

Local Handbook for Land Stewardship Available

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A new resource for Kern River Valley residents to learn how to wisely maintain their property: Havilah resident Ron LaRosa announced the publication of his long awaited book at the September 3rd KVRV Community Meeting.

Having been a consultant to others on how to conserve our natural and physical resources, Ron LaRosa took his own medicine and in 2001, began a seven-year land stewardship odyssey. Although he relied upon the environmental sciences which were the foundation of his career, he adopted a naturalist's approach to rural property management. Ron won one of the annual Beautification awards from the Kern River Valley Chamber of Commerce. His home and garden were featured on one of the Kern River Valley Garden Group monthly meetings. With this user-friendly guide designed to be taken outdoors, the reader will become familiar with the practical steps to improve and protect the land. The 62 page 8½" by 5½" handbook also explains how to save time and money by using natural materials-at-hand, recycling items used on the homestead and following the everyday examples of Nature. Written for landowners, outdoor organizations and resources agency technicians, this conservation handbook explains the procedures of how to identify, design and undertake effective, durable conservation tasks—some of which can be completed without tools or equipment in 5 minutes! TO ORDER A COPY (8½ by 5½ inches, 62 pages, printed in the United States on recycled paper): SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5 plus \$3 shipping/handling.

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