



March

2019

Speaker

- Evangelina Paoluccio
- Using ultraviolet light to kill aquatic weeds



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Round of Applause

- For the prep, clean up and dessert crew!



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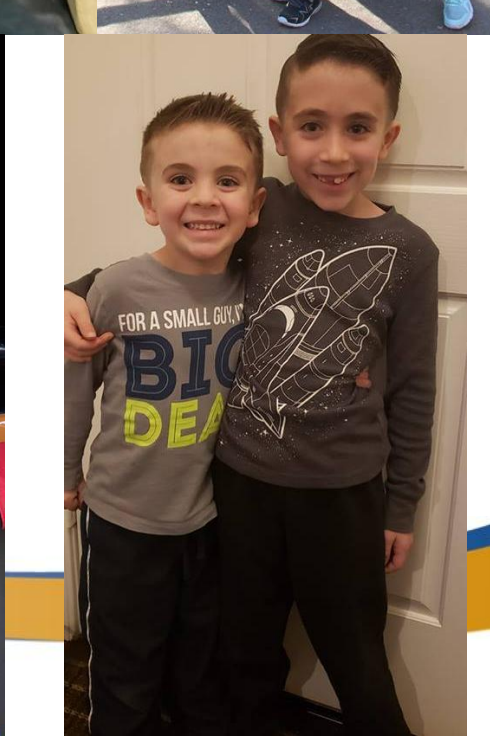
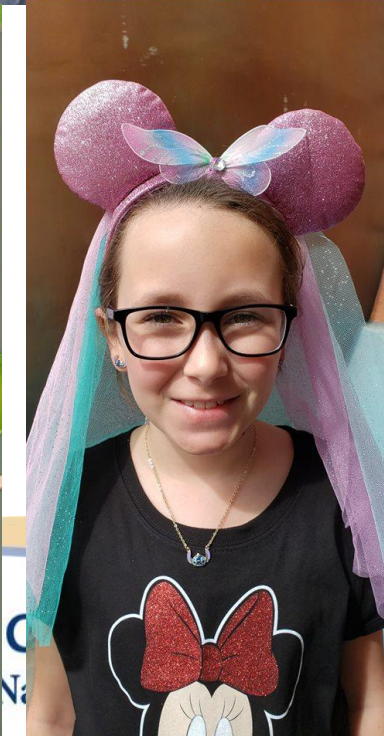
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Did you wear your badge?



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Roll A Rainbow

Roll one die to try and roll all of the numbers in the rainbow.

When you roll a color, cross it off.

Die can only be used for one color per roll.

*** **Red** is either a 1 or 3

Winner= First player to cross off all the colors of the rainbow



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Volunteer Hour Pins

250 Hours

Janet Swanson
Carol Roby
June Mary Betschart
Theresa Bayaca
Betty Liske
Bill Dunning
Kathy Grant
Bob Slayback
Inez Barrious
Leslie Warmke
Christeen Ferree
Mary Fry
Richard Kinzey
Win Rogers
Bonnie Scott

Vic Rosasco
Joan Ray
Anita Herman
Rosalie Hayles
Jody Lacey
Kelley Gelderman
Ed Ramirez
Carole Smith
Pam Ramirez
Bruce Womack
Noreen Roche
Christi Molina
Cheryl Carmichael

500 Hours

Jeff Ramsey
Rich Mullenbach
Meredith Davis
Sue Davis
Trish Tremayne
Rosalie Osman
Susan Mora Loyko
Inez Barrious
Linda Hoover

750 Hours

Steve Sanguinetti
Cherie Sivell
Julie Hyske
Candy Simbalenko
Sherida Phibbs
Scott Reed
Kathy Ikeda

1000 Hours

Sheila Beauchamp
Lee Miller
Corinne Bachle
Leslie Oliver
Pat Skjervheim
Linda Driver

2500 Hours

Sharon
McDonnell



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ACP Quarantine in Sacramento

- March 14th
- Sacramento County joins San Joaquin and more than 2 dozen other CA counties that are currently under quarantine for Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP).
- [Click here for the press release](#)



Virulent Newcastle Disease

- A highly contagious and deadly virus in birds.
- This disease has been confirmed in over 350 cases in Southern CA since May 2018, but there has now been one confirmed case in ALAMEDA COUNTY.
- There have been over ONE MILLION birds that have been euthanized due to this disease.



- Take extra precautions to keep your birds safe and report any potential cases ASAP!
- For more information, visit bit.ly/VNDoutbreak
- Poultry exhibits canceled at county fair this year.



May 2018

Virulent Newcastle Disease: Information for Bird Owners

Virulent Newcastle disease (VND), previously known as exotic Newcastle disease and sometimes referred to as Asiatic or Doyle's form of Newcastle disease, is a contagious and fatal disease affecting all species of birds.

Definition: VND is a virulent strain of the Newcastle disease virus and is one of the most serious diseases of chickens throughout the world. It is characterized by the lesions produced in the gastrointestinal tract or the brain. In susceptible chickens, morbidity rates approach 100% and mortality rates may exceed 95%.

Hosts: All birds, both domestic and wild, are susceptible to VND. The mortality and morbidity rates vary drastically between species and with the strain of virus. In poultry, chickens are very susceptible to the disease, while ducks and geese tend to be resistant. Mortality rates in psittacine birds have ranged from zero up to 75% prior to depopulation. Certain psittacine birds, especially Amazon parrots, have been demonstrated to shed VND virus intermittently in excess of one year.

Transmission: Within an infected flock, VND is transmitted by direct contact, contaminated feeding and watering equipment, and by aerosols produced by coughing, gasping, and other disturbances of respiration. Dissemination between flocks over long distances have been due to movement of contaminated equipment and service personnel such as vaccination crews. Movement of carrier birds and those in an incubating stage account for most of the outbreaks in the pet bird industry.

Clinical Signs: There may be considerable variation in the severity of clinical signs, depending on species, age, vaccination, and natural resistance of the birds, as well as the virulence of the VND strain. Certain species demonstrate a period of depression, diarrhea, and loss of appetite. Clinical signs are more pronounced in susceptible chickens. Edema of the tissues around the eye, especially of the lower eyelid, are common. Straw colored exudate may flow from the mouth or nasal openings. Respiratory distress may vary from mild to severe. Clinical signs in turkeys and pet birds are usually mild. Neurologic symptoms, such as twisting of the head and neck (torticollis) and paralysis of the wings and/or legs are commonly seen 10-20 days following onset of clinical signs.



Twisting of the head and neck (torticollis)

Human Health: VND is not a food safety concern; properly cooked poultry products are safe to eat. In rare cases, humans that have exposure to infected birds may get eye inflammation or mild fever-like symptoms. These signs generally resolve without treatment, however, medical care should be sought if symptoms persist. Infection is easily prevented by using standard personal protective equipment.

Reporting: This is a reportable disease under emergency conditions; suspect cases must be reported to CDFA within 24 hours.

To report an unusual number of sick or dead birds, call:
Sick Bird Hotline
(866) 922-2473



Conjunctivitis and edema of the eyelids



Excessive fluids are commonly seen in the respiratory tract



Normal appearing chicken with a pale comb

CDFA Animal Health Branch
Headquarters - (916) 900-5002
Redding District - (530) 225-2140
Modesto District - (209) 491-9350
Tulare District - (559) 685-3500
Ontario District - (909) 947-4462
USDA-APHIS-VS (916) 854-3950 or (877) 741-3690

For more information and updates on VND, please visit:
https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfs/Animal_Health/Newcastle_Disease_Info.html

CDFA Animal Health Branch: www.cdfa.ca.gov/ah



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Volunteer Events



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Linden Garden Club Plant Sale

- MG Info Table
- Saturday, April 6
- 8:15 am 1:00 pm
- 1 open spot



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Worm Table – Oak Grove

- April 6th
- 9:15-2:30
- Oak Grove Nature Center
- 2 spots open



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Earth Day – Victory Park

- Sunday, April 14
- PM Shift – 3 shifts open
- 12:30-4:30 pm
- Victory Park



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Farm Day - Linden

- April 16th
- 8 am-2pm
- K-4th grade students
- Located at Linden HS



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Tracy Earth Day

- Saturday April 27th
- Tracy City Hall Plaza
- 8 am – 1pm
- 2 shifts open



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Sherwood Manor

- Saturday, April 27
- 9 am -2:30 pm
- Sherwood Manor Health and Safety Fair- with a focus on Home Beautification event
- 2 shifts open



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Linden Cherry Festival

- Saturday, May 18th
- 10 – 4:30
- Linden Elementary School



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2019 Training Update

- VMS has been updated – make sure you are signed up for the correct class
- May 1 & May 8 switched
- Plant propagation has been added on April 3



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SF Flower Show

- March 21-24 @ Cal Expo this year
- <https://www.sfgardenshow.com/>



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Herb Study Group

- March 26th @ 1pm
- AgCenter
- Cardamon
- Sign up on VMS



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Spring Sprinkler Tune-Up



- April 2
- 10 am
- Steve Sanguinetti will be going over sprinkler tune-up and repair
- Sign up on VMS and send Steve your questions!

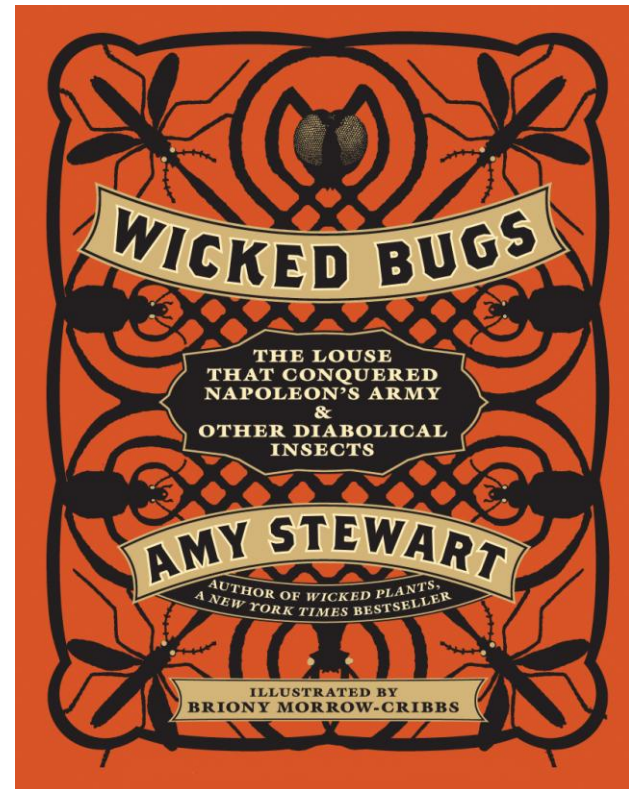


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MG Book Club

- Thursday, April 25th
- Reading *Wicked Bugs* by Amy Stewart



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Insect Collecting & Pinning Class

- Anne Schellman will be teaching this class at our office
- May 7th
- Class size will be limited
- Fee TBA
- Registration link coming soon!



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PENN'S WOODS
Digging into Our Roots

INTERNATIONAL MASTER GARDENER CONFERENCE

June 17–21, 2019
Valley Forge, Pennsylvania



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CA Master Gardener Conference

- Fall 2020
- Looking at Lake Tahoe
- More info once things have been decided



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Newspaper Writers Needed

- Looking for some help with the weekly articles/Blog posts
- Write 1 article/week, 2 weeks in a row then you are off for 6 weeks.



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Durham Ferry Outdoor Education looking for volunteers

- <https://www.sjcoescience.org/durham-ferry-outdoor-education-center.html>



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April Propagation Party

Come and share..take home and love!

Spare pots/containers

Flower cuttings

Bulbs/tubers/corms

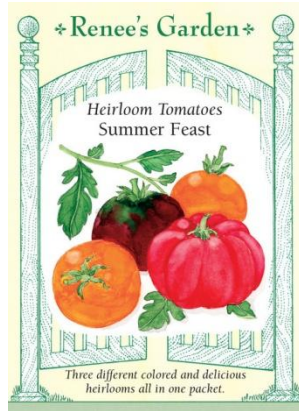
Vegetables/herbs/succulents

Seeds

Books/magazines

Yard art/tools

Grasses/vines/shrubs/trees



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Spring Fling Potluck

A-L Main dish

M-R Desserts

S-Z Salads



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