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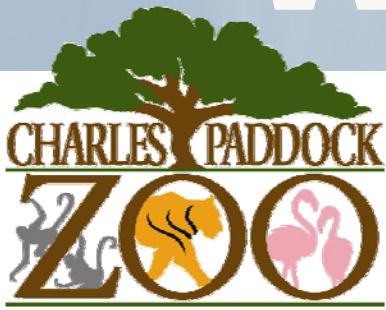


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Atascadero Mutual Water Company

August 2011

# Water Watch



CONSERVATION  
CELEBRATION

Family Fun!



**Saturday, September 24th, 10 am—2 pm**

Conservation Celebration is an all-inclusive CONSERVATION EVENT, connecting how we manage our natural resources and protect animals locally and globally.

## Workshops & Talks

- Converting Sprinklers to Drip
- Creating a Butterfly Garden
- Rainwater Harvesting
- Less-toxic Backyards
- Creating Worm Bins
- The Buzz on Bees

## Family Activities

- Animal Presentations
- Face Painting
- “Ask Me” Cart
- Storytime
- Rainbarrel Painting
- Raffle Prizes
- Local Producers’ Farmers’ Market

AMWC will be providing a Water Conservation Bracelet and a watercolor activity for kids. Bring your copy of this Water Watch to the Conservation Celebration and receive a FREE Rain Gauge. For more information, visit [www.charlespaddockzoo.org](http://www.charlespaddockzoo.org).



# Atascadero Autumn Garden Tour

# Save the Date!



Tickets can be purchased beginning September 12 for \$10 at Bay Laurel Nursery, Atascadero Chamber of Commerce, and Atascadero Mutual Water Company.

## Celebrating Our Fall Color

Saturday, October 8th, 2011, 9 am—2 pm

The Atascadero Mutual Water Company is hosting the 6th Annual Autumn Garden Tour. The self-guided tour will showcase water-wise, resource-friendly landscapes designed for the Atascadero area. For more information, visit [www.amwc.us](http://www.amwc.us) or call 461-7217 x22.

### Don't miss out on AMWC's FREE Home Water Survey & Rebate Programs

It is not too late to participate.

During your survey, AMWC's conservation staff will:

- ◆ Inspect each irrigation station
- ◆ Create a site-specific irrigation schedule
- ◆ Provide you with a checklist of improvements for your irrigation system
- ◆ Demonstrate how to read your water meter,
- ◆ Show you how to program your irrigation controller, and
- ◆ Qualify you for appropriate landscape rebates:

Rebate	Amount
Turf Conversion	\$0.25/sf
Multi-Stream Rotary Nozzles	\$1/nozzle
Smart Irrigation Controllers	\$100
<i>(Contact Conservation Staff for Landscape Rebate Program Terms and Conditions.)</i>	

Each appointment is tailored to meet your needs; a typical appointment takes 90 minutes. We encourage you to take advantage of this free program by calling 461-7217, x 22, or email [conservation1@amwc.us](mailto:conservation1@amwc.us).



### Roll out for Atascadero River & Creek Day

Since 1998 over 437 tires have pulled out of our creeks and the Salinas River!

Our local creeks and the Salinas River are important because they flow throughout our community and eventually to Monterey Bay. Healthy creeks support abundant wildlife and a beautiful environment. Clean creeks also benefit agriculture and tourism - SLO County's biggest source of income.

#### Let's get together and clean up the creeks!

Join families, friends and neighbors for some fresh air and exercise, and help take out the trash on Creek Day. Check in at the Atascadero City Hall Parking Lot on Saturday, September 17th, by 9:00 am. City Hall is located at 6907 El Camino Real (access from Capistrano Avenue). Call 470-3148 for details.

