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CCWR ENews!!! May 2017

Hello Fellow Wildlife Rehabilitators!

Our busiest season is well under way! Centers are filling up with great horned owls, barn owls, coyotes, skunks, raccoons, orphaned ducklings, opossums, song birds of all types and corvids. Did we leave out anything?



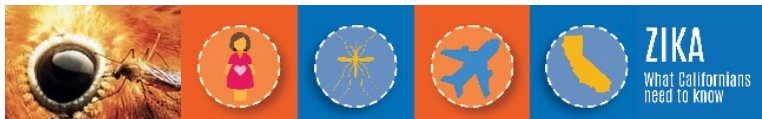
Some of our charges are already on their way out. Squirrels are finding new homes of their own and some songbirds are free and singing their hearts out!

Perhaps it was that last phone call or the most recent fatality that made us think twice. But whatever the trigger, we need to take care of the most important thing, ourselves! It is interesting that no matter how busy we are, we can all stop to appreciate the wildlife around us. Be it a nestling red-tailed hawk, coyote that has lost its mother, raccoon that was separated from the troupe or that little songbird gaping to be fed – they are the future of the earth.

Take that moment to appreciate the life around you, especially your own! A short walk in the morning air, a cup of tea mid-day or a quick glass of wine at the end of the day, rejuvenate and recharge!

Your ENews!!! Team, *Kathy, Ruth, Karen and Star*

West Nile and Zika Virus' Update



With the warmer weather and the state being out of a drought condition with much needed water, we are now headed for a record mosquito season. Learn more information on WNV and its counterpart, the Zika Virus.

- View the [latest map](#) of West Nile activity in California
- Read [WNV FAQs and Basics](#)



[May 2017 Calendar](#)

Tours, walks, meetings and more!

NEWS you can use!

Mountain Lion DNA Found Inside Pescadero Home

There you are, sleeping peacefully with your dog at the end of the bed. It's a cool night and the door is open to allow your pet use of the 'outdoor facilities'. Suddenly, there is a presence in the room, and your dog is gone. What happened is unbelievable



- [Report a dead bird](#)
- [Zika virus information](#) including a weekly California case update and distribution map (California Department of Health)

Symposium Update - Seeking Speakers!



The Board of Directors is actively seeking speakers for the 2017 Symposium, scheduled for October 28 - 30 in San Luis Obispo.

Do you have expertise to share with your fellow rehabilitators? We are looking for lecturers, presenters,

interactive workshop instructors, or round table discussion facilitators.

The primary presenter of a class, workshop or laboratory session is eligible for one free symposium registration and a \$150 honorarium. (One registration and honorarium per person even if presenting multiple classes). Application deadline is July 1 so please [submit your application](#) soon!

Transfers and Releases, CDFW Update

Getting the animals the right care can take some maneuvering! Read about animal transfers and releases within the state, and what you need to consider.

From Nicole Carion, CDFW, Senior Environmental Scientist



"Often rehabilitators will ask me if it is okay to transfer rehabilitation animals to other rehabilitation facilities outside their region or county for rehabilitation purposes. This article will explain the past history, why there are transfer concerns and the condition in the Wildlife Rehabilitation Memorandum of

Understanding (MOU) regarding release." [Read the full article.](#)

Welcome New CCWR Members

The following individuals have joined CCWR in 2017. Please welcome them!

- Tera Galanti, Pacific Wildlife Care / Morro Bay
- Eileen Sutterfield, Fresno Wildlife Rehabilitation - Hummingbird Team Leader
- Tomo Wiggans, Veterinary Ophthalmologist
- Max Lipman, Lindsay Wildlife Experience
- Nancy Gregory, Opossum Society of the United States (OSUS)
- Erika Noel, California Living Museum (CALM)

and terrifying! [Read the story and warnings.](#) (CDFW News, April 2017)

Rattlesnakes in California

Winter has faded and spring has sprung. Many are taking advantage



of the warming, and are outdoors enjoying all the wonderful trails and hiking areas. But now is the time to be aware of your surroundings – it is rattlesnake season. Find out how to be rattlesnake safe and the dos and don'ts in snake country. Read [Rattlesnakes in California.](#) (CDFW News)

Raptors, Wildlife and Rat Poison



If you would like a reminder:

Read an article about [raptors and rat poison](#) (All About Birds, June 2015) and [Wildlife and](#)

[Rodenticides](#) (CDFW)

Renested Great Horned Owl



A great horned owl chick fell out of a tree during a recent windstorm and was successfully

renested, a job not for the faint of heart. [Read the story](#) (The Register Guard, April 2017)

Just for Fun!

- Vanessa Potter, Project Wildlife

Have you used the new searchable member directory? You can search by any field or choose a region. Log in and [try it out](#).



And for Everything You Do For Wildlife, Thank You!

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