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FREE WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPING CLASS IN MENLO PARK

Menlo Park, CA- the City of Menlo Park and the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) are pleased to be co-sponsoring a FREE water efficient landscaping class in Menlo Park on Saturday, September 24th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. (noon). The class topic is “Sustainable Gardening” which will teach residents about water-use efficiency in the landscape, how to create healthy soil, and the benefits of using California native plants. Those interested must register by calling BAWSCA at (650) 349-3000. The location of the event will be provided over the phone.

The classes are tailored to provide invaluable landscaping and gardening information to the average home gardener, while also stressing the importance of water conservation. Last year Menlo Park had over 60 attendees participate in landscaping classes. Past classes included topics ranging from lawn replacement, creating healthy compost, the use of California native plants, and edible gardening. Here’s what attendees have had to say:

“It was very useful learning about healthy soil and the nutrients needed to improve my garden. Thank you for such great and practical information.”- Menlo Park resident

“The instructor was enthusiastic and extremely knowledgeable. I enjoyed the part when we learned that creating compost at home can be easy!”- Sunnyvale resident

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For those who are not able to attend Menlo Park's landscaping class on September 24th, other classes are available. BAWSCA has a full schedule of classes lined up in neighboring cities and residents are encouraged to participate in as many classes that interest them. The fall 2011 class schedule can be found at www.bawasca.org.

To register for a FREE Landscaping class, please contact BAWSCA at **(650) 349-3000**. Or for more information, please contact the City of Menlo Park Environmental Program at (650) 330-6740.

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