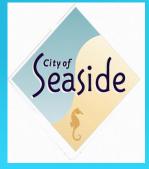
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#### Presentation Item 12



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Program Update

April 18, 2011, Regular Meeting Staff Contact: Stephanie Pintar

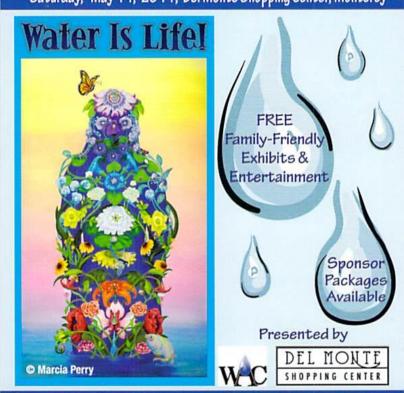
# Free activities & entertainment

## May is Water Awareness Month!

Join us for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Water Awareness Day Celebration at Del Monte Shopping Center on May 14<sup>th</sup>!

#### <sup>2ND</sup> ANNUAL Water Awareness Day Celebration

"Save a Drop While You Shop!"
Saturday, May 14, 2011, Del Monte Shopping Center, Monterey



For more information, contact:

The Water Awareness Committee of Monterey County, Inc.

(831) 645-4604 www.waterawareness.org





#### Spring Secret

- Turn over a new leaf!
- Plant a water wise garden this Spring
  - Install low water use plants
  - Group in zones of plants with similar water needs (hydrozone)
  - Use drip irrigation only when needed
  - Install a Rain Sensor to temporarily stop irrigation when it's wet or foggy
  - Lay on a thick layer of mulch
- Sit back and enjoy your lower water bills and less garden maintenance!



#### Irrigation Season — Almost

- High water bills are caused mostly by excessive irrigation
- Wait until plants start to show stress to turn on your irrigation
- Ground is still wet and periodic rain naturally waters your plants
- Each Spring, check your irrigation system to be sure it is not overwatering or letting water run to waste.



#### Irrigation Schedule

Sprinkler irrigation must occur between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. on the following schedule:

- Odd numbered addresses and properties on the South or West side of the street in cities where no street address: Water on Saturdays and Wednesdays only.
- 2. **Even** numbered addresses and properties on the **North or East side** of the street in cities where no street address is available: Water on **Sundays and Thursdays** only.
- 3. Sprinkler irrigation overseen by a professional gardener or landscaper who is available on Site may occur between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., up to 2 times per week.



#### Graywater Workshops

Reduce your water consumption while keeping your garden green! Reuse the water from your washing machine in your landscape.

This hands-on workshop teaches you to install a simple laundry to landscape greywater system in your own home.

DATE: June 25, 2011

LOCATION: MPWMD Offices in Monterey

TO REGISTER: Visit the Monterey Regional Park District website or see the "LET'S GO OUTDOORS" activity planner

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### Local Water Conservation Information Sources

Local Conservation Information website

www.montereywaterinfo.org

District's website

www.mpwmd.dst.ca.us

California American Water's website

www.amwater.com/caaw

Water Awareness Committee's website

www.waterawareness.org

Water Conservation specialists are also available to answer conservation questions at the District's conservation office at (831-658-5601) and at California American Water (831-646-3205)