

## *The Randell Research Center Endowment:*

### *A Vision for the Future*

Endowment funds in the amount of \$2,000,000 in partnership with already existing commitments from the University of Florida and the Florida Museum of Natural History, will permanently establish the Randell Research Center at Pineland and allow its learning and teaching programs to grow and prosper. Less than 1/4 remains to be raised.



Income from the RRC Endowment will help support:

- staff
- facilities and equipment
- research projects and public programs.

The Florida Museum and the University of Florida are committed to establishing a permanent research and education facility at Pineland that will serve Southwest Florida. To this end, we have raised funds, secured grants, and opened a public interpretive facility – the Calusa Heritage Trail – that serves school children, residents, and tourists alike.

The Randell Research Center is dedicated to a historical-ecology approach that provides valuable long-term information on Florida's changing maritime habitats and the interactions of people with their surroundings. In southwest Florida, its research and education programs are complementary to those of local museums, nature centers, conservation organizations, public schools, colleges, universities, eco-tourism, and heritage tourism. By teaching visitors and residents about the history of the remarkable environments and the cultures that have prospered along Florida's southern coasts, the RRC encourages stewardship of Florida's cultural and natural heritage.



Children and adults alike are fascinated by the past. Your donation to the permanent endowment fund will ensure that these learning opportunities will continue forever.

***NEH Challenge Grant:***

In 2002, the National Endowment for the Humanities approved federal matching funds, payable 1:4 during the five year period 2002-2008. In other words, NEH will match \$1 for every \$4 we raise towards the RRC endowment, but only until July 31, 2008.

We invite you to help us reach our endowment goal. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by federal law. To contribute to the RRC Endowment fund, make your check payable to *Randell Research Center*. Indicate on the check that the gift is intended for the endowment fund, and note that you want your gift to be matched by NEH. Or simply fill out the donor form on the following page and mail it to us with your check.

Mail your gift to:

Randell Research Center  
PO Box 608  
Pineland, Florida 33945

Thank you for your consideration.

William H. Marquardt, Director

Randell Research Center



## Donation to the Randell Research Center: Matching Gift Certification

In support of the Randell Research Center's National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant, I/we hereby give the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used to match and to be expended for the approved purposes of the grant.

Payment in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Signature of donor \_\_\_\_\_

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City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this completed form and your gift to:

**Randell Research Center, PO Box 608, Pineland, Florida 33945.**

*Thank you for your gift to the Randell Research Center. The National Endowment for the Humanities will contribute \$1 for every \$4 you donate.*