

# Neighbor

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## News from Waste Management's Williamson County Landfill

### Dear Neighbors



James "Bubba" Smith,  
District Manager

We hope you are enjoying summer and finding time for some R&R with your friends and family. We are busy at the Williamson County Landfill and Recycling Center getting the final landscaping done at the front entrance to complement the new sign.

We want to let you know that Jason Kjar, landfill manager since May 2010, has been promoted to district manager for Waste Management's hauling business. Jason has done a great job at the Williamson County Landfill and will be greatly missed, although you will still see him around at community events.

As district manager of Central Texas landfills, I will continue to oversee and manage operations at the Williamson County Landfill so feel free to call me if you have any questions or concerns.

James "Bubba" Smith



### Summer = Moving, So Remember to Cover Your Load!

In June, the Williamson County Landfill joined other Waste Management landfills across the state to remind customers to "Cover Your Load" when hauling debris to prevent accidental litter and highway hazards. We gave our customers Don't Mess with Texas® litter bags and "Cover Your Load" tips on how to properly tarp trucks and trailers when bringing debris to the landfill.

With so many people moving during the summer, it's a good time to remind people of the simple things they can do to prevent windblown litter and highway accidents.

- Use a tarp big enough to completely cover your trailer or truck bed — a *minimum of four inches* should overlap the sides, front and back of your load.



- Tightly secure the tarp with ropes, bungee cords, netting or straps.
- Put lighter items at the bottom of the load.

- When transporting large items, make sure they are tied down and secured to the truck or trailer so they don't move.
- A tarp is not required if the debris is completely enclosed by a load-carrying compartment.
- Make sure your truck or trailer bed does not have a hole, crack or other opening where debris can escape.
- Don't overload — keep material level with the truck bed or trailer.
- Before leaving the landfill, remove any loose material that may remain in the trailer or truck bed.

In Texas, failing to cover your load to prevent loose material from escaping by blowing or spilling is against the law and carries a fine of up to \$200 for the first offense. Waste Management charges landfill customers a fee if their trucks are not securely tarped.



### Williamson County Landfill

600 Landfill Road  
Phone: (512) 759-8881 Fax (512) 759-5004

### Landfill Hours

Monday through Friday: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Saturday: 7 a.m. – noon  
Sunday: Closed

### Recycling Center Hours

Monday through Friday:  
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 7:00 a.m. – Noon  
Sunday: Closed  
(512) 846-2756



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## More Than 20 Tons Collected During Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

Williamson County, the City of Cedar Park and Waste Management had another successful day-long "Keen on Clean" household hazardous waste collection event in April, collecting about 21 tons of hazardous materials for proper disposal and/or recycling.



Nearly 1,200 Williamson County residents dropped off, on average, 36 pounds of materials during the April 28 collection event at Gupton Stadium.



### Save the Date!

The next household hazardous waste collection event is *tentatively* planned for October 6, location still to be determined.

## New Paint Policy at Recycling Center

The Williamson County Commissioners recently approved a new policy for accepting paint from businesses and contractors at the Williamson County Landfill Recycling Center. Waste Management will continue to allow private residents to drop off up to 10 gallons of paint free of charge.

Now Waste Management also will allow businesses and contractors to bring in up to 55 gallons of paint at any one time for a fee. The fee for water-based paint is \$7.50 per gallon and oil-based paint is \$9.50 per gallon. Partial gallons will be charged at the one-gallon rate. Customers are encouraged to consolidate their paint in order to receive the best rate for dropping off their materials. Private residents bringing in more than 10 gallons would be subject to the per gallon fees after the first 10 gallons.



## IN THE COMMUNITY

### Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce

Waste Management hosted the Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors for lunch and a tour of the landfill to show them the environmental measures in place to control odors, protect groundwater and manage storm water runoff.

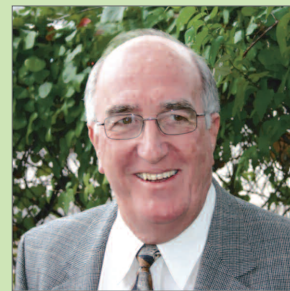


*Tom Britton, president of the Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce, serves up crawfish at the Chamber's Spring Fling.*

Waste Management also sponsored the Chamber's Spring Fling and crawfish boil.

### Hutto Education Foundation

Williamson County was recognized in April at the HEF Dare to Dream Gala for its significant contributions to the Foundation from landfill fees.



*Williamson County Commissioner Ron Morrison*

### Other Community Events

Waste Management was a sponsor of the Hutto Lions Club golf tournament, Hutto Athletic Booster Club golf tournament, and the Hutto Hippo 5K and 1K Runs.



*The Waste Management team at the Hutto Lions Club golf tournament*