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Rainwater Revival Offers Expert Advice on Capturing Bounty from the Sky

When will it rain? It may be sooner or it may be later, but In Texas, according to an old saying, when it rains it never stops and when it stops it never rains. When the rains come, you can be ready to collect sweet water from the sky and use it for all or part of your home, ranch and landscape needs.

At the 2nd Annual Rainwater Revival set for October 8 in Dripping Springs, you will learn how easy it can be for everyone – an average homeowner, business owner or ranchland manager – to capture and enjoy the benefits of rainwater. You'll have delicious, pure water, save money and take pressure off ground and surface waters that are in high demand and diminishing supply.

The lineup of speakers at the Rainwater Revival 2011 will educate and inspire – with topics including Rainwater Harvesting 101, Designing and Building for Rainwater, the Water/Energy Nexus, Installing your Own System, and Making Your Own Rain Barrels. State Rep. Doug Miller and representatives from two key state agencies will provide an update on how State and local governments are supporting and encouraging rainwater capture.

“We’ve got a great roster of speakers to learn from in between visiting vendor booths and exhibits, listening to music and enjoying food and drink, including rainwater,” said Karen Ford, a Dripping Springs marketing executive and event organizer. “I think people will be fascinated by J. David Bamberger, founder of the Bamberger Ranch Preserve, who took degraded ranch land and restored it beautifully. His presentation, entitled ‘Holding Water on the Land’ should interest anyone with a large piece of property or a small yard.”

Attendees will also hear and learn from a panel of homeowners who live comfortably and completely on collected rainwater. The Rainwater Revival is designed to help everyone get the most from free water from the sky and what to expect if it doesn't rain for a while.

“It surprises people to learn how far a little rain can go in filling up a collection system,” Ford said. “Many people who live entirely on rainwater have had to purchase little or no supplemental water through recent droughts.”

The Rainwater Revival is from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, October 8, at Roger Hanks Park on Highway 290 West in Dripping Springs. Admission is free. More information about the speakers and the award-winning event is at www.rainwaterrevival.com.