7th Annual
Hike & Hoot
Potluck
Saturday, April 30th

Featuring:
Zara McDonald (Bay Area Puma Project) on Mountain Lions
Greg Damron (Pepperwood Preserve) on Local Bird Species
Susan Smith (Local Botanist) on Native Wildflowers
The Bird Rescue Center...with live owls!

1:00 PM  Gather at HUB building & meet watershed neighbors.
1:30-4:00  A choice of naturalist-guided hikes.
4:00-4:30  Meet back at HUB for hors d’oeuvres, drinks and music.
4:30-5:30  Mountain Lion Presentation:
            Learn about the Bay Area Puma Project from Zara McDonald
5:45-6:30  Potluck Supper: please bring a dish, hors d’oeuvres, salad or dessert!
6:30-6:45  Short presentation of FMWW activities and Watershed Volunteer Award.
6:45-7:00  Raffle/Auction (bring cash, preferred, or checkbook)
7:00-9:00  Fire-circle (weather permitting) with storytelling, music jam, and s’mores!
8:00-9:00  Hooters’ hikes (while fire circle continues under an almost-full moon)
9:00 PM  Close down and clean-up.

Please join us for all or part of the festivities:  Hiking shoes or boots, sunscreen, water bottle and flashlight recommended. Children and musical instruments welcome!  Car-pooling strongly encouraged.

Monan’s Rill House Rules:  No smoking, no pets, and stay away from the ponds. All guests sign a release form when checking in at HUB.

Directions to Monan’s Rill:  7899 St. Helena Rd, Santa Rosa CA 95404.
Approx. four miles up St. Helena Rd. from Calistoga Rd, look for the Hike & Hoot signs.  On a sharp right turn, there are several mailboxes on the left, at the base of “Puff Lane,” a one-lane gravel road. Follow the H&H signs up Puff Lane (approx. 1 mile to HUB building).  At first fork, follow sign left.  At second fork, follow sign right.  At mailboxes, follow sign left.  Drive pass HUB to parking areas as designated by signs or attendants.

For more Information: contact Harriet at hbuck@sonic.net or call 538-5307.

A screech owl, one of many owls from the Bird Rescue Center.

In Cooperation With
Monan’s Rill
April 30th Hike & Hoot
Learn from experts about our local plants, birds and, animals. Then enjoy a potluck supper, music and meeting neighbors!

April 30th Puma Hike & Slideshow
Our featured speaker at the Hike & Hoot will be Zara McDonald from the Bay Area Puma Project (BAPP). BAPP is a research project and education initiative that seeks to understand conservation challenges to the mountain lion in the Bay Area.

The project is currently studying pumas in the South Bay. It will move to the East Bay in 2011, and hopes to come up to the North Bay in 2012 or 2013.

Zara will lead a hike from 1:30 to 4:00PM, followed by a slideshow presentation at 4:30PM. For more info, visit: www.bapp.org

Work & Play: Road & Creek Clean-Up & Scotch Broom Removal
Come join neighbors to beautify our roads and creeks, and remove non-native, fire-hazardous Scotch Broom.

NEW! Two dates & two areas:
April 16th, 9AM-1PM, meet at 9AM at 7125 Saint Helena Rd.
April 17th, 9AM-noon, meet at 9AM at Petrified Forest & Sharp Roads.
Download the flyer at: www.markwestwatershed.org