



## KECB Newsletter- January, 2025

**Litter-** Three litter pickups were held in December. One was by the Elberton Lions Club, making it their 5<sup>th</sup> clean up in a year! A new group, Blight Bandits, has adopted Clark Rd. in Bowman and has already done 2 short cleanups, both resulting in over 45 pounds of trash each. If you live in the Bowman area and would like to volunteer with this group, let us know and we will connect you to them. (706-567-0481 or kecbbeautiful@gmail.com) Thanks to both of these groups!

**Beautification-** A last minute plan to recycle live Christmas trees was agreed upon by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District at Lake Richard B Russell and KECB. You may drop off your tree between December 26-January 15, 2025 at the Middleton boat ramp. You can also pick up a tree if you would like to use it for fish habitat at a favorite fishing spot. There is no cost.

**Membership-** Our 2025 membership drive is now underway! Your membership is used to support our projects and events, whether it is purchasing flowers for one of our garden areas or buying supplies for litter pickups. We appreciate your support of Elbert County! See the membership application on the next page.

**Education-** On December 17, KECB assisted with the 4H ELEVATE Club at the middle school. The program centered around growing and marketing of Christmas trees. There was a lot of trivia to be learned also. Did you know that the Christmas Tree House in Elberton was the first in Georgia to have a Christmas tree?

**Coming up in January we have- We welcome any and all volunteers-call (706-567-0481) or email (kebeautiful@gmail.com) us to find out how you can be involved.**

**December 26-January 15-** Recycle Christmas trees at the Middleton Boat Ramp.

**January 14-** Monthly KECB meeting beginning at 5:30 in our office. All are invited.

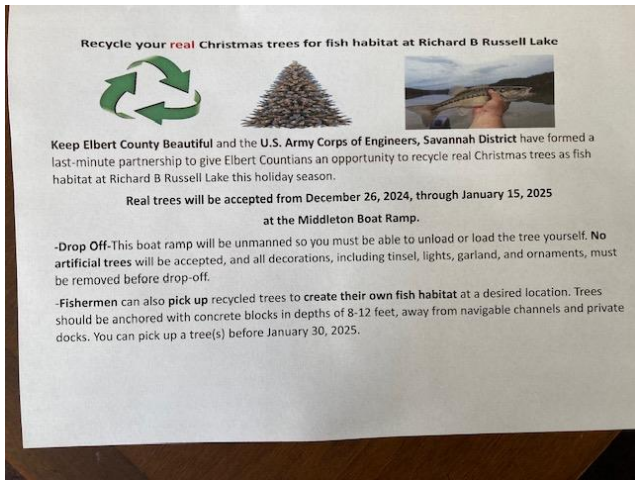
**January 15-** Work day at the Elberton Library. We need **volunteers** to help clean up the garden spaces, prune, plant, spruce up, etc. We will work from 9-12, if weather permits.



Lion's Club



Blight Bandits



Flyer for tree recycling



**KEEP ELBERT COUNTY BEAUTIFUL 2025**

Please check the Membership level desired:

- Student: \$10.00
- Individual: \$25.00
- Couple: \$35.00
- Business: \$50.00
- Individual Life Member: \$250.00
- Business Life Member: \$500.00

I would like to make an additional donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_. This money is to be used for-

- Scholarships
- Beautification projects
- Littering projects
- Shredding costs at Recycling Events

Include a check for the appropriate amount of the membership, payable to

**Keep Elbert County Beautiful, Inc.  
PO Box 6339, Elberton, GA 30635**

Member Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: (if a business) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

*(This will be used to send the newsletter and information – it will not be shared –you will be “blind copied” on all emails.)*

Yes, I am interested in volunteering and/or would like to attend a KECB meeting.

All memberships include a **2025 window decal**, flyers of **Public Recycling and Household Waste Disposal Options in Elbert County, Highlights of 2024** and **dates for our regularly scheduled meetings and recycling events, inclusion on the KECB mailing list, a copy of our monthly newsletter (emailed or mailed) and a receipt letter for tax purposes.**