

The KIB NEWSLETTER



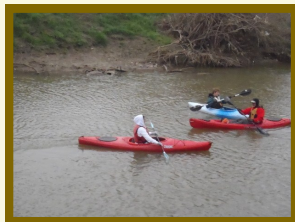
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THE GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP IS COMING!



On March 2nd, KIB will kick off the Great American Cleanup season with a waterway cleanup of the Elm Fork of the Trinity River. Kayak Power, Inc. will supply the kayaks for 30 volunteers who will meet at T.W. Richardson Grove Park. They will then be shuttled to Carrollton Canoe Launch, where they will enter the water and paddle back to the park, collecting any litter they find along the way. While they are cleaning the waterway, our new Service Learning students from North Lake will have their own land cleanup to start their semester of service with KIB. Thanks to our other partners REI and the City of Irving Solid Waste Services and Parks Departments for all their help and support.

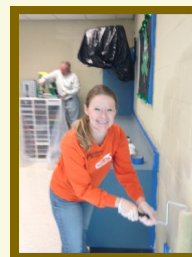


FEBRUARY RECAP

- Feb 18-19: North Lake College Service Learning Fair. KIB was represented by Rachel Moon, Margie Stipes, Dr. Yolanda Romero and Julie Schmitt, who spoke with students about KIB volunteer opportunities
- Feb 20: Monthly KIB Board meeting
- Feb 22: DCCCD "United We Serve" day of service. KIB worked with a team of seven district employees who gave 28 hours of service by painting two rooms at Northwest Recreation Center.
- Feb 23: The South MacArthur Church of Christ Youth Ministry partnered with KIB and the Parks Department for "Clean It Like You Mean It" at Trinity View Park. A total of 37 volunteers removed 455 pounds of trash and recyclables that had been washed in by heavy rains.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 2: Great American Cleanup at T.W. Richardson Grove Park
- Mar 20: Monthly KIB Board meeting
- Mar 23: The City of Irving's annual Community Fest. This year the event will be outdoors at Heritage Park. KIB will have an information table, along with spinning wheel and prizes. We will also make this a green event by supplying recycling stations and keeping the grounds litter-free.



(Left): DCCCD staff member Ella Barber helps paint the pre-school room at Northwest Rec Center during "United We Serve."



(Right): South Mac Youth Ministry members gather after the Trinity View Park cleanup on February 23.

THOUGHTS FROM THE KIB BOARD

This month's contributors are Faith Group Co-chairs Rachel Moon and Arnold Martin:

"KIB recently partnered with a very energetic group of teenagers from South MacArthur Church of Christ for a cleanup of Trinity View Park. It is very gratifying to see members of faith groups extending their ministry into giving back to the community, and it is especially nice when we see the youth get involved in a project like this that can benefit so many." KIB is very grateful to have such a strong faith community to partner with."

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