A Note of Thanks
Ocean Reef Community Foundation
and Phoenix Fund Match Grant Award

By Joan Scholz
Executive Director, FKWBC

The Florida Keys Wild Bird Center (FKWBC) receives over 1,000 sick and injured native and migratory wild birds each year. Situated in the major North American migration route, the FKWBC serves an extremely important role in the ecosystem serving over 100 mile radius from the Everglades to north of Marathon Key. The FKWBC would like to thank the Ocean Reef Community Foundation and Phoenix Fund for their extremely generous matching grant award in the amount of $16,250 ($11,850 and $4,400 respectively) to restore the FKWBC Laura Quinn Wild Bird Sanctuary Visitor Center’s extremely fragile boardwalk. The Sanctuary, located at MM 93, 99600 Overseas Highway in Tavernier.

The stability of the Sanctuary Boardwalk is essential to the overall organization because over 40,000 guests visit each year. Donations from Sanctuary visitors account for over one-third of the overall income to the organization.

The Sanctuary Boardwalk provides a vehicle to educate the public about how to minimize the human impact to our wild bird species through our rehabilitated Sanctuary resident’s injury history. Our deepest appreciation for your continued help and support to “KEEP THEM FLYING!!!”.

The Vintage Tuscan Table
with Sandra Lotti
Cooking School Class Goes Back to the Classics

“Family, tradition, love, ties, stubbornness, laughing until you cry… these are the qualities that define Toscana Saporita Cooking School and make it unique and so special. We teach you ancient and traditional dishes, using only the freshest and seasonal ingredients.” Sandra Lotti

Sandra Rosy Lotti specializes in teaching the essence of Tuscan cuisine, one of the oldest and most delicious cuisines in the world. A Tuscan native, she is the chef-owner of Toscana Saporita Cooking School in Tuscany, just north of Pisa, and very close to the mediaeval town of Luca. Lotti teaches students to cook at an idyllic 500-year-old 70-acre hilltop farm/estate, or agriturismo, set in a Tuscan olive grove. She studied cooking at the Istituto Professionale Giovanni Minuto, and worked in several Tuscan restaurant kitchens before co-founding Toscana Saporita with her late cousin, American cookbook author Anne Bianchi.

She frequently contributes to Italy’s most prestigious cooking magazines and is contributing editor for Intermezzo Magazine in the United States. She is known throughout Italy for her cookbooks on Tuscan regional cuisine. When in New York, Lotti has appeared at The James Beard House, The French Culinary Institute, La Cucina Italiana and Degustibus Cooking School. She has worked with stellar chefs Mario Batali, Gary Rhodes, Dieter Schorner, and Donato de Santis. Sandra Rosy Lotti embodies the heart of the Italian spirit in her warmth, her zest for life and her passion for great food. These qualities, combined with her outstanding skill as an ebullient teacher will make this class the perfect place to learn the art of Tuscan cooking. Buon Appetito!

Join Chef Sandra Lotti on Thursday, November 29 9:00 a.m-12:00 p.m. For reservations call the Cooking School at 305-367-5933.

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Lookout Mountain newspaper were about Betsy rappelling down a 20 story building to raise money for the Boy Scouts of America. She awed all who saw her in her Superwoman costume with cape flying and sparkling boots carefully descending from the heights. She brings that spirit of adventure to the croquet team.

Why not come to the court on play days to meet and be greeted by the dynamic Caldewells? Life at Ocean Reef can always be enhanced by trying something new. Croquet, anyone?