

# Birdy Bytes

## Newsletter for the High Desert Bird Club of New Mexico



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### Upcoming Events

March 28<sup>th</sup> – Big Day of Events

**Saturday**

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Bird Toy Sale

Noon – 2:00 PM Animal Communicator

**Location: Inez Park**

2027 Wisconsin Street NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

April TBD – General Meeting

**Birdy Bingo!**

**Sunday, 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Location: Parrot Pantry**

2325 San Pedro Drive NE, Ste11

Albuquerque, NM 87110

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### Words from the Prez

Hello Everyone,

Spring is in the air!!! Not only are we dealing with high pollen counts, but we are also dealing with high screaming too!!

Warmer weather gets our flock excited for outside time. Remember Vitamin D is great for your birds and they enjoy being outside. Make sure you secure their cage doors, never ever walk around with your bird on your shoulder hoping it won't fly away. Keep them in a carrier, on a harness or a travel cage.

Socializing with your feathered friend is great for you and them just take it slow. New people and new environments can be very stressful.

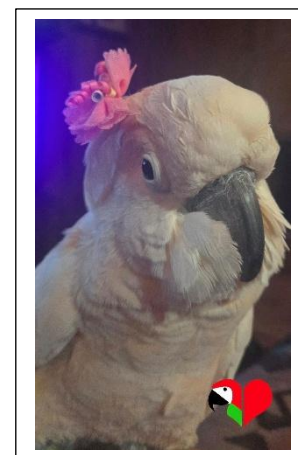
We will have our semi-annual, pop-up bird toy sale event this Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>. Plan on joining us, meeting and talking with other bird people. Be a part of our growing bird community.

Birds of a feather flock together!

See you Saturday!!

**Dorothy Newbill**

**Luca  
Birdie Ambassador  
Posing for His Closeup**



## Bird Club Biz

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High Desert Bird Club of NM  
[www.HighDesertBirdClub.org](http://www.HighDesertBirdClub.org)

**Bird Rescue Hotline: (505) 554-0804**

### General Meetings

**Monthly, usually on a Sunday**

Meeting time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### Location:

**Birds of a Feather Parrot Pantry**  
2325 San Pedro Drive NE, Ste 11  
Albuquerque, NM 87110

### Club Officers

President: Dorothy Newbill  
Vice President: Susan Carolus  
Secretary: Sparky Newell  
Treasurer: Carolyn Newell

### Committee Chairpersons

Social Media/Publicity: Available  
Bird Rescue: Jennifer Catron  
Education: Dorothy Newbill  
Fundraising: Available  
Hospitality: Available  
Membership: Available  
Newsletter: Jennifer Catron  
Website: Jennifer Catron

### Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance (stmt 12/31/25)	<b>\$1,113.83</b>
Revenue (memberships)	\$65.00
Expenses	\$0.00
Ending balance (stmt 2/28/26)	<b>\$1,178.83</b>

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**The High Desert Bird Club of NM is a  
501(c)(3) educational, public charity  
recognized by the IRS.**

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### Membership Requirements

Any person interested in cage birds who agrees to support the objectives in the HDDB By-Laws is eligible for membership.

### Membership Dues

\$20.00 Individual  
\$30.00 Household  
\$15.00 Junior (17 or younger)  
\$15.00 Senior (60 or older)  
\$25.00 Senior Household

Dues are payable in January of each year or at a quarterly pro-rated amount upon joining the Club.

### Newsletter Policy

*Birdy Bytes* is generally issued on a monthly basis. Content from members is encouraged. Content deemed obscene, inflammatory, overtly personal, copyrighted without permission to republish, or insufficiently bird-related may not be published at the discretion of the newsletter Editor.

### Newsletter Advertising Policy

Any individual or business that supports HDDB through the donation of money, goods, or services may have a near business-card sized ad published in the newsletter for three months for no cost.

Members may have a text ad of up to 50 words and a reasonable number of supporting photos for no cost. Ads run for two months and may be renewed for two-month increments. Members are responsible for contacting the newsletter Editor to renew their ad.

Advertising space may be purchased. A half-page ad costs \$25 for six months. Additional ad sizes and corresponding rates are available.

Newsletter Editor reserves the right to accept or reject any advertisement based on the appropriateness for *Birdy Bytes*.

To submit content for *Birdy Bytes*, contact Jennifer Catron, Editor, at [jrcatron@aol.com](mailto:jrcatron@aol.com), or (505) 235-2803.

Thank you.



## General Meeting

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**March 28, 2026 \*\*\* SATURDAY**

### Guest Speaker

**Kate Shadock, Animal Communicator**

**Date: Saturday, March 28, 2026**

**Time: Noon – 2:00 PM**

**Location: Inez Park**

**2027 Wisconsin Street NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110**

Free to attend – all are welcome!

Have you ever wished you could better understand what your bird is trying to tell you?

This month, the High Desert Bird Club of NM welcomes **Kate Shadock**, Medical Intuitive and Animal Communicator, founder of Radiant Animals, with over 20 years of experience working with domestic and exotic animals worldwide.

So... what exactly *is* an animal communicator?

Kate describes her work as creating a heart-based, telepathic connection with animals — often working long-distance using only a photograph. By connecting energetically, she gathers insights about what may be out of balance physically or emotionally. Using what she calls the “Radiant Animal Method,” she communicates, asks permission to work, discovers root causes of imbalance, and helps recalibrate the body-heart-mind connection.

While intuitive work does not replace responsible veterinary care, veterinarians sometimes refer clients to her as a supportive adjunct approach.

Kate works with issues such as behavior concerns, inflammation, chronic health challenges, relocation stress, introducing a new pet, and even end-of-life support. She believes animals are wise teachers and that understanding their perspective can reduce

frustration, improve decision-making, and deepen the human-animal bond.

Whether you are curious, skeptical, or somewhere in between, this presentation promises to be thought-provoking and engaging.

Join us to explore a new dimension of connection with our beloved birds — and all animals.

**This guest speaker is the same day and place as the Bird Toy Sale.**

This is an **outdoor venue**. Please use a carrier or harness if you choose to bring a bird. (The Cooper’s Hawks are nesting in the park trees.)

Some outdoor chairs will be available. Everyone is encouraged to bring a chair or blanket to sit on if you have one.

Members, guests, and birds are always welcome. Tell a friend.

## Meeting Minutes

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No meeting in February due to schedule conflicts. No minutes.

## HDBC Hotline

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No calls were received.



# Bird Toy Sale!!!

Saturday, March 28, 2026 is almost here!

Date: **Saturday, March 28, 2026**

Time: **9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

Location: **Inez Park**  
2027 Wisconsin Street NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110



Last Year's Bird Toy Sale

Tina will be visiting Albuquerque again this Saturday with a nice variety of bird toys, perches and accessories all the way from Phoenix, Arizona.

This sale is **one day only**.

If you have a questions for Tina regarding bird toys or a custom-size perch, you can find her on [Facebook](#), call, or email her directly before this Thursday, March 26, 2026.

Tina McClendon, (623) 341-3375

Email: [CreationsJT@aol.com](mailto:CreationsJT@aol.com)



## Bird Rescue, Foster, and Adoption



Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of New Mexico (BOAF) officially reopened the adoption process on January 15, 2026.

Quite a few birds were surrendered during the adoption hiatus, especially budgies. All kinds of birds found their way to BOAF from Zebra finches to Macaws. All are looking for a new person in their life and a kind and loving home.



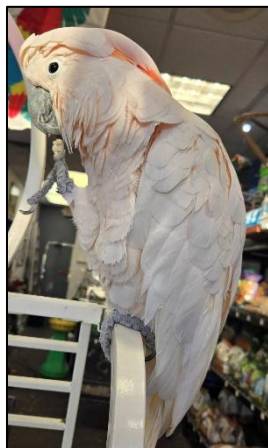
If you are interested in adopting, fostering, or volunteering, please complete an application posted on their website at:

<https://www.birdsof Feather nm.org/>

You can also follow them on their Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/birdsof Feather nm/> for current events and activities at the rescue.

**Rosevelt  
Moluccan Cockatoo**



## Parrot Pantry

Parrot Pantry is the place to go for all your parrot supplies.



A wide variety of parrot food, toys, perches, stands, cages, and accessories are available for sale.



No birds are sold at the Parrot Pantry.

Parrot Pantry is part of Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of New Mexico. The current bird surrender and adoption process will continue under the rescue.

### Store Hours:

**Tuesday – Saturday 10AM – 6PM  
Closed Sunday and Monday**

### Location:

**2325 San Pedro Drive NE, Ste 11  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 584-1803 (Store Phone)**

If you are not already following, check out the Facebook pages for Birds of the Feather Parrot Rescue and Parrot Pantry. Follow these pages for the latest information for both the rescue and store.

[Facebook - Birds of a Feather Parrot Rescue of NM](#)

[Facebook - Birds Of A Feather "Parrot Talk"](#)

[Facebook - BOAF Parrot Pantry](#)

## Classified Ads

### Pet Sitting

Sparky and Carolyn Newell, Officers of High Desert Bird Club of NM, and owners of Exotics of the Rainforest, LLC, will pet sit for one bird in our home while you are away for business or pleasure. Forty-five years of experience caring for parrots from Conures to Macaws! We have ten parrots of our own, five Macaws, three Amazons, and two Conures. Located in Albuquerque, NM. Reasonable rates. Call (505) 220-4737.

### Facebook Fun

When the dollar store imitation Peeps have had a rough trip over from China.



**African Grey Door Dash**

## Friends of HDBC

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