DuPage Water Commission Attends Eighth Annual DuPage Environmental Summit

Date: January 10th, 2011

On Wednesday, January 5th, DuPage Water Commission Water Preservation Group Members Jenessa Nesbitt and Terry McGhee were in attendance for the Eighth Annual DuPage Environmental Summit as an exhibitor and presenter. The topic for this year's summit was Until the Last Drop: Water Conservation in DuPage County. Other exhibitors included many DuPage County Departments, 'green' engineers, park districts, as well as rain harvesting companies. Over 200 officials, planners, park professionals, and outdoor enthusiasts were in attendance.

DWC's rain barrel and dual-flush toilet were both present. Around 50 informational pamphlets about toilet leaks, lawncare, indoor/outdoor water use, and a water quiz were handed out. About 100 5-minute shower timers, 120 rain gauges, and 80 toilet leak detection tablets were given out.

The event raffled off a rain barrel, Whole Foods gift basket, a bird wildlife print, a plant and a book. There was also information gathered regarding attendees' carbon footprint. Some of the information that was gathered was if attendees carpooled, brought their own mugs/cups for beverages, drove a hybrid, as well as the number of miles away their trip was to get to the Summit.

See below for pictures of the summit.

Terry McGhee answering questions about DWC's Water Conservation and Protection Program
Jenessa Nesbitt handing out rain gauges

Dual-flush Toilet Display
Rain Barrel Display

Giveaway/handout table