

**SHRIKES**

- 12 Loggerhead Shrike

**VIREOS**

- 61 Hutton's Vireo

**JAYS, CROWS**

- 6 Steller's Jay
- 762 Western Scrub-Jay
- 7 Yellow-billed Magpie
- 2098 American Crow
- 2 Common Raven

**CHICKADEES, TITMICE**

- 11 Mountain Chickadee
- 4 Chestnut-backed Chickadee \*
- 437 Oak Titmouse

**BUSHTITS**

- 1545 Bushtit

**NUTHATCHES**

- 1 Red-breasted Nuthatch
- 90 White-breasted Nuthatch

**CREEPERS**

- 3 Brown Creeper

**WRENS**

- 8 Rock Wren
- 12 Canyon Wren
- 148 Bewick's Wren
- 24 House Wren
- 2 Winter Wren
- 13 Marsh Wren

**KINGLETS, GNATCATCHERS**

- 2 Golden-crowned Kinglet
- 777 Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- 91 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

**THRUSHES, WRENTIT**

- 220 Western Bluebird
- 1 Townsend's Solitaire
- 191 Hermit Thrush
- 512 American Robin
- Varied Thrush
- 200 Wrentit

**MOCKINGBIRDS, THRASHERS**

- 222 Northern Mockingbird
- 85 California Thrasher

**STARLINGS**

- 1071 European Starling

**WAGTAILS, PIPITS**

- 156 American Pipit

**WAXWINGS**

- 563 Cedar Waxwing

**SILKY-FLYCATCHERS**

- 1 Phainopepla

**WOOD-WARBLERS**

- 358 Orange-crowned Warbler
- 2 Nashville Warbler \*
- 3 Yellow Warbler \*
- 3221 Yel.rumped (Audubon's) Wrblr
- 231~ Yel.rumped (Myrtle) Warbler
- 2 Black-throated Gray Warbler
- 285 Townsend's Warbler
- 3 Hermit Warbler \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Palm Warbler \*
- 2 Black-and-white Warbler \*
- 193 Common Yellowthroat
- 11 Wilson's Warbler

**TANAGERS**

- 2 Summer Tanager \*
- 3 Western Tanager

**SPARROWS**

- 233 Spotted Towhee
- 616 California Towhee
- 3 Rufous-crowned Sparrow
- 4 Chipping Sparrow
- 19 Lark Sparrow
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sage Sparrow \*
- 131 Savannah Sparrow
- 19 Fox Sparrow
- 291 Song Sparrow
- 45 Lincoln's Sparrow
- 1 Swamp Sparrow \*
- 4 White-throated Sparrow \*
- 1389 White-crowned Sparrow
- 198 Golden-crowned Sparrow
- 703 Dark-eyed (Oregon) Junco
- 3~ Dark-eyed (Slate-col) Junco

**GROSBEAKS**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak \*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Black-headed Grosbeak \*

**BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES**

- 271 Red-winged Blackbird
- 3 Tricolored Blackbird
- 443 Western Meadowlark
- 365 Brewer's Blackbird
- 23 Great-tailed Grackle
- 171 Brown-headed Cowbird
- 3 Orchard Oriole \*
- 2 Hooded Oriole \*
- 10 Bullock's Oriole
- 2 Baltimore Oriole \*
- 1 Scott's Oriole \*

**FINCHES**

- 39 Purple Finch
- 1766 House Finch
- 1 Pine Siskin
- 500 Lesser Goldfinch

- 4 Lawrence's Goldfinch
- 425 American Goldfinch

**OLD WORLD SPARROWS**

- 305 House Sparrow

**UNESTABLISHED EXOTICS**

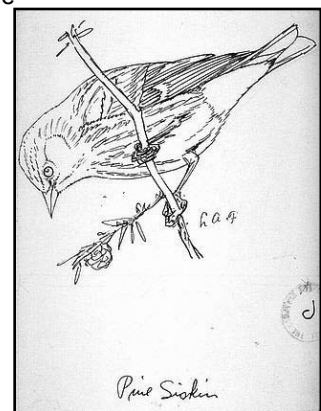
- 116~ Nutmeg Mannikin

**ADDITIONAL SPECIES (counted)**

- 1 Long-tailed Duck
- 1 Red-necked Grebe
- 1 Red Knot
- 3 Northern Saw-whet Owl
- 1 Spotted Owl
- 1 Common Poorwill
- 1 Broad-billed Hummingbird
- 1 Broad-tailed Hummingbird
- 1 Rufous Hummingbird
- 1 Eastern Phoebe
- 2 Lewis' Woodpecker
- 1 Plumbeous Vireo
- 4 Violet-green/Tree Swallow
- 1 No. Rough-winged Swallow
- 6 Mountain Bluebird
- 1 Grace's Warbler
- 1~ Dark-eyed (Gray-headed) Junco

**216 Species Grand Total**  
**45591 Bird count grand total**

\* = Rare -- requires written description  
x = Seen in Count Week (3 days before and 3 days after Count Day) but not on Count Day  
~ = Birds counted but species not count-able



*Pine Siskin*  
*Fuertes Illustrations Collection*  
*Cornell University*

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## Santa Barbara Audubon Programs

All programs will take place at Farrand Hall, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Mission Canyon, Santa Barbara. Free on-site parking. All programs will begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free to the public. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. SBAS members are encouraged to bring guests.

### Like Audubon, I shoot birds—But I do it with a digital camera

Roger Millikan

Wednesday, February 24

Digital cameras appeared on the consumer scene scarcely ten years ago and changed photography forever. Consider: Kodak no longer makes film cameras! This revolution has also changed birding and especially bird photography. Roger Millikan rode this wave starting with a 2 megapixel Fugifilm camera. Seven cameras later he uses an 18 megapixel Canon DSLR. Needless to say, his pictures today are better than they used to be. In this presentation Roger will briefly discuss how digital photography works and what camera choices are best for bird photography. Field techniques and post processing of the images will also be covered.

Roger will discuss the question of what you can do with your pictures once you have them. One important use is for proving to Audubon committees that you really saw and correctly identified that rare bird you claimed to spot. Nowadays, photo evidence is often required. You can also use your pictures to study bird behavior by comparing photo sequences over time. Roger will provide examples.

Finally you can seek to publish your photographs. For Roger, one outlet has been to join forces with Karen Bridgers to supply photos for her bird column in the *Santa Barbara News Press*. Recently Roger has published a small book: *Birds of Cachuma Lake – you will most likely see*. Roger says there is a learning curve involved with publishing; he will discuss some of the important aspects.

All in all Roger says it has been great fun.



## Latest status of Marine Mammals of the Santa Barbara Channel

Peter Howorth

Wednesday, March 24

Peter Howorth, Director of the Santa Barbara Marine Mammal Center, will speak about the status of marine mammals of the Santa Barbara Channel. This region boasts the most diverse seal and sea lion rookery in the world. It is also host to about a third of the world's species of whales, dolphins and porpoises. Some species are flourishing, while others are not despite numerous regulations designed to protect them.

Peter has followed the sea for more than 50 years, first as a competitive free diver, surfer and professional diver. He captured marine mammals for sea life parks in the 1960s and founded the nonprofit Santa Barbara Marine Mammal Center in 1976. He serves as an environmental consultant for offshore projects, helping to prevent impacts to marine life. He has authored books and has been a columnist for the *New Press* for more than 25 years.



## Santa Barbara Audubon Field Trips

*These trips are fun for both beginning and expert bird watchers. Binoculars are useful for enjoyment of birds, but if you don't have a pair please call the trip leader and we'll lend you a spare. Trips are free unless noted. Please contact **Jack Sanford** (805) 566-2191 or [jacksanford@hotmail.com](mailto:jacksanford@hotmail.com) for details or questions.*

### Sandhill Crane Overnight Field Trip Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 13-14

**Target Birds:** Sandhill Cranes, Burrowing Owls, Common Moorhens, Horned Larks, Loggerhead Shrikes, Lark Sparrows, Blue-winged Teal, Marsh Wrens, Great Horned Owls plus many other species.

**Leader:** Jack Sanford

**Cost:** free (camp ground fees \$8-\$10) (Motel 20 minutes away in Lost Hills or Delano)

This Audubon field trip will visit the Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park (CASHP), the Pixley National Wildlife Refuge (PNWR) and the Kern National Wildlife Refuge (KNWR). It will be an overnight trip with camping at one of two places. Allensworth State Park has closed their nice campground, but I am working on it. If CASHP doesn't work out we will have primitive camping at the KNWR. Motels at Lost Hills include Motel 6 and Day's Inn. At Delano there is a Holiday Inn. Everyone must make their own vehicle arrangements and bring the necessary camping equipment, layers of clothes, food and drink plus birding equipment.

We will not caravan, rather each participant will travel from the S.B. area at approximately 7 a.m. on Saturday. It is approximately 200- 230 miles to CASHP from S.B. depending upon the route. One way to get there is to take Hwy. 101 to Paso Robles. Take Hwy. 46 to Lost Hills. Cross Hwy. 5 but stay on Hwy. 46 to Hwy 43 (18 miles). Turn left (north) on Hwy. 43 and proceed to CASHP (15 miles). Or you can take Hwy. 101 south to Hwy. 126 to Hwy. 5 to Hwy. 46 to Hwy. 43, and turn left (north) on Hwy. 43 to CASHP (15 miles).

We will meet just outside CASHP at approximately 1:30 p.m. After determining where we will camp, we will bird the

park looking to spot Burrowing Owls etc. After that (between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.) we will travel to PNWR and view the Sandhill Cranes coming in till dark. After breakfast on Sunday we will bird the KNWR for several hours and then begin our trip home. We will return Sunday evening.

### Rancho Santa Barbara (Lone Star)

(East end of Lake Cachuma)

**Saturday, March 20, 8 a.m.-noon**

(7:30 a.m. at car pool location)

**Target Birds:** Geese, Common Goldeneyes, Wood Ducks, Lewis's Woodpeckers, Bald Eagles, Clark's Grebes, American White Pelicans and other water and song birds

**Leader:** Rob Lindsay

**Directions:** Coming from the south take Hwy. 101 to Lake Cachuma/State St. off ramp. Turn right on State St. and turn right into the Five Points Shopping Center. Coming from the north take Hwy. 101 to the State St. off ramp. Turn left onto State St. Turn right into the Five Points Shopping Center. Park near Carl's Jr. restaurant. We will car pool from here at 7:30 a.m. (No gas money required.)

Or you can meet us at 8:00 a.m. at the gate to Rancho Santa Barbara (4001 Hwy. 154, identified by a pipe gate with a large star on it). We must all meet at the gate and enter the ranch as a group. Wear walking shoes. Binoculars and spotting scopes are useful. Bring water and a snack. Enjoy ranch owners Lee Carr and his brother Charles Carr's hospitality at one of the best inland winter birding areas in the county!

## Lake Los Carneros Community Volunteer Day Saturday, February 13, 9 AM to 12 Noon.



*Audubon members, including Joel Fithian, pictured, help plant natives along the margin of Lake Los Carneros, December 20*

The next Lake Los Carneros Community Volunteer Day is Saturday, February 13, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. Join friends and neighbors helping to restore the valuable wildlife habitat that surrounds Lake Los Carneros. The project, funded by the **Goleta Valley Land Trust**, receives in-kind support from the **City of Goleta** and **Santa Barbara Audubon Society**, and is supervised by **Channel Islands Restoration**. So far, over 300 native plants have been planted, and a mountain of weeds removed. Saturday's activities will include planting, watering, mulching and weeding. As always, hand tools, gloves, refreshments, and good company will be provided. For more information, contact Julie Kummel, 805-403-3203.

## Friday Bird Walks

*Join us on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 8:30-10:30 a.m., except as otherwise noted. Please call Bird Walk leader Jack Sanford 566-2191 or email at [jacksanford@hotmail.com](mailto:jacksanford@hotmail.com) if you are interested in leading a future bird walk to your favorite birding location or have any questions.*

### Lake Los Carneros

**Friday February 12, 2010**

**Target Birds:** Waterfowl, winter songbirds

**Directions:** From Hwy. 101 take the Los Carneros off ramp and head towards the mountains. (Stow House is on the right.) Turn into the driveway by the fire station. We will meet in the parking lot behind the fire station.

### San Jose Creek Area (near Kellogg Tennis Courts)

**Friday, February 26, 2010**

**Target Birds:** Songbirds, Woodpeckers, Thrashers, Thrushes, Kinglets, etc.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 101 take the Patterson Ave. off ramp and head towards the mountains. Turn left on Cathedral Oaks Rd. Turn left at the Kellogg Rd. stoplight. Park and meet near the tennis courts.

### Pt. Mugu Naval Air Station

**(Bonus Field Trip/Bird Walk combination)**

**Friday, March 5, 2010**

**8:00 a.m. (car pool time)-1:00 p.m.**

**Target Birds:** Waterfowl, Rails, Egrets, shorebirds, ducks, Vermillion Flycatchers, raptors, etc.

**Trip Leader:** Martin Ruane

**Only 25 people will be allowed** to enter the Naval Air

Station so it is necessary to make a reservation by calling Jack Sanford at 566-2191 or emailing him at [jacksanford@hotmail.com](mailto:jacksanford@hotmail.com) and receiving confirmation. The deadline for making a reservation is Monday, February 22. Jack must forward a list of participants to Pt. Mugu on February 25. We will car pool (\$8.00 gas money to drivers) from the Andree Clarke Bird Refuge at 8:00 a.m. Once you receive reservation confirmation, you can meet us at the base if you so desire.

**Directions:** Take Hwy. 101 to Oxnard and the Rice Ave. off ramp. Head towards the ocean. Take Hwy. 1 southeast to the Wood Rd. turnoff towards the Base, and turn left at the stop sign. Meet at the main gate parking lot. You must be a citizen of the United States. You will need a photo ID and social security number, and you must fill out a security form before we enter the base. The Base Naturalist, Martin Ruane, will guide us around the base from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon. Join us for this unique and rare opportunity. Thanks to Peggy Kearns and Jeff Hanson for making the necessary arrangements to visit the Base.

### Elings Park

**Friday, March 19, 2010**

**(Note: This is the 3rd Friday of the month)**

**Target Birds:** Raptors, songbirds, Juncos, Warblers, Finches, etc.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 101 take the Las Positas off ramp and head towards the ocean. Look for the Elings Park entrance sign and turn left on Jerry Harwin Parkway. Proceed to the Battistone Foundation Soccer parking lot located in front of the park office building. Park in that immediate area. We will meet there and bird the area.

## Welcome!

SBAS extends a warm welcome to our newest members.

We look forward to seeing you at our programs and field trips. Thanks for joining!

Lewis Abe	Elke Brazel	Ann Funk	Dorothy Marking	Janet T. Thompson
Sarah Abraham	Carolyn Bries	Blake Garnand	Laurence A. Marzari	Bella & Josie Venable
Nancy Aguirre	Mrs. Evelyn K. Bright	Robert Gerity	Howard & Junie Merrill	Anne Visocky
Julie Allen	The Peter Brownell Family	S. Hagendorf	Dorothy A. Moore	Anna Vonkress
Suzanne M. Allen	Michael Clemons	Miriam L. Hanlon	Rick Morse	David Waltman
Vickie Ascolese	Nancy Coglizer	Phyllis Hansen	C. Neuhauser	Barbara Watts
Bette Bauer	Sarah Cole	Rebecca Hardin	Mary Nicholson	Allan Weil
Jean Bauman	Pamela Crucitti	Johanna Hill	Stanley & Wanda Palmer	Leda Whitmore
Cynthia Beraldo	Ellen Downing	Carla Kroman	Shirley Parker	Phylene Wiggins
Juliet V. Betita	Canda Emmeluth	Zoe T. Layton	Alice F. Primrose	Anna Ylvisaker
Sharon B. Bevan	Lynn Fay	Linda Lecam	Beth & Kurt Russell	Nicole Zamiera
Jennifer Blum	Edward Foley	David Low	Eileen Schuler	
Bruce Boycan	Marvin Frankel	Alice Mardon	Joy Simon	

# OPPORTUNITIES

## Volunteer Habitat Restoration

Audubon helps recruit volunteers for habitat restoration at the Coal Oil Point Reserve and the Arroyo Hondo Preserve. Come help to restore a creek or estuary while spending a morning in a beautiful bird habitat. Contact the Land Trust, Arroyo Hondo Preserve Volunteer Coordinator **Jane Murray** at [lvolunteer@yahoo.com](mailto:lvolunteer@yahoo.com) or 684-4405. For Coal Oil Point Reserve, contact **Tara Longwell** at [longwell@lifesci.ucsb.edu](mailto:longwell@lifesci.ucsb.edu) or 252-4903, or **Darlene Chirman** at [President@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org](mailto:President@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org) or 692-2008. For Lake Los Carneros contact **Julie Kummel**, 805-405-3203

### ARROYO HONDO

Contact: **Jane Murray**

Sunday February	7	9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sunday March	7	9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### COAL OIL POINT RESERVE

Contact: **Tara Longwell**

Saturday February	20	9 a.m.-12 noon
Saturday March	6	9 a.m.-12 noon.

### LAKE LOS CARNEROS

Contact: **Julie Kummel**, 805-405-3203

Saturday February	13	9 a.m.-12 noon
Saturday March	10	9 a.m.-12 noon

## Plover Project Docent Training

Training takes place at the Cliff House at Coal Oil Point Reserve, from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

### Training dates:

February	6
March	13

### Training Schedule:

Tour	9-11 a.m.
Training	11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Those interested should call to register at (805) 893 3703

## SBAS Needs Your E-mail Address

To be added to the **SBAS** e-mail list, just send an e-mail message with the subject line, "Add + your name" to [Membership@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org](mailto:Membership@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org)

The **SBAS** e-mail list will only be used for SBAS business and will not be sold or shared with any other group.

## GRAPHICS HELP WANTED - Could you help

Santa Barbara Audubon by designing flyers and invitations for our events? The Development Committee and others need this support. If you can volunteer or have questions, please contact Dolores Pollock at 681-8661 or [Development-1@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org](mailto:Development-1@SantaBarbaraAudubon.org)

# Audubon Society Membership Application



## Local Chapter-only Membership

This is a full membership to the Santa Barbara Audubon Society, with all funds put to work locally.

Includes:

- \* a subscription to the local newsletter, *El Tecolote*
- \* new enrollments current through June 30, 2010
- \* subsequent membership dues on a July - June cycle

Does Not Include:

- \* National magazine, *Audubon*,
- \* distribution of your name to any other organization

The cost is \$25 annually.

- This is my choice of membership!**
- Make check payable to:  
**Santa Barbara Audubon Society**



## National and Local Membership

Santa Barbara Code: COZC130Z

This is the traditional membership offered by the National organization. Includes:

- \* membership on both the local and national levels
- \* most of membership dues applied to national issues and advocacy
- \* both the national magazine, *Audubon*, and the local *El Tecolote*
- \* renewal notices from National organization
- \* your name may be distributed to third party advertisers

The cost for this introductory membership is \$20, or \$15 for senior 62+ or student.

(NAS subsequent-year memberships are currently \$35/year.)

- This is my choice of membership!**
- This is a Senior/Student membership.**
- Please do NOT share my contact information.**

Make check payable to: **National Audubon Society**

Name: _____	My special interests: _____
Address: _____	_____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____	Amount Enclosed: _____
E-mail: _____	

Mail to: Santa Barbara Audubon Society, 5679 Hollister Ave, Suite 5B, Goleta CA 93117

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### Calendar of Events

Check our website for any changes or late additions to our Bird Walks, Field Trips or Programs:  
<http://www.SantaBarbaraAudubon.org>

#### February

Feb. 6	Plover Training
Feb. 7	Restore Arroyo Hondo
Feb. 12	Lake Los Carneros Bird Walk
Feb. 13	Restore Lake Los Carneros
Feb. 13 & 14	Sandhill Crane Field Trip
Feb. 20	Restore Coal Oil Point Reserve
Feb. 24	Program: Roger Millikan
Feb. 26	San Jose Creek Area Bird Walk

#### March

Mar. 5	Pt. Magu NAS Bird Walk
Mar. 6	Restore Coal Oil Point Reserve
Mar. 7	Restore Arroyo Hondo
Mar. 10	Restore Lake Los Carneros
Mar. 13	Plover Training
Mar. 19	Elings Park Bird Walk
Mar. 20	Rancho Santa Barbara Field Trip
Mar. 24	Program Marine Mammals

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