

# Help Us Complete the Center!

Laguna de Santa Rosa Naming Opportunities Available as of May 25, 2012









### Laguna Environmental Center

The Laguna Environmental Center is a place for people to come learn about the Laguna ecosystem whether thru a self guided tour or by attending one of the many Public Education events. The site includes the Churchill Farmhouse which is the Foundation's Administrative Office, Great Blue Heron Hall and event center, Outdoor facilities including interpretive signage and the Soroptimist Observation Deck, native plant nursery and historic hop and milk barns.

#### **\$** Please inquire

#### **Great Blue Heron Hall**

Our brand new multi-purpose facility will house public education events, art exhibits, and our own fundraising events. It includes a bookstore, reception area, a kitchen and both covered and open air patios. The Hall will also be available to rent for meetings, retreats, seminars, etc.

**\$** Please inquire

#### **Bio-Retention Pond**

The area around the pond has been planted with native species to create a wetland type environment and cover for birds and other wildlife. The pond is fed by rainfall and runoff from both Great Blue Heron Hall and the Churchill Farmhouse. Already it is full of chorus frog tadpoles in the spring and we have also observed ducks, egrets, herons and a wide variety of other birds making use of the habitat. **\$25,000** 

## **Children's Discovery Garden and Playscape**

This area will be located on the east side of the entry walkway to Great Blue Heron Hall just past the Entry Kiosk. We would like to construct a natural play area for children to safely explore and learn about nature on their own. Features we envision include a grassy knoll, living willow tunnel, wood stepping stones of varying heights, a dry creek bed with a child-size bridge, native plants that engage the senses, a water play feature, and more.

\$25,000

#### **Entrance Gate**

We'd like to replace the rustic ranch style manually operated gate at Sanford Road with a solar powered electric gate so that we can more easily grant access to the site to those wanting to use it after hours. And, we have a lovely design in keeping with the look of the Soroptimist Observation Deck and bridge. **\$20,000** 



# Entry Kiosk

This beautiful covered area includes four interpretive panels that teach visitors about the Laguna geography, ecology, Native American History in the area and introduces them to the Foundation. And, on the reverse side of the interpretive panels is an artist depiction of the Laguna waterway itself.

\$15,000



## Foot Bridge Over Swale

A bridge over the creek-like waterway that feeds the pond, this bridge has two covered areas to provide shade and shelter from rain so that visitors can pause and enjoy the spectacular views as well as look for wildlife in the pond. **\$15,000** 



#### Benches

Several of these sustainably harvested redwood benches are already on site. They provide seating for visitors to relax and enjoy the views and wildlife. They are also useful for group outdoor seating.

\$2,500 (Four available)



## **Picnic Tables**

Several of these reclaimed redwood tables are already on site. They provide seating for picnicking by visitors, large group luncheon seating and also seating for artists doing plein air painting of the landscape vistas, historic structures, etc. **\$2,500 (Three available)** 



## Valley Oak Tree

These valley oaks are the iconic tree of the Santa Rosa Plain landscape. Transplanted from the nursery when they were already twenty feet tall, they have been given a new life in the native plant landscaping here at the Environmental Center. Valley oaks are said to grow for a hundred years, maintain for a hundred years and die for a hundred years. During that time they provide food and habitat for many bird species.

\$500 (Four available)

For a personal tour of the Laguna Environmental Center or for more information about these exciting naming opportunities, please call David Bannister, Executive Director, (707) 527-9277 x103.