



May 30-31, 2026 Wellness Retreat: "How Can I Help?"

	MACAW ROOM, Mountain View	COCKATOO ROOM, 411	AFRICAN GREY ROOM, 407	CONURE ROOM, 406
SATURDAY				
8:30 - 9:00	Check-In and Coffee			
9:00	Introduction and Welcome			
9:15 - 10:30	Debbie Foster Training In Action, Husbandry Behaviors	Bob Dahlhausen - Advanced The Art and Science of the Gram Stain, Part 1/2	Joerg Mayer Backyard Poultry: A Serious Issue - It's No Yolk	Richie Burdeaux - Advanced Protecting the Plumage: Prevention and Treatment of Feather Damage
10.45 -12:00	Rhoda Stevenson Beaks, Feet, Mouth, Wings, and Tails	Scott Stahl How Veterinarians Approach the Emergency Avian Patient	Barbara Bingham Peace and Harmony at Home (Training: Where Do We Start?)	Susan Orosz - Advanced Components of Nutrition
12:00 - 1:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00 - 2:15	Scott Echols by Zoom Spinal column diseases A poorly recognized problem!	Carol D'Arezzo Toymaking: Easy Foraging Toys for Busy Beaks	Katie Willis How Technicians Help with Avian Emergencies	Bob Dahlhausen - Advanced Understanding Avian Bornavirus and Avian Ganglioneuritis
2:30 - 3:45	Susan Orosz Components of Nutrition	Lora Kim Joyner Transformative Parrot Conservation	Debbie Foster Constructs of Behavior: Antecedents	Rhoda Stevenson - Advanced Understanding Radiographs
4:00 - 5:00	Richie Burdeaux The Secret Life of Feathers	Carol D'Arezzo Building Workshop: Playstands, Hanging Orbits and Playgyms, Foraging Tables	Katie Willis Handling, Grooming, and Medicating Techniques	Scott Stahl - Advanced Respiratory Diseases and Challenges
5:00 - 5:05	Final bids for Saturday Auction Items			
SUNDAY				
8:45 - 9:00	Coffee			
9:00 - 10:15	Barbara Bingham Who's Training Whom? (Trick Training #1)	Bob Dahlhausen - Advanced The Art and Science of the Gram Stain, Lab Part 2/2	Lora Kim Joyner Reimagining the Future of Parrot Welfare & Conservation: Unconditional Solidarity	Richie Burdeaux - Advanced When Hormones Hijack the Household: Parrot Sexuality and Management of Reproductive Disorders
10:30 -11:45	Debbie Foster Constructs of Behavior: Consequences	Susan Orosz The Miracle of Flight	Melissa Driscoll Let's Make Mash: A Nutritious Component to the Diet	Rhoda Stevenson - Advanced Beaks, Feet, Mouth, Wings, and Tails
11:45 - 12:45	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
12:45 - 2:00	Scott Stahl Pet Bird Sex Education	Carol D'Arezzo Toymaking: Easy Foraging Toys for Busy Beaks	Katie Willis Handling, Grooming, and Medicating Techniques	Joerg Mayer - Advanced Clinical Management of Backyard Poultry – Beyond the Yolk: Political, Legal, and Practical Insights
2:15 - 3:30	Joerg Mayer Let's talk about the birds and the bees! Apitherapy in action	Debbie Foster Anatomy of a Behavior Consultant	Barbara Bingham What, Why, When, How? (Trick Training #2)	Lora Kim Joyner Transformative Parrot Conservation
3:30 - 3:45	Final bids for Sunday Auction Items			
3:45 until	Q & A With Speakers			

ADVANCED means there will be more science or medical terminology