

# Neighbor

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## News from Waste Management's Williamson County Landfill

### We Have a Winner! Hydra Hippo – It's Hip to be GREEN!

Nine-year-old Samantha Steadman of Williamson County is the winner of Waste Management's contest to decorate the landfill's 800-pound concrete Hippo.

Samantha's design was selected among more than 20 entries by a panel of judges that included Hutto Mayor Debbie Holland, Williamson County Commissioner Ron Morrison and Waste Management Landfill Manager Jason Kjar.

"Samantha's entry was selected because it illustrates the three 'Rs' that are critical for protecting the environment: Recycle, Reduce and Reuse," says Commissioner Morrison.



### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day A Big Success

In April, Williamson County and Waste Management teamed with the City of Cedar Park to host a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day for residents. It was a huge success, with nearly 1,300 cars coming through the lines and dropping off 41,200 pounds of household hazardous waste items.

Here's a snapshot of some of the items collected:

- 850 gallons of motor oil and one 55-gallon drum of used oil filters
- 350 gallons of antifreeze
- More than 14,000 pounds of electronic waste to be recycled
- 202 automotive batteries
- 380 gallons of paint
- 404 tires



### Awards and Recognition

Williamson County and Waste Management were recognized by the Hutto Education Foundation with its Large Donor Award for contributing \$40,000 to support Hutto education.

Waste Management was one of three nominees for the Large Business of the Year Award by the Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce.

Hutto Education Foundation Board Member Melanie Rios (far left) presents award to Williamson County Commissioner Ron Morrison and Waste Management's Ashley Kegley and Jason Kjar (far right)



#### 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

#### Hutto 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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**The Williamson  
County Landfill  
and Recycling Center  
will be closed July 4.**

**Happy  
Independence Day!**

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## Dear Neighbors



Jason Kjar,  
Landfill Manager

Happy Summer! We expect to see many of you at the Williamson County Landfill and Recycling Center as you start summer house and yard projects – have fun and be safe.

We will also be busy this summer expanding our landfill gas system. Gas extraction wells are installed into deposited wastes around the landfill to collect landfill gases that occur naturally from decomposing waste. The gas is then safely destroyed at a central, high-temperature flare, which is permitted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.



Gas extraction well

Williamson County is also adding turn lanes into Landfill Road to help improve traffic flow and safety. That construction should be underway in early Summer.

Finally, if you belong to school, church, Scout or other groups, please remember that we will gladly provide tours of the Williamson County Landfill and Recycling Center. Contact Ashley Kegley to schedule your tour: [akegley@rifeline.com](mailto:akegley@rifeline.com).

Jason Kjar, *Landfill Manager*



Scout Pack 165 tours Williamson County Landfill.

## In the Community



Waste Management will be a \$5,000 Corporate Sponsor of Hutto's 100th anniversary celebration, providing cash and in-kind support to the 1911 Foundation. The centennial celebration is July 15-17 at Fritz Park.



(l-r) Jason Kjar, Marcel Dalby, Byron Turner and Daniel Rumsey

Waste Management sponsored a team and a hole at the Hutto Area Chamber of Commerce golf tournament in May.

Waste Management supported the Hutto Athletic Booster Club golf tournament this June with a \$250 donation and golf balls, and sponsored a team at the Lions Club golf tournament in April.

Since March more than 300 community members from six different groups have toured the Waste Management Landfill and Recycling Center.