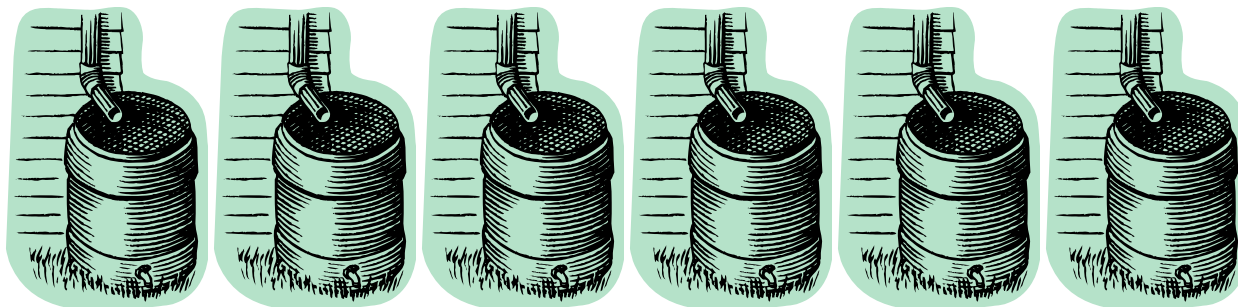




Rain Barrels Reduce Runoff!

Lawn and garden watering can make up nearly 40% of total household water use during the summer. A rain barrel collects water and stores it for when you need it to water plants, wash your car or add to swimming pool. The rain water stored in the barrel contains no chlorine, lime or calcium – it is naturally “soft” water. A single rain barrel will save most homeowners about 1300 gallons of water during the peak summer months. Saving water not only saves you money and energy, but it helps our environment. Diverting water from becoming runoff into our rivers and streams, and means less water needs to be pumped out of shrinking aquifers. We can all do a better job of managing the water that falls on our homes, yards, driveways and parking lots. When rain washes across the land, it picks up pollution along the way and gives it a ride to the nearest waterway in most cases. Polluted runoff is the biggest remaining threat to water quality in the United States. By installing a rain barrel you can help reduce the polluted runoff. You can purchase a rain barrel through the Village for \$45.00. The barrel has 55 gallons of storage, is 23 inches in diameter and is 36 inches tall. Please contact the Village Hall at 968-3968. Rain barrels must be paid for in advance.

