

The KIB NEWSLETTER



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EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY AT KIB!

April held true to form as one of KIB's busiest months. We had a great time interacting with so many different partners of all ages from all over the city. See the recap at the right to get a little taste of what went on in April, and be assured that KIB will continue that Earth Month Spirit all year long!



Pictures of North Lake College students from two of last month's events: (Left): Painting at Rodeo Park Pavilion on April 12 (Right): In front of Lake Vilbig during the 20th Anniversary Lake Cleanup.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 2: Keys Elementary Career Day
- May 3: Thomas Haley Elementary Career Day
- May 4: Verizon Service Project. Verizon employees will paint the fence behind the Northwest Rec Center
- May 5: Girl Scout Troop 2871 Paint Project at Running Bear Park. This great group of girls have been working with KIB for years, and are anxious to paint the metal hand rail near the south pavilions at the park.
- May 11: Irving Bicycle Fest at Lively Pointe Center. KIB will attend the third annual bike festival.
- May 11: Grand Opening of the Bear Creek Church Community Garden. "Come Grow With Us" is the theme of this garden, so come out and see what KIB and others are growing in their raised beds.
- May 15: Monthly KIB Board Meeting
- May 23: T.J. Lee Elementary Career Day
- June 1-2: PlayTri Festival at Lake Carolyn/Las Colinas. KIB has made this a green event since 2009. It is quite a spectacle to watch these athletes in action.

****Reminder: KIB is now accepting nominations for the 2013 "Mayor and KIB Proud Partner Awards." Please go online at www.rockthegreen.org to nominate a worthy recipient.****

APRIL RECAP

- Apr 6: Googly Eyes Environmental Fair—KIB had a table and provided green event supplies for this event, which included e-cycling, shredding and a recycled art contest.
 - Apr 12: North Lake Service Learning paint project. Five students gave 15 hours painting the pavilion at Rodeo Park a bright blue
 - Apr 13: Canon USA Paint Project at Running Bear Park. Five volunteers gave 20 hours of service in painting two of the south pavilions at the park.
 - Apr 17: North Lake College Earth Day, Central Campus—KIB always makes this a fun green event, which included dance troupes, eco-vendors and a barbecue lunch
 - Apr 18-20: Eco-Film Fest
 - Apr 18: City Council Meeting - Several KIB Board members were in attendance as the mayor issued an official proclamation for Volunteer Week
 - Apr 19: 6565 MacArthur Earth Day—This green event included music, food, prizes and environmental vendors
 - Apr 20: Irving Lake Association's Lake Vilbig Cleanup. KIB helped to celebrate the 20th year of lake cleanups by providing gloves, vests, litter pickers and trash bags, as well as 9 student volunteers who helped to remove 1,740 pounds of material from the lake and shoreline.
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- Apr 22: NLC SL Paint project at Running Bear Park. The one remaining unpainted pavilion at the park was completed by four NLC students in 12 hours of service.
 - Apr 24: Frito-Lay Environmental Fair. Board members Dr. Yolanda Romero and Jan Schriefer worked the KIB table at this event hosted by long-time KIB friends Frito-Lay.
 - Apr 24/25: Contech Project at Lively Pointe Recreation Center. We are always happy to partner with Contech each year for their two-day projects. Come see how beautiful the Lively Pointe Youth Center after the 141 hours of work from these 28 Contech employees.
 - Apr 25: Clifton Early Childhood School Earth Day Skit—KIB brought Kirby, Buddy the Blue Bag and the Litterbug to Clifton to teach the children about recycling.
 - Apr 26: Mattress Firm Cleanup at Mountain Creek Preserve. First time partner Mattress Firm's 10 volunteers gave 30 hours and collected 1,940 pounds of material.