

## South Carolina Ground Water Association

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Dear SCGWA Member Company:

National Ground Water Awareness Week is March 7-13, 2010, and the South Carolina Ground Water Association encourages you to participate. To assist with celebrating this event in your community, the following materials are enclosed:

- A press release that can be copied on your letterhead and mailed to your local newspaper; and
- Information on “Katie’s Well”, a kid’s guide to water wells and groundwater, that can be ordered from the South Atlantic Well Driller’s Jubilee and distributed in your local elementary or middle school.

Some wonderful educational materials are also available through the EPA. Their “Water Sourcebook” educational program is directed towards students in grades K-12 and consists of 324 different “hands-on” activities that are designed to blend with existing curricula in the areas of general science, language arts, math, social studies, art, and in some cases, reading or other areas. You can download these materials for free at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/kids/wsb/> and provide them to teachers in your local schools.

I hope you will join SCGWA in promoting National Ground Water Awareness Week during March 7-13, 2010. If you have questions or need additional information or resources, please contact me in the SCGWA office or SCGWA President Jimmie Rodgers at 864-223-5489.

Sincerely,

Janet Jordan, CAE  
Executive Director

Enclosures

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

March 1, 2010

**Ground Water Awareness Week: March 7-13, 2010**

**"Time to schedule your annual water well checkup!"**

Just as you check your furnace or smoke detector batteries seasonally, spring is a good season to have an annual water well checkup before the peak water use season begins.

According to the South Carolina Ground Water Association (SCGWA), an annual checkup by a qualified water well contractor is the best way to ensure problem-free service and quality water. Also, preventative maintenance usually is less costly than emergency maintenance, and good well maintenance—like good car maintenance—can prolong the life of your well and related equipment.

SCGWA further recommends you test your water whenever there is a change in taste, odor, or appearance, or when the system is serviced.

Wells can provide high-quality drinking water, and about half the U.S. population receives its drinking water from wells. But with well ownership comes the responsibility of keeping the water well in good working order.

SCGWA recommends that well owners:

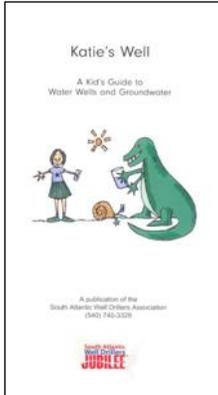
- Keep hazardous chemicals, such as paint, fertilizer, pesticides, and motor oil far away from your well, and maintain a "clean" zone of at least 50 feet between your well and any pollution source.
- Maintain proper separation between your well and buildings, waste systems, and chemical storage areas.
- Periodically check the well cover or well cap on top of the casing (well) to ensure it is in good repair and securely attached. Its seal should keep out insects and rodents.
- Keep your well records in a safe place. These include the construction report, and annual water well system maintenance and water testing results.

For more information about water wells or to schedule your annual water well checkup, call SCGWA at 803-356-6809.



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## ORDER FORM



### *Katie's Well*

#### *A Kid's Guide to Water Wells and Groundwater*

The JUBILEE's brochure, Katie's Well, is perfect for passing out at schools, home shows, presentations and other events.

Order now and get the first 100 free. Thereafter the cost is \$.35 per brochure plus shipping.

Quantity of Katie's Well brochure ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

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