

EVERGREEN

A partnership between the City of Alpharetta, Keep Johns Creek Beautiful, the City of Milton, and the City of Roswell

UPCOMING EVENTS

10.10.12

Trees & Shrubs Workshop **1790 Hembree Rd, Alpharetta**

Attend this workshop to learn how to plan, plant and care for trees and shrubs so your landscape will be beautiful for years to come. There is no cost to attend but please register by calling (678) 297-6200.

10.13.12

Composting Workshop **10³⁰am - 11³⁰am** **11925 Wills Road, Alpharetta**

Farmer D will be presenting, then tour the composting operation at the Alpharetta Community Garden. Register by calling (678) 297-6200.

10.24.12

Fruit Trees and Shrubs: **A Fruitful Workshop!** **1790 Hembree Rd, Alpharetta** Come to this master-gardener led workshop to find out how to get your fruit trees and shrubs to thrive and produce for you. Register by calling (678) 297-6200.

10.27.12 - 10.28.12

Johns Creek Arts Festival Ready, set and shop the all new JC Arts Festival on the Atlanta Athletic Club fields. The club is located at the intersection of Medlock Bridge Rd and Bobby Jones Rd. Some of the vendors will specialize in "recycled art"!

11.8.12

EverGreen Meeting **4³⁰pm - 5³⁰pm** **Dolvin Elementary, Johns Creek** We will be demonstrating hands-on lessons to help you make the most of your outdoor classroom!

I have an Outdoor Classroom! **(But now what do I do?)**

On November 8, EverGreen Schools will meet at Dolvin Elementary School (10495 Jones Bridge Rd, Johns Creek, 30022) to discuss outdoor classroom education. We will present 4 different lessons that will utilize your outdoor space. Lesson plans and handouts will be available for each of these stations. Please plan on attending this wonderful early evening program from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. We will be meeting in the cafeteria for this highly energized program. We hope to see you there!

COMMON WATER Learn about a how multiple users of water resources can affect water quality and quantity. They will also examine the complexities of providing water for all water users.

THE SCIENCE OF COMPOSTING Students will learn about a different kind of recycling - the natural recycling of plant material to make soil. Learn about decomposition and the difference between physical and chemical states of matter and how we can reduce waste in our landfills by composting at home. Also learn how worms can speed up this process.

WHO LIVES HERE? There are a variety of organisms and a variety of habitats in their schoolyard. Students will compare the numbers and types of organisms found in differing habitats and look for a relationship between plant and animal diversity.

NATURE ANALOGIES Select a household item from a bag and compare it's similarities to nature by considering form, shape and or function. Higher order thinking skills will be employed such as to analyze, infer, synthesize and comprehend.

Our September Resource Fair was a Success!

We want to thank our environmental education resource organizations that graciously came to the EverGreen resource fair last month to talk to EverGreen schools about the programs that they have to offer!

Atlanta Regional Commission/Clean Water Campaign • Atlanta Audubon Society • Autrey Mill Nature Preserve • Chattahoochee Nature Center • City of Alpharetta • City of Milton • Clean Air Campaign • Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia • EEinGeorgia • Fulton County Water Resources • Georgia Adopt-A-Stream • Georgia Project WET • Keep North Fulton Beautiful • Keep Roswell Beautiful • Monarchs Across Georgia • North Fulton Council PTA • One More Generation • Our Shared Forests • Reaping Nature • Rivers Alive! • Roswell Recycling Center • ShoeBox Recycling • Skolex Biotechnologies • Southeastern Paper • Chattahoochee Riverkeeper • WastePro

UPCOMING EVENTS, CON'T

11.10.12

Bulky Trash Collection Day

8⁰⁰am - 12⁰⁰pm

City of Roswell Public Works

For Roswell and Milton residents.

See attached flyer.

11.17.12

Document Shredding

10⁰⁰am - 1⁰⁰pm

Panera Bread at 11705 Medlock

Bridge Rd, Johns Creek

1.24, 1.29, & 1.31.13

Leopold Education Project

Curriculum Workshop

4⁰⁰pm - 7³⁰pm

Chattahoochee River

Environmental Education Center

LEP is a conservation and environmental curriculum based on the classic writings of the renowned conservationist, Aldo Leopold. It focuses on humanity's ties to the natural environment in the effort to conserve and protect the earth's natural resources. Educators have the opportunity to earn 1 PLU.

2.23.13

Roswell Green Expo

10⁰⁰am - 2⁰⁰pm

850 Hembree Rd, Roswell

Participate in workshops and visit vendors that can help you green your lifestyle! Visit www.RoswellGreenExpo.org

3.2.13

Big Creek Wetlands Workday

9⁰⁰am - 12⁰⁰pm

1600 Old Alabama Rd, Roswell

Join other volunteers as we beautify Big Creek Wetlands Park! Help install native plants, clean the park, and remove invasive privet from the site. Lunch will be provided for volunteers who pre-register! www.KeepRoswellBeautiful.org for more information.

3.22.13 - 3.23.13

EEA Annual Conference

Classic Center, Athens

Keep checking back at www.eealliance.org/annual-conference as details are updated!

Milton Grows Green Hosts Green Team Kids Activity Tent at the Milton Roundup, Saturday October 20

Sponsored by the Milton Herald, the Green Team Activity Tent will have lots of fun and educational activities for kids including:

- Clean Air Campaign Smog Balloon
- Home Depot Bird Houses to Construct
- Milton's NWF Habitat Certification
- Skolex Worm Composting
- Milton Green Team Activity Tent, sponsored by the Milton Herald
- One More Generation
- Healthy E-Choices
- Newspaper Hats
- Petting Zoo
- Rain Barrels
- Crafts
- ... and much more!

Join in the fun filled day of FREE amusements at Milton's largest family festival from Noon to 6 PM at Birmingham United Methodist Church. For more information or directions, please visit the City's website at http://www.cityofmiltonga.us/index.asp?SEC={389FDB00-46F9-4C74-BFE0-42A0135D2CCF}&Type=B_BASIC

Congratulations to Crabapple Crossing ES!

Congratulations to our Evergreen School Partner: Crabapple Crossing Elementary in Milton! They were named a 2012 National Blue Ribbon School. The distinction is based on the school's overall academic excellence, honoring schools where students perform at very high levels or where significant improvements in achievement are made. Here is a picture of their outstanding outdoor classroom, a NWF certified School Yard habitat.



CCES participated in the International Walk to School Day event October 3 in Milton. They had a phenomenal participation with over 400 students out of their 700 enrollment walking to school! They are part of the Milton "Safe Routes to School" which has received grant funds to improve sidewalks/trails connecting schools to communities in the Crabapple area.

Crabapple Crossing ES has a monthly walk to school day with different themes helping to promote healthy lifestyles, conserving energy by not driving vehicles, keeping air clean air to be cleaner and making it a fun school wide event where parents participate by walking with the students!

No Child Left Inside Day: Tuesday, October 16

"No Child Left Inside" (NCLI) Day is an event that engages hundreds of students in outdoor learning activities. It is celebrated annually on the Tuesday of each Earth Science Week.

The NCLI Day Guide provides everything you need to start planning your own NCLI Day event. The free guide provides 10 outdoor activities you can organize to help students discover Earth science in their own neighborhoods. Also included are recommendations for creating partnerships, planning logistics, reaching out to the local media, and following up in the classroom.

Complete Details can be found at <http://www.earthsciweek.org/ncli/>



October is National Energy Awareness Month



National Energy Awareness Month promotes smart energy choices and highlights supporting our economy, protecting our environment and increasing energy independence.

No matter how large the problem may appear, the fact remains that each of us is a part of the solution. Every day, each of us makes decisions that can stimulate sustainability and a new energy economy. When we put all the pieces together, all of us — the federal government, private industry, and the public — have the means to shape our energy future and move our nation toward energy independence.

Each October for Energy Awareness Month, the Federal Energy Management Program provides materials and ideas to help promote energy-saving practices at federal facilities. Resources include posters and other energy awareness materials.

Complete Details can be found at http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/services/energy_aware.html

America Recycles Day Resources



Are you looking for new ways to promote America Recycles Day? AmericaRecyclesDay.org has information on how to join an event, host an event, take the pledge, and where to find recycling options. They even have a toolkit with graphics and templates you can use!

PTA District 10 Meeting: October 13

The North Fulton Council PTA is excited to host our District 10 Meeting at Roswell High School at 11595 King Road, Roswell, GA on October 13, 2012 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. There will be vendors that will be displaying helpful programs for fundraising and special programs for your school. Come by if you can! There will be two nationally recognized speakers, Joseph B. Washington and J. Tom Morgan.

Opportunities and Grants



Whole Kids Foundation School Garden Grants

Thanks to the generosity of Whole Foods Market customers, Whole Kids Foundation is able to provide grants of \$2,000 to support school garden projects. To be eligible for a garden grant, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or nonprofit K-12 school that is developing or currently maintaining a school garden project that will help children engage with fresh fruits and vegetables. Garden projects may be at any stage of development; planning, construction or operation.

In selecting grant recipients, priority will be given to both limited-resource communities and to projects that demonstrate strong buy-in from stakeholders. There is a limit of one garden grant per school.

Apply by October 31, 2012. Complete Details can be found at <http://wholekidsfoundation.org/gardengrants?sf6077959=1>

Subaru Healthy Sprouts Grant

The Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award recognizes and supports youth gardening programs focused on the teaching of environment, nutrition and hunger issues in the U.S. Through winning programs, youth will learn the skills necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle compatible with environmental stewardship and gain an understanding of how their actions can positively impact the well being of their community.



To be eligible, your school or organization must plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18. Awards will be presented to 50 schools or organizations.

Apply by October 31, 2012. Complete Details can be found at <http://www.kidsgardening.org/grants/2011-subaru-healthy-sprouts-award>

Southeast Environmental Education Alliance Mini-Grant Program

In partnership with EPA and several professional EE associations in the region, The Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia is excited to share this funding opportunity with groups that support and advance EE and environmental literacy in Georgia. Grants up to \$5000 will be awarded. Proposals are due November 1, 2012. Go to <http://kaee.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/07/SEEA-2012-Mini-Grant-RFP1.pdf> for more information and the application.

The Kentucky Association for Environmental Education, is accepting all proposals for the region. Only electronic applications will be accepted and all materials must be submitted by November 1, 2012.

Pollinator Habitat Grants

Monarchs Across Georgia, a committee of the Environmental Education Alliance of Georgia (EEA), is offering grants up to \$750 for creating and using certified pollinator habitats. Projects must create or enhance an outdoor pollinator habitat that fulfills the specific requirements of the Monarchs Across Georgia Pollinator Habitat Certification. A

certificate and sign will be awarded when the project is complete. The project must also include an educational component (signage, brochure, program, outreach, etc.) regarding pollination and promote the Monarchs Across Georgia Pollinator Habitat Certification Program.



Eligible applicants are teachers, employees, or volunteers associated with a public or private non-profit school, nature center, park, library, senior citizen center or nursing home long-term care facility, farm or plant nursery. The applicant (the person who fills out the application) must also be an EEA member through the grant period. Individual membership in EEA is \$20 per year.

Applications must be submitted online by November 15, 2012. go to <http://www.eealliance.org/pollinator-habitat-grant> for more information.

Recycle-Bowl: K-12 School Recycling Competition



Don't forget to sign up for Keep America Beautiful's RecycleBowl Competition! Deadline to sign up is October 9th!

For complete details, go to <http://recycle-bowl.org/>

North Fulton Council PTA Updates!

After the successful EE Resource Fair, we added many vendors to our website with more information for starting or enhancing your EE school program. Please visit www.eenorthfulton.weebly.com for more ideas on environmental education at your school, as well as resources and contacts!

We have been adding new articles and pictures! If your school has an EE program, please send us an article about it to add it to our website. Check what other schools are doing at <http://eenorthfulton.weebly.com/ee-programs-in-nf-schools.html>.

Feel free to contact us!

Liliana Brenner
NFCPTA Environmental Education Chair
404-840-6198 or environment@nfcpta.com

EverGreen School Program

Please complete this registration form in its entirety and submit it to the appropriate EverGreen School contact by October 26, 2012 in order to be eligible for awards.

SCHOOL _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY & ZIP _____

TEACHER CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

PTA CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

OTHER CONTACT (OPTIONAL) _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Environmental Stewardship Goals for the 2012-2013 school year:

GOAL 1 _____

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL? _____

GOAL 2 _____

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL? _____

GOAL 3 _____

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EverGreen School Contacts

ALPHARETTA: Terry Porter • City of Alpharetta • 1790 Hembree Road • Alpharetta, Georgia 30009
P: 678.297.6200 • F: 678.297.6201 • tporter@alpharetta.ga.us • www.alpharetta.ga.us

JOHNS CREEK: Debbie Brennan • Keep Johns Creek Beautiful • 470 Morgan Falls Road • Atlanta, Georgia 30350
P: 770.551.7766 • F: 770.551.7798 • debbiebrennan@knfb.org • www.keepnorthfultonbeautiful.org

MILTON: Cindy Eade • City of Milton/Milton Grows Green • 13000 Deerfield Parkway, Suite 107A • Milton, Georgia 30004
P: 678.242.2509 • F: 678.242.2499 • cindy.eade@cityofmiltonga.us • www.cityofmiltonga.us

ROSWELL: Vicki Culbreth • City of Roswell • 38 Hill Street, Suite 235 • Roswell, Georgia 30075
P: 770.641.3742 • F: 770.641.3750 • vculbreth@roswellgov.com • www.roswellgov.com

LEOPOLD EDUCATION PROJECT

PLU Curriculum Workshop

“The problem, then, is how to bring about a striving for harmony with land among a people many of whom have forgotten there is any such thing as land, among whom education and culture have become almost synonymous with landlessness. This is the problem of conservation education.”

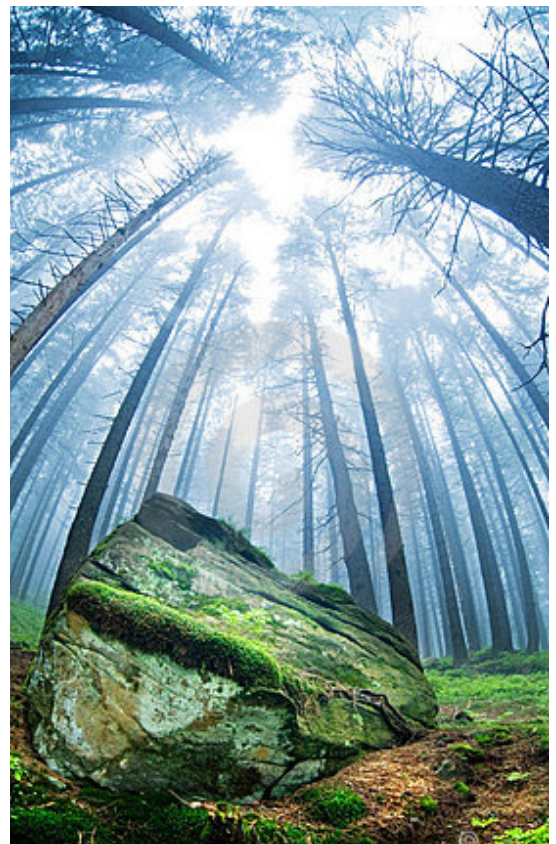
~ Aldo Leopold

ABOUT THE LEOPOLD EDUCATION PROJECT (LEP)

LEP is an innovative, interdisciplinary, critical thinking, conservation and environmental education curriculum based on the classic writings of the renowned conservationist, Aldo Leopold. It focuses on humanity's ties to the natural environment in the effort to conserve and protect the earth's natural resources.

Aldo Leopold foresaw and articulated one of the largest problems facing humankind – how do we maintain a sense of connection to the natural systems that support us when urbanization and other changes in our society are increasingly disconnecting us from the land? Our population is not only losing contact, but also losing the realization that we are dependent upon ecosystems. Leopold described this attitude as “landlessness.”

The Leopold Education Project strives to counteract this landless feeling and to instill a land ethic among tomorrow's stewards. LEP does this through an interdisciplinary approach of reading about Leopold's recorded discoveries and participating in meaningful “hands on” activities, which provide students an opportunity to increase their appreciation for the land and to expand their ecological awareness.



Presented by the North Fulton EverGreen Council and Karen Garland of Teaching Conservation
A Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever Land Ethic Curriculum

LEOPOLD EDUCATION PROJECT

PLU Curriculum Workshop

WHEN: January 24, 29, 31 (3rd day is optional to earn 1 PLU)
4:00pm - 7:30pm

WHERE: Chattahoochee River Environmental Education Center
8615 Barnwell Rd • Johns Creek, GA 30022

WHO: Open to teachers and PTA, grades K-12, working in Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, or Roswell schools

COST: \$30 (includes curriculum, a copy of *A Sand County Almanac*, and refreshments)

REGISTRATION

Name _____

School _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

☐ Check here if you plan to attend all 3 days to earn 1 PLU

Are you a...

☐ Teacher

Grade(s) _____

☐ PTA

☐ Other _____

EverGreen Jurisdiction

☐ Alpharetta

☐ Johns Creek

☐ Milton

☐ Roswell

Return your registration and payment by **December 19, 2012** to

Vicki Culbreth
11570 Maxwell Road
Alpharetta, GA 30009

Please make checks payable to **Keep North Fulton Beautiful**

Questions? Call 770.641.3742 or email vculbreth@roswellgov.com

ANNUAL • FALL • CLEANUP • EVENT

RIVERS ALIVE

Saturday, October 27, 2012, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Bailey Farm & Gardens, 255 Hickory Flat Road, Milton, GA

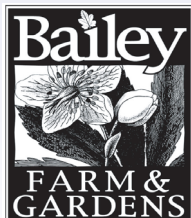
Rivers Alive is looking for Volunteers

The staging area will be at Bailey Farm and Gardens, 255 Hickory Flat Rd, Milton, GA. Volunteers will gather there at 9 AM and throughout the morning for assignments to pre-identified streams, waterways or school sites in the community needing clean up. Milton Adopt-A-Road groups are also encouraged to schedule a cleanup on that day and to come by for refreshments and recognition!

If you can, please register in advance. For more information or to register as a group or individual, please contact us at: mgg@cityofmiltonga.us or baileyfarmandgardens@mindspring.com

Or phone: Cindy Eade 678-242-2509
Bill Bailey 770-364-1239
Julie Bailey 404-310-6344

Sponsored by



Everyone is Welcome

Waders and boots will be a plus for those who want to get in the streams. Younger participants can help at school sites or in neighborhoods with storm-drain marking. We'll have the Fire Department on hand for some fire safety tips and the "Enviroscape."

What is Rivers Alive?

Rivers Alive is an Outreach Program of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources that promotes and organizes fall volunteer cleanup efforts targeting all waterways in the state including streams, rivers, lakes, beaches and wetlands. Its mission is to create awareness and involvement in the preservation of Georgia's pure water resources through waterway cleanups.

"Drains to Stream"

The Georgia Clean Water Campaign sponsors the storm drain-marking program. Its goal is to remind everyone that the quality of our drinking water is directly affected by what goes down our storm drains. Nonpoint source pollution from storm water runoff has been identified by the E.P.A. as the nation's main cause of water quality problems.



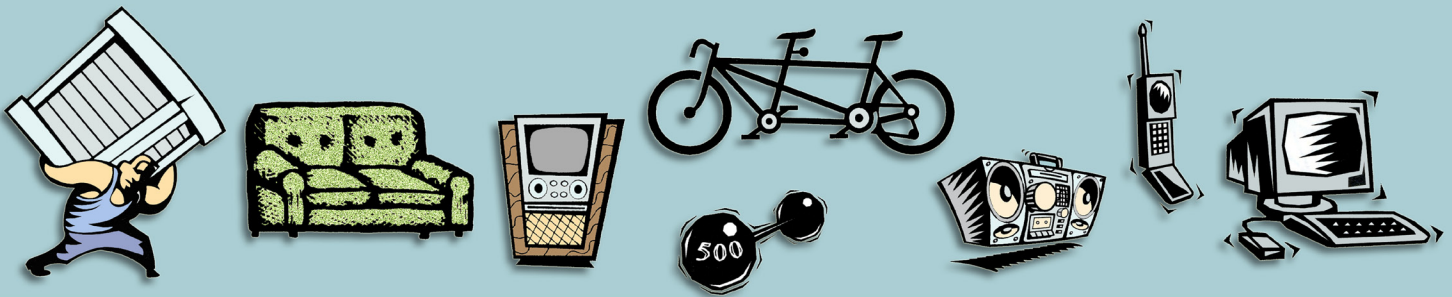


Bulky Trash Time Again!



The Perfect Time for Fall Cleaning
Saturday, November 10th, from 8:00 am to Noon

Mark your calendars and gather your large items for disposal at our bi-annual trash event for Milton and Roswell residents. The Cities of Milton and Roswell along with Milton Grows Green and Keep Roswell Beautiful sponsor the event. Drop off is at the City of Roswell Public Works Division, 1810 Hembree Road (near the Roswell Recycling Center). Proof of residency will be required (utility bills are preferred). This event has become popular, so please expect delays.



Some of the items that will be accepted are:

- Tires – automobile tires off the rim; limit 4 per car
- Sofas
- Tables
- Refrigerators
- Chairs
- Washers
- Dryers
- Televisions
- Deactivated cell phones
- Electronics

Items that will NOT be accepted include*:

- Paint
- Household hazardous waste
- Any fluids including motor oil and anti-freeze
- Household batteries
- Construction and demolition materials
- Yard waste

* For proper disposal of these items, please contact either:
– Roswell Recycling Center, 770.442.8822 (motor oil & anti-freeze) or
– Chadwick Landfill, 770.475.9868 (construction & demolition materials)

Materials will only be accepted at the site on the day of the event and only during the hours posted above. Please note that the gate will be closed at 12:00 pm.

For more information on this event, please contact one of the following:

- Roswell residents - Janet Liberman, 770.641.3715 or jliberman@roswellgov.com
- Milton residents - Cindy Eade, 678.242.2509 or cindy.eade@cityofmiltonga.us

2012 Water Essay Contest

Sponsored by the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District

District-wide Winner: \$200 Cash | County Winners: \$50 Cash

Deadline: October 12, 2012

Sixth, seventh and eighth graders in Bartow, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Forsyth, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Paulding and Rockdale counties are invited to participate in the Metro Water District's annual essay contest.

Essay Theme: We all live downstream.

Students should write a 300-500 word essay that addresses all of the following questions:

- What is stormwater pollution and why is it a problem?
- What can each of us do to reduce or prevent stormwater pollution?
- What are the best ways to encourage people to protect our rivers, lakes and streams?

Guidelines

- Essays should be in pen or printed on white paper.
- Each school should submit only one essay per grade level. Please select the best essay(s) to represent your school.
- Each essay must be submitted with an entry form.
- All essays must be received no later than **October 12, 2012**.

Email: info@cleanwatercampaign.com

or

Mail: 2012 Water Essay Contest
Metro Water District
40 Courtland Street, NE
Atlanta, GA 30303

Awards

One county winner from each of the 15 counties and the City of Atlanta will receive \$50. The District-wide winner will be selected from among the county and city winners to receive a grand prize of \$200. Winners will be notified **November 1, 2012**.

Judging

Entries will be judged on their creativity, clarity and content. Essays without complete name and contact information will be disqualified.

For more information:

Resources and links available on <http://www.cleanwatercampaign.com>

For more information concerning the essay contest, please contact Kostoula Vallianos at 404.463.3259 or kvallianos@atlantaregional.com.



www.cleanwatercampaign.com



www.mydropcounts.org

Ever wanted to be on Project Runway? Do you have what it takes to create an amazing outfit out of unusual materials? If you answered YES, then you should be a part of our

STUDENT TRASHion Show

All students in the city of Roswell are invited to create outfits with trash and recycled items to be displayed on the runway during the **Roswell Green Expo!**

The event

2nd Annual **Roswell Green Expo**

February 23, 2013 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Hembree Park Activity Building • 850 Hembree Road ~ Roswell, Georgia 30076

Rules and guidelines

1. Any student group, grades K-12, located within the city of Roswell is eligible to participate (classrooms, school clubs, scout groups, etc).
2. There is no limit to how many outfits each group can create.
3. Acceptable materials include any type of reused or recycled items, such as paper, plastic, tin, etc., which otherwise would have gone in the trash or recycling bin.
4. Fabric may ONLY be used as a base on which to attach your recycled items.
5. Attachment materials, such as staples, glue, string, etc. are permitted.
6. Decorative materials, such as paint, marker, glitter, sewing notions, etc are NOT permitted.
7. Each outfit must be modeled by a student on the runway during the Trashion Show.

Judging

For fun, all outfits will be judged by Green Expo staff and volunteers. Categories for judging are: **Most Creative**, **Best Construction**, and **Most Chic**.

Registration

Please fill out the form below. You will be contacted about the day-of schedule and other details for the runway show.

Name of group _____

Contact Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

How many outfits
are you bringing? _____

Return the completed form by **January 31, 2013** to: Vicki Culbreth, 11570 Maxwell Road, Alpharetta, Ga 30009
Questions? Email vculbreth@roswellgov.com or call 770.641.3742



Drippy Dropperson Coloring Book Contest

What would you draw to show other kids how to protect water?

CONTEST:

The City of Roswell is challenging Roswell's 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders to draw pictures of Drippy Dropperson protecting water. Show other kids how to save water, stop pollution, clean up our rivers, or manage stormwater. The top 12 drawings will be featured in the 2013 Drippy Dropperson Coloring Book.

Each winning artist will be invited to the coloring book unveiling during a Mayor and Council meeting! The best drawing will appear on the cover of the coloring book!

RULES:

1. All entries must be done by a 3rd, 4th, or 5th grader enrolled in a public, private, or home school in Roswell.
2. All drawings must depict water protection, water conservation, or stormwater management.

TO ENTER:

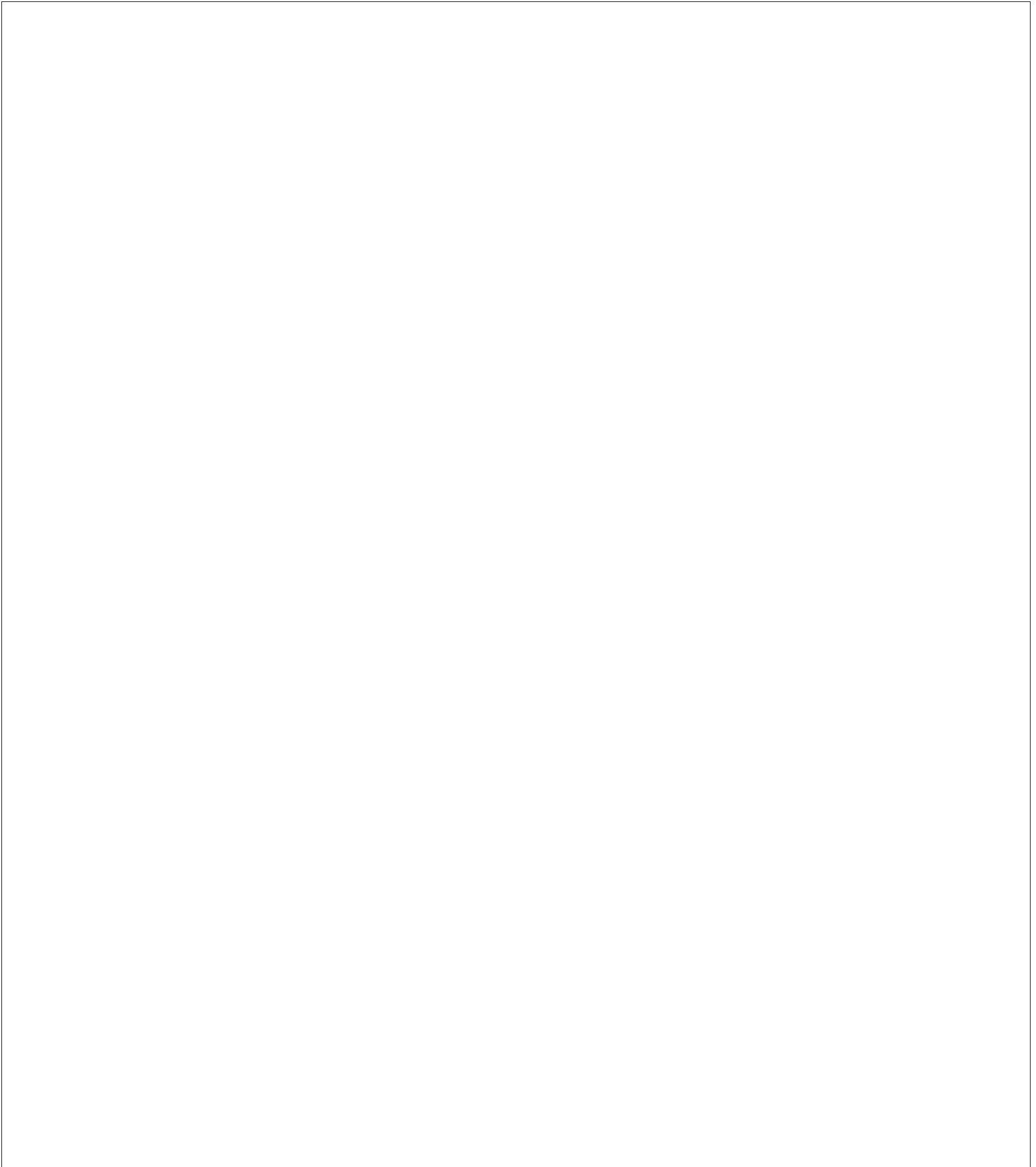
1. On the attached entry form, using black ink, draw a creative picture of Drippy Dropperson protecting water. Do NOT color your drawing! (HINT: Dark, clean lines with no shading work best!)
2. Mail the completed entry form and drawing to:

Vicki Culbreth
11570 Maxwell Road
Alpharetta, GA 30009

All entries must be received by: Friday, November 16, 2012



Draw your picture of Drippy protecting water in the space below using black ink. Do NOT color your picture!

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a drawing. It occupies the majority of the page area below the instructions.

Please fill out the information below.

Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____ Parent(s) Email: _____