

# The Watermark

SPRING 2026

WHEN  
*Nature*  
BECOMES THE  
**CLASSROOM**





## ACADEMY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

*By: Emily Bonds,  
Director of Education*

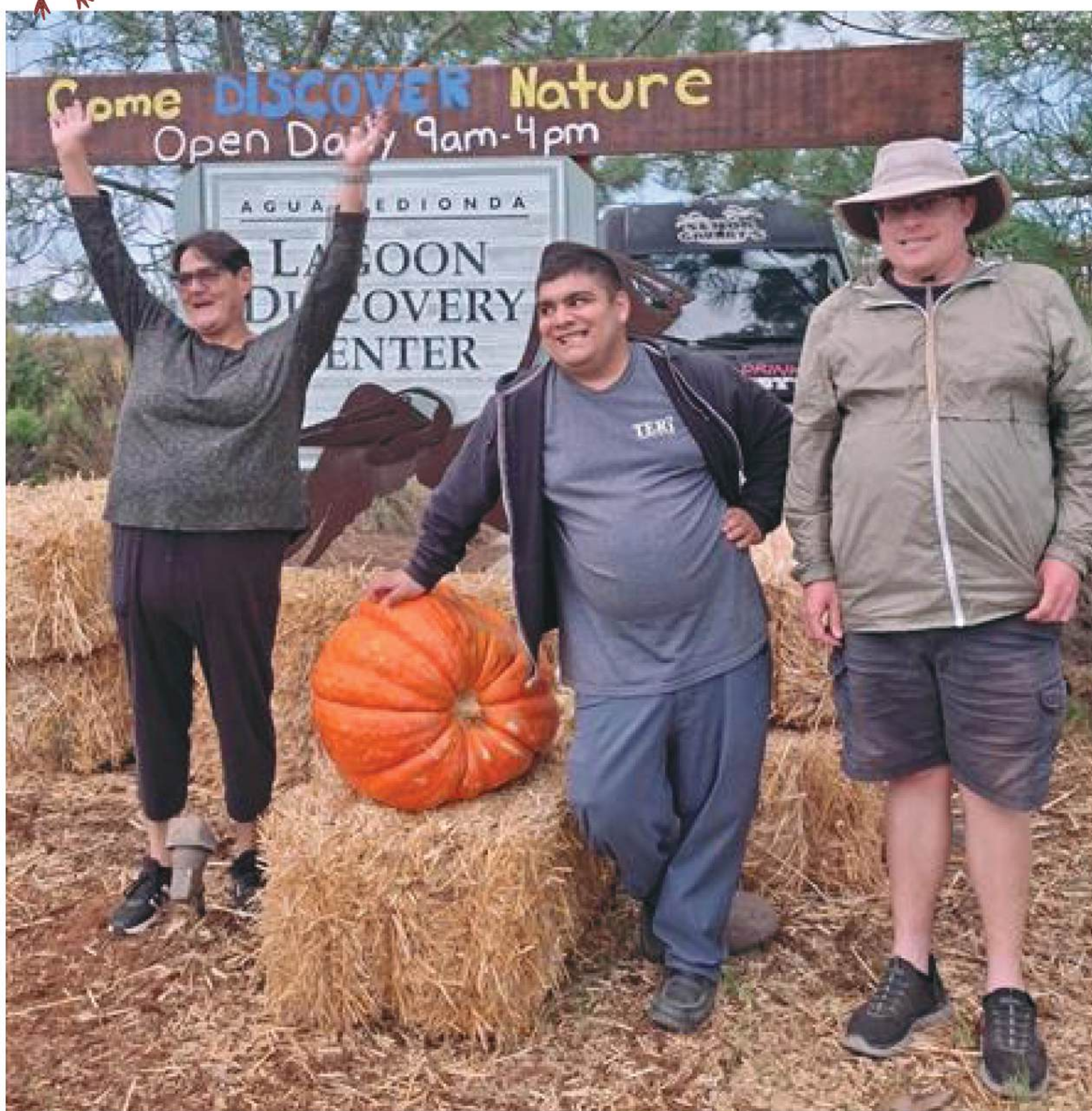
The **Academy for Environmental Stewardship** brings students beyond traditional classrooms and into nature—**when nature becomes the classroom**, learning becomes active, meaningful, and memorable. Our programs connect Pre-K through middle school students with the natural world through hands-on environmental education and outdoor exploration. The Academy has steadily expanded its reach, welcoming schools from 13 districts across San Diego County and creating immersive experiences that spark curiosity, build scientific thinking, and foster environmental stewardship. In the 2025–2026 school year, we are proud to provide 10,199 students with Excellent Environmental Education. Through field investigations, interactive activities, and direct engagement with nature, students develop a deeper understanding of local ecosystems and the importance of protecting them, empowering the next generation to care for and be stewards of our environment.



## LAGOON LEARNING FOR ALL STEWARDSHIP SOCIAL COLLECTIVE

*By: Deniell Aadland, Education Manager*

**Lagoon Learning for All** runs every Thursday from 3-5pm at the Discovery Campus. When **Nature Becomes the Classroom**, participants come together to connect, create and conserve. This program offers an inclusive nature experience for adults living with autism and other forms of neurodiversity. Our participants enjoy spending meaningful time with our animal ambassadors, with one another and in the natural spaces that make the Discovery Campus so special. Every week, we create nature-inspired crafts—like bird feeders—help care for our animals, and even take Bingo the Pig on her afternoon walk, and prepare her dinner. We make full use of the beautiful trails at the Discovery Campus, sharing peaceful weekly walks in nature. Our participants are an integral part of the Agua community and we love having them on campus each week.





LOOKING AHEAD TO  
**DISCOVERY SUMMER  
CAMP 2026**

*By: Kate Corirossi, Education Manager*



This summer, **When Nature Becomes the Classroom** as our young scientists head outdoors to explore, experiment, and discover how the natural world works! During our Summer Camp, the environment itself transforms into a hands-on laboratory where curiosity leads every activity. Campers will test ideas, conduct experiments, and observe real scientific processes happening all around them!

Outdoor learning invites students to explore with all their senses. Our students might investigate how plants grow, examine the tiny organisms living in soil or water, or experiment with sunlight, wind, and weather. Along the way, they will ask questions, make predictions, collect data, and see what happens when science moves beyond the textbook!

Through fun, guided experiments and immersive outdoor exploration, our students don't just study the environment—they experience it firsthand. They build curiosity, confidence, and a lasting connection to the natural world that will inspire learning long after summer camp ends!

We can't wait to explore with you this summer!



# MESSAGE FROM THE CEO & PRESIDENT



Recently, I had the privilege of attending a Member Night demonstrating the magic possible **When Nature Becomes the Classroom** during which children took part in a conservation project creating oyster wattles. They filled burlap bags with oyster shells, secured them carefully with the help of one of our fellows from the CCAC, and prepared them for placement in areas needing shoreline restoration. Watching the children eagerly

participate in this hands-on activity was truly inspiring. Children are like sponges...curious, enthusiastic, and so willing to step up and make a difference. Witnessing the next generation's innate commitment to our environment is a beautiful reminder of why community and stewardship matter.

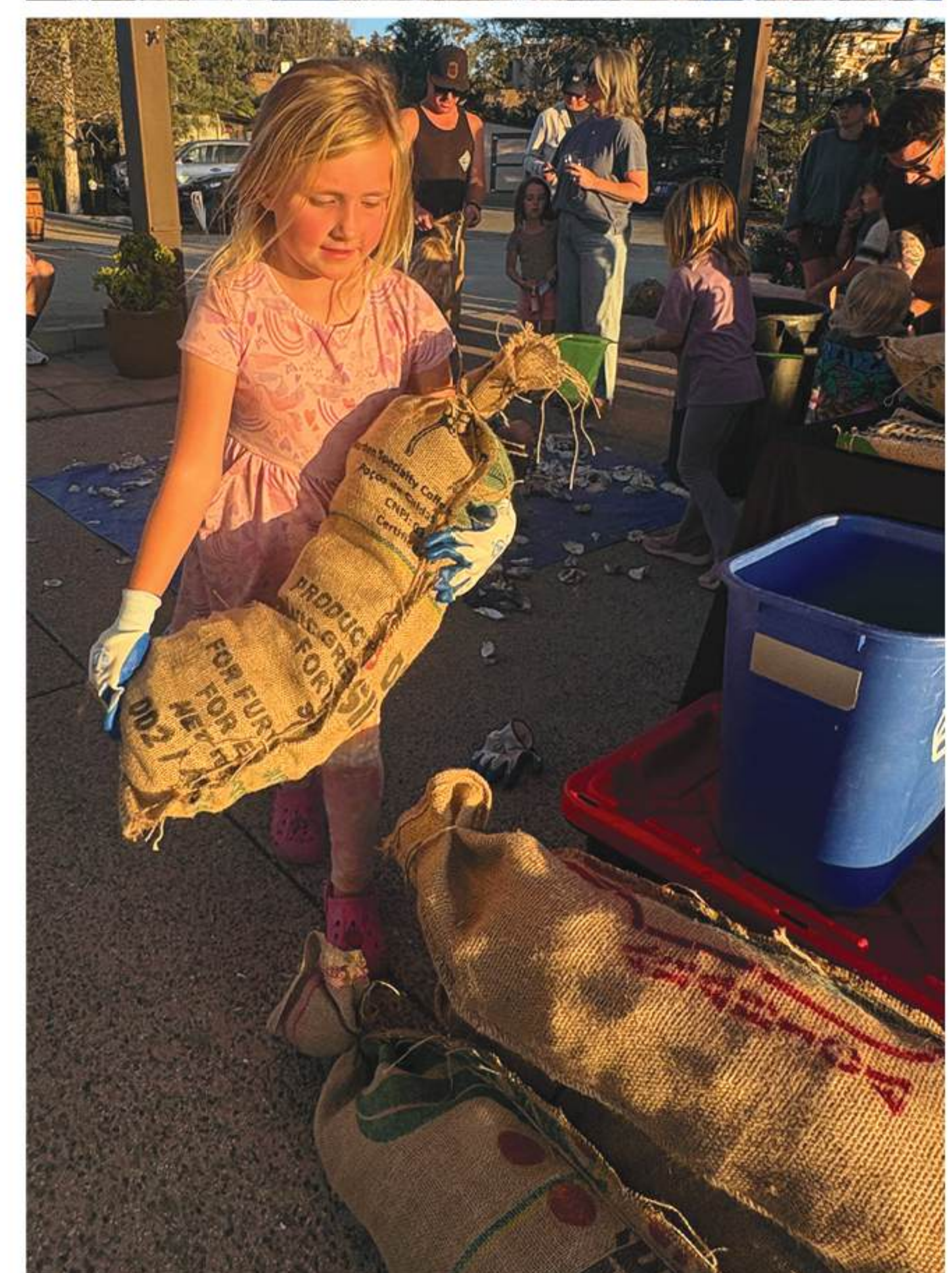
As we celebrate our 20th anniversary, we've also reached a remarkable milestone: at our recent Mingles event, our membership surpassed **1,300 members**—the highest in our history. Reaching this peak in our anniversary year makes this achievement even more meaningful.

Twenty years, record membership, and young hearts already committed to caring for the world around them—what a powerful and meaningful way to mark this moment!

With gratitude and hope,

*Lisa Rodman*  
CEO & President

*Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation*



## AHLF “LEGACY” CORNER

If you are planning to support charitable causes, consider making your gift through a **Qualified Charitable Donation** rather than writing a check. For more information, consult your financial advisor or see IRS Publication 590-B.

### What is a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD)?

A Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD) allows certain Individual Retirement Account (IRA) holders to make a tax-free charitable gift directly from their IRA to a qualified nonprofit organization.

Individuals become eligible at age **70½**, and up to **\$100,000 per year** can be donated through a QCD. To qualify, the distribution must be sent **directly from the IRA to the charitable organization**.

A QCD offers several potential benefits. The donation is excluded from taxable income and can count toward the IRA owner’s Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). Because the gift is not included as ordinary income, **it may help reduce overall taxable income**.

#### Mission:

*Inspire people through education and outreach to preserve the Agua Hedionda Lagoon as an accessible and healthy watershed.*



## GRANTOR SPOTLIGHT

At Agua Hedionda Lagoon, **nature itself becomes the classroom**. Thanks to the generosity of our grant partners, students and community members can explore science, history, and conservation through hands-on outdoor learning experiences. The following grantors provided funding between July 1, 2025 and March 1, 2026 to support these programs.

### Academy for Environmental Stewardship

*Our year-round NGSS-aligned field trip program connects students to environmental science, local history, and sustainability through hands-on learning at the Discovery Campus.*

- **The Conrad Prebys Foundation – \$75,000:** Supports the Healing Through the Arts & Nature Initiative, providing three immersive program segments and transportation for 1,000 returning students.
- **Carlsbad Educational Foundation – \$18,528:** Funded participation for all third-grade students in Carlsbad Unified School District, including raptor outreach to attend two segments.
- **Access Support – \$23,750 Combined:** The John & Elizabeth Leonard Family Foundation (\$10,000), The SUNDT Foundation (\$5,000), Hunter Industries (\$5,000), Employees Community Fund of Boeing – Southern California Chapter (\$3,000), and San Marcos Community Foundation (\$750) helped provide subsidized or free field trip access for students.
- **Thomas C. Ackerman Foundation – \$2,165:** Supported educational supplies for the program.

### Coastal Experience STEAM Camp

*A free week-long summer day camp introducing underserved middle school students to coastal ecology, marine science, technology, and nature-based wellness.*

- **Slaggie Family Foundation – \$5,000:** Supported the full camp experience for participating students.

### Trails and Conservation Programs

*Supports stewardship of 3.5 miles of recreational trails through habitat restoration, invasive species removal, and volunteer-powered conservation.*

- **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program – \$65,000:** Funds a multi-year Algerian Sea Lavender removal project through habitat restoration and invasive species management.



### Discovery Island (Educational Expansion)

*A future weather-resistant outdoor classroom and exhibit space designed to expand experiential learning through sensory gardens, archaeology, literacy, and STEAM exploration.*

- **Mission Federal Credit Union – \$5,000**
- **Youth Friends Association – \$5,000**
- **John & Elizabeth Leonard Foundation – \$2,500**

### Broad Support for Environmental Education & Access to Nature

- **Slaggie Family Foundation - \$20,000:** General support for environmental education
- **Sanders Tech Ed Foundation – \$11,000:** General support for equitable environmental education and stewardship programs.
- **The Jem Project – \$5,000:** Unrestricted support for organizational priorities.
- **Thermo Fisher Scientific – \$4,300:** STEM engagement, employee volunteerism, trail restoration, and community programming.
- **San Diego Foundation (Hans & Margaret Doe Fund) – \$2,700:** Support for environmental education and community access.
- **Starbucks Foundation – \$2,000:** Community environmental programming.
- **Elwyn Heller Foundation – \$1,500:** Supported the upcoming adult lecture series Watershed Wisdom, expanding community learning around water, conservation, and historical use.
- **California Green Business Network / Intuit Grant – \$1,000:** Funded smart thermostats at the Discovery Campus to support sustainability.

**BUSINESS MEMBERSHIPS**

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**AMERICAN AVOCETS \$2500**

Hilton Grand Vacations Club at MarBrisa  
NRG Energy Inc

**PRESERVER \$1000**

Hale & Associates  
Hunter Industries  
Levi's  
NeoGenomics Laboratories, Inc.  
Pacific Ridge School  
Republic Services  
SDG&E San Diego Gas & Electric

**DEFENDER \$500**

Alila Marea Beach Resort  
Bristol Cove Property HOA  
Certified EOS Implementer- Ray Adler  
Grand Pacific Resorts  
Hospice of the North Coast  
The Silva Group - Lynnell Talone Honda  
Weis Environmental

**PROTECTOR \$250**

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Allie's Party Rental, Inc.  
Au Technology Solutions  
Bayshore Homeowners Association  
BGI Architecture  
Black Knight Termite and Pest Control Inc  
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Diamond Environmental Services  
Edward Jones - Matt Leonard  
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North County Student Transportation, Inc.  
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Samuel Lawrence Foundation  
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Serenity Skin & Body Care  
Summerfield of Encinitas  
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The Crossings at Carlsbad  
The San Diego Shell Club  
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**LAGOON LEGACY SOCIETY**

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Colleen & Ian McDaniel · Cindy & Mike Metts

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*This list includes Major Gift Members that have given a major gift (\$1000+) from March 1st 2025 - February 28th 2026 organized by totality of gifts given to Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation over the course of their entire giving.*

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Elaine Nielsen

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# Member

## APPRECIATION MONTH



### MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION MONTH

*By: Erin Hardin, Director of Community Relations*

**When Nature Becomes the Classroom**, people flock to learn—and this year, our flock reached its highest number yet—**more than 1,300 members**. Each one represents the power of excellent environmental education to build a community rooted in curiosity, care for the natural world, and a shared drive to create change.

*To celebrate, we dedicated the entire month to our members and the impact they make possible.*





We kicked things off early with **Mingle with Members** at **cbar** in Carlsbad Village, where guests enjoyed live music, drinks, charcuterie, and visits from our animal ambassadors. During the evening, we proudly honored long-time supporter **Sunny Blende** as our **2026 Hero on a Quest**.



The celebrations continued with **live music by Whit Aadland** during Member Extended Hours, followed by a creative **Paint & Sip**, where more than 30 artists created Bingo-inspired masterpieces, approved by Bingo herself.





More than 125 guests joined us for **Bingo the mini pig's second birthday**, complete with strawberry treats, a custom cake from Handel's Ice Cream, and plenty of presents from her fans.



Members also dove into the science behind our local waters with an exclusive tour of the **Hubbs SeaWorld Research Institute White Seabass Hatchery**, learning why restoring their populations is vital to the health of the lagoon and ocean.

Our **Speaker Series** welcomed Caulerpa taxifolia expert and former AHLF board member **Eric Muñoz**, who shared the dramatic story of how science and determination helped save Agua

Hedionda Lagoon from invasive "killer algae."

We wrapped up the month with an **Oyster Wattle Workshop**, where members worked alongside CCC fellow Sophia to build erosion-preventing wattles—small but mighty tools that help protect our trails.

**We're grateful for every member who helps turn nature into a classroom and makes our mission possible.**



SPRING 2026

# RECOGNITION CORNER

By Samantha Richter Fuller, COO

## Donor Recognition: KULCHIN FAMILY

The Kulchin Family demonstrated the power of family and community this Giving Tuesday. Each member of the family made their own contribution, reflecting a shared commitment to giving. This recognition is especially meaningful as we honor the memory of Ann Kulchin, whose generosity and spirit continue to inspire those around her. Their collective support expands opportunities for hands-on environmental learning across the Discovery Campus, leaving a lasting impact on future generations.



## Volunteer Recognition: DAVID JOHNSON

**When Nature Becomes the Classroom,** volunteers like David Johnson help bring those learning moments to life. From engaging visitors in animal interactions to his dedicated work as a raptor intern—stepping in wherever help is needed—David generously shares his time, curiosity, and enthusiasm across the Discovery Campus. His commitment helps create memorable wildlife encounters that spark wonder, inspire connection, and invite visitors of all ages to care more deeply for the natural world.



**Member Recognition:**  
**REINEBOLD FAMILY**

Learning comes naturally for the Reinebold family during their regular visits to the Discovery Campus. Through Little Agua Learners and her continued participation in Foundation programs, the Reinebold's consistently support environmental education while nurturing their children's curiosity about the natural world. When her son fell in love with the seabass book from our gift shop, Krysta brought all of her children to the Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute White Seabass Hatchery Tour—an experience that captures the excitement and wonder of learning **When Nature Becomes the Classroom.**



**Non-Profit Partner Recognition:**  
**PACIFIC RIDGE SCHOOL**

Pacific Ridge School continues to make a meaningful impact through their dedicated participation in the Adopt-a-Zone Program. By caring for a section of the Discovery Campus, their students take an active role in stewardship while gaining hands-on experience with local habitats and ecosystems. Here on campus, these real-world learning moments deepen students' understanding of environmental responsibility and demonstrate what is possible **When Nature Becomes the Classroom.**



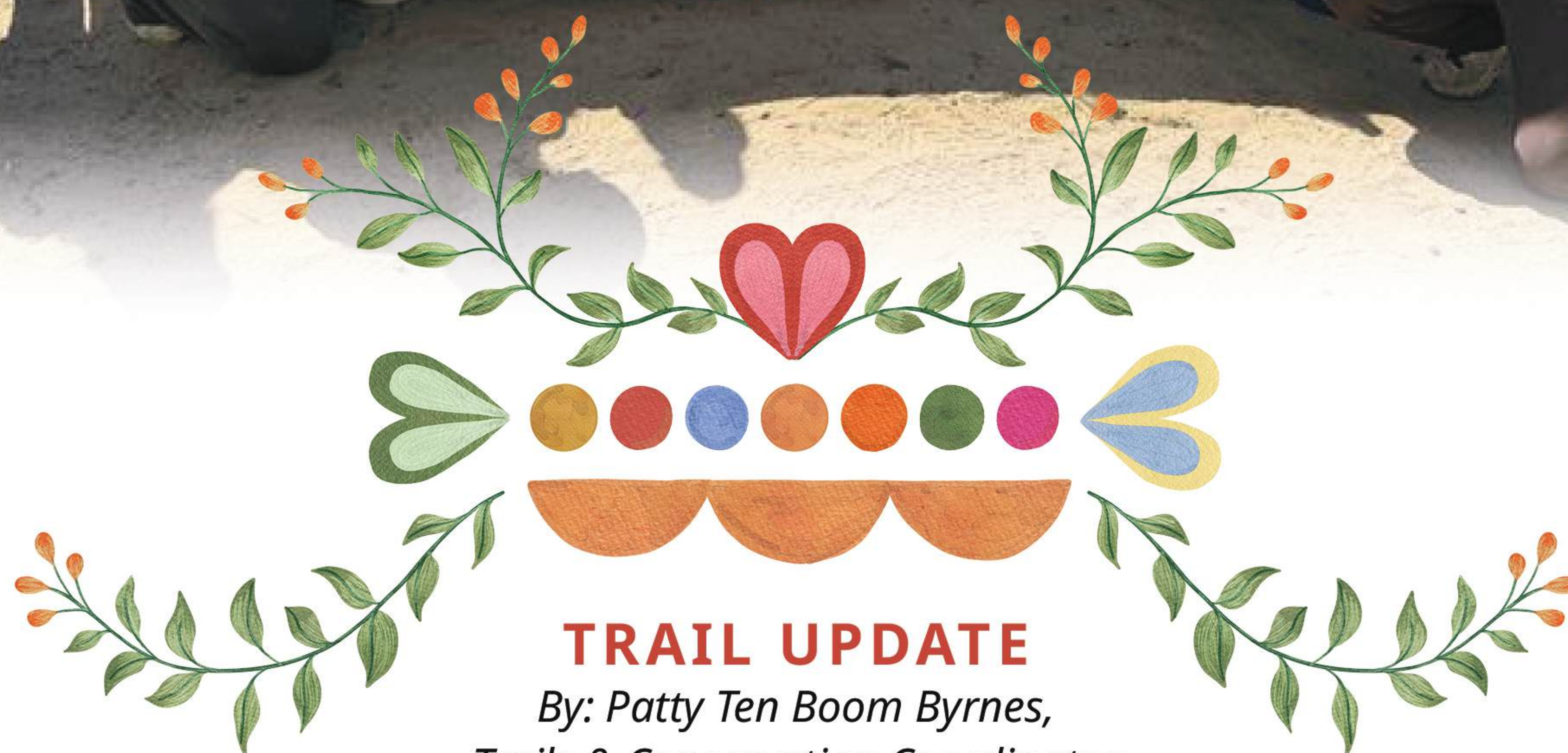
**Board of Directors Recognition:**  
**JULIE GIBBS**

Julie Gibbs brings thoughtful leadership and unwavering dedication to the Foundation through her service on the Board of Directors. Her support strengthens the programs that inspire environmental stewardship and outdoor exploration across the Discovery Campus, creating opportunities for learners of all ages to experience firsthand just how powerful learning can be **When Nature Becomes the Classroom**. Julie also extends her generosity through her business, The Tutor Dr., by sponsoring coffee for parents and teachers during our Academy for Environmental Stewardship programs. Thanks to her support, families enjoy a hot cup of coffee as their students embark on hands-on learning in nature's classroom. We are grateful for Julie's commitment, her leadership, and the many ways she helps our mission thrive.



**Business Recognition:**  
**HANDEL'S ICE CREAM**

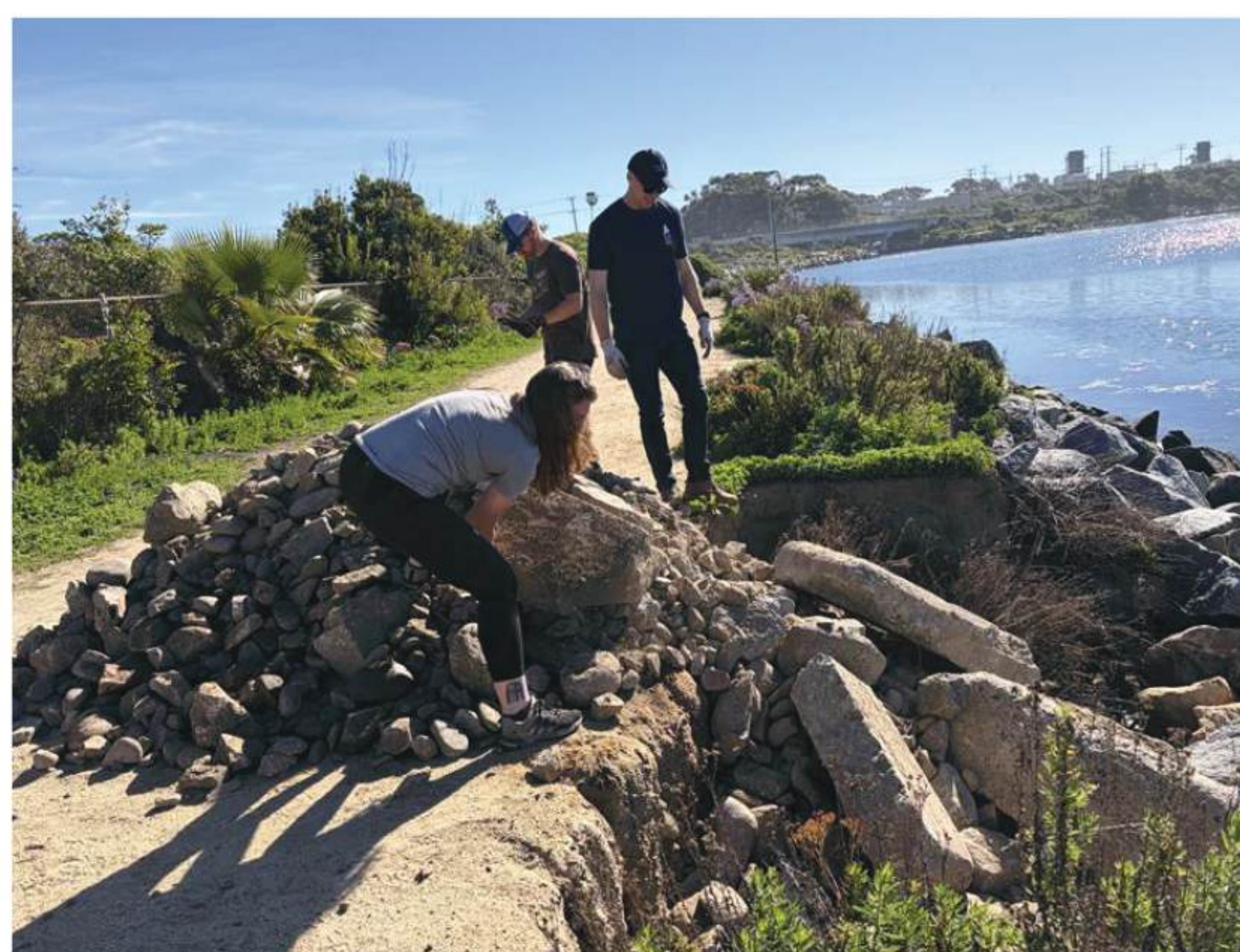
Sweet community support came from Handel's Ice Cream this season, and they made every moment more delightful. From providing Member Month cone cards to creating Bingo's birthday cake, their generosity added fun, flavor, and memorable surprises for visitors enjoying the Discovery Campus. Their partnership helps make visits even more special for families spending time outdoors together. **When Nature Becomes the Classroom**, amazing partnerships like this help our community grow stronger together.



## TRAIL UPDATE

*By: Patty Ten Boom Byrnes,  
Trails & Conservation Coordinator*

As the rainy season gives way to sunny days and blooming bluffs, trail maintenance and restoration are in full swing. So far in 2026, we've hosted four trail events, engaging more than 80 volunteers. Thanks to a generous donation from KRC Rock and the hard work of our volunteer crews, over 20 yards of rock now reinforce eroded sections of Hubbs Trail.



# TRAILS



Through our partnership with local restaurants Campfire, Herb & Sea, Jeune et Jolie, and Vigilucci's, we've diverted 340 pounds of oyster shells from the landfill and transformed them into oyster wattles, an erosion control device that help protect our trails against erosion. And in our continued effort to remove invasive Algerian sea lavender from the lagoon, volunteers have already removed more than 500 pounds of this aggressive invader this year.

Each of these projects shows how meaningful learning happens outdoors. When Nature Becomes the Classroom, volunteers gain hands-on knowledge while helping restore and protect the ecosystems that make our lagoon so extraordinary.





CELEBRATING  
*20*  
 Years  
 OF THE  
**DISCOVERY CAMPUS**



This season at the Discovery Campus reminds us how powerful learning can be **When Nature Becomes the Classroom**. Our campus recently welcomed adult coturnix quail along with young chickens, giving visitors a chance to observe bird behavior and development up close. Watching the chicks grow while learning about the quail has already sparked curiosity, questions and lively conversations among guests of all ages.

This year also marks the 20th anniversary of the Discovery Campus, celebrating two decades of connecting our community to the Agua Hedionda Lagoon through hands-on learning and environmental stewardship!

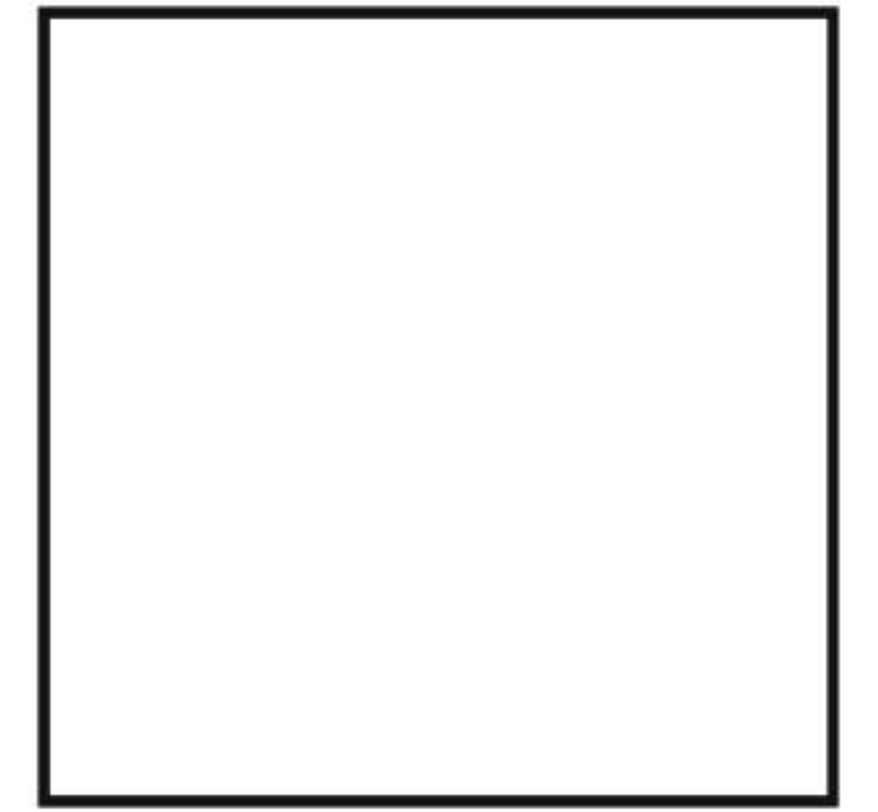


To honor this milestone, we are redesigning parts of the facility to better showcase the lagoon's past, present, and future. New exhibits will highlight its rich natural history, the ongoing work being done to protect it today, and share our vision for preserving this remarkable ecosystem for generations to come!

Visit us and experience how the lagoon continues to inspire learning every day!



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