

Wild Care's Duck Tales Monthly E-News

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Director's Message • June 2020

Wild Care Friends,

We hope you are happy and healthy! We are here, and we are thrilled to have started inviting our volunteers back, as well as our Seasonal Wildlife Rehabilitation Assistants. Our Clinic and Nursery are bustling with baby birds and young Virginia Opossums, mice and squirrels - Things are as busy as ever, and we cannot survive without these dedicated helping hands!

For a sneak peak at our life-saving work, please join me for TGIWF (Thank Goodness It's Wild Friday!) on our [Facebook Page](#) Live each Friday at 1:00 PM. My goal is to share a different view of our wildlife rehabilitation operations and facility, each week. This is our way of saying *thank you*, and staying connected with our supporters.

While times may be different and challenging for all of us, we are still here for our community and our wildlife.

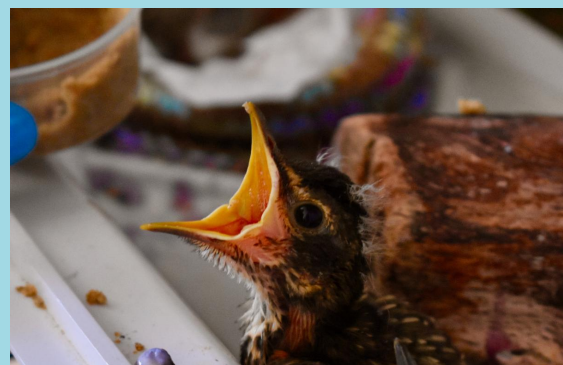
Masked and motivated!

Executive Director, Stephanie

CURRENT ANIMALS IN CARE:

Our staff are currently caring for many animals. We have dozens of orphaned squirrels, Virginia Opossums, American Robins, Carolina Wrens, Common Grackles, gulls and more.

Check our [Facebook](#) page where we continue to post updates and uplifting stories!



*Nestling American Robin
Photo by Kerry Reid*



*Jennifer Taylor, Wild Care Animal Care Coordinator,
with Up Up, one of Wild Care's Educational Eastern
Screech Owls. Photo by Kerry Reid.*



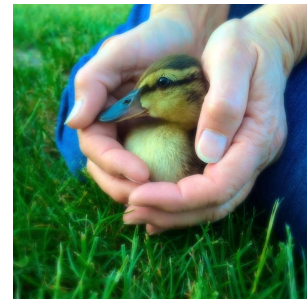
*Fledgling Northern Flicker being fed.
Photo By Kerry Reid.*

**Please consider making a [Donation](#) today,
We need you as much as you need us!**

Thank You!

Our First Virtual Baby Shower Was An Amazing Success!

Thanks to you, we raised over \$1,700 & received
\$745 in gift cards, and nearly \$1,000 in supplies.
WOW!



Thank you to everyone who dropped off gifts, had things shipped or
donated through PayPal.

**We Are Grateful To All Of You For Your Continued
Support & Generosity!**

**Did you miss any of our live broadcasts?
You can now view each of them
on our [YouTube Channel](#)!**

(Photo By Cristalyn Searles)

*And a very special thank you to our staff and volunteers for helping
this event go smoothly!*



Photo By Kerry Reid



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Photo By Judy Bullard

You Can Still Donate Here

Volunteer Spotlight

By Kate Rollenhagen Diggs, CVT



Clinic and Baby Bird Volunteer, Karen Boujoukos. Karen has been filling in on

Wild Care is grateful for our volunteers! We would not survive without them. They assist with everything from animal care to gardening, facility maintenance, fundraising, and so much more! This month we want to thank those volunteers who have donned face masks and gloves to jump into the big unknown of post-COVID

additional baby bird shifts to help out!
Photos by Kerry Reid.



volunteering with Wild Care. Whether in the Baby Bird room or the Clinic, inside or outside, we have been so grateful for your help, now more than ever. You have been flexible enough to roll with the new protocols and dedicated enough to come in despite all the changes.

Thank you, volunteers! We love you.

A Different Kind Of Tale



Adventures of a Wild Care Volunteer by Amy Sanders

All of my tales, since I began writing for Wild Care, have been about animal contacts. It is true that I do regular shifts feeding baby birds, shifts feeding baby squirrels, field rescues for the Outer Cape, and have even embarked on doing talks with the owls and Garv. This month though, I've decided (with encouragement from Stephanie), to share another area of my wildlife work—and that is painting wildlife.

I'm not really sure how many of you know that outside of volunteering for Wild Care, I am a pastel painter as my career. Well, my second career actually. Not being sure of an artist's life being capable of keeping me housed and fed, I worked yet another passion for 33 years, that of being a special education teacher here on the Cape. I maintained my career as an artist in the background (23 years showing at the Addison Art Gallery in Orleans) but a few years ago, I early retired from the teaching to pursue full time my loves of art and animals, and of course create more family time...

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A Few Of Our Patients



*Nestling Blue Jay
Photo by Kerry Reid.*



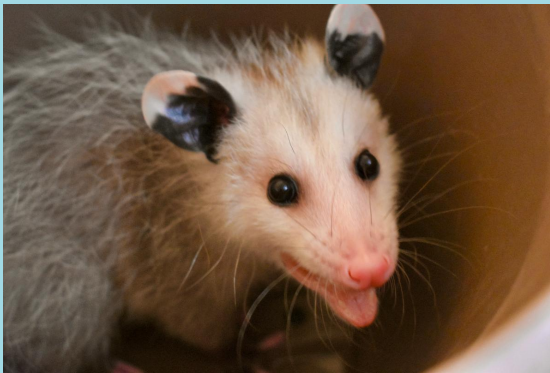
Crows in the Aviary.



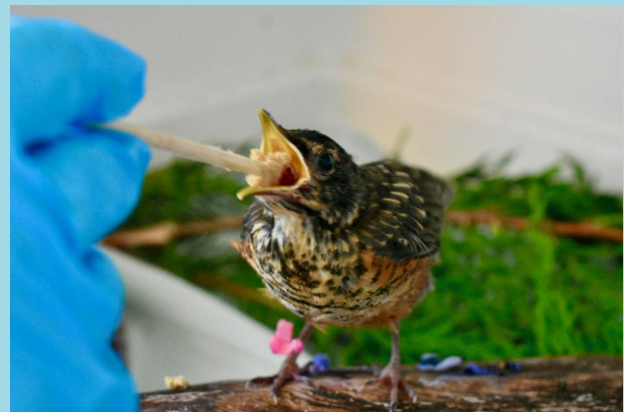
*Fledgling Red-bellied Woodpecker
Photo by Kerry Reid*



*Juvenile Virginia Opossum
Photo by Kerry Reid.*



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Photo by Kerry Reid.*



*Nestling American Robin being fed.
Photo by Kerry Reid.*



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We would be grateful if you used our [Smile](#) account through Amazon! There is no additional cost to you, but there is a nice donation to Wild Care!

If you are already a customer of Amazon and have already registered us as your charity, don't forget every time you shop to go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, instead of their standard site.

And don't forget to take a look at our [Amazon Wish List Here](#)



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About Wild Care

Since 1994, Wild Care has treated injured, ill and orphaned native wildlife for release back into the wild, capable of independent survival. We have prevented wildlife casualties through public education and counseling, and engaged the community in conservation services through volunteerism. Wild Care does not charge the public for our services. We accept wildlife regardless of a rescuer's ability to make a donation; and we never compromise quality of care or the dignity of an animal's life for fundraising purposes.

