

KEEP IRVING BEAUTIFUL NEWSLETTER



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KIB VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION

Keep Irving Beautiful is coming to the close of another very successful and rewarding year of serving the community and working with more fantastic volunteers and sponsors. We are always honored to be asked to participate in “Unite for Troops,” an annual Veterans Day community celebration. This year’s event was held on Saturday, November 10, at Porters’ Army Navy, and once again KIB made it a “Green Event” by providing recycling stations through the grounds. Three of our North Lake Service Learning students assisted at the KIB table, asking environmental questions and rewarding participants with prizes of recycled books, donated by the Friends of the Irving Public Library. Later that same day, KIB joined volunteers from Calvary Church’s “Loving Our City” group for a cleanup at Hurwitz Park, where they also distributed toothbrushes, toothpaste and dental floss, donated by Jefferson Dental Clinic.

The annual Arbor Day celebration, a partnership with the Irving ISD and the City of Irving Parks Department, was held on November 16, and the school which recycled the most paper the previous year – John R. Good Elementary. Students and staff recycled a whopping 87,960 pounds, for an average of 100 pounds per student! Along with the honor of hosting the event, they received a mayoral proclamation, trophy and a Texas native red oak tree planted on school grounds, as well as a visit from Smokey the Bear and KIB mascot Kirby.

Each November for the past seven years, the Irving Family YMCA Seniors group participates in “America Recycles Day” by bringing in recyclable material during the first two weeks of the month. KIB collects and weighs the bags, and when all was totalled, they had collected 304 pounds. KIB Board and staff visited the group on November 29 and provided breakfast as a thank you celebration for their efforts.

KIB had its final board meeting of the year with our traditional Thanksgiving potluck luncheon, and welcomed our newest board member Brian Bunch, Youth Pastor at Christ Church, and our Faith Groups Co-Chair.

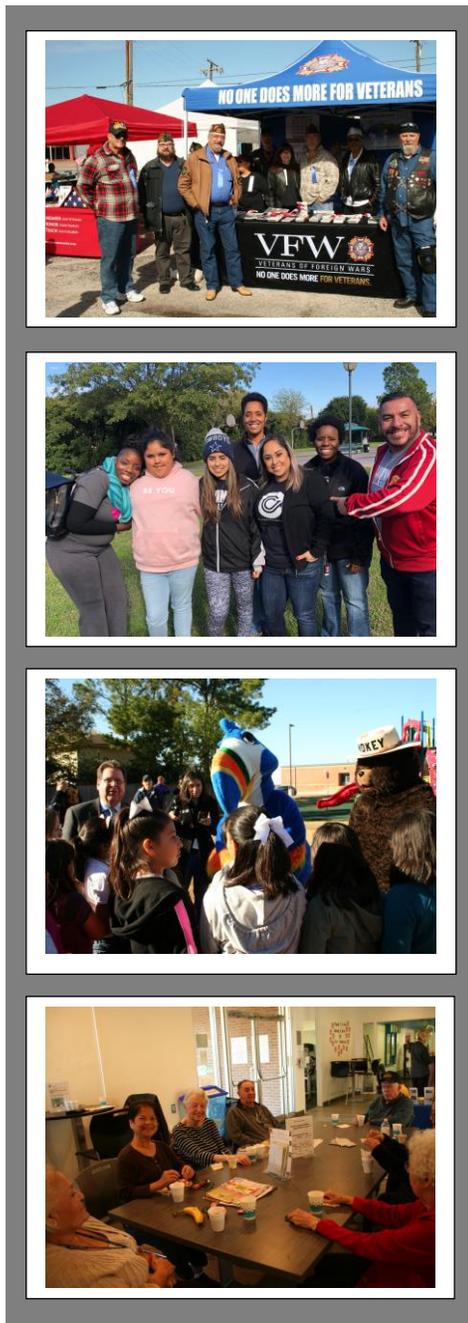
Upcoming dates of note:

(Note: No KIB Board Meeting in December, will resume in 2019)

Dec 2: City of Irving Holiday Extravaganza

Dec 7: Keep America Beautiful Award Winners Announced

Dec 24-25 : KIB office closed for Christmas Holiday



(top to bottom): Unite for Troops Veterans Day event, Calvary Church volunteers at Hurwitz Park cleanup, Arbor Day at Good Elementary, and the seniors group celebrating America Recycles Day at the Irving Family YMCA.

