

City of Archdale 2011-2012

highlights



SCHOOLS

Stormwater SMART contacted three elementary schools and two middle school in Archdale informing them of our educational programs. We provided an Incredible Journey program to Archdale Elementary fifth graders on December 19, 2011. We taught three classes and reached 78 students, distributing three prizes to students in each class. A certificate of appreciation was awarded to each classroom.

WATER QUALITY TASK FORCE

The Water Quality Task Force is a partnership of Randolph County organizations dedicated to improving and protecting the waters of Randolph County. Partners include Asheboro, Randleman, Archdale, Randolph County, the NC Zoo, Asheboro Recycling, the Piedmont Triad Regional Partnership and Stormwater SMART. Members meet quarterly to plan water quality

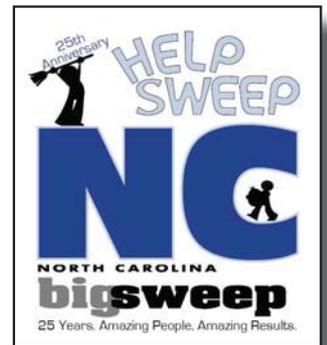
events including electronics and pesticide recycling days, Arbor Day, and participation in Earth Day festivities at the Zoo.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

Stormwater SMART attended the Bush Hills Heritage Festival in Fall 2011. The festival caters to citizens in the Archdale-Trinity area. We worked with local stormwater managers to distribute educational materials, conduct surveys and converse with residents about local water quality issues.

BIG SWEEP

Citizens from Archdale participated in the 2011 NC Big Sweep last fall. Countywide, 1,677 volunteers cleaned an estimated 38 miles of stream, collecting 6,708 pounds of trash.

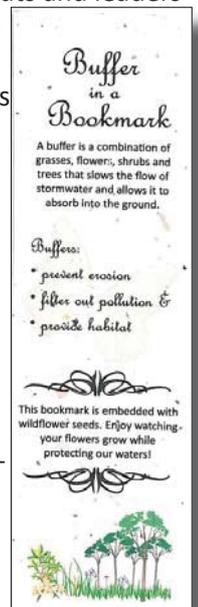


SCOUTS

Stormwater SMART attended the regional Girl Scouts 100 year anniversary event and engaged 200+ scouts and leaders from the Piedmont Triad. We also taught Soil and Water Conservation Badge requirements at the Akela District Merit Badge College and reached over 100 scouts and several chaperones from the City of High Point, Oak Ridge, Thomasville and Archdale. Stormwater SMART presented a program to the Cub Scouts during the Cub Scout Day Camp and reached over 100 participants in nearby High Point.

BUFFER IN A BOOKMARK

This year we launched the "Buffer in a Bookmark" program to Stormwater SMART libraries. These libraries received copies of our newsletter, a personal letter educating them about our programs and bookmarks made of paper seeded with native wildflowers and information about the important role plants play in protecting water quality.



MATERIALS

Stormwater SMART worked with the City of Archdale to distribute brochures, new homeowner information guides, flyers, the Stormwater Steward and other information educating citizens about the actions they can take to improve water quality. Topics include: general stormwater, pet waste, low impact



development, riparian buffers, vehicle washing and maintenance, landscaping for water quality, septic system maintenance, rain garden design and function, hazardous waste disposal, and proper fertilizer use. All materials are available on our website, www.stormwatersmart.org.