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PWC CALENDAR

Board Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Members are welcome to speak at the beginning of each meeting during Public Comment or to request a topic be added to our Agenda.

October & November

Our Volunteer Opportunities Orientations (VOO) will be held monthly on a Saturday at 10 a.m. For dates and to sign up for an orientation, please go to: www.pacificwildlifecare.org Look for the 'VOO registration' button on the home page.

Follow-up training(s) for Hotline & Rescue/Transport will be announced at the VOO.

Nov. 6th 12:00-4:00 pm - Soupabration! Fall Fundraiser at Morro Bay Community Center, Morro Bay (see announcement inside)

Nov. 13th 1:00-3:00 PM Annual Membership Meeting, Morro Bay Community Center. BOD Election - Speaker - Wildlife Ambassadors.

Nov. 19 - Benefactor Members’ Tour Reception (by invitation)

Dec. 5 - Patron & Sponsor Members’ Tour Reception (by invitation)

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RESCUING A BALD EAGLE IN 107 DEGREE HEAT by John FitzRandolph

It was a stifling 107 degrees in North County on August 13, the day the Chimney Fire broke out. That was also the day that Bob and Sharon Blakely set out on their first wildlife rescue adventure, to locate and capture an injured bald eagle in the rugged Nacimiento Lake area.

After receiving a call from the PWC hotline volunteer, they drove an hour to the lake. They crossed Nacimiento in a Monterey County Park Ranger’s boat, made their way up a steep hillside hauling a soft carrier from PWC, a sheet, raptor gloves – accompanied by their daughter Andy and her husband Matt.

Their first strategy – to have Bob net the eagle while Sharon distracted it with the sheet – was not workable. A better idea was to have Sharon approach the bird from behind (while it focused on Bob with the net), and cover its head with the sheet. Following this procedure, the eagle was calmly stowed in the soft-sided carrier and the group took the boat back across Nacimiento.

But while in the boat, Sharon said, “We all noticed a tiny plume of smoke which at first sight resembled an illegal campfire. But later, the smoke grew to epic proportions.” Rangers in the boat quickly radioed the explosive blaze to fire officials. A month and 46,344 burned acres – plus 49 residences – later, the fire was finally contained.

Rescue information by Sharon Blakely
Photos by Matthew Fidelibus

AMAZING “MATCHING FUNDS” OPPORTUNITY DEADLINE!

In case you missed the announcement in previous newsletters, PWC is fortunate that a generous donor is offering a matching fund opportunity for 2016. Funds must be received before December 31, 2016 to be counted.*

So, now is the time to think about whether you would like your donation to be DOUBLED! To qualify, you must meet one of these criteria:

1. New: First-Time Members/Donors (100% matched)
2. Lapsed: Members/Donors who have not made a donation in 2015 (100% matched)
3. Increased: Membership/Donations increased in the last year (increased amount will be matched) For example: if you donated $200 in 2015, and donate $350 before December 31, your additional $150 will be matched.

*It's possible that the funding amount offered may be reached before the end of the year, so if you want your donation doubled, don't wait!
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Welcome New Members & Donors  
(May–August 2016)
Natalie Ackhart  
James Aproberts  
Valerie & Brian Bailey  
Grace Baker  
Eric Baldwin  
Jennifer Blackwell  
Eden Breazeale  
Jessica Camper  
Melissa Carney  
Elaine Cartwright  
Bonita Churney  
Shelie Clark  
Jerry L. Clay  
Daniel Conn  
Mark Ditchie  
Sue Dokuli  
Rebecca Doolittle  
Victoria Doust  
David Edmunson  
Mary Eister  
John Everett  
Jamie Ferguson  
Joetta Foraker  
Melinda George  
Amy Gode  
Dorothy Gomez  
Louise & Ted Hamm  
Frank Hammond  
Kathlene Henry-Gorman  
Iline Hipfel  
Sue Howard  
Richard Jaime  
Bonnie & John Jones  
Brad Knox  
Josephine Laing  
Neil Langley  
Labelline  
Cary Lou Martinson  
Dan McGeary  
Brian McNeal  
Joshua & Ryan Messina  
Eileen Murta  
Melinda Siebold  
Katrina Siems  
Tere Sme  
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Pau Lo Norcom  
Angela Olmos  
Anne Osbaldeston  
Maureen Oster  
Lucy Parkin  
Lin Penrose  
Steve Peterson  
William C. Pierotti  
Sarah Pope  
Kathleen Quigg  
Cynthia Reploge  
Judith & Grayson Sackett  
Elizabeth Saylor  
Lori Scobie  
Julie Scribner  
John & Kay Semon  
Carrie Shepard  
Jeanette Stanley  
AJ Starling  
Carisa Stephens  
Caitlin Streeter  
Ladd & Patricia Strnad  
Clare Strohman  
Linda Thompson  
Rachelle Toti  
James Tucker  
T. & L. Vail  
Carol von Ehrenkrook  
Penelope Jane Von Koehle  
Suzanne Wagner  
Jermaine Washington  
James Welch  
Arlene Winn  
Katarina Wittich  
Ken Yards

$5-$10/month  
Adele Anderson  
Kathryn Cain  
Joan Decker  
Kathy Duncan  
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Elaine Genasci  
Julie & David Hammack  
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Norma Holzer  
Anne Julian  
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D. Magnano  
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Leonna Martinez  
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Marcelle Bakula  
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Joyce Fields  
John FitzRandolph  
Virginia Flaherty  
Tera Galanti  
$15-$25/ month  
John Gange  
Gayle George  
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Ed Grimshaw  
Donna Guild  
Arylane Hill  
Michelle Hinds  
Donald Holder  
Danielle Johnson  
Dave Klinzman  
Brad Knox  
Maureen Lannan  
Shelly Larsen  
Terry Mead  
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Pat Reed  
Travis Rogers  
Richard Schultz  
Kathy Sorrells  
Nancy Stephens  
Philip Strahl  
Dulcie Taylor  
Lillian Thayer  
Gregory Thayer  
James Tucker  
$15-$25/ month  
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JoAnn Wheatley  
Stephen Williams  
Lela Wright  
$30-$50/ month  
Susan Belany  
Beatriz Boothe  
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Marion Erling  
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Gloria Laut*  
Cleve Ill Nish  
Gary & Eileen Orback  
Tere R. Prince  
Francis Rivinus  
Claudette Saylor  
Amy Sinclair  
AJ Starling*  
Sharon Suttiff  
$30-$50/ month  
Harry Cohon  
Julie & David Hammack  
Brandi Bergreen  
Michelle & Steve Hinds  
Susan Belany  
Kelly Copeland  
Donna O’Shaughnessy  
Kimberly Perez  
Marleta Warner-Garner  
& Bob Garner  
$130 & up / month  
Becky Kincaid  
Kelly Cherry  
Terry Mead  
Rick Jaime*  
Karen & Jim Clarke  
Meg Crockett  
Harvey Cohon  
Julie & David Delfino  
Travis Rogers  
Cleve III Nash  
Leonna Martinez  
Rick Derevan  
Richard Schultz  
Kathy Sorrells  
Nancy Stephens  
Philip Strahl  
Dulcie Taylor  
Lillian Thayer  
Gregory Thayer  
James Tucker  
$60-$100/ month  
Scott McKechnie  
Tony DiBernardo  
Kathy Sorrells  
Teri R. Prince  
Craig Heyl ($10/mo)  
Michael Pilegard  
Sharlene Dorsey  
Nancy Stephens  
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Herb & Deb Holt ($30/mo)  
Alison Plemons  
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### 2016 Facility Upgrades

#### Pelagic Pool
New 10' diameter pelagic pool for seabirds. Many thanks to Hind Foundation for their generous funding.

#### Semi-Aquatic
The funds raised at Soupabration! 2015 allowed the building of this new habitat for herons, egrets and ducks.

#### Songbird Aviary
Our third songbird aviary for transitioning songbirds from Baby Bird Room is now complete.

#### New Entryway
Long-awaited new double entry for Flight 1 and Songbird Aviary 3 & Semi-aquatic enclosure.

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### Pelagic Cormorant

**By Elissa Blair**

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More time went by and during a routine weight check, the Cormorant’s weight had finally gone way up! The bird had finally started eating!

We were so excited after such a long period of frustration as we were beginning to lose hope.

After the positive turn, further time was taken for the bird to get back to a normal weight, have good blood values, and exercise in a pool. The Cormorant’s numbers continued to go in a positive direction and on August 28, the bird was released to regain his/her much-deserved freedom!

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### Soupabration!

**A World of Soup**

**Sunday, November 6th, 2016**

Join us on Sunday, November 6th, at the Morro Bay Community Center for a delightful afternoon: emceed by Robin Akins Downes; extraordinary soups from local chefs and restaurants; exceptional wines from local wineries; beer, olive oil & chocolate tasting; a silent & live auction; and wait – there’s more – Holiday gift tables, entertainment and our Wildlife Ambassadors!

**BUY TICKETS ONLINE:** [SOUPABRATION.ORG](http://soupabration.org)

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### Releases

**May-August 2016**

- Acorn Woodpecker 1
- American Crow 12
- American Kestrel 6
- Anna's Hummingbird 5
- Band-tailed Pigeon 2
- Barn owl 6
- Bats 5
- Black Phoebe 1
- Black-crowned Night Heron 1
- Black-tailed Jackrabbit 2
- Botta's Pocket Gopher 1
- Brandt's Cormorant 9
- Brewer's Blackbird 7
- Brown Pelican 1
- Brush Rabbit 5
- Bushtit 5
- California Ground Squirrel 8
- California Gull 2
- California Quail 3
- California Thrasher 2
- California Towhee 6
- Clark's Grebe 2
- Cliff Swallow 37
- Coast Garter Snake 1
- Common Loon 1
- Common Murre 1
- Cooper's Hawk 1
- Dark-eyed Junco 3
- Deer Mouse 7
- Desert Cottontail 1
- Double-crested Cormorant 3
- Eared Grebe 1
- Eurasian Collared-dove 37
- European Starling 22
- Gopher Snake 1
- Great Egret 3
- Great Horned Owl 7
- Green Heron 2
- Heermann's Gull 2
- House Finch 14
- House Sparrow 9
- Least Sandpiper 1
- Loggerhead Shrike 6
- Mallard 30
- Merriam's Chipmunk 1
- Mourning Dove 5
- Northern Flicker 1
- Northern Mockingbird 4
- Oak Titmouse 1
- Pacific Garter snake 1
- Pacific Loon 2
- Pelagic Cormorant 1
- Red-shouldered Hawk 4
- Red-tailed Hawk 7
- Ring-billed Gull 1
- Rock Pigeon 20
- Snowy Egret 3
- Snowy Plover 1
- Striped Skunk 14
- Tree Swallow 1
- Turkey Vulture 3
- Virginia Opossum 73
- Western Bluebird 9
- Western Gray Squirrel 7
- Western Grebe 3
- Western Gull 26
- Western Pond Turtle 12
- Western Scrub Jay 28
- Whimbrel 1
- White-breasted Nuthatch 2
- White-throated Swift 2
- Wilson's Warbler 1
- Yellow Warbler 1

**Total:** 521

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Holidays! Give a gift membership (see offer on page two)

SPECIAL THANK YOUS

Bob Blakely – fixing the window blinds!
Beatriz Boothe – putting out the “Egret / Heron” signs along Morro Bay’s Embarcadero instructing tourists to call PWC in case a fledgling is on the ground there.
Victoria DeLeon – giving tons of help with the semi-aquatic enclosure.
The Gallo Family – coordinating the Summer Youth Art Show.

McKaila Lewis – generously hosting friends and family for her birthday with all proceeds to PWC – raised over $500! She is the epitome of generosity as this is the 4th time she’s foregone gifts in order to have donations come to us!
Members – who have already given above their 2015 donations to qualify for our 2016 Matching Opportunity.
Tom Sherry – working on the new reconfiguration and new gate in mammal caging.
SLO County – granting for summer interns.
Lilly Thayer – selling her car and giving PWC half!

PWC’s mission is to support San Luis Obispo wildlife through rehabilitation and educational outreach. We envision Pacific Wildlife Care as an advocate for wildlife. By sharing our experiences, we inspire community participation to reduce harm to our wild neighbors.

Membership/Donations Save Lives

Yes, I would like to give wildlife a second chance!

- Benefactor $3,000
- Patron $1,500
- Sponsor $600
- Contributor $300
- Supporter $150
- Advocate $60
- Student/Senior/Volunteer $30
- Other _______________
- I would like information on adding Pacific Wildlife Care to my will or trust.
- I would like to volunteer

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Please check: □ New Membership □ Renewal □ Donation □ I would like to volunteer

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