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THE KBB BULLETIN

Keep Bulloch Beautiful's E-newsletter

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WE HAVE A NEW LOOK!

In an effort to further promote our own focus of solid waste reduction, Keep Bulloch Beautiful will now send its newsletter via e-mail. All newsletters will also be posted on our website at www.keepbullochbeautiful.org/newsletters.htm The KBB Bulletin will be published monthly rather than quarterly to keep everyone more informed of Keep Bulloch Beautiful activities, programs and opportunities to get involved. If you have news to share or would like to add friends to the email list, please reply to brooke@keepbullochbeautiful.org.

RECYCLING AT WORK MADE EASIER

Keep Bulloch Beautiful (KBB) is offering local businesses two ways to make recycling in the workplace easier. The goal of the Office Recycling Program is to reduce our community's overall waste by providing more convenient ways to dispose of old computers, printers, paper waste, etc. KBB's Office Recycling Program includes programs for electronics, paper and beverage container recycling. Office recycling sets are now available for businesses to purchase. The sets are \$20 and include two central containers for paper and beverage containers as well as four desk paper recycling containers. When businesses purchase the recycling sets, a Keep Bulloch Beautiful volunteer will give everyone in the office an orientation to help them get in the habit of recycling at work. Call 764-6147 to order your set. Electronics can be recycled year round at the City Recycling Center, located behind the post office in downtown Statesboro. In addition, special electronics recycling events targeted to businesses will take place throughout the year.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

It's time to get rid of all that old office equipment sitting in closets and storage rooms. On June 29 and 30, Keep Bulloch Beautiful will host the second annual electronics recycling event in the front parking lot of the Statesboro Mall. A wide range of electronics will be accepted including computers and associated parts, fax machines,

phones, copiers, VCRs, stereo equipment, etc. Electronics only make up 5% of waste in landfills but account for an alarming 70% of the toxins found in landfills. For more information on this event, visit www.keepbullochbeautiful.org and click on Electronics Recycling Event.

CIGARETTE LITTER PREVENTION PROGRAM

On July 1, KBB will launch our second local cigarette litter prevention program. This year's efforts will be focused in the Northside Drive retail area. Aspects of the program include working with businesses to purchase ash receptacles recommended by Keep America Beautiful, educating the public on cigarette litter and the importance of preventing it, giving pocket ashtrays to customers in the focus area, and conducting scans before and after the program to measure the program's impact. The ash receptacles will be available at a highly discounted cost to businesses thanks to a grant from Keep America Beautiful. Volunteers are needed to conduct cigarette litter scans. For more information, email brooke@keepbullochbeautiful.org or call 764-6147. Cigarette Litter Prevention Program website: <http://www.preventcigarettelitter.org/>

SCHOOL RECYCLING – RECORD YEAR

Students at schools throughout the county have outdone themselves again. The school recycling program was further expanded during the 2006-07 school year to include more electronics recycling as well as the new milk bottle recycling program. Students recycled a total of 61,845 pounds of paper (a 25% increase from last year's weekly average), 10,480 pounds of electronics, and 17,550 pounds of plastic milk bottles. Mill Creek Elementary School took first prize and Southeast Bulloch High School took second prize for the second year in a row for the paper competition. Nevils Elementary School had the most dramatic increase in paper recycling participation and took third prize.

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