

## AUDUBON INTERNATIONAL

On March 12, 2010 SWCA completed the first steps to become a **Green Neighborhood** through a program administered by Audubon International. This phase consisted of planning, collecting and writing a Neighborhood Environmental Assessment and creating a Neighborhood Environmental Plan. Prior to obtaining the Green Neighborhood designation Shadow Wood was a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

In beginning the process for recertification as a Cooperative Sanctuary the revelation was made that due to turnover from Bonita Bay, Shadow Wood Community Association no longer met the Cooperative Sanctuary criteria; with this knowledge the award designation changed.

The second phase of the process includes forming an Audubon Committee to help identify environmental education and improvement projects in the following areas: water quality management, water conservation, waste reduction, chemical use reduction (both indoors and outdoors), wildlife habitat protection and enhancement, outreach and education. In the next few months we will be asking for resident volunteers to work on these committees.