



June 2011



Nokia Employees lend "Helping Hands" to clean up at North Lake South Campus.

## **KIB READY FOR A GREEN SUMMER**

As the school year winds down, Keep Irving Beautiful is gearing up for an eventful summer season. Here is what we have coming up in June:

- **PlayTri Festival, June 4-5:** KIB partners with PlayTri for the third year to make this a green event. Saturday events will be the Kids Triathlon Saturday at Lively Pointe and swim races at the Marriott Las Colinas. Sunday is the Triathlon which starts with a swim in Lake Carolyn, then courses through Las Colinas with the bike and running segments. Details at www.playtri.com.
- Mayor and KIB Proud Partner Awards: Nominations are due by June 15. If you know of a deserving person or group who has gone above and beyond for our community, please nominate them for an award! Details and online form are on www.rockthegreen.org.
- Keep Texas Beautiful State Conference: KIB will be closed during the week of June 20-25 so that staff may attend the 44th Annual KTB Conference, held at the AT&T Executive Education and Conference Center on the University of Texas Campus in Austin. This is an excellent opportunity to network with other affiliates from across the state as well as attend educational sessions from experts in the field. KIB will also be acknowledged as a Gold Star/Sustained Excellence Affiliate, and our partner Frito-Lay will receive first a place state award in the business category.

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## **KIB ACTIVITIES IN MAY:**

KIB continued its active role in the community during May. Here is a recap of some of our activities:

- May 6: Nokia's "Helping Hands" service initiative brought 10 employees to South Irving for a cleanup of the North Lake College South Campus property. They collected 2,960 pounds of litter, including 15 tires, as well as 55 pounds of recyclable material during their 30 hours of service.
- May 6: KIB held a reception at North Lake College to honor the Spring 2011 Service Learning Students and program director Susan Villalobos. Congratulations to the winners of the outstanding volunteers of the semester awards, Bengal Diackite and Eduardo Flores.
- May 14: City of Irving Bicycle Fest at Centennial Park
- Schools: Irving ISD events included Nimitz HS "Parents Step Ahead" on May 12, and career days at Gilbert on May 19 and T.Haley on May 27. KIB also attended a volunteer fair at Ranchview HS (CFBISD) on May 21.
- May 21: KIB provided Green Event supplies for the "Beat the Heat" Fun Run to support Family Promise of Irving, and for the "Conozca su Comunidad" event at the North Lake College South Campus.



## A MESSAGE FROM RACHEL MOON, KIB BOARD PRESIDENT :

On behalf of the entire Board Directors of Keep Irving Beautiful, I would like the thank the community of Irving for the support they have shown our organization over the nearly twenty years we have been in existence. We could not do what we do without the many hours put in by our volunteers. Every act of volunteerism, no matter how small, helps KIB to fulfill its mission: to educate the community about litter abatement, beautification and recycling/waste reduction in order to preserve the health and promote the social and economic well-being of our city. We appreciate those who have so generously donated their time, and look forward to our continued partnerships with them as well as with new volunteers throughout the year, and for years to come.

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