

KIB Newsletter



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KIB will re-visit our good friends at Emma's House on August 19 for fun and learning about the environment.



Keep Texas Beautiful Conference attendees learned more about KIB programs and activities from our table, which will also be on display at the Proud Partner Ceremony.



Registration for the 24th Annual **Trash Bash** is now online at www.keepirvingbeautiful.org. We will be back on the Campion Trails at TW Richardson Grove from 9 to noon on September 28.

KIB to Recognize our Proud Partners at Ceremony August 11

KIB board and staff look forward to the "Mayor and KIB Proud Partner" Awards ceremony every year. As a volunteer-based organization, we feel it is important to say thank you to the people who make what we do possible. Here are our winners who will be honored on August 11 at the reception to be held at the First Baptist Church of Irving:

Youth Leadership (individual): Jenny Maique

Youth Leadership (group): Alpha Zeta Eta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

Educator Award: Christa Slejko, North Lake College President

Faith Group : Chris Carathers, Irving North Christian Church

Business and Industry: Contech Engineered Solutions

Media: Deborah Fleck, Dallas Morning News

Lifetime Achievement : Helen Chaplin

Civil Servant : Chief Victor Conley, Irving Fire Department

Green Government: Dr. Elba Garcia

KIB Hometown: Monica Ellington

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The Phi Theta Kappa officer team (shown here after their Trinity View paint project) will be among the honorees at the Proud Partner Awards on August 11

In addition to our Proud Partners, we will also honor our Keep Texas Beautiful winners, which include the City's Housing and Human Services Department (Honorable Mention in the Government Category) and Jim Scrivner (First Place in the Sadie Ray Graff Educator Awards, in the Administrator Category), as well as the Keep America Beautiful Distinguished Service Citation winner VHA, Inc. All recipients are very deserving, and we can't wait to make them feel as special as they are.

Did You Know?

So...did you know that:

- 544,000 trees could be saved each year if every household in the US replaced just one roll of virgin fiber paper towels with 100% recycled rolls.
- It takes just 5% of the energy to recycle aluminum versus mining and refining new aluminum
- 20 million tons of electronic waste is thrown away each year instead of recycling. One ton of scrap from discarded computers contains more gold than can be produced from 17 tons of gold ore!

Sources: EPA, Earth 911