**AZA 2016 MID-YEAR MEETING** March 19-24, 2016 • Omaha, NE

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**AVIAN SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY GROUP/AVIAN TAG AGENDA**

**Sunday, March 20-Thursday, March 24**

Sunday, March 20

8:00 am – 9:00 am

* Charadriiformes TAG (Room 215)

9:00 am – 10:00 am

* Struthioniformes TAG (Room 214)
* Piciformes TAG (Room 215)

10:00 am – 11:00 am

* PACCT TAG (Room 215)

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

* Penguin TAG – closed 10:00 am – 11:00 am (Room 214)

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

* Coraciiformes TAG (Room 215)

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

* TAG Mart and Lunch (Grand Ballroom)

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

* Galliformes TAG (Room 214)

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

* Raptor TAG (Room 215)

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

* Gruiformes TAG (Room 214)

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm

* Anseriformes TAG (Room 215)

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

* Columbiformes TAG (Room 214)

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

* Whooping Crane SSP (Room 211)

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Monday, March 21

*Room 215*

8:00 am – 5:30 pm

Avian SAG – Parrot TAG Workshop

* Welcome; Opening Remarks
	+ Jessica Meehan & Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG
* AZA Parrot TAG Updates
	+ Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG
* EAZA Parrot TAG Updates
	+ Simon Bruslund, EAZA Parrot TAG
* Data for Parrot Reproduction through the Years
	+ Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG
* Mixed Species Options
	+ Josh Caraballo, Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo
* Squawk Talk - "What's in a Name?" Nashville Zoo
	+ Laura Vague, Nashville Zoo
* What the Flock?? Managing a Pandemonium of Parrots
	+ Part 1: Simon Bruslund, EAZA Parrot TAG
	+ Part 2: Scott Newland, Sedgwick County Zoo
	+ Part 3: Kimberly Klosterman, Cincinnati Zoo
	+ Panel Q&A: Jessica Meehan & Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG

Break/Poster Session

* ABV (20min lecture/10min Q&A)
	+ Jennifer D’Agostino, DVM, AZA Parrot TAG
* What Makes a Great Parrot Exhibit? Best Practices in Housing Parrots
	+ Scott Newland, Sedgwick County Zoo
	+ Joop Kuhn, San Diego Zoo
	+ Chad Comer, Blank Park Zoo
	+ Panel Q&A: Jessica Meehan & Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG

Lunch/Poster Session/TAG Mart

* Squawk Talk - Pesquet's Parrot Breeding at St. Augustine Alligator Farm
	+ Gen Anderson, St. Augustine Alligator Farm
* General Parrot Health/Testing/Preship
	+ Jennifer D’Agostino, DVM, AZA Parrot TAG
* Closed Banding of Parrot Chicks
	+ Tom Mortimer, Tulsa Zoo
* Scarlet Macaw Population Recovery in the Maya Biosphere Reserve, Guatemala
	+ David Oehler, WCS
* Nestbox Design and Usage
	+ Phil Horvey, Sedgwick County Zoo
* Squawk Talk - Education Parrot Presentations at Oregon Zoo
	+ Tanya Paul, Oregon Zoo

Break/Poster Session

* Parrot Nutrition
	+ Liz Koutsos, Mazuri
* Squawk Talk - Conure Training at North Carolina Zoo
	+ Erin Masterson, North Carolina Zoo
* Feather Plucking
	+ Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG
* Parrot-on-a-Stick and Other Parrot Welfare Situations (Ambassador Animals, etc)
	+ Moderator-led Audience Discussion, AZA Parrot TAG
* Closing Remarks
	+ Jessica Meehan & Joe Barkowski, AZA Parrot TAG

Wednesday March 23

*Room 215*

10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Ciconifformes TAG

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch (Grand Ballroom)

1:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Avian SAG General Session

* Welcome
* ASAG Action Plan
	+ Tom Schneider, Curator of Birds, Detroit Zoo
* ASAG Website Updates
	+ Kevin Graham, Dallas Zoo
* Asian Songbird Crisis Summit
	+ David Jeggo, Head of Bird Department, Durrell
* ASAG Keeper Travel Grant: Partially Hand-Rearing a Humboldt Penguin Chick
	+ Andrea O’Daniels, Water’s Edge Supervisor, Kansas City Zoo
* Using Science and Behavioral Husbandry to Monitor and Assess the Transfer of Carmine Bee-eaters to New Exhibit Conditions
	+ Andrew C. Alba, Research Associate, Disney’s Animal Kingdom
* ASAG Keeper Travel Grant: Trapping Birds Out of Aviaries
	+ Andy Clement, Keeper III, Zoo Atlanta

Break

* ASAG Keeper Travel Grant: Connecting Keepers to Conservation and Population Management
* Eleanor Lovell, Bird Keeper, San Diego Zoo Safari Park
* 100 Years of Migratory Bird Conservation: Opportunities for Partnerships
	+ Michael Kreger, Special Assistant to the Assistant Director for Migratory Birds, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
* How to Build a Better Bird Trap
	+ Jacob Kramer, Curator, Pinola Conservancy
* Update on Avian Influenza & HAZWOPER (Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency
* Response Standard) Preparedness Training
	+ Dr. Yvonne Nadler, DVM, MPH, Program Manager, ZAHP Fusion Center, AZA
	+ Steve Olson, Vice President of Federal Relations, AZA
* Masked Bobwhite Quail
	+ Juliette Fernandez, Refuge Supervisor of AZ/NM, Southwest Region
* Plume Awards

Thursday March 24

*Room 215*

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Avian SAG Hand-Rearing Workshop

* Workshop Introduction – Nicole LaGreco & Susie Kasielke
* Brooder Room Basics – Nicole LaGreco
* Procuring Productive Protocols & Dealing with Data – Colleen Lynch
* Cultivating Columbids – Current Methods for Hand-rearing Pigeons & Doves – Chelle Plassé
* Fit for Purpose – Introduction to Passerines – Jo Gregson & Nicole LaGreco
* Current Techniques for Fish-eaters – Simple Works! – Laurie Conrad
* Off to a Good Start – Techniques to Initiate Feeding – Jacob Kraemer
* Are You My Parents? Nest Manipulation at the San Diego Zoo’s Safari Park – Eleanor Lovell
* Who’s Your Daddy? Developing Species-appropriate Behavior – Susie Kasielke

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

* Lunch (Grand Ballroom)

1:00 pm

* Discussion Continues – Informal Session for Those Interested