KEEP IRVING BEAUTIFUL NEWSLETTER





Volume 8, Issue 8 August 2018









KIB's July included (top to bottom): Calvary Church SERVE Day at Hurwitz Park, Christ Church Youth Cleanup at Trinity View, our yearly visit to Emma's House, and the All Things Made New blanket project.

SUMMERTIME AT KIB

July was another activity-filled month for KIB, with a variety of events reaching all ages, including two projects in our Faith Groups Outreach Program. Calvary Church Irving held a "SERVE Day" on Saturday, July 14, which saw their members giving back to the community through partnering with several non-profits in the area. KIB was fortunate to get a group of 21 adults and 8 youth, who gave a combined 87 hours in painting all three pavilions at Hurwitz Park. The Christ Church "516 Students" youth ministry participated in a cleanup at Trinity View Park on Thursday, July 19, where 9 youth and 2 adults worked together to keep litter out of the nearby Elm Fork of the Trinity River.

We took the KIB Environmental Mascot Skit to two recreation centers this month to entertain and educate the summer campers. The first was Georgia Farrow on July 16, followed by Senter Park on July 23. Kirby, Buddy the Blue Bag, and the Litterbug performed for the children, taught them why it was important to not litter, and showed them products that were made from recycled materials. Buddy came with KIB staff to Emma's House on Wednesday, July 25, where the members played a recycling game and received activity books about becoming an "Eco-Superhero."

The All Things Made New mentoring program partnered with KIB again to make two more baby blankets which will be donated to Crisis Ministries in downtown Irving. A total of 11 youth and 3 adults gave 21 hours of service in this popular project.

KIB had a unique opportunity on Tuesday, July 31, as we hosted a Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) regional training for affiliates, held at the city's Innovation Room. In addition to the training provided by the state organization, KIB presented on the Adopt-a-Spot Program, while other affiliates shared programs that have been successes for them.

Upcoming dates of note:

Aug 6: Mayor and KIB Annual Awards Reception and Ceremony, First Baptist Church, 6:30 p.m.

Aug 15: KIB monthly board meeting, 11 a.m.

Sep 29: 27th Annual Trash Bash, T.W. Richardson Grove Park. Online registration is open until September 21 at this site: https://cityofirving.org/2223/Annual-Trash-Bash

We hope to see you there!

