

WCAPP Four Programs: Water pledge – A commitment by residents to implement specific water conservation efforts.

Toilet leak detection and repair kits – support the identification and repair of toilet leaks.

Rain gauge and landscape watering – Explanation and promotion of appropriate and efficient landscape irrigation practices.

Rain barrel programs – Demonstration projects to promote the purchase, proper installation and efficient use of rain barrels for rainwater harvesting.

DuPage Teachers Attend a Water Conservation and DWC History Presentation and Tour at DuPage Water Commission

Date: February 28, 2014

On February 28, 2014, School & Community Assistance for Recycling & Composting Education (SCARCE) arranged for 25 DuPage teachers to attend a history and water conservation presentation about DuPage Water Commission (DWC) and our Water Conservation and Protection Program (WCAPP).

Manager of Operations Terry McGhee presented the teachers with a background on how the Commission came into existence as well as how the Commission delivers water to their customers. He also discussed the Commission's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified building. General Manager Spatz also answered some questions about Lake Michigan and the City of Chicago's water supply.

Water Conservation Coordinator Jenessa Rodriguez presented the four programs from the Water Conservation and Protection Program (WCAPP) to the teachers, which included: Water Pledge, Residential Leak Detection and Repair, Rain Gauge and Landscape Watering, and Rain Barrel Usage. A tour of the DuPage Pumping Station also took place so the teachers could get a better understanding of how a pumping station works.

The promotional materials that DWC hands out at events were given to the teachers to use in their classrooms to promote water conservation. These items included: water bottles, shower timers, rain gauges, leak detection tablets, magnets, and educational handouts. DWC's full rain barrel display and dual flush toilet display were both present.



Terry McGhee discussing the Lake Michigan to DWC Water Journey





John Spatz answering questions



Jenessa Rodriguez describing the WCAPP four programs





McGhee describing the different types of pipes the Commission uses in the pipeline system



The teachers viewing the LEED generator building administrative office