

# Coming Home

News from The Bishop's Ranch

Spring 2011

From the Bishop of the Diocese of California -The Rt. Rev. Marc Handley Andrus

## Camp Memories

I'm writing *not* about the great, positive impact that camps made in my life, though they did, but rather about the effect I watched come to be with campers at a diocesan camp in Virginia when I was the summer chaplain over four summers.

Each cabin of campers was responsible for the daily camp worship on a rotation. During the full camp term I (and Sheila, when she wasn't out saving the world, and our daughters) lived in an early 20th-Century cabin built by an Episcopal medical missionary. I invited each group of campers to come to the front porch of the little cabin, where they sat cross-legged all around, with their counselor, and we planned worship.

Planning worship went like this: I would ask the cabin group if they wanted to talk about an idea, a question, or if they'd rather start with a story from the Bible, and move from that place to the questions and ideas. Whichever path they chose, we would then dive into the conversation, for about an hour.

At the end of the hour, we looked back at the conversation, and picked out what seemed most important to us all. I would then suggest how they might begin to move from these central points to a worship service. When they all said cheery good-byes and scooted on to the next activity, it would be the last involvement I had in their worship planning or in the service itself.

At the worship service, I would typically sit in the back bench of



*Chapel time at BREAD camp*



*Small group time at BREAD camp*



*Listening and sharing at camp*



the outdoor chapel at the camp. I was always impressed, wowed to see them address questions at the center of life, questions that would be with them as they grew up and lived their adult lives.

At the most obvious level, these campers learned how capable they were to plan and lead worship, worship that was beautiful, funny, thought provoking, moving. Below that, they learned that it was possible to talk about hard-to-talk-about ideas, in a Christian community. They learned that the Christian community represents Christ, the divine, present with them, in all our questions, our laughing and our tears, and, there at camp, in dirt and rain, and hot sun filtered through leafy trees.

Those campers are now in their late 20s and their 30s. Some of them have faced immense challenges, immeasurable loss and tragedy. It is my hope that the way God met them on that concrete-slab porch hanging on the front of an old cabin, or in the chapel, assured them that God would always meet them in their lives, wherever they found themselves. And, I hope that the cabin and the camp got imprinted in their hearts, the acorn-like model of the Christian community, and that they find that living presence wherever they go, whenever they need.

*+ Marc Handley Andrus*

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*Employees are listed in their primary work group. Several work in more than one function.*

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## Two Months Spent Beautifying the Already Beautiful-The Bishop's Ranch - by Katelyn Jones

The past two months at The Bishop's Ranch have been no less than spectacular.

I joined AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) with the hopes of traveling to places I haven't been before and meeting great people. Both of these goals of mine were completely fulfilled the day I

first met The Bishop's Ranch, the land around it, and the staff that would be supervising and working with me.

My AmeriCorps team, Silver 3, was assigned to live and work at The Bishop's Ranch for two months to enhance the trails, reduce risk of wild fire by removing fuel, and tend to other various needs at the Ranch. Our work was strenuous, but at the end of the day, the warm soup from the kitchen and the irreplaceable humor and kindness from the staff made it worthwhile.

Originally, I had mistakenly assumed all of our work would be merely fuel removal and trail building. However, the maintenance staff and their ongoing flexibility made work much easier by providing numerous projects and tasks to keep the work from becoming monotonous. During my time on the Ranch, I was able to clear trails, make new trails, and remove several hundred pounds of brush and logs from the Keepo Canyon and Gina's Orchard areas. Also, when the weather made those tasks more difficult, I was assigned to other projects

like restoring many outdoor furniture pieces, painting the five-bedroom Harrison

House, and helping the maintenance staff complete an entire fence around the duck pond.

Along with the diversity in the projects, the maintenance staff found even more ways to keep the smiles on our faces. Within our first two weeks of work, the team and I were surprised one

day as we were pulled aside to receive special training on an excavator. This was followed with trainings for the tractor, motorized mower, and even blacksmithing.

When we were done working hard and wanted to play hard, the staff decided to join us. They played Ultimate Frisbee with us often after work, and were really good competitors, too! At the end of the week, I always had gained something new; whether it was a new cool bruise or an incredible experience with powerful



*AmeriCorps crew and Ranch maintenance staff*



*AmeriCorps in a Tug of War with a fallen tree*

machinery, I appreciated every effort made to keep us happy.

In any experience, the memories you make all come from the people you are with, and the people at The Bishop's Ranch really made for an amazing two months for us. They never were forced to do any of this for us, but they chose to take that extra step and made us feel like a part of their family. For everything they did for my team and me, we will forever be thankful. I have never worked harder in my life, and I have also never been so grateful to do so. It was a truly beautiful place.



*Laura & Mike of AmeriCorps crew serving at the Grace Cathedral Evensong event*



## Cathedral Evensong Event



*Nigel Heath, Jane Shaw, Sean Swift*

Evensong on February 3rd at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco was a special evening for The Bishop's Ranch and friends. The Rev. Dr. Jane Shaw, Dean of Grace Cathedral, included the Ranch in her thoughtful prayers. During the service, guests were able to sit in the Great Quire with the men and boys singing, which was quite a treat. The service was followed by a reception catered by the talented Ranch kitchen staff and the invaluable AmeriCorps

crew. Acorn Winery donated a lovely Rosato wine for the reception which complemented the warm brie and chutney philo rounds, cucumber sandwiches, and Ranch-made crackers with assorted cheeses. Guests were welcomed at the reception and reminded that the Ranch



*Marjorie Sun, Bronwyn Austin, Jane Heath*

is for individual and community renewal. Guests left with a bag of goodies from the Ranch and a memorable evening. Thank you to Grace Cathedral for hosting such a lovely event.



*Susan Lucas, Jim & Janelle Fazackerley*

## The Bishop's Ranch Legacy Circle Inauguration



Many of you are aware of the improvements done in the last twenty-five years to help The Bishop's Ranch be a more effective place of refreshment. It is our conviction that a place among nature where people grow closer to God and each other is immensely valuable to the Church and to the broader community. On a solid financial footing, the work of the Ranch can continue for new generations if the many improvements to the facilities are maintained and the precious land is cared for and protected.

Once-in-a-lifetime planned gifts will play a critical role in carrying forward the ministry of the Ranch to future generations. The Bishop's Ranch is pleased to announce a new group, the Legacy Circle, whose members are those thoughtful people who have remembered the Ranch in their will or estate plan. The inauguration of this group will be July 30th, 2011 at the Acorn Society Annual Forum event at The Bishop's Ranch. If The Bishop's Ranch is part of your will or estate plan we invite you to let us know at this time, so that you may be included as a founding member of our Legacy Circle.

The Board and staff are exceedingly grateful to those who, through their passion for its ministry, have remembered The Bishop's Ranch in their will or estate plan. These gifts will play a significant role in the health and on-going development of the Ranch. We look forward to honoring legacy gifts in July this year. If you have questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact Advancement Officer Sarah McGowan at 707-433-2440 x105 or [sarah@bishopsranch.org](mailto:sarah@bishopsranch.org).

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## Havens - The Art Center - by Lisa Thorpe



*Resident Artist Lisa Thorpe leading a family art project at Generations Camp*

The Bishop's Ranch is a splendid place to explore and expand, rest and restore. There are wonderful places to sit and be quiet and introspective, places to walk and wander and wonder and lots of places to gather, enjoy and expand community. One place you might not have explored yet is the Art Center. The Art Center resides below the chapel and for years it was an overflow guest space, with two rooms and a shower. But soon after my family arrived at the Ranch almost 15 years ago, I started incubating an idea. The Ranch needed an art center, a place for adults and children to explore and create and get messy. And so the Art Center was born. It is always open for adults to come in anytime of the

night or day to draw, paint, or collage. Kids, with an adult, are welcome anytime, too. Some groups ask me to lead an art activity; others use the space on their own. Individuals often come and play in the Art Center during their free time or when they are here on personal retreat. It is a great place to spend an afternoon on a rainy winter day, and is literally the coolest place to hang out on a hot summer day. I try to keep a wide variety of supplies at the ready with ideas and project prompts around to get the creative juices flowing. Exploring thoughts and ideas through art opens up a different kind of language that can get at a deeper truth or just let you get out of your word-filled world and let you contemplate in color, talk in texture, ponder in paint. So, next time you visit the Ranch, come on down and get messy! To inquire about designing an art program for your group contact Lisa at [artist@lisathorpe.com](mailto:artist@lisathorpe.com)



*Suzan Sweet in the Art Center*

## The Bishop's Ranch Staff News - by Shannon Reilly

Upon arrival at the Ranch last fall, guests were greeted by a garden of what could have been mistaken for a crop of magic beanstalks. For three years now, housekeeper Carolina Sandoval and her husband, Francisco, have tended a large garden located next to Harrison House. Each year they share their harvest of tomatoes, beans, peppers, and a plethora of other produce with the Ranch kitchen. Francisco's master gardening skills have always reaped a plentiful bounty. Last year, he planted corn seed native to Mexico and the results were astounding. Within a few weeks the corn stalks were waist high and adding inches every day. Over the summer months and into the fall, Carolina and Francisco could be observed in the garden with their heads cocked back, chins ever higher, staring in awe at the magical

crop. The corn reached heights of 15-plus feet, proof of how life can be lived to its full potential at The Bishop's Ranch.

Bookkeeper Cacilia Dale is the proud grandmother of grandchild #14. Her daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Adam Sbragia, had their second child and first boy, Gino Sbragia, on March 26th.

On March 30th, Jim and Janelle Fazackerley (pictured on page 3) generously donated their skills to provide CPR and AED training to a number of the Ranch staff. Janelle worked as a paramedic in San Francisco in the 1980's and has 20 years teaching experience in First Aid, CPR and Disaster Preparedness. Jim has been a Paramedic Captain for the San Francisco Fire Department since 1983. Along with their children,

Katherine and Joseph, they have been long-time guests and supporters of the Ranch.

Our Artist in Residence, Lisa Thorpe, after 4 years of using her talents as a pre-school teacher for a local co-op, has rededicated herself to her artistic endeavors. Last September she started posting an interactive blog, "Lisa Thorpe's Mandala Challenge – An Artist's Quest". On Mondays she posts a photo along with thoughts and musings. Readers are invited to respond to the week's challenge in word or image. On Fridays, Lisa posts her artistic creation and those sent to her by the readers. Check it out at [www.lisathorpeartist.wordpress.com](http://www.lisathorpeartist.wordpress.com).

She is also offering art classes here at the Ranch and other venues. (See article above)

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At the end of February, two Ranch staff members had adventures in Central and South America. Robin Miller, our Kitchen Manager, flew to Buenos Aires to vacation with her best friend of 30 years, Marilyn. The ladies enjoyed six days of the colorful



Robin Miller (right) & good friend at an Empanada cooking class in Buenos Aires, Argentina

culture, friendly locals and delicious food. As evidenced by the numerous photos she took, Robin devoured each opportunity to try a new dish. She and Marilyn even joined an empanada cooking class to bring the authentic flavor home with them.

Also in February, the Rev. Pat Moore, Ranch Chaplain, traveled to central Panama. She went with a group from Sustainable Harvest International, a nonprofit organization dedicated to changing “slash and burn” farming methods to sustainable agricultural practices. Pat spent five days living with the Campesino family, visiting farms, rice paddies and fishponds to learn about changes being made, and to get to know some of the farm workers and their families.



The Rev. Pat Moore (right) in Panama with some of her host family

## Manure, not Madeleines - by Rose Scarff

Whiff of cow manure on the breeze  
And I am a child again  
Back in the barn  
Helping with chores  
Waiting for milk.

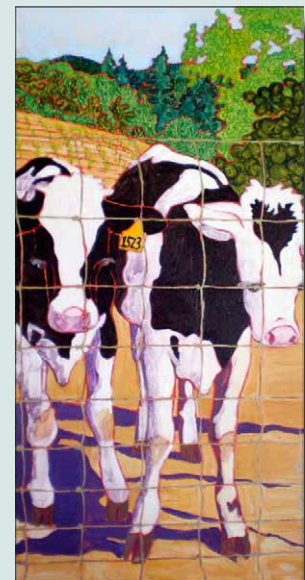
Secure in the warmth emanating  
from the large black and  
white bodies  
keeping a safe distance from  
swinging heads  
swishing tails and stomping feet  
I scoop grain from the barrel  
I am lifted up to reach  
Until I too can lift  
The heavy lid on my own.

The dusty mixture slides  
swooshing  
Into the trough where greedy  
coarse tongues  
Lick it from wood and concrete.  
I move down the aisle repeating  
The movement thirty times over  
As hay from the mow comes  
dusting down

And hands other than mine fork that  
to the cows.  
Taking the first milk to the  
waiting calves  
I wiggle my fingers in the  
warm white liquid  
To teach these wobbly creatures  
how to drink  
Rather than suck their meals—  
When they finish, bucket  
abandoned,  
My hands stroke their soft baby  
coats,  
Fingers scratch behind their ears as  
They do their best to butt me over.

Called from play when things  
Begin to get too rough  
Another bucket handed to me  
This one for human consumption  
For my siblings  
Waiting at home  
Up the now dark road  
From the barn to our house.

Rose volunteered to clean out the bluebird boxes this spring and traded “growing up in the country stories” with Maintenance Coordinator Doug Wade. When they talked about the smell of cows from the farm next door, she remembered this poem she wrote while on retreat with St. James’ Episcopal Church, San Francisco.



Young Cows at Dairy  
Lisa Thorpe

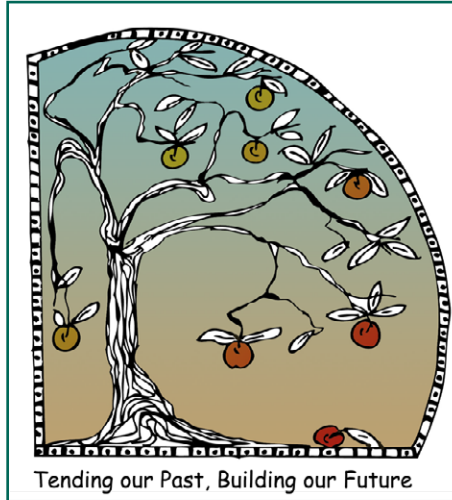
## Tending our Past, Building our Future - 2011 Annual Fund

In the management of The Bishop's Ranch we seek in a number of ways to help the Ranch be a strong, thriving tree. A primary root at the Ranch is hospitality, a fundamental for successful retreats and conferences. We seek to fertilize the roots for new, leafy growth. In this spirit the motto chosen for the 2011 Ranch Annual Fund Drive is *Tending our Past, Building our Future*.

The Annual Fund supports the Ranch purpose: to be a place where renewal of spirit, mind and body can occur. The Annual Fund has a direct and immediate impact on the quality of a guest's visit by ensuring clean and welcoming buildings and grounds for Ranch guests. Since we strive to keep guest fees as low as possible to make the benefits of a Ranch visit available to a wide range of people, fees do not cover the entire cost of a guest's experience at the Ranch. Yet it is critical to remain both an affordable and a well cared-for facility. As a self-supporting institution of the Diocese of California, gifts to the Annual Fund are an indispensable part of the operations budget and the continued success of the Ranch's ministry.

The successful 2010 Annual Fund goal of

\$140,000 was exceeded—generous donors provided over \$150,000! This enabled the Ranch to serve many people during a difficult year. For 2011, the Advancement Committee of the Ranch Board has set a goal to inspire 475 donors to give to the 2011 drive, seeking \$150,000 in support of hospitality. The goal is based upon the operations budget requirements and the success of last year's campaign.



Those of us who work on the Ranch campus daily witness the many positive ways the Ranch brings renewal of spirit, mind and body into people's lives. That experience makes us tremendously grateful to all who support this special place. Please consider making a gift to "Tend our Past and Build our Future". Ask if your company will match your gift to the Annual Fund. In Ranch operations, all gifts have great impact. Supporting Ranch hospitality is more important than the size of the gift. Just think, a Ranch guest may be standing, arms outstretched right now in a beautiful oak grove, sitting in an adirondack chair watching the sunrise or meeting a new soul friend this year. They will be sending you their deep thanks.

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## Eco-Pilgrimage - July 9 to 16, 2011



*The Russian River at Wohler Bridge*

The Russian River, with headwaters in Mendocino county, northeast of the town of Ukiah, flows past many villages, ranches, roads and open areas through its 1500 square mile watershed. The Bishop's Ranch sits on terraces above the river's Middle Reach, near Healdsburg. Just downstream of the Ranch, the river turns sharply west and trends toward the sea. St. Dorothy's Rest lies among the redwood covered hills south of the Lower Reach, not far from the river's mouth at the village of Jenner.

The Eco-Pilgrimage is a journey of the body by boat, foot and in vehicles, from the Middle Reach to the sea; from The Bishop's Ranch to St. Dorothy's Rest. It will be a journey of prayer and learning. Along the way, we will talk to those who know the river and its tributaries intimately. We will meet those who study the great fish returning to the river each year, those who grow grapes for the remarkable wines of the region, and those who study the river's movement through the ages. Holding in mind the stories we hear along the way, we will learn, give praise and pray for the watershed and the living things that rely on it for joy and sustenance. Pilgrims will camp out and cook together some nights, and stay inside some nights. Join us on this week-long pilgrimage! For more information, contact Sean Swift: [sean@bishopsranch.org](mailto:sean@bishopsranch.org).



*The Russian River meets the Pacific Ocean at the village of Jenner*



## Chapel of St. George

The Chapel of St. George has been transformed by the addition of stained glass windows celebrating St. Francis' Canticle to the Sun. The windows, by artist Irmi Steding ([www.irmiglass.com](http://www.irmiglass.com)), depict scenes from the song-prayer written by St. Francis in the last years of his life. They offer a wonderful connection to the world of nature, including humans, that the Ranch itself celebrates. Their warmth and color add



Music Window

immeasurably to the richness of our worship space.

Irmi also constructed a stunning window near the Chapel entrance honoring our praise of God through music.

She has now turned her attention to the last

window, on the stairs to the choir loft, which will honor the long history of the Diocese at the Ranch. About \$1,800 of the \$10,000 needed has been raised from individuals around the Diocese for this window. A gift to the Diocesan window fund will help complete the resplendent Chapel transformation.

A beautiful version of the text of the Canticle (as written in the windows) done in calligraphy by Elizabeth Fifield, daughter of Dick and Patty Ford, now hangs on the back wall of the chapel. A flyer with the words of the Canticle as sung by St. Francis and his monks and a bit of its history is available in the narthex. We plan to add a flyer giving the history of the chapel and its art in the near future. New lighting in the back of the chapel has been installed, to the joy of our pianists.

In December, the community that worships at the Chapel donated funds to purchase coast redwood trees to be planted in the memorial grove behind the parking lot a short distance from the pond. These additional trees will add to

the buffer between the lot and the dairy and are given in gratitude for the Ranch and for the beauty of its land. The first tree in this group was planted at Christmas time and was a memorial gift from Jordan Enev. We walked out (in the rain, of course!) to the spot for a special blessing of the tree following our Eucharist on a Sunday just after Christmas.

Daily morning and evening prayer services are offered in the chapel by our prayer resident Pavan Lewis who will be with us through April. In May, David Keller and Emily Wilmer will serve as officiants at daily prayers. While they are here they will also offer a retreat "Learning to Listen to the Life Within" May 22 -May 23 and a course "Lord Teach Us To Pray" on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 PM on May 4, 11, 18, and 25. Our prayer residents during the summer months are Alliee DeArmond and Laurie Glover.

For more information about the workshop and retreat and the volunteer prayer resident position please visit our website at [www.bishopsranch.org](http://www.bishopsranch.org).

## Staff Retreat - A day when those who serve at the Ranch are served

Last fall, the staff at The Bishop's Ranch gathered for a day of team building, Ranch visioning and future building. The faithful staff members who are always on hand to serve the guests were treated with a lovely day of being served. The regulars at our Sunday morning Chapel of St. George service provided a wonderful breakfast, and The Bishop's Ranch Board of Directors laid out a wonderful spread for lunch. Thanks for the nurturing!



The Chapel group regulars and The Bishop's Ranch Board share their time and talents by making two delicious meals for Ranch staff



Ranch staff gathered for staff retreat day



Nigel Heath, Ranch Board President



Judy Harris & Dick Ford working in the kitchen



Kay Wells, Jim Love & Jim Brown, chapel regulars



## The Bishop's Ranch 2011 Summer Camp Programs



# Camp Creates Christian Community

**MUSIC CAMP** – “Jesus, The Missing Years” Come explore music, movement and art through the creation and performance of a musical theater piece themed around some freshly minted stories from the life of Jesus. While you're here, enjoy swimming, hiking, crafts, worship and more. Camp culminates in a performance for family and friends.



– June 27 to July 2 - Campers entering 4th to 9th grade



**B.R.E.A.D. CAMP** – B.R.E.A.D. Camp is a great place to discover community, spirituality and learn more about yourself. Spend mornings with other teens exploring the theme of the week through small group activities and discussions. Afternoons are filled with lots of fun things to do like hiking, swimming, arts and crafts, and other elective activities. Evenings hold some really fun surprises.

*“B.R.E.A.D. camp is totally different from anything you've expected.”*

Sr. High Week - July 17 to 23

Campers entering 10th grade to graduating seniors

Jr. High Week - July 24 to 30

Campers entering 7th to 9th grade



**FAMILY CAMP & GENERATIONS CAMP** – At Family Camp and Generations you will see what kind of community can develop when God's children of all ages gather together for a week. Working and playing, relaxing and talking, exploring and eating with new friends and old, draws families together into a peaceful and satisfying time.

Intergenerational

Family Camp - July 3 to 9

Generations - July 31 to August 6





## Gifts given to the Ranch in Memory, Honor or Thanksgiving

Evelyn M. Andresen given in memory of Jerry McKinley	Herman The Rev. and Mrs. Richard B. Ford in thanksgiving for The Rev. and Mrs. Dwight Edwards	of Darby Betts Craig Perlov and Dorothy Dickey in memory of Virginia Dickey
Anonymous in honor of Lloyd Aubry	Barbara B. Girard in memory of Brandon Avery Girard	Mr. Art Reichert and The Rev. Elaine Gilmer Reichert in memory of The Rev. Elaine Reichert's grandfather Ray Bender
Anonymous in memory of Rachel Higgins	Ruth R. Harrington in memory of Frances Calavan	The Rev. and Mrs. Ted Ridgway in memory of Frances Calavan
Susan Bergesen in memory of Ollie Cat	David and Shelley Hird in memory of Jack E. Carter	Jeff and Ann Roberts in memory of Jack and Elise Green
Elaine W. Betts in memory of Darby W. Betts	Joy Keele in loving memory of Ralph B. Keele	Nina P. Saunders in memory of Rev. Ferdinand D. Saunders
Claude W. Bloom in memory of Barbara Hibbert Bloom	Mary Kelley in memory of The Ven. John J. Weaver	Sheila Cunningham Sims in memory of C.R.A. Cunningham
Tom and Margaret Bowman in thanksgiving for the lives of Frances and Corwin Calavan	Joan B. King in honor of Guy and Jill Bigwood	Dr. Robert E. Stutz in loving memory of Mary R. Stutz, my wife, and the good times we had at The Bishop's Ranch
Christa L. Burch in honor of John and Alice Kooyer	Anna Klay in memory of Amber Rose Hendry	Sean Swift and Caroline Draper Swift in memory of Frances Calavan
Janis Wilcox Christiansen in memory of Pamela Jones Muller	Frank J. and Lois Krumenacher in memory of Frances Calavan	The Rev. Howard Swinehart in memory of Betty Swinehart
Robert Cobb and Betty Moura in memory of Henry Bayne	Ralph and Liz Long in honor of St. Clement's Choir	Paul and Priscilla Thut in honor of Jack, Lisa and Ivan
Liza Colton in memory of Liz and Al Colton	Bill and Leslie Marcus in honor of Tom and Margaret Bowman	The Rev. Maurice E. Turner in memory of Joan Turner
Rod and Deb Covington in honor of The Rev. Albert Colbourne	Chris Markell in memory of Edward Markell and Anne Markell	Betty Walker in memory of Lt. Col. Donald D. Walker
Dikas family in honor of The Northrop-Leininger family	Mrs. Edward K. Markell in memory of Ed Markell and Anne Markell	Margery A. Ward in memory of Herb Ward and in thanksgiving for family
Harlean Donaldson in memory of Charles L. Donaldson	Martha's Mt. Holyoke 5 in honor of Jack, Lisa and Ivan	Ron and Kay Wells in memory of Charles Donaldson
The Rev. Dwight and Rosi Edwards in honor of The Rev. and Mrs. Richard Ford	Mr. Paul J. Miller in honor of Robin Miller	Brian Wittenkeller in memory of Christina Wittenkeller, loving wife, mother & grandmother
Veronica Elliott in recognition of Henry Bayne	Tina Naugle in memory of Clarence and Bess Ireland	
George W. Enderlin in memory of Audrey Enderlin	Katherine Nutting in memory	
The Rev. and Mrs. Richard B. Ford in memory of Evelyn		

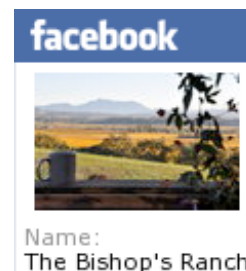
## The Bishop's Ranch Wish List

### Maintenance/gardens wishes:

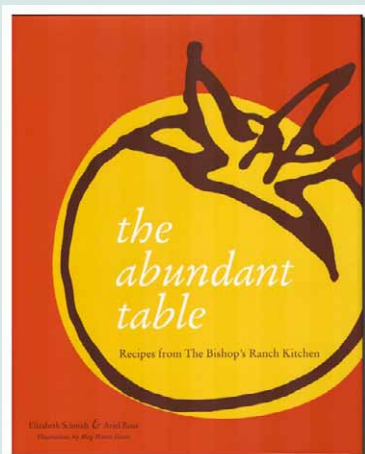
- Barn-18' X 26' (or something close to that size)
- Belt grinder, metal working
- Blacksmithing equipment, including: Anvil (160 lbs. or better), coal or gas forge, hammers, tongs or other tools
- Dump trailer
- Dump truck, 3 yard
- Forklift attachment for tractor
- Kawasaki Mule 4-wheel drive vehicle
- Landscape materials: large boulders, soil, flagstone
- Saw with stand, 12" slide-mitre, wood shop type
- Scissor lift (19 or 20 foot size, used only) and trailer
- Split rail fence material (redwood) • Truck, 4x4
- Water trailer, 500 gallon
- Wood planer, 12" electric

A monetary or in-kind gift for an item on the wish list helps Ranch guests have a more productive and comfortable stay and helps the Ranch staff improve services to guests.

## Become a Fan



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## SPRING VEGETABLE *frittata*

*This works well as a brunch dish or a light dinner entree. The potatoes, onions, & asparagus may be prepared the day before to save time.*

Makes 8 to 10 servings.

- 1/2 lb Yukon Gold potatoes, skin on, diced into 1/2 in. cubes
- 1 medium yellow onion, thinly sliced
- 1/2 lb asparagus, trimmed & cut in 1/2 in. diagonal slices
- Mild olive oil to coat vegetables & saute garlic, about 1/2 cup
- 2 medium garlic cloves, minced
- 10 eggs
- 2 cups grated sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped Italian parsley
- Pinch of cayenne pepper
- Salt & pepper

Preheat oven to 450° F. Each vegetable will roast in a different amount of time, so keep them separate as you work with them. Toss the potatoes, onion, and asparagus with oil and sprinkle with salt. Roast the vegetables in the oven, turning with a spatula to ensure even roasting. Leave them in until they are starting to brown, about 15 minutes for potatoes and onions, 10 minutes for asparagus. If preparing ahead, let cool and store in the refrigerator overnight or until needed.

Preheat the oven to 300° F. Briefly saute garlic in a small amount of olive oil. (If potatoes, onion, and asparagus have been refrigerated, heat them up in this same pan before proceeding.) In a large bowl, crack the eggs and whisk them together. Add the vegetable mixture, cheeses, and parsley. Stir together and season with salt, pepper, and cayenne.

Pour into an oiled 9 by 13 glass Pyrex pan or equivalent ovenproof casserole dish. Bake until the top is puffed and starting to brown. This will take approximately 1 hour.

For more great recipes, get a copy of  
*the abundant table*  
at [www.bishopsranch.org/cookbook.html](http://www.bishopsranch.org/cookbook.html)



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To find out how you can take advantage of this opportunity or to learn more about planned giving and The Bishop's Ranch Legacy Circle, contact Sarah in the Advancement Office at 707-433-2440 x105 or email [sarah@bishopsranch.org](mailto:sarah@bishopsranch.org).

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