

A Message from the President

By Nancy Speed



Incredibly, forty years ago a small group of individuals met on the courthouse steps and formed an organization they named “The American Federation of Aviculture, Inc.” (AFA). Their mission may have seemed lofty as we look back in time, but it has allowed us to be where we are today. It was a time for taking action to fight those determined to literally exterminate our birds. And fight they did.

Although the face of our adversaries may have changed over the years, the challenges before us are just as monumental, threatening our ability to keep and breed birds. For forty years AFA has strived to educate and maintain fair and equitable legislation on your behalf. And, your continued support has been invaluable.

Each year AFA holds an educational conference in conjunction with our House of Delegates meeting. It is a time of fellowship, networking and learning how to be more proactive in aviculture to meet the challenges which may be very different from those faced at our inception, but just as critical if we hope to have a future with birds.

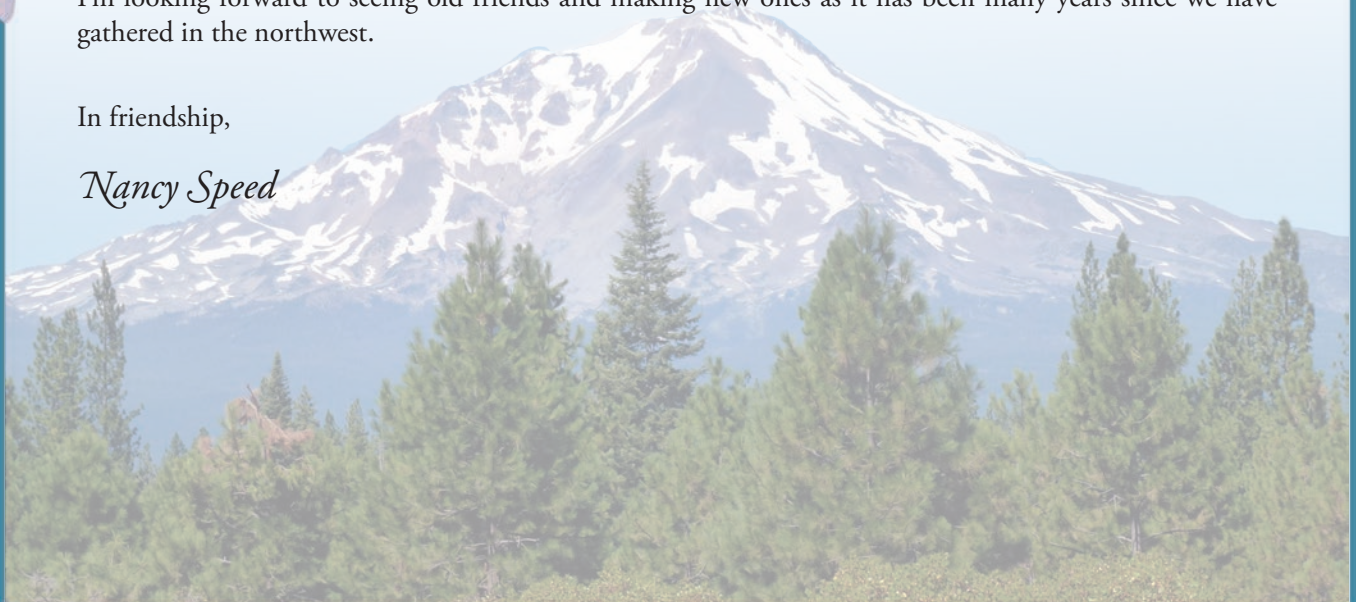
Please be sure to attend this celebration, where we exchange ideas, knowledge and experiences for the betterment of aviculture. And as we recognize those who have carried the torch on our behalf and made avicultural advancements, let’s come together and share the unique camaraderie that we all share from our own unique, common interest. We also welcome all the new faces who are eager to learn and become active in AFA’s mission.

Our conference this year will be held July 30th – August 2nd at the Holiday Inn Portland Airport. The House of Delegates meeting will take place the morning of July 30th and we will visit the Portland Zoo that same afternoon. Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be filled with speakers and other activities that will be educational and entertaining. It all begins Thursday morning with the Keynote Address given by legendary Quaker Parakeet Breeder, Bob Nelson. The Lory League will host a bird show on Saturday and on Sunday we will attend the World Famous Rose Gardens. Be sure to view our website AFAbirds.org to register and for additional information.

I’m looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones as it has been many years since we have gathered in the northwest.

In friendship,

Nancy Speed



AFA 40th Annual Conference & Avian Expo

July 30 – August 2, 2014

Holiday Inn & Conference Center 8439 NE Columbia Blvd Portland, Oregon 97220

Reservations: 503-256-5000

Duplicate this form as necessary. Use one form for each person.



Date: _____ Member # _____ E-Mail _____
 Name: _____ Phone (____) _____ Cell (____) _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Club Delegate or AFA Office held: _____ Special Needs? _____

| Qty | Description | Amount | Total |
|-----|--|--------|-------|
| | Special registration for House of Delegates Banquet Included Vegetarian _____ Non-Vegetarian _____ | | |
| | Full Registration (AFA Member) Banquet Included Vegetarian _____ Non-Vegetarian _____ | | |
| | Full Registration (Nonmember) Banquet Included Vegetarian _____ Non-Vegetarian _____ | | |
| | Youth registration 16 & under – with registered adult – banquet not included | | |
| | Daily registration: Thursday _____ Friday _____ Saturday _____ | | |
| | Wednesday Off Site trip Portland Zoo | | |
| | Sunday Off Site trip – Rose Gardens | | |
| | Extra banquet ticket _____ Vegetarian _____ Non Vegetarian _____ | | |
| | Convention Proceedings CD | | |
| | T-Shirt (enter qty) M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ | | |
| | Polo Shirt (enter qty) M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ | | |
| | AFA Membership New _____ Renew _____ Membership Level _____ | | |
| | I am staying at the convention hotel Yes No How many nights? _____ | | |

Include check payable to AFA or provide credit card information below.

Total \$ _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Credit card # _____ MC Visa AmEx (circle one) V-code _____

Expiration date: _____ Signature: _____

Registration:

House of Delegates registration includes: lectures, exhibits, specialty meetings, and a banquet ticket. One copy of Convention Proceedings is included for delegates if HOD meeting is attended. **Full registration includes:** lectures, exhibits, specialty meetings, and a banquet ticket.

Daily registration includes: lectures, exhibits, and specialty meetings for a specific day only.

Refunds:

Full refund if postmarked on or before June 17, 2014. 50 per cent refund if postmarked on or before July 1, 2014. All refund requests must be in writing and mailed or e-mailed to the address below.

Early Bird registration **MUST** be postmarked by June 18, 2014.

Hotel Information:

The Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center. Accommodations are NOT included in registrations fees. Mention AFA when making reservations to secure convention rates of \$109.00 per night for single/double occupancy.

| Minors must be accompanied at all times by a registered adult participant. | Early Bird Rates | | Normal Rates | |
|---|------------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| | AFA Member | Non-Member | AFA Member | Non-Member |
| Special Registration fee for House of Delegates | \$200.00 | | \$220.00 | |
| Full Registration | \$225.00 | \$255.00 | \$265.00 | \$295.00 |
| Youth registration 16 & under – with registered adult – banquet not included | | | \$75.00 | \$75.00 |
| Daily Registration (Per Day) | | | \$85.00 | \$110.00 |
| Wednesday or Sunday tours – Portland Zoo – Rose Gardens | | | \$55.00 | |
| Extra Banquet ticket Vegetarian _____ Non Vegetarian _____ | | | \$50.00 | |
| Convention Proceedings Pre order price \$10 | | | | |
| T-Shirts/Polo Shirts sizes M – XXL to be picked up at the Convention T-Shirts: \$25/ Polo Shirts \$45 | | | | |
| Membership: New or renew Individual - \$40 Family - \$45.00 Supporting - \$75 Commercial - \$125 | | | | |

Send with payment to: AFA PO Box 91717 Austin, Texas 78709 or email: Convention@afabirds.org Fax: 512-858-7029

For more information call 281-217-0614

The American Federation of Aviculture 40th Annual Convention

July 30 – August 2, 2014 • Portland, Oregon

“Protecting the Future of Aviculture”



KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Bob Nelson



FEATURED SPEAKERS



Patricia Anderson PhD
The Moral Status of the Quaker Parakeet: Green Angels or Winged Demons?
An Anthropological Perspective on the Human-Avian Bond



Caroline Efstathion MS
The Role of Disease in Parrot Conservation Efforts



Tom Marshall MEd, MA
“The simultaneous evolution of adaptations in two or more populations that interact so closely that each is a strong selective force on the other.”



Alycia Antheunisse
Hand-feeding: The Many Techniques to Hand Rearing Parrot Chicks



Scott Golden
Parrot Finches in American Aviculture



Katy McElroy
Ten Years with Palm Cockatoos: Notes on Breeding, Management and Pet Quality



Nyla Copp
Out on a Limb



Debbie Goodrich
Parrots Gone Wild: The Meaning of Parrots in our Lives.



Dr. Alicia McLaughlin DVM
Aspergillosis in birds: the fungus among us
Avian Atherosclerosis/heart disease: prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.



Jason Crean MA, MS
Zoo-trition: Going raw in your avian diets



Ian Heap, PhD
Birds of the Australian Outback – Tales of a Bird Loving Aussie



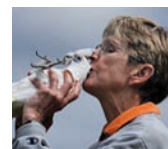
Ron Moorhead
What is Falconry?



Roland Cristo
Breeding Softbilled Song Birds



Rob Horsburgh BS
The birds and the bees, the interrelationship with honey bees, certain birds and the plants they are dependent on.



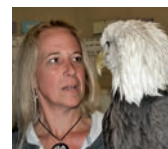
Chris Shank
Positive Parrot Training Using a Clicker



Kateri J. Davis
Introduction to Turacos in Aviculture
Introduction to Mousebirds in Aviculture



Sally Huntington
“Hand Rearing”: hatching to weaning.



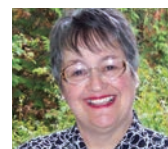
Robin Shewokis
10 Things you can make with PVC in 15 minutes or less.



Barbara Dwyer
Can enhancing the welfare of Psittacines in an avian store positively affect length of time to sale?



Nancy Ingram
A Breeding Trigger for Strawberry Finches



Patti Strand
Animals, public policy and the animal rights agenda.