

KEEP IRVING BEAUTIFUL NEWSLETTER



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NOVEMBER: CELEBRATING PARTNERSHIPS

November was full of familiar events with old friends, ones that have become traditions at KIB. It just wouldn't be November without things like:

Unite for Troops – This year's event was held on Nov. 9 at Porters' Army Navy and was a celebration of our veterans and active military members. KIB board and staff enjoyed meeting the many visitors to our table, and giving away books donated by the Friends of the Library

America Recycles Day – an annual event with the seniors group at the Irving Family YMCA. They collected 460 pounds of recyclables during the first two weeks of November, and were honored with a breakfast at the YMCA

Irving ISD Arbor Day – Each year the Irving ISD, Parks and Recreation Department and KIB partner to honor the IISD school that recycled the most pounds of paper per student during the previous school year. Farine Elementary recycled 60,780 pounds (an average of 80 pounds per student!) and had the honor of hosting the Arbor Day event on Nov. 22, which included a mayoral proclamation, plaque and an appearance by toucan mascot Kirby and Smokey the Bear. Earlier in the week, the school's Green Team helped to plant a Shumard Red Oak on school grounds.

We also welcomed volunteers to the KIB office to participate in a project that is becoming a tradition as well – the "No-Sew Blanket Project." They made a total of four blankets which will be donated to local nonprofits.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December is typically more of a quiet month at KIB, but not this year! Here are some of the events we have coming up to end 2019:

- Dec 6 – Irving Arts Center Holiday Open House
- Dec 9 – Parks and Recreation Department "IPAR" Awards
- Dec 11 – Sound Productions employee volunteers paint project at Senter East Building
- Dec 14 – Calvary Church "Loving Our City" volunteers tree planting at Sam Houston Trail Park
- Dec 16 – Lively Pointe Youth Blanket Project

KIB would like to thank all of our sponsors, supporters and the thousands of volunteers who helped to make 2019 an outstanding year! In our January newsletter, we will have a recap of the past year's events. We wish you all a very happy holiday season, and look forward to 2020.



Top to Bottom: Board Member Candace Eldridge at Unite for Troops; YMCA Seniors at America Recycles Day breakfast; Farine Elementary Green Team, staff and dignitaries at Arbor Day celebration; and Blanket Project volunteers at KIB office.

