



The Clean Sheet

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Spring 2012 Newsletter



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Green Starts Here!



Spring is in the air and for KPB that means only one thing "Great American Cleanup." The month of April is proclaimed as the GAC. This year the clean up will include several different opportunities for our communities to participate in around the County.

Officers:

President – Carol Opdenhoff
Vice President – Bill Wilson
Secretary/Treasurer – Beth Coberly

Directors:

Membership – Richard Rambler
Publicity – Bobby Fowler
Adopt A Road – Ron Jager
Litter Index – Stan Barnett

New Office Manager

Sharon Harp



Office Hours

Monday and Wednesday
9:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

- Adopt A Road Program Volunteers will pickup up their assigned road ways during the month of April
- April 17, 2012 unveiling the Marble Hill Mural at 11:00
- KPB will be doing recycling for the Art Fest April 21 and 22, by providing and maintaining recycle containers for the event.
- The whole month of April residents will be able to dispose of 4 passenger tires, off the rims, no charge at Cove Road and Camp Road Recycle Centers.
- April 21, 2012 in the KPB parking lot from 9:00am - 12noon residents will be able to dispose of their important documents by having them shredded for \$4.00 banker's box.
- City of Jasper will have weekly cleanups during the month of April.
- City of Nelson will have their trash truck parked at Nelson Park from 10:00am - 12noon Saturday April 14th and 28th for Nelson residents only to dispose of their cleanup trash.
- The Town of Talking Rock: April 21st from 10:00am - 12noon will be a town cleanup and planting with the help of Boy Scout Troop 1883. •••



Rain or shine! Right after income tax time.!

Green Ribbon Awards

Each month individuals or companies are recognized by KPBB for their efforts to improve our community, either by recycling, property clean up or beautifications.

Green Ribbon Awards:

- Georgianna Place
- Home Depot
- Crenshaw Automotive
- The Shoppes at North Gate Station



Georgianna Place

Just a reminder during spring cleanup, you can take your yard trimmings, stumps, limbs and leaves to K & M Inert Landfill, 1714 Old Whitestone Road, Talking Rock, call ahead for hours and fees, (706) 253-3300.

Adopt A Road Continues to Grow!

Two more young families have volunteered for our AAR Program.



Sarah Prather & Kirsten Elrod have adopted Ray Mountain Road



Tanner Ledford & Family have adopted Old Tate Mill Road North



Upcoming Calendar of Events

- Tree planting at the Pickens County Admin Building
- Paper Shredder KPBB Office
- Mural unveiling at Marble Hill
- April tire amnesty

Business Recycling Award

Keep Pickens Beautiful began given out Business Recycling award in 2011. Pickens County Library and Community Bank of Jasper Bank received awards during 2011.

To begin 2012 the little Town of Talking Rock has received an award for their recycling efforts started in 2009 and continues to grow collections doubled in 2012.

KPBB Business recycling totals for 2012 were over 4,700 30-gallon bags of (plastic bottles and aluminum cans), and 5,387 pounds of cardboard was recycled by our partner businesses that participate in our program.

For a break down of the business names and numbers visit our webpage.

KPBB continues to provide partner companies with containers and Green Team Recycling will pickup and dispose of your recycling for an affordable cost. •••



Keep Pickens Beautiful Honored by Keep America Beautiful

Keep Pickens Beautiful received the Keep America Beautiful President's Circle Award that recognizes exemplary performance made by certified affiliates of the national nonprofit to reduce litter, minimize waste and recycle, and beautify their local communities.

In qualifying for a President's Circle Award, Keep Pickens Beautiful has met Keep America Beautiful's standards of excellence by conducting an annual Litter Index, calculating the affiliate's cost/benefit ratio, and engaging volunteers to take greater responsibility for their community environment. In addition, award recipients must conduct activities in Keep America Beautiful's three core focus areas of litter prevention, recycling and waste reduction, and beautification/community greening.

"One of Keep America Beautiful most effective tools is the work of our grassroots network of affiliate organizations, which has an impact on millions of Americans each year," said Keep America Beautiful President and CEO Matthew M. McKenna. "Our affiliates are providing real solutions to problems like litter, graffiti, illegal dumping and other community blights. By engaging people of all ages in community improvement efforts, KPBB is represented among the best in promoting the values Keep America Beautiful espouses nationally."

Keep America Beautiful, Inc., established in 1953, is the nation's largest volunteer-based community action and education organization. With a network of more than 1,200 affiliate and participating organizations, Keep America Beautiful forms public-private partnerships and programs that engage individuals to take greater responsibility for improving their community environments.

Keep Pickens Beautiful has received this award 8 years in a row, our thanks to all of our "volunteers" who help make this possible by donating their time and talents, Pickens County, Cities of Jasper, Talking Rock and Nelson working together. •••

