



KEEP IRVING BEAUTIFUL NEWS

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JUNE ACTIVITIES

KIB kicked off the summer with visits to Irving Recreation Centers Summer Camp Programs, starting with Lee Park on June 3, followed by Cimarron Park on June 5, Mustang on June 10, Northwest on June 12 and Georgia Farrow on June 17. The first half was spent reading and interacting with an environmental activity book, where the campers learned about topics like recycling, litter abatement, energy conservation, and composting. KIB also brought mascots Kirby the Toucan and Buddy the Blue Bag. We ended the morning with cleanups of the recreation center grounds, where the children used the knowledge they gained to separate the recycling from the trash. Each camper received a certificate proclaiming them an official "KIB Junior Ranger." Special thanks to the staff at Lee and Cimarron, who stepped up to wear mascot costumes and perform the environmental skit when wet conditions prevented their cleanups.

KIB partnered with Stantec for their "Stantec in the Community" week on June 20. Employee volunteers made six "no-sew" blankets as part of their company's annual service initiative. We also had two additional KIB volunteers make blankets this month, for a total of eight blankets which will be donated to local organizations.

On June 27, KIB Staff and Board members conducted the 2nd quarterly Litter Index of 2024, a survey of visible litter in areas of South Irving.

UPCOMING EVENTS

KIB offices will be closed on July 4th for the Independence Day holiday. We hope you will enjoy the City of Irving's two-day "Sparks and Stripes" event, with fireworks at Levy Plaza July 3 and the Heritage District parade July 4.

Irving Girl Scouts of Service Unit 123 will continue their long tradition of volunteering with KIB, as they will paint the metal safety handrails at Lively Park on July 2.

Our Summer Camp program wraps up with a visit to Senter Park on July 15.

"Save the Date" - 33rd Annual Trash Bash on Saturday, September 28, at T.W. Richardson Grove Park!

CONFERENCE AND AWARDS

KIB staff attended the annual Keep Texas Beautiful State Conference held virtually this year, June 24-26. In addition to participating in seminars and breakout sessions, KIB was honored with the Gold Star Award and the Beautify Texas Award for outstanding Public Education and Outreach.

The Mayor and KIB Award winners have been chosen, and the full list can be found on the KIB website. They will all be recognized at a ceremony on Monday, August 5, at the Jack D. Huffman Community Building.



Above: Summer Campers at Mustang;
Below: Northwest Park campers and their "KIB Junior Ranger" certificates.



Above: Georgia Farrow campers with KIB activity books;
Below: Stantec employees with their six blankets

