

December2008/January 2009 KAB Council Report

Current Topics and Projects:

*Members are working on a plan for downtown improvements. I am sending out a survey to board members as a tool to prioritize what KAB would like to do in the downtown area and in what order it should be done. Currently Ms. Wilbeck is contacting businesses about the concrete planters and their ownership. I spoke with Mr. Smith about what areas are the City's to maintain and what properties downtown need the owners to work on them. Planters, weed control, benches, trash receptacles, moving the retail heart sign and another season of banners have all been discussed.

An "Adopt A Business" program is also in the works.

*KAB is to attend water stations at the Lion's Club Spectacle Spectacular on January 31, 2009.

*I have begun the Keep Texas Beautiful awards process for this year. We are not eligible to win the big money for two more years, but we can earn an award of sustained excellence.

*The Keep Texas Beautiful conference is in Houston this year the second week of June.

*The 2008 GCAA landscaping award to expand the "2004" plantings is being planned. Our first meeting with a TXDOT rep is the 28th.

*Spring Citywide Cleanup is April 4th. Please make plans to be there. We are working on sponsors for e waste recycling and a tree give away in celebration of Texas Arbor Day.

Respectfully submitted by Jamae Bowman 01/20/09