President’s Message
by Vic Leipzig, President

Happy New Year 2015

For Sea & Sage, the year 2014 ended on a high note with three tremendous Christmas Bird Counts, Inland, Coastal, and Southern. Final tally isn’t in yet, but over 200 species were sighted on the Coastal count alone. That’s likely to put that count circle among the top ten circles out of roughly 1500 counts in the USA.

The new year of 2015 began for Sea & Sage with our annual CBC Specialties field trip. This year participants found Winter Wren, Northern Waterthrush, White-throated Sparrow, Varied Thrush, Lewis’s Woodpecker, Thayer’s Gull, and Black-vented Shearwater. Those are just some of the highlights among dozens of other species. Watch for the full list at the chapter website.

Then on Tuesday, January 6, the Sea & Sage Conservation Committee held its first meeting of year. Our chapter is not just a bird club. We are a dedicated conservationist organization, committed to action to protect birds and their habitats throughout Orange County and beyond.

Whatever your interest in birds and nature, I’m sure there is some activity at Sea & Sage that will be right for you. I’m pleased that our chapter has such a strong base of membership—nearly 4,000 members. My thanks to them all for paying their dues! What surprises me is that so many do not participate at a more active level.

Whether it’s field trips, or citizen science, or bird education, or environmental activism, I invite you to join with the like-minded folks at Sea & Sage. I’m confident that you’ll find it both fun and fulfilling.

Whatever the role you play with Audubon, I wish you a very Happy New Year, filled with the beauty of birds and the joy they can bring.

General Meeting
February 20th - Friday evening - 7:30 pm

“An Exploration of Migration and Dispersal in Swallows”
presented by Dr. David Winkler

Our February speaker will be Dr. David Winkler of Cornell University and the Laboratory of Ornithology. He will explore the two kinds of movements that birds make in their lives: migration to and from wintering quarters vs. dispersal to a new breeding location. Both of these kinds of movements are poorly understood in swallows, and he studies them with a combination of large-scale volunteer “armies” of bird-binders and newly invented electronic tools to track birds over long periods of time. The movements of birds are one of the most fascinating aspects of their biology, and Dr. Winkler encourages us to try to see these movements through the eyes of the birds so we can better understand how birds make their journeys and how the birds fit those movements into their busy lives.

A professor at Cornell in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Dr. Winkler obtained his PhD at UC Berkeley. He was a Thord-Gray and Fulbright Fellow at the University of Gothenburg Sweden, and attended Oxford University as a NATO Postdoctoral Fellow. His accolades include: National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow in environmental biology; fellow of the American Ornithologists’ Union; Director of the Cornell University Museum of Vertebrates; and member of the Administrative Board of the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. Dr. Winkler received the Faculty Excellence in Mentoring Award in 2002, and was a Stephen Weiss Presidential Fellow for teaching in 2007.

The program will be held in the Duck Club, at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine. The doors open at 7:00 for refreshments and fellowship, and the meeting and program begin at 7:30 pm. Audubon House will be open from 6:30 to 7:15 for those who arrive early. We hope you will join us. (See page 7 for directions to the meeting.)

Doug Lithgow, Programs Chair
4th Tues. Conservation Lecture
Tuesday, February 24th – 7:30 pm in the Learning Center, SJWS
“Harlan’s Hawk, a subspecies of Red-tailed Hawk?”
presented by William S. Clark

Our guest speaker for this month’s conservation lecture will be Bill Clark. The following is from his description of this program:

“Audubon described Harlan’s Hawk as Buteo harlani, based on a specimen he collected in Louisiana in 1830. The specimen, now in the British Museum, was a dark-morph adult and had a gray tail. Harlan’s Hawks breed in Alaska, Yukon, and NW British Columbia and winter south of Canada in the US. It has been deemed twice by the American Ornithological Union (AOU) checklist Committee (1892 & 1972) to be a subspecies of Red-tailed Hawk (Buteo jamaicensis), neither time with taxonomic justification. In 1944 it was again deemed by this Committee to be a species, with references given for justifying this decision.”

“I will discuss these taxonomic decisions, as well as what I have learned about this interesting buzzard. Specifically that it differs consistently in five characters from Red-tails and that light-morph adult Harlan’s are interbreeding with Red-tails over a large area of western Canada. As Red-tailed Hawks have interbred with four other North American Buteo species, such interbreeding in itself does not mean that Harlan’s Hawk is its subspecies. I will briefly discuss several papers used to support Harlan’s being a Red-tail subspecies and why their justifications are not convincing. Also, I will briefly discuss Krider’s Hawk and its plumage similarities with light-morph Harlan’s and present a possible scenario for its evolution from the Red-tailed Hawk. Finally, I will use the criteria for assigning species rank used by the British Ornithological Union to support Harlan’s Hawk being a species; the AOU lacks such criteria.”

Please join us for this intriguing discussion. Doors open at 7:00 for snacks and social.

Sea and Sage Audubon’s BirdSeasons CA
Sign-up for Training
Saturday, Feb. 28 10 am to 12:30, SJWS Learning Center

We need your help! If you did not already sign-up at the January “4th Tuesday” for the training session for BirdSeasons CA, please sign up now by sending an email to susansheakley@cox.net. Susan will send you a confirmation reminder by email on Thursday, Feb. 26. Note: Susan will be travelling during February until Feb. 25.

BirdSeasons CA is a new field study at the SJWS that will begin March 2015 with your help. Questions? See pg. 2 of the Jan. Tattler or contact Sandy DeSimone at sdesimone@audubon.org.

Bloom-Hays Ecological Research Grant

Pete Bloom and Loren Hays are both well known within the chapter for their passion to protect birds and open spaces. The Weir Canyon Fund (championed by Pete Bloom in the 1980s) and the Loren Hays Memorial Fund have been combined to create a funding for ecological research projects. The objective of the Bloom-Hays Ecological Research Grant is to advance ecological research, particularly research related to avian species and the natural communities upon which they depend, by providing funds or supplies to support research activities benefitting native species and habitats in Southern California. Graduate students, undergraduates, and high schoolers are invited to apply for research grants varying from $250 to $2500. The grant application and instruction will be posted on the Sea and Sage website under Conservation. Application packages must be received by email no later than March 15, 2015. (Note: if we are unable to update our website in a timely manner, this deadline will be extended. Watch the website for the posting of this year’s application and to see whether the deadline has been extended.)

—Amber Heredia

Chapter Volunteer Party - Feb. 14th

If you volunteered at a chapter activity in 2014 we hope you will join us at a special party Saturday, 2/14, 7 – 9:30 pm. Watch for your invitation.
The Sea and Sage Annual Dinner will once again be held at the Mile Square Park Banquet Center on Friday evening, March 20th. This year’s speaker is the renowned Kimball Garrett, who will present “Avian Invaders in California.” While spending a lifetime birding in the Los Angeles area, Kimball developed an interest and passion for introduced bird species and has been at the forefront of efforts to document their status in California. His talk is a light-hearted look at a serious subject, with the goal of enlisting more birders in an effort to monitor the non-native species that are becoming an increasing component of our avifauna.

Mr. Garrett is the Ornithology Collections Manager for the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles -- and he has provided tours of the LA Natural History collection to the participants in Sea and Sage’s junior naturalist program. He is responsible for the care and use of the ornithological collections, additions of specimens to the collections, and the databases associated with the collections. A lifelong California resident, he grew up in Hollywood, received his undergraduate education in Zoology at UCLA and UC Berkeley, and did graduate work in Ornithology at UCLA.

The evening’s program will include the presentation of our chapter’s Fern Zimmerman Conservation Award and Letters of Commendation, and a limited item raffle and silent auction. The Mile Square Park Banquet Center is located at the south end of Mile Square Park, at the intersection of Warner & Ward. Free parking is available. Below is the schedule for the evening:

- **No Host Bar**: 6:00 p.m.
- **Dinner**: 7:00 p.m.
- **Program**: 8:00 p.m., sharp!
- **Location**: Mile Square Park Banquet Center
- **Tickets**: $45 for all reservations received before March 1st
- **Entrees**: $50 for reservations received on or after March 1st

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY. Seating will be assigned in the order the reservations are received. If you wish to sit with friends, make sure they send in their reservations on the same date you do. To reserve a seat, make your check payable to: Sea & Sage Audubon; include the name of each person for whom a reservation is made. If you wish group seating, please indicate that on the reservation form; each table will seat **10 people**. Mail your check and the reservation form to: Annual Dinner, Sea and Sage Audubon, PO Box 5447, Irvine, CA 92616. Be sure to include your email address and phone number on the reservation form. A message confirming your reservation, along with directions and a map, will be sent to you. **Note: stand-in volunteers will be helping with reservations this year, so there may be a slight delay. Please bear with us.** All reservations must be received by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16th.

**2015 Annual Dinner Reservation Form**

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Phone (in case we need to contact you quickly) ____________________________

**Entrees**: [C] Chicken [V] Vegetarian. Detailed information about the menu will be available later. All dinners will include a salad, fresh vegetables, freshly baked rolls, coffee, tea, or decaf, and dessert.

**Mail your reservations to**: Annual Dinner, Sea and Sage Audubon, PO Box 5447, Irvine, CA 92616.
Upcoming Field Trips
Nancy Kenyon, Field Trip Chair
For additional trip information, check our chapter webpage at: http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org Trips marked with an® require advance reservations.

There will be a slight delay before Nancy Kenyon can process field trip reservations. She is currently ill. Please be assured, however, that reservations will be taken in the order received and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Caspers Wilderness Park bird walk
Wednesday, Feb. 4th - 8:00 am to 11:00
Join Diane Etchison for a bird walk at Caspers Wilderness Park. Directions: Take the I-5 Fwy south to Ortega Hwy and turn left (toward the mts.). Drive 7.6 miles to Caspers Park, which will be on your left. Be prepared to pay the $3 entrance fee if you don’t have a county parks pass. Meet in the Old Corral day use area.
Leader: Diane Etchison

Monthly Wildlife Walk at the SJWS
Saturday, Feb. 7th - 9:00 am to 10:30
We’ll be exploring the birds, plants, and creatures of the marsh on this wildlife walk at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary. Meet in front of Audubon House at 9:00 am for a 1 ½ hour nature walk. (See page 7 for directions.)
Leaders: Audubon Naturalists

Monthly Bird Walk at the SJWS
Sunday, Feb. 8th - 8:00 am to 12:00
Join Chris Obaditch for a monthly bird walk around the ponds of the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary in Irvine. This may be the last month to see the full array of ducks and shorebirds before they begin to leave for their nesting grounds up north. Meet by the front porch of Audubon House at 8:00 am. See page 7 for directions.

Laguna Niguel Reg. Park bird walk
Wednesday, Feb. 11th – 9:00 am to 11:00
Join Mike Clayton for a morning of birding at Laguna Niguel Regional Park. This park attracts a wide variety of birds with its meandering streams and a large lake which attracts waterfowl and shore birds. Beginning and intermediate birders are welcome. Age limit is 10 years and above. This bi-monthly bird walk will be offered on the 2nd Wednesday of alternate months.
Directions: Take Santa Ana Fwy. (5) to La Paz Road off ramp. Head west 4 miles to the park entrance. Be prepared to pay the $3 entrance fee if you don’t have a county parks pass. Meet at Shelter #3 parking lot at the far end of the park where there is ample parking and a nearby restroom.
Leader: Mike Clayton

Oak Canyon bird walk
Sunday, Feb. 15th - 7:30 am to 11:30
Come join us for a walk at Oak Canyon Nature Center, a little jewel nestled in Anaheim Hills. We will bird along the stream and oak woodlands for woodpeckers, warblers, and winter visitors like chickadees, then through the coastal sage scrub along the canyon ridge for Cactus Wren and Rufous-crowned Sparrows, and up to the Walnut Canyon Reservoir for waterfowl and shorebirds. Parking and entry is free. We will meet at the Nature Center near the parking lot. Address: Oak Canyon Nature Center, 6700 East Walnut Canyon Rd, Anaheim, CA 92807 Directions: From 55, exit Nohl Ranch Rd and travel east, then left on E Walnut Canyon Rd; the park is at the end of the road. From 91, exit Imperial Highway and head south, then left on Nohl Ranch Rd heading east to E. Walnut Canyon Rd.
Leader: Garett Lepper

* The Upper Newport Bay pontoon boat trip is full for February.

Upper Newport Bay bird walk
Sunday, Feb. 22nd - 8:00 am to 11:00 am
Join Mark Kincheloe for the monthly bird walk in Upper Newport bay to check out the shorebirds, waterfowl, herons & egrets, and raptors. Bring binoculars, a field guide, and a scope if you have one. Directions: Meet in the Big Canyon parking lot in Newport Beach. This is easily reached from Jamboree. Take San Joaquin Hills Rd west toward the bay where it intersects with Back Bay Dr. Turn right and follow Back Bay Dr. to the Big Canyon Parking lot on your left.
Leader: Mark Kincheloe

* Information about the Owl Prowls at Starr Ranch in March can be found on the Sea and Sage website. These popular trips fill up quickly so don’t wait ’til the last minute to sign up! Other events to plan for:
Great Backyard Bird Count, www.birdsource.org/gbbc
April – Eastern Sierra
May – Pelagic
June – Southern Sierra
Comprehensive workshops on raptor identification will be presented during two weekends in 2015. The instructor for the course will be Bill Clark, coauthor of *Hawks*, the raptor field guide in the Peterson series, and the *Photographic Guide to North American Raptors*. Bill has been conducting these popular workshops in Orange County as elsewhere for many years.

Although the pace and emphasis will vary with the experience of the participants, both workshops will first cover the basic field marks for the identification of California raptors. Then, a more thorough coverage of the field ID of Accipiters, eagles, and buteos will be presented. Also discussed will be molt and its use in field ID, terminology, albinism and other unusual plumages. The field ID of vagrants to be expected in California will be covered, as well as how to document their sightings.

An **INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP** will be presented the weekend of Feb. 27 – March 1. The workshop will start with about two hours of classroom instruction on Friday evening, starting at 7:15. It will meet all day Saturday and Sunday with a break for lunch. On each of those days some of the time will be spent in the classroom and the rest in the field, visiting a variety of raptor locations. Details will be announced at the Friday evening session.

The **ADVANCED WORKSHOP** will take place the weekend of March 6-8 and have the same time schedule as the introductory one. It is designed for people who have had some experience observing hawks. The basic field marks will be covered, but more quickly, allowing time for several advanced topics.

Transportation will be in private vehicles; carpools will be arranged. You will be required to sign a liability release form in order to participate in the field trips. Each vehicle must have an FRS radio (short-range radio for communication between vehicles). Bring yours, if you have one; loaners will be available.

The required text for the workshop will be the second edition of *Hawks* by Clark and Wheeler (Houghton Mifflin Co., 2001). Recommended, but not required, is *Photographic Guide to North American Raptors* by Wheeler and Clark. Copies of both books will be available for purchase at the workshop.

Bill Clark has many decades of experience working with birds of prey and has published on a variety of raptor subjects, including many papers on raptor identification.

Classes will be held at the home of Sylvia Gallagher in Huntington Beach. A map to the meeting place will be enclosed with workshop confirmation.

The cost of the workshop is $150.00 for each weekend—to be enclosed with your registration.

Enrollment each weekend will be limited to 25 participants and may be cancelled if there is insufficient registration by February 12. Don't wait until the last minute to register; your workshop may have been cancelled because you forgot to register! Confirmations and further information will be mailed out on February 13, 2015.

Mail your enrollment form, check for the workshop fee, and a long, self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to Raptor Workshop, c/o Sylvia Gallagher, 21562 Kaneohe Ln., Huntington Beach CA 92646. If you have questions, call Sylvia at 714-962-8990 or email her at: sjrgallagher@yahoo.com
**Marsh Education News**

*Trude Hurd, Project Director of Marsh Education*

For information about our Education Program, please visit our chapter webpage at: [http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/Education.html](http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/Education.html)

Learn about our Summer Camp program, Art Meets Science program, Summer Bat Walks, Monthly Wildlife Walks, & more!

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**Summer Camp- Looking Back and Forward**

by Teresa Cullen

Let’s cast a chilly wintry glance back to warm summer memories of the Sea and Sage Audubon Summer Camps of 2014. The camps of course did not fail to delight all their participants as usual. The enthusiasm of the campers themselves was matched by the student and adult volunteers who ran the programs. Though the 2014 summer camps are now a distant memory, there are some happenings we will never forget:

- **Fledgling Camp (ages 7-8)** was a joyous week of birding, arts & crafts, and fun games. We seem to have more fun each year.
- **Marsh Camp participants (ages 9-12)** were once again wowed by Peggy from the Bird of Prey Center. Peggy amazes everyone with her expertise, knowledge, and patience as she gives us an up-close-and-personal view of the live owls and hawks that she brings! And this was just one of many Marsh Camp experiences.
- **Birds, Butterflies and Blossoms Camp participants (ages 11 and up)** learned about butterflies, created artistic representations of them, and observed them on marsh trails. (This camp, affectionately called “the 3 B’s Camp”, alternates between years with “Coastal Birds Camp”)
- **Advanced Camp birders (ages 11 and up)** were overjoyed to see the endangered Ridgway’s Rail (formerly Light-footed Clapper Rail) with little black chicks at Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve, and a Baird’s Sandpiper at our home base at the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary.

The amazing vagrant accidentals Yellow-crowned Bishop and Orange Bishop buzzed several camps down by the creek, and the Bobcat strolled past the Learning Center building during lunch more than once!

Now let’s look forward to next summer’s camp thrills! We will be taking applications beginning February 1st for all the camps. Application forms can be found at Audubon House and on the webpage. Remember that our popular camps fill up fast. Those of us volunteers who work during the camps are already getting ready for next summer’s fun-filled, educational activities, and we can’t wait! We hope to see your children at camp!

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**Nature Kits for Loan 2014**

by Marilyn Walter and Trude Hurd

Imagine you are a child and don’t know anything about an owl, a butterfly, a lizard, or a bat. If you saw one, would you be interested and get closer? Or would you be scared, scream, and try to get away. Or would you try to hurt it? If you are unfamiliar with nature, then you may not know how to properly interact with nature. What can we do?

Sea & Sage can help children become nature-lopers! To reach out to educators throughout Orange County, Sea & Sage offers 6 different nature kits for loan: Owls, Songbird Nests, Butterflies & Moths, Reptiles & Amphibians, Bats, and Life of a Dying Tree (new in 2014). Children in public schools, private schools, and home schools are enthusiastically using these kits. In 2014, these kits were borrowed 30 times and viewed by 2,110 people. That’s a large impact! Here’s what local educators say about our nature kits:

- “Students need factual background information and real specimens to observe to start to understand their world and their impact on it.” Christine Aihara, Butterfly Kit.
- “Having the real specimens to look at (and the posters) makes science come alive to the students. Everything Sea & Sage does is the best – so organized!” Lauri Deffenbaugh, Song Bird Nest Kit.
- “My students are excited about bats. They now realize they are gentle, shy mammals and helpful. They will be bat advocates for a lifetime!” Teresa Fantasia, Bat Kit.
- “This kit expanded my students’ knowledge, interest and vocabulary. It made learning fun and engaging.” Teresa Fantasia, Owl Kit.
- “These little ones (K-2) now know so much about cavity nesters and how to protect and appreciate their habitat. Thank you!” Amanda Knox, Life of a Dying Tree Kit.

We are pleased that educators throughout Orange County are utilizing these kits to advance children’s knowledge and awareness of nature and how it impacts them each day. We already have nature kits scheduled for 2015. If you know an educator who would benefit from hands-on nature materials, please let them know they can reserve these kits for their youngster’s enjoyment. To make reservations, please email Marilyn Walter at coyotegita@cox.net.

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For more information on the Summer Camp programs, please log onto our website at: [www.seaandsageaudubon.org](http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org)

To register, phone Grace McElhiney (714-969-9617) or Bev Spring (714-505-9980).
Directions and Membership

Directions to Audubon House, our Chapter Meetings, and the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary, Audubon Membership Form, Tattler subscriptions & delivery, Remember Us in Your Will or Trust, and Who to Notify if you are going to be temporarily away from home or are moving.

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Please remember to include “Sea and Sage Audubon Society” by name (tax ID#23-7003681) in your will or trust.

Directions

to Audubon House, our Chapter Meetings & the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary

Our entrance is now from Campus Dr., not Michelson
From the San Diego Fwy (405): Exit on Jamboree, south toward Newport Beach. At the 1st signal, Michelson, turn left. Continue on Michelson (past the old entrance to the SJWS) to the 5th signal which is Harvard and turn right. Drive to University & turn right. Drive to Campus Drive & turn right. Stay in the far right lane and immediately turn right onto Riparian View which will enter the San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary. The entrance road is marked by a green sign. If you miss the turn and reach Carlson, turn right and go around the block again to Harvard. The sanctuary is open every day from dawn until dusk.

Audubon House
Open daily: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
949-261-7963

Your Membership Payment
If you are signing up as a new Audubon member, be sure and use the membership form below that has the code C4ZC150Z in the lower right hand corner. This tells National Audubon who to credit for your recruitment. Sea & Sage gets 100% of a new member’s dues, even if you sign up for more than one year. If you are feeling generous at renewal time and you want Sea & Sage to benefit, you should send your renewal fee to National Audubon and a separate check to Sea & Sage for your donation to the chapter. If you have any questions, please contact Membership Chair, Chuck George, at cgeorge@george-sd.com

Temporarily Away or Moving?
Please notify Membership Chair, Chuck George, of your new address if you are temporarily, or permanently, moving from your current address. Let him know if you do not want to continue to receive the Tattler at your new address. This will save us from paying return postage fees.

Audubon Membership Application
We invite you to become a member of the National Audubon Society and the Sea & Sage Audubon chapter.
To join: Please pay by check only; do not send cash. Make your check payable to: NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY, complete the form below, & mail it along with your payment to: Sea & Sage Audubon, PO Box 5447, Irvine CA 92616
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CALENDAR OF CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

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03 Tues Conservation Com. Mtg.......................... 6:30 pm
04 Wed Caspers Wilderness Park bird walk ......... 8:00 am
07 Sat Wildlife Walk at the SJWS .............. 6:30 pm
08 Sun San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary bird walk ... 8:00 am
10 Tues Board Meeting ................................ 7:30 pm
11 Wed Laguna Niguel RP bird walk for beginning birders . 9:00 am
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15 Sun Oak Canyon bird walk .......... 7:30 am
18 Wed UNB by pontoon boat ® (Full) ........... 8:15 am
20 Fri GENERAL MEETING ............... 7:30 pm
22 Sun Upper Newport Bay bird walk ........... 8:00 am
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28 Sat BirdSeasons CA Training ....... 10:00 am

March 2015
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