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Meet an Avian Vet

Dr. Rose Fiskett, a certified avian veterinarian, of the Potomac Valley Veterinary Hospital in Fairfax, Virginia, will be the speaker at the February 1, 2004 meeting. Having regular veterinary checkups for your bird is very important for its health and well being. Take time to meet her and find out more about avian health issues. Don't miss out on this opportunity.

Feathers of Protected Birds

Laurence H. Small, the current Secretary of the Smithsonian, was sentenced to two years probation and 100 hours of community service on 1/23/2004 for the purchase and possession of 206 art objects made with the feathers of protected species. For more info on this see the article in the Washington Post on the front page on 1/24/2004 or at <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A42348-2004Jan23.html>

Dr. Irene Pepperberg Event on April 3, 2004

Phoenix Landing is sponsoring an event April 3, 2004 which features Dr. Irene Pepperberg at the George Mason University Campus. The registration form for this event is on page 5.

"Irene Pepperberg, author of *The Alex Studies* and a pioneer in research about how parrots think, learn, and communicate, is well known for her incredible studies with Alex the intelligent African Grey. Dr. Pepperberg's studies in avian communication have provided fascinating, in-depth insight into the avian mind and have implications toward understanding the minds of autistic children. Donations at this event will support her continued work with Alex. Join us at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia for this exciting event." *From page 1 of The Phoenix Beakin', Winter 2004 Edition.*

NCBC Membership Renewal

Your 2003 NCBC membership ended at the end of December 2003. Please don't forget to renew your membership for 2004. Newsletters will continue to be sent to former members only through February 2004. After that period, members who have not renewed their membership will be dropped from the rolls but will be reinstated upon payment of dues. A membership form for 2004 can be found on page 6.

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- March 7, 2004
- April 4, 2004
- May 2, 2004
- June 6, 2004 **
- July 11, 2004 *
- August 1, 2004
- September 12, 2004 *
- October 3, 2004
- November 7, 2004
- December 5, 2004 **

* Date change

** Different Location

Next Meeting February 1, 2004

Veterinarians That Treat Birds In the Washington DC Area

According to the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (ABVP) an “avian veterinarian” is a veterinarian who is willing to treat birds. Therefore, any veterinarian can call him/herself an avian veterinarian. A “certified avian veterinarian” is a veterinarian, who has obtained certification from the ABVP by providing documentation of at least six years of significant avian practice experience or a formal residency plus scientific papers, in addition to a series of examinations. As of March 2003, only 101 veterinarians had been certified worldwide.

There are many excellent avian veterinarians that have not yet been certified. Many of these belong to the Association of Avian Veterinarians (AAV). Membership in the AAV, however, infers only that annual dues were paid and does not signify anything more than that.

The following list was obtained from personal knowledge and information supplied by BirdsUSA, the ABVP and the AAV. In the next couple of months, I hope to obtain biographies for each avian vet along with a more complete list. If you know of an avian veterinarian in the Washington, DC area that is not listed, please let me know so they can be included. Also, please let me know if any of the information listed here is in error.

Those that are certified by the ABVP are indicated in parentheses.

Maryland

Annapolis	Dr. Susan Longo Annapolis Cat Hospital 2248 Bay Ridge Avenue Annapolis, MD 21403 Phone: (410) 268-2287	Brookeville	Dr. Marcie Engel Dr. Carol Canny Gamble (Certified) Brookeville Animal Hospital 22201 Georgia Avenue Brookeville, MD 20833 Phone: (301) 774-9698
Baltimore	Dr. William Boyd (Certified) Pulaski Veterinary Clinic 9707 Pulaski Highway Baltimore, MD 21220 Phone: (410) 686-6310	Clarksville	Dr. Jennifer Ramelmeier Avian House Calls 11854 Linden Chapel Rd Clarksville, MD 21029 Phone: (410) 531-9213
Bowie	Dr. Abdul Diarra BCA Animal Hospital 6840 Race Track Road Bowie, MD 20715 Phone: (301) 262-8590	Crofton	Dr. Karina Von Hassel Crofton Vet Center 2151 Defense Highway Crofton, MD 21114 Phone: (410) 721-7387

Maryland continued

Damascus	Dr. David Goodman Four County Animal Hospital 26528A Ridge Road Damascus, MD 20872 Phone: (301) 253-6144	Kensington	Dr. Ann T. Piety Dr. Gary Schwartz Wheaton Animal Hospital 2929 University Boulevard Kensington, MD 20895 Phone: (301) 949-1520
Edgewater	Dr. Francine K. Rattner South Arundel Veterinary Hospital 85 W. Central Avenue Edgewater, MD 21037 Phone: (301) 261-4388, (401) 956-2932 http://www.southarundelvet.com	Lutherville	Dr. Kenneth Volk, Jr. Lutherville Animal Hospital 506 W. Seminary Ave Lutherville, MD 21093 Phone: (410) 296-7387
Fallston	Dr. Donald Zantop (Certified) Dr. Heather Bowles (Certified) Fallston Veterinary Clinic, Inc. 2615 Belair Road Fallston, MD 21047 Phone: (410) 877-1727	Owings Mills	Dr. Ernest A. Slovon Owings Mills Animal & Bird Hospital 9623A Reisterstown Road Owings Mills, MD 21117 Phone: (410) 363-0393
Frederick	Dr. Adrienne Cardella Kingsbrook Animal Hospital 5322 New Design Road Frederick, MD 21703 Phone: (301) 631-6900	Riverdale	Dr. Thomas Carman Lynn Animal Hospital 6215 Baltimore Avenue Riverdale, MD 20737 Phone: (301) 779-1184
Gaithersburg	Dr. Deborah Alls-Temples Gaithersburg Animal Hospital 280 N Frederick Gaithersburg, MD 20877 Phone: (301) 948-2828	Rockville	Dr. Victoria Mary Hollifield Best Friend's Veterinary Hospital 5100 Muncaster Mill Road Rockville, MD 20855 Phone: (301) 977-1881
Gaithersburg	Dr. Victor Katz Muddy Branch Veterinarian Center 333 Muddy Branch Road Gaithersburg, MD 20878 Phone: (301) 963-0275	Towson	Dr. Gary Hauptman Towson Veterinary Hospital, Inc. 716 N. York Road Towson, MD 21240 Phone: (410) 825-8880
Hunt Valley	Dr. Allan Frank Hunt Valley Animal Hospital 11206 York Road Hunt Valley, MD 21030 Phone: (410) 527-0800	Westminster	Dr. Thomas P. Ryan (Certified) Feathers, Scales, & Tales Hospital 330-140 Village Road Westminster, MD 21157 Phone: (410) 876-0244

Virginia

Chantilly	<p>Dr. James Gaines All Pets Veterinary Hospital & Avian Medical Center 43112 John Mosby Hwy Chantilly, VA 20152 Phone: (703) 327-6666 & (703) 478-0233</p>	Springfield	<p>Dr. Hanna Siemering Exotic Pet Clinic 7297 Commerce Street Springfield, VA 22150 Phone: (703) 451-3414</p>
Fairfax	<p>Dr. Rose Ann Fiskett (Certified) Potomac Valley Veterinary Hospital Twinbrooke Centre 9553 Braddock Rd Fairfax, VA 22032 Phone: 703-425-7387</p>	Stephens City	<p>Dr. Max Mandel Stephens City Animal Hospital 101 Highlander Rd Stephens City, VA 22655 Phone: (540) 869-2100</p>
Fairfax	<p>Dr. Meredith F. Davis Dr. Benjamin Haas Eastern Exotic Veterinary Center 4001 Legato Rd. Fairfax, VA 22033 Phone: (703) 654-3100 www.easternexoticvet.com</p>	Vienna	<p>Dr. Scott J. Stahl (Certified) Stahl Exotic Animal Veterinary Services Avian Board Certified 111A Center Street South Vienna, VA 22180 Phone: (703) 281-3750 www.seavs.com</p>
Fishersville	<p>Dr. William Olkowski (Certified) Cedarcrest Animal Clinic PO Box 375 Fishersville, VA 22939 Phone: 540-943-7577</p>	Vienna	<p>Dr. Ron Frank Nova Home Veterinary Services 337 Lewis Street, NW Vienna, VA 22180-4208 Phone: (703) 938-1771</p>
Leesburg	<p>Dr. Vickie Kondik Towne Animal Clinic 338 E. Market Street Leesburg, VA 20176 Phone: (703) 777-6350 mailto:towneanimalclinic@erols.com</p>	Woodbridge	<p>Dr. William Kusterbeck Dr. Helen Jewett Ridge Lake Animal Hospital 1400 Old Bridge Road Woodbridge, VA 22192 Phone: (703) 491-1111 ridgelakeah.com</p>
Purcellville	<p>Dr. Valerie Campbell 101 A Maple Ave Purcellville, VA 22132 Phone: (540) 338-7387</p>		

Phoenix Landing sponsors Dr. Irene Pepperberg in Fairfax, Virginia on April 3, 2004

Join us for a day of events to benefit both the important research of The Alex Foundation and the efforts of the Phoenix Landing Foundation. Attend Dr. Pepperberg's lecture to learn the latest information about her studies on avian intelligence. Purchase gifts and parrot supplies to benefit these great causes. Enjoy a buffet dinner with Dr. Pepperberg and parrot behavior consultant and author Liz Wilson (seating is limited).

Details

Location: George Mason University (Fairfax campus), Building Enterprise, Classroom 80. Parking available in the Visitor's Parking Deck on University Drive. Campus map at <http://coyote.gmu.edu/map/>

Time: April 3, 2003. Noon: Doors open for shopping, browsing, and registration.

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Lecture by Dr. Irene Pepperberg. "In Search of King Solomon's Ring: Studies on the Cognitive and Communicative Abilities of Grey Parrots." Please note: Alex the African Grey will not be present.

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Reception and continued shopping. Dr. Pepperberg will be selling items such as cups and bags. Phoenix Landing will be selling parrot toys from Grey Feather Toys, books, and parrot items for people (lamps, jewelry, etc.) to help the parrots in our care.

Cost: \$35 per person. We encourage you to register early by completing the registration form below and mailing it to us, along with your check made payable to Phoenix Landing. You can still register on the day of the event, but we expect a high demand for this incredible opportunity. Don't miss it!

You may also choose to attend a buffet dinner with Dr. Pepperberg and Liz Wilson. This event will support the parrots of Phoenix Landing. Per person cost is \$100. Please email if you are interested in joining us for this benefit dinner.



If you have any questions about these events, please contact us at 703.533.3838 or phoenixlanding@earthlink.net.

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____ Please add me to Phoenix Landing's mailing list

Event to attend (Please check one):

Irene Pepperberg Lecture

Number attending: _____ (Cost is \$35 per person).

A Phoenix Landing Exclusive! Benefit Dinner with Irene Pepperberg and Liz Wilson (Very limited seating available)

Number attending: _____ (Cost is \$100 per person)

**Mail to: Phoenix Landing
P.O. Box 7661
Arlington, VA 22207**

Total enclosed: _____ Please make checks payable to Phoenix Landing.

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For the latest information about this event, check our Web site at www.phoenixlanding.org

CLUB NEWS

Treasurer's Report January 20, 2004

Beginning Balance:	\$2418.76
Total Income:	\$665.00
Dues	\$575.00
Raffles	\$59.00
Magazine Sales	\$31.00
Total Expenses:	\$178.14
Printing (Dec & Jan)	\$55.50
Postage (Dec & Jan)	\$122.64
Ending Balance:	\$2905.62

Membership Report January 25, 2004

Exchange Memberships	17
Single Memberships	22
Family Memberships	11
Total Memberships	50

The following items are always needed and appreciated. To donate contact Phoenix Landing at (703) 533-3838.

- Study cages in good condition;
- New or good used toys;
- Yard sale, flea market, or jewelry sale items;
- Veterinary support;
- Nuts and dried fruit;
- Printing services: business card, postcard & brochure paper, printer cartridges
- Full spectrum light bulbs;
- Frequent flyer miles for our speakers;
- Cash donations

Resources Needed at Phoenix Landing

Consider a donation to Phoenix Landing, a tax-deductible non-profit organization dedicated to parrot rescue located in the Northern Virginia area.

National Capital Bird Club 2004 Membership Application

Name _____ Date _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Would you like to be published in the roster? _____
 Membership Type: Individual \$20.00 Family \$25.00

(If you are joining after June, your annual dues are one-half the above amounts for the year.)

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

If family membership, names of other family members: _____

Types of birds you own: _____

Are you a: Pet Owner Breeder Other _____

List any other societies, clubs, or bird magazines you subscribe to: _____

How did you hear about NCBC? _____

List the topics you would like to see covered by speakers or articles: _____

Would you consider volunteering on a committee for special projects or serving in a leadership position? Yes No

Would you be willing to serve as a guest speaker or do you know someone who would make an interesting guest speaker on pet bird-related topics? Yes No
 If so, who? _____

ANNUAL DUES ARE PAYABLE ON JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR

Mail your check, made payable to NCBC:
 4615 Harvard Road, College Park, MD 20740-3752
 Meetings are normally held the first Sunday of the month
 At the McLean Government Center, 14537 Balls Hill Rd., McLean, VA

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Club **MEETINGS** are normally held the first Sunday of each month at 3:30p.m. at the McLean Government Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean, VA; (703) 356-0551.

DIRECTIONS TO MEETINGS:

From Capital Beltway (I-495): Exit onto Rt. 123 EAST (toward McLean). Follow Rt. 123/Dolly Madison through watching for small blue sign that says "police substation." Turn left onto Lewinsville Road. Take immediate right on to Balls Hill Rd.

BIRDS are normally welcome at meetings; however, NCBC assumes no responsibility for their safety or welfare.

REFRESHMENTS: Please bring a snack to share at the meetings whenever you can. It doesn't need to be fancy or handmade, store-bought is fine.



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1/4 page	\$5	\$10
1/2 page	\$8	\$15

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UPCOMING EVENTS

February 1, 2004 (9am-4pm)

Mid-Atlantic Bird Mart

Tysons Corner VA. Westpark Best Western Hotel

Contact John Long at 703-771-9678 or

johndori@earthlink.net

February 7-8, 2004 (10-7 Sat, 10-5 Sun)

World of Pets Expo

Maryland State Fairgrounds

Timonium, MD

Contact 800-882-9894 or www.worldofpets.org

March 6, 2004 (10:30-12:30)

"Things I Wish I Had Known" Seminar

By Phoenix Landing

1725 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA

March 27-28, 2004

Bird Clubs of VA 20th Annual Convention & Mart

Hampton, VA, at the Holiday Inn

<http://www.birdclubsva.org/conv2004.htm>

Contact Carol Woodson at 804-264-8551 or cvmga@aol.com

for registration & info

April 2-4, 2004 (4-9pm Fri, 10-8 Sat, 10-5 Sun)

Super Pet Expo

Dulles Expo Center

4368 Chantilly Shopping Center

Chantilly, VA

<http://www.superpetexpo.com/shows/chantilly/>

April 3, 2004

Dr. Irene Pepperberg

GMU Fairfax Campus, Classroom 80

<http://www.phoenixlanding.org/seminars.htm>

May 8, 2004

Ask the Experts (Phoenix Landing)

Speaker: Dr. Stewart Metz, MD

Parrot Conservationist

May 23, 2004 (9am-4pm)

Mid-Atlantic Bird Mart

Tysons Corner VA. Westpark Best Western Hotel

Contact John Long at 703-771-9678 or

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