

“Green Man” by Nancy & Mary Brown

Lake City Bank



“Intricate Play” by Dorothy Jean Carter

Constant Spring



“Tropical Paradise” by Kylie N. Madison
Woldruff’s Footwear & Apparel



“Vessel” by Madeline Gerig
The Electric Brew



“Swans & Lily Pads” by Sharon Chupp

Gateway Cellar Winery



“Dawn of a New Day” by Sunday Mahaja

Maple City Market



“Feelin’ Hoppy” by Abby Graber

Goshen Brewing Company



“Crocus” by Mark Daniels

Stuart Meade Photography



“Sky Art” by Angie Thieszen

Jo Jo’s Pretzels



“Planted Seeds” by ADEC

Goshen Chamber & Interra Credit Union



“Elk” by Chloe Madison

INOVA



“Hare we are!” by Cristie Lechlitner

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“Rain Garden Design & Plants”

by *Nancy Brown & Lucie Martin*

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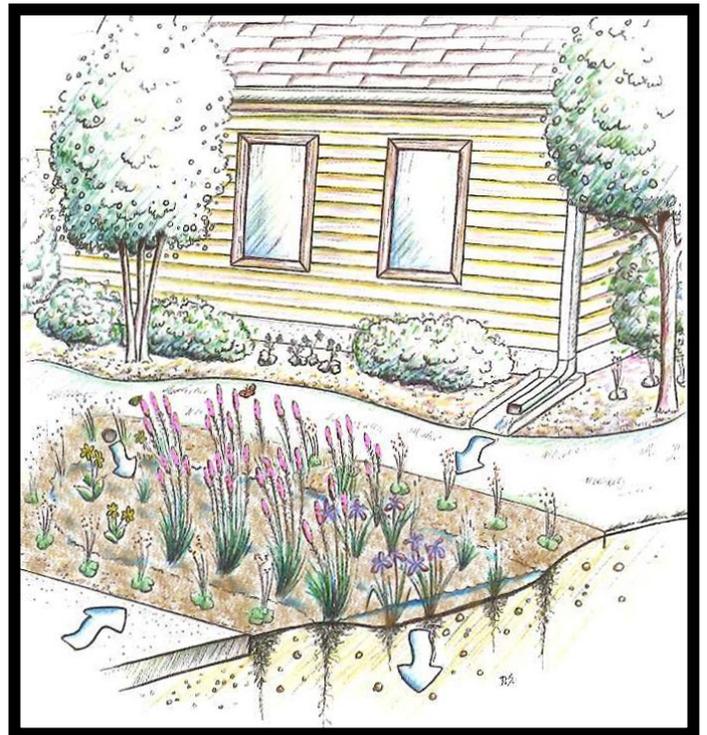
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This auction item is **limited to residential properties in the Elkhart River Watershed**, and includes:

- Site evaluation
- Rain garden size calculations
- Rain garden design
- Rain garden plant selection
- Purchase of plants*
- Layout of garden design
- Mulch
- Tips on caring for your garden

^ Plants or features that exceed the generous budget can be added at owner's expense.



8th Annual ERRA Rain Barrel Auction (with One Sculpture and a Rain Garden!)

Goshen's First Friday Celebration

June 3, 2016 (Main Stage: Courthouse Lawn 6-6:45 PM)

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Following are guidelines to consider when bidding on this item:

Site location: To limit the distance traveled by the consultants, and to honor the mission of the Elkhart River Restoration Association, this auction item is **limited to residential properties in the Elkhart River Watershed**. To see a map of the watershed, visit: <http://www.elkhartriverrestorationassociation.org/wp-content/uploads/elkhartrwatershed.jpg>

Item Value: The intent is to fully fund the installation of the “average” residential rain garden with funds for materials provided by the sponsors; time and talent donated by the “artists;” and installation provided by the landowner. Because some sites (and some landowners) may prefer additional features, those will be discussed early in the process, and it will be clear if there will be additional landowner expense before the final plan is prepared.

Site evaluation: Consultant(s) will visit the site and work with the landowners to determine the best location for a rain garden to accomplish the goals of the landowner and the function of a rain garden.

Rain garden size calculations: These will be established by the consultant(s) and the landowners based on the impervious area that drains to the rain garden location, the desire to collect the first one inch of flush during a rain event (it contains the biggest potential for pollutants to be captured), the results of the site percolation test (soils characteristics), and the agreed depth of the rain garden (the goal is between four and eight inches deep).

Rain garden design: Provided by the consultant(s) with input from the landowners and based on aesthetics and need.

Rain garden plant selection: Provided by the consultant(s) with input from the landowners and based on aesthetics and need. Native plants should dominate the rain garden, but there are cultivars that are enjoyed by landowners that can be included. Plants are selected based on: adaptability to rain gardens fluctuating moisture levels (you want dry plants that can tolerate moisture rather than wet plants that can tolerate drought); different tolerances based on placement of plants (bottom, top, side slopes); plant height; bloom timing and color; and personal preferences. Plants can be selected to establish a Monarch Butterfly Way Station, general butterfly and/or bird attraction, other pollinators, or other preferences.