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## Keep Montgomery County Beautiful Newsletter

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July 2010

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### Get Involved

We hope you will consider becoming a member or renewing your membership with KMCB.

The process is much easier now with our PayPal account - so please consider clicking on [Membership Form](#) to download the form and join up!

And we now have a small, useful surprise gift for our members and sponsors to express our appreciation!

When you visit our website at [www.kmcbtexas.org](http://www.kmcbtexas.org) you will find many ways to get involved with KMCB or contact us at [info@kmcbtexas.org](mailto:info@kmcbtexas.org)

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

### Lake Creek Green Belt Initiative

Did you know a group of concerned citizens is working to protect Lake Creek?

The plan for this initiative is to:

**DEVELOP A  
RECREATIONAL/WILDLIFE  
CORRIDOR ALONG**

Dear Charlotte & Stanley,

In July, we have finally launched our new and improved website. The address remains the same - [www.kmcbtexas.org](http://www.kmcbtexas.org) - but the content and look is much better, we think!



Here are the new and improved pages:

- **Home** - Learn about KMCB and link quickly to information and forms
- **About KMCB** - On this page you can find out about our history and directors and officers of the Board - get to know us or contact us!
- **How You Can Help** - Links to info about becoming a member, a sponsor, a volunteer and a board member. Also learn about our fundraisers.
- **Volunteering Info** - Information about how to get involved but also learn about our Volunteer Nomination Awards. Access the Nominate a Volunteer form and click on links to see who was named Outstanding Volunteers in five categories for 2008 and 2009. Who will you nominate for 2010??
- **Projects and Grants** - See what we've done in the past and link to an application for our Growing Green Grant Program. Apply for a grant today!
- **Plant Sale and Art Contest** - Learn all about these exciting projects that are all tied together! We are entering into our third year for these projects and each year is more successful than the last.
- **Newsletters and Media** - Speaks for itself!
- **Resources** - Links to information about many environmental topics of interest. Use our Resource page to help you get information about local resources and information you can use.

KMCB has set up a PayPal account to make becoming a member or sponsor, participating in fundraisers or donating easier. We hope you will appreciate this convenience - we certainly appreciate your support of us.

And some of our forms are available for submission online. We are

### LAKE CREEK

- Hike & Bike Trails
- Some Horseback Trails
- Wetland/Nature
- Observation & Education

### PRESERVE UNIQUE HABITATS

- High Quality Stream
- Extensive Wetlands
- Unique Plants
- Western Extent of Some Big Thicket Environments

### PROTECT DRINKING WATER AND MINIMIZE FLOODING

Contact Glenn Buckley at [grbuckley419@comcast.net](mailto:grbuckley419@comcast.net) for more information or to get involved.

still working out some of the kinks so bear with us. You can always print, fill out and mail in OR email [info@kmcbbtexas.org](mailto:info@kmcbbtexas.org) and we will reach out to you.

We hope you enjoy our new site and find useful information on it. If you know of resources not on our website that might be of interest to others, send them to us and we'll see about adding them.



### Growing Green Poster Art Contest Starts Soon!

This fall KMCB will hold its Second Annual art contest open to all high school students in Montgomery County. Watch for information about what plant will be sold in 2010 and the application form for the art contest.

Remember the winning artist will have his or her artwork included on the Growing Green Plant Sale poster and will receive a \$500 scholarship.

Here is a picture of last year's winner - McCall Ransom - who graduated from Montgomery High School in May and is headed to Texas A&M this fall with a little extra money to help out with expenses.



### WE HAVE MONEY TO GIVE AWAY!!



KMCB's annual plant sale raises money to provide grants to groups in Montgomery County for beautification and environmental projects.

Our 2010 Growing Green Plant sale was very successful (thanks to American Tree Farm ([www.americantreefarm.com](http://www.americantreefarm.com) for growing and donating 500 Purple Coneflower plants!) and the funds are now available to qualifying grant applicants. If you or someone you know is planning to do a beautification/environmental project in Montgomery County and needs some financial assistance, go to [Growing Green Beautification Grant Application](#).



### **KMCB Welcome Bags for New Residents**

Each year KMCB puts together Welcome Bags to be distributed to those moving into Montgomery County. The litter bag is filled with information about littering, recycling and other resources in our community.

Each KMCB custom litter bag contains information about reporting a litterer, letters from County Judge Sadler and their local Commissioner, information about KMCB and the H-GAC Recycling Guide. Here is a link to this great guide. We also have supplies at all of our events.



### [H-GAC Resource Guide](#)

We provide supplies of our Welcome Bags to county groups who support new residents - Chambers of Commerce, churches, schools, home owners' associations, realtors ... and anyone else! If you would like a supply, contact us at [info@kmcbtexas.org](mailto:info@kmcbtexas.org).

And thanks to our volunteers who stuff the bags for us - Jason Stutzman (for 2 years now) and Bryce Reynolds! We couldn't provide this great service without your help.



### **KMCB Mission:**

Empower Texans to take responsibility for enhancing their community environment through education, awareness and participation in programs for:

- Waste Reduction and Recycling Centers
- Litter Prevention
- Beautification and Community Improvements

Volunteerism  
Environmental Education

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We sincerely appreciate your support and interest in KMCB and thank you for all you do to improve our communities.

**Sincerely,**  
Charlotte Riser Harris, Chair  
Keep Montgomery County Beautiful

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