



Keep Irving Beautiful Newsletter



KIB Honors Award Winners

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Emcee Cathy Whiteman and Mayor Rick Stopfer at the awards ceremony

One of the highlights of the KIB year is our annual "Mayor and Keep Irving Beautiful Awards" event. After holding a virtual event last year, it was nice to be able to gather in person this year at the First Baptist Church to pay tribute to those who have made a positive difference in our community. Thanks to ICTN's Cathy Whiteman and Mayor Stopfer for serving as the emcee and presenter, respectively.

Award recipients were as follows:

Youth Leadership: **MacArthur Student Council**
Educator: **Victor Galanis, Singley Academy;**
James Duran, Dallas College – North Lake
Faith Group: **Hackberry Creek Church**
Business and Industry: **La Cima Club**
Civic: **Irving Hispanic Chamber of Commerce**
Nonprofit: **Brighter Tomorrows**
Government **Department of Arts and Culture**
Civil Servant: **Ass't Police Chief Brian Redburn**
KIB Hometown: **Pat Davenport, Phil Riddle**

KIB once again partnered with the Girl Scouts of Troops 1810 and 6458, this time to assemble and paint birdhouses which were donated to KIB by the Parks Dept. The girls and adult leaders met at the Irving Archives and Museum's "Spark!Lab" on Aug. 6. Afterwards, they explored the different science activity tables, then toured the museum to learn about Irving's history.



Girl Scouts with their finished birdhouses at the Spark!Lab

Cistercian Preparatory School's Young Men's Service League (YMSL) Irving Hawks Chapter made 237 "blessing bags" as well as 27 no-sew blankets, to be donated to organizations that help the homeless. These young men and their mothers work together to be of service in many ways throughout the year, and KIB sends a big thank you for their dedication.



Trash Bash volunteers can either join the in-person event, like the Singley Police Explorers did in 2019...

Trash Bash to Offer In-Person, Remote Options

The 30th annual Trash Bash is coming soon! The event will be held Sept. 25 at T.W. Richardson Grove Park from 9 a.m. to noon. Online registration is now open on the KIB website, and spots will fill up fast. Join us for a cleanup and much more, including fun and educational booths where you can learn about water conservation, meet some interesting reptiles or participate in STEM activities. We will also offer a remote/virtual option again this year. Details are on the KIB Facebook page.

In addition to the Trash Bash, we have a variety of activities planned for the fall, including a Fall Photo Contest, tree plantings, paint projects, and cleanups. As always, our awesome Adopt-a-Spot volunteers continue to help keep Irving clean and beautiful, and we welcomed two new groups to the program - the Chavez/Gonzalez family and the Irving Everest Centennial Lions Club.



...or participate remotely at locations of their choice, like the Mac Arthur Student Council at the 2020 event

