

Rain Garden Seminar

Wednesday, April 30, 2008
7 to 9 PM

**Parsippany-Troy Hills Town Hall
Council Conference Chamber
1001 Parsippany Blvd
Free and Open to the Public
No RSVP necessary**

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“Stormwater Management
in Your Backyard”**

A Rain Garden Is...

...a landscaped depression that allows rain and snowmelt to be collected and seep naturally into the ground. This helps recharge our groundwater supply and prevents a water quality problem called polluted runoff. Rain gardens are an important way to make our cities and neighborhoods more attractive while enhancing ecological health.

This workshop will discuss stormwater management and related regulations, and water quality/quantity problems. Issues involving streamside living will also be incorporated.

Stormwater management on individual property can be achieved through the use of “Rain Gardens,” areas of bio-retention which can manage rainfall before it becomes runoff. The design and maintenance of rain gardens will be covered, as well as plant selection and the latest research findings. This lecture will be the first step of a larger extension education effort in the community.

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