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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

BY SPENCER RYAN:

"Vision"

As we prepared for the 2016 Alabama PALS Governors Awards Program, I took the opportunity to focus on the many aspects of what continues to make Alabama PALS important to this great state. As I began to look at the many recipients of the PALS Governors Awards, the Clean Campus awards and the 2016 Poster and Essay contest winners, it was apparent that all volunteers within this special organization share one common trait...VISION! Vision of a clean and beautiful Alabama, clean and safe Alabama roads and highways, litter free beaches and

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*"Alabama Communities Working
Together for A Cleaner and
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THE CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

BY JEFF HELMS, CHAIRMAN, ALABAMA PALS

On Nov. 20, Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott shocked the world. But it wasn't his three passing touchdowns that made the highlight reel in the Cowboys' 27-17 victory over the Baltimore Ravens. Rather, it was Prescott's missed shot at a garbage can with a wobbly Gatorade cup that garnered millions of online views.

Why? Because the former Mississippi State standout and rising NFL star did the unthinkable. He got off the bench, bent over, picked up the cup and put it in the trash.

The Internet exploded with praise for Prescott's character, humility, responsibility – if not his basketball prowess. The sometimes abrasive Cowboys owner, Jerry Jones, even complimented his rookie QB.

Prescott, however, didn't understand what all the fuss was about.

"More people need to pick up their trash if it was that big of a deal," Prescott told the Dallas Morning News. "I just simply missed the garbage can and didn't think much of it. I got up and put my trash where it belongs."

Imagine that! He put his trash where it belongs.

This story is both inspiring and depressing. At a time when professional sports are plagued with controversy over domestic violence, cheating and drug abuse, it's encouraging to see a millionaire athlete set a good example. But it's also disturbing that something as

simple as depositing a paper cup in a trash can is so unheard of as to garner headlines.

Have we really stooped so low as a society that a simple act of personal responsibility is extraordinary? Does Prescott deserve praise? Sure. But if picking up a single piece of trash is remarkable, then shame on us.

Our goal should be to make Prescott's behavior the rule rather than the exception. For that to happen, we must educate adults and children about littering and instill in Alabama residents a sense of pride in their communities.

My guess is someone taught Prescott those lessons at an early age. In fact, Jones alluded to that on a sports radio talkshow.

"I'm proud of him for doing that," Jones said. "I'll bet you one thing, that mobile home he grew up in, it might have been modest, but I'll bet it was clean."

Jones is probably right, and chances are Prescott's late mother and inspiration, Peggy, had a lot to do with that.

At Alabama PALS, I'm proud to say we're teaching those same lessons every day, so maybe more kids will grow up putting their trash where it belongs.

– Jeff

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

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waterways, clean and environmentally educated schools and campuses, and the certainty that this vision will pay great dividends for the future of our state. On behalf of the PALS board of directors and our valuable corporate sponsors and partners, thank you for sharing this vision. We look forward to working with each of you in 2017.

The 2016 Alabama PALS Governors Awards were held on November 16th and over 250 groups and volunteers attended the luncheon. Over 30 awards were presented to winners from 20 plus categories. Also, awards were presented to the 2016 Alabama Clean Campus winners and the 2015-16 statewide poster and recycled art contests. The winners of the 2016 awards program represented 20 Alabama counties.

The 2017 "Don't Drop It On Alabama" Statewide Spring Cleanup will be held on April 15-22, 2017. All materials for the 2017 cleanup have been ordered and will be available for pick up and shipping by March 15, 2017. 65 counties participated in the 2016 cleanup effort and removed over 360 tons of litter during the 2016 effort. We look forward to having all 67 counties participate in 2017!

Even rain and thunderstorms would not put a damper on the 2016 Alabama Coastal Cleanup! Over 3,800 Zone Captains, volunteers and sponsors showed up at 30 zones on September 16th to pick up litter and debris from Dauphin Island to the Alabama/Florida state line,

backwaters and bays during this annual cleanup event. The Alabama Coastal Cleanup team of sponsors, coordinators, zone captains and volunteers continues to amaze me and is a true representation of what teamwork is all about. I want to once again thank each of your Coastal Cleanup sponsors for your support of this most important coastal effort.

I want to remind each of you that ALL PALS program applications are now updated and available on the PALS web page at alpals.org.

In closing, I would like to thank ALDOT, ALFA, Vulcan Materials Company, Honda Manufacturing of Alabama, Alabama Farmer's Cooperative and Mercedes Benz for their corporate support of all of the programs of Alabama PALS. These most valuable sponsors make the PALS programs possible for all Alabama communities.

I hope that 2017 becomes the most memorable year ever for you and your families.



Spencer Ryan

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MESSAGE FROM:

MARGARET McELROY

State Adopt-A-Mile Coordinator

As we enter into 2017, I want to express my appreciation and admiration to the many new Adopt a Mile groups and volunteers that enrolled in the program during 2016, as well as saying thank you to all participants in the Adopt a Mile program statewide. The Alabama Adopt a Mile program continues to play a major role in making our roads and highways cleaner, more beautiful, and safer for all Alabamians, as well as those visitors that travel these roads annually. Thank you for on-going commitment!

I look forward to working with you and your groups in 2017!

Margaret

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ALABAMA ADOPT-A-MILE PARTICIPATION FORM

Please Complete and Return to The PALS Office

340 North Hull Street / Montgomery, AL 36104

Name of Participating Group _____

Name of Group or Individual on Sign _____

City _____ County _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Email Address of Contact Person _____

State Highway Number _____ Federal Highway # _____ County Highway or Road # _____

Location of Sign: Mile Marker# _____ to Mile Marker # _____

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Adopt-A-Mile Program Application for Highway Adoption - State/Federal

City _____

County _____

Applicant (Participating Organization) _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Highway section(s) you propose to adopt:

(minimum of one mile)

State or U.S. Highway Number _____

Milepost Number _____ to Milepost Number _____

State or U.S. Highway Number _____

Milepost Number _____ to Milepost Number _____

Authorized Signature of Applicant

Recommended for Approval:

Approved: _____

District Engineer, Alabama Dept. of Transportation

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Fill out application form and mail to:

Alabama PALS

340 North Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104

County Adopt-A-Mile Program Application for County Road Adoption

County _____

Applicant (Participating Organization) _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Road section(s) you propose to adopt:

(minimum of one mile)

County Road Number _____

Milepost Number _____ to Milepost Number _____

County Road Number _____

Milepost Number _____ to Milepost Number _____

Authorized Signature of Applicant

Recommended Approval:

County Engineer

Chairman, County Commission

Approved: _____

District Engineer, Alabama Dept. of Transportation

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MESSAGE FROM:

JAMIE MITCHELL – Clean
Campus State Coordinator

We say this every year, but it is always true...this year has been our busiest yet!! I have spoken to thousands of students in every part of the state just this school year alone! I have only a couple of dates left in the spring of 2017, so call me immediately if you would like to have the PALS presentation done at your school!

We have had over 50 schools join the Clean Campus Program for the 1st time this school year. We are proud that schools may now sign up to join the Clean Campus Program online through our new website at www.alpals.org. We are also working to have many more resources for schools and teachers up on our website by the fall.

The very best part of the Clean Campus Program is that it is FREE to all Alabama public, private, city and county schools! If a school near you would like to sign up for the Clean Campus Program or would like to schedule a school visit, please give me a call at (334) 263-7737 or email at Jamie@alpals.org.

– Jamie

2016 PALS POSTER AND RECYCLED ART CLEAN CAMPUS CONTEST WINNERS

K-3 POSTER

- 1st** Skyler Self - Crestline Elementary
2nd Taylor Butler - WS Harlan
3rd Samantha Saxon - Lakewood
Primary

Honorable Mention

Molly Pettis - Grove Hill Elementary
Layla Frederick - Hubbertville School
Braxton Warrick - Chatom Elementary
Hart Johnson - Trinity Presbyterian

4-6 POSTER

- 1st** Bryce Brasell - Clarke Prep
2nd Cade Fisher - Hubbertville School
3rd Kelsey Lowe - Pickens Academy

Honorable Mention

Kate Wimberly - Pine Level Elementary
John Russell Marshall - Trinity
Presbyterian
Jade Wiggins - Straughn Elementary
A'kerria Hubbard

RECYCLED ART CONTEST 7-12

- 1st** Kelley Trumbull - Trinity Presbyterian
2nd Jonna Whitley and Kaley Reid - Brookwood High School
3rd Keyla Rich - Hubbertville School



MESSAGE FROM:

JOHN COOPER - Director, Alabama Department of Transportation

Alabama's natural beauty is threatened more and more every year by litter. That's why it is more important than ever that the Department of Transportation and PALS partnership keep flourishing. Our partnership with PALS is a model for how state government can work with non-profit groups and volunteers to make our state better.

The men, women and particularly young people who volunteer their time to helping keep Alabama's environment beautiful and roads clean are the most important factor in our efforts. When these dedicated volunteers remove hundreds of tons of litter from highways every year it saves Alabama taxpayers millions of dollars in cleanup costs. The impact on the environment is immeasurable.

With programs such as Adopt-a-Mile, volunteers can see their hard work payoff, not only with clean and

beautiful highways, but with road signs highlighting the groups that keep a particular stretch of road litter-free. In November, PALS hosted its annual Governor's Awards ceremony. This day highlighted, praised and honored the groups from around Alabama that made the biggest impact on the efforts to keep Alabama beautiful. Recognizing outstanding groups is one of the small ways we can let the volunteers know how thankful we, as Alabamians, are. So the next time you see someone pick up a piece of garbage from the ground or see a crew of volunteers, let them know how grateful you are. Better yet, join them.

On behalf of ALDOT, thank you for your commitment to our ongoing battle against litter. Together, we're making a difference.

– John

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PALS 2017 POSTER CONTEST

GUIDELINES:

- Theme: "See Ya Later, Litter!"
- K-6th (Two categories K-3rd and 4th-6th)
- Standard White Poster or Foam Board
(May be split in half)
- All mediums acceptable
- Back of Poster Must Include: Student Name, Grade, Telephone Number of Student/Parent, Email of Student/Parent, Teacher Name, School, Telephone Number of School, and Email of Teacher/School.

WINNERS:

First Place:	\$250 & Plaque
Second Place:	Plaque
Third Place:	Plaque
Honorable Mention:	Plaque

ALL posters are **due in the office by Friday, April 21st, 2017**

Return to:

Jamie Mitchell

PALS Clean Campus Coordinator
340 N. Hull Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

*Please contact Jamie with any further questions at:
(334) 263-7737 / Jamie@alpals.org*

2017 POSTER AND ART CONTEST

Happy 2017! It is my sincere desire that you are having a wonderful year so far! January means it is time to begin planning the Alabama PALS Annual Poster and Recycled Art Contest! Last year we kicked off the Recycled Art Contest, and it was a huge success! We are including pictures from last year's winners for inspiration, but feel free to get creative!! Also note that since there is no size limit for the recycled art contest, entries may be sent in digitally this year to jamie@alpals.org. Winners will still need to bring their pieces to our Governor's Awards in November, so make sure pieces can be easily moved. The recycled art theme is "*Rethink Litter.*"

There are no major changes to the Poster Contest this year, and posters will still need to be sent in or delivered to the PALS office. See the attached information for guidelines. The theme for the 2017 Poster Contest is "See Ya Later, Litter!"

Each school is to hold their own competition and **send in ONLY the first place winner from each category** at each school to the PALS office for statewide judging. The entries are due in the PALS office by Friday, April 21st, 2017, and need to be sent or delivered to

RECYCLED

the PALS office at the following address: 340 N. Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104. Each entry submitted must have the following information listed on the back: **Student's Name, Student's Address, Student/Parent Telephone Number, Student/Parent Email, Name of School & Point of Contact, Address of School, Telephone of School, Email of School/Contact, and County of School.** This information is extremely important, as it will allow us to properly notify and recognize each winner and their school.

The PALS office will notify the winners and/or the county coordinators. Each of the winners will be recognized and presented with \$250 for first place in each category and a plaque for second, third, and honorable mention.

These awards will be presented at the Annual Governor's Awards Luncheon in November 2017.

Feel free to call or email me with any questions at (334) 263-7737 or Jamie@alpals.org. THANK YOU for your support of the Clean Campus Program, and GOOD LUCK with your contest!

PALS 2017 RECYCLED ART CONTEST

GUIDELINES:

- 7th-12th grades
- May work alone or with a friend
- "Art" may be useful or just for decoration
- Piece may be any size, as long as it can be easily moved
- Art must be made entirely of materials that are eligible for recycling or that would be otherwise considered trash, except for a small amount of fastening materials such as screws, bolts, wire, welding, glue, tape and twine.
- Please include the names of all individuals working on the project, their current grade, each person's address, phone number, and email for parent. Also, include school name, point of contact for school, and address, phone number and email for school/point of contact.
- **Art pieces due by mail, delivery or email by April 21st, 2017**

WINNERS:

First Place:	\$250 (to be divided if working in groups) & Plaque
Second Place:	Plaque
Third Place:	Plaque
Honorable Mention:	Plaque

ALL Recycled Art projects may either be mailed into the PALS office OR photos of your project may be submitted by email to jamie@alpals.org. If mailing/delivering your project, send to:

Jamie Mitchell

PALS Clean Campus Coordinator
340 N. Hull Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

Please contact Jamie with any further questions at:
(334) 263-7737 / Jamie@alpals.org

Winners will be notified by May 5th. If your piece is not chosen, you may pick it up at the PALS office no later than May 31st

"Don't Drop It On Alabama"

ALABAMA PALS 2017 STATEWIDE SPRING CLEANUP APRIL 15-27, 2017

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All Cleanup Materials and supplies furnished by Alabama PALS

Contact for more information

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THE 2016 ALABAMA PALS GOVERNOR'S AWARDS WINNERS

Don Hines Memorial Award

Phillip Hinesley

Mickey Hunt

PALS Partnership Award

Association of County Commissions

Honda Manufacturing of Alabama

Don't Drop it on Alabama Award

Cullman County PALS

Vulcan Volunteer of the Year

Rick House

Coastal Cleanup

Poarch Band of Creek Indians

Dog River Clearwater Revival

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Alabama Broadcasters Association

Anthony Campbell/The Advertiser-Glean

Education

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County

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Development Services

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Sheriff Matt Gentry

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City of Cullman Sanitation Department

Adopt-A-Mile

Historic Highway 80 Adopt a Mile Team

Southside High School

Narrow Road Group

Boy Scout Troop 50

Special

James Mizell

Johnny Barnes

"Leave Only Footprints"

Lottie Green

Rickey Farley

Janet Simpson

Clean Campus

First Place: Crestline Elementary

Second Place: Cullman City Primary School

Third Place: Parkside High School

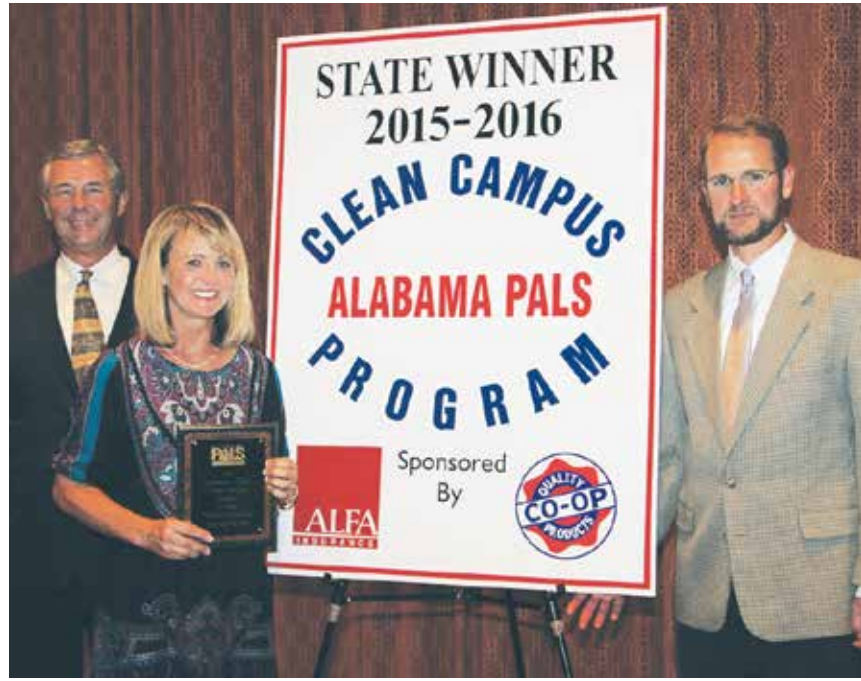
Honorable Mention:

Straughn Elementary School

Walti Elementary School

Lakewood Primary School

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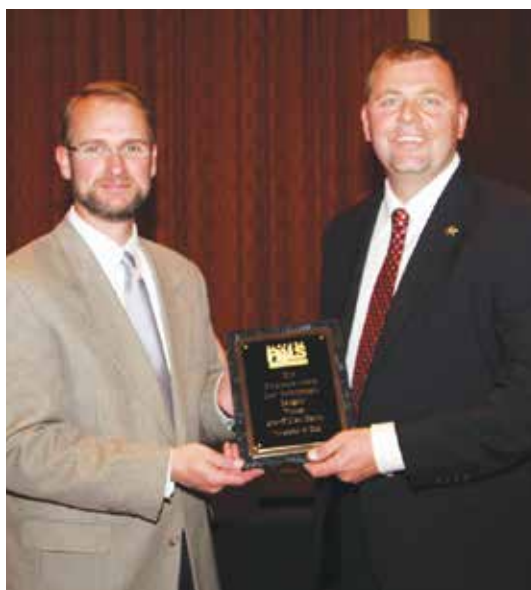
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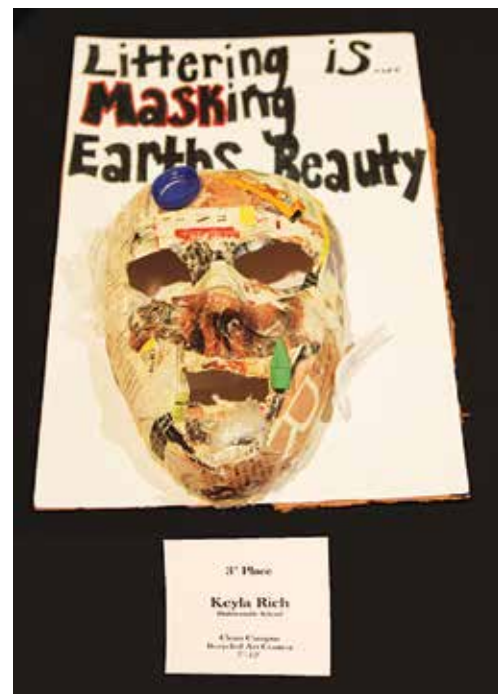
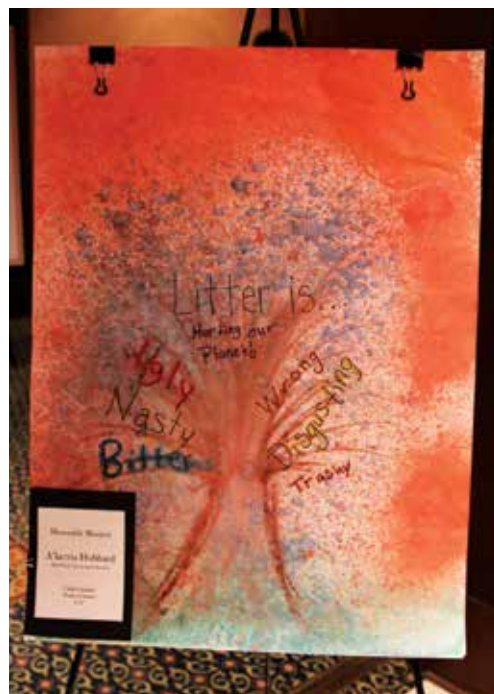
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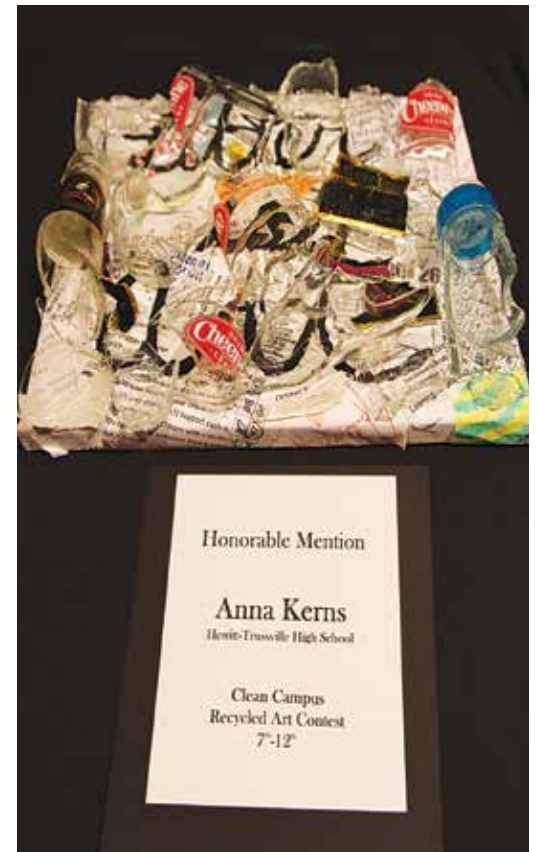
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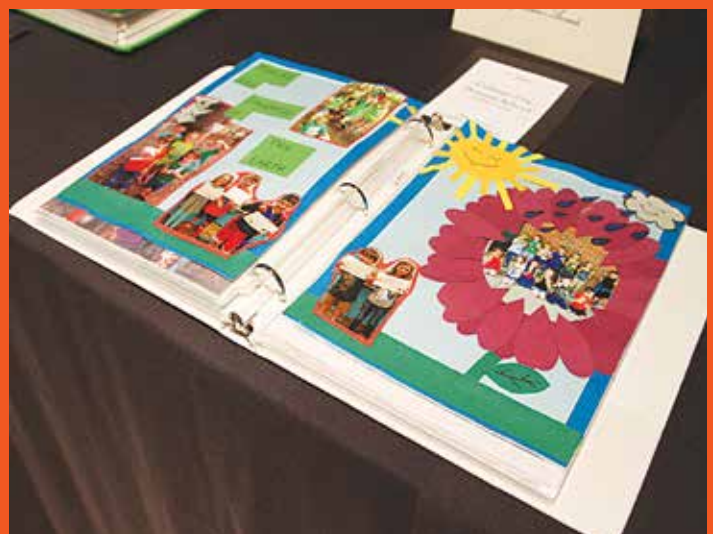
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Spreading the Word on Litter Prevention

Brewer High School Recycling Club

by **Jamie Mitchell**

In front of a crowd of over 900 students, I kicked off 2016's Clean Campus presentations at Brewer High School in Morgan County. This is Brewer's first year to be a part of the Clean Campus Program, and we are so happy to have them! The Recycling Club, led by science teacher Kara Slaten, is going to be the go-to group for the Clean Campus Program at BHS.

The Recycling Club is already doing a great job recycling at the school, and they wanted the entire school to get on board with why their mission is so important. My 30-minute program helped the students understand where their trash ends up when they are done with it. When trash gets thrown away, it doesn't just go away." The students learned it will most likely end up in a landfill or could even end up as litter. By recycling, they can ensure what otherwise would end up in a landfill

can take on a new life as a recycled product.

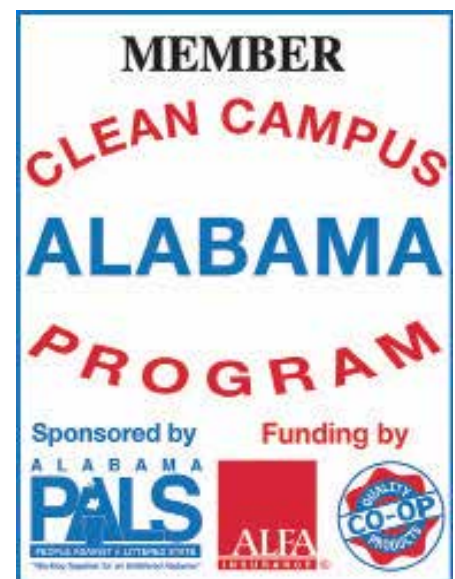
I also took the opportunity to ask them for help in spreading the message. If each of them told just a couple of people what we discussed, the message could be spread far and wide! I especially asked them to help spread the word about accidental litter. Over 50 percent of trash is accidental, and much of that in Alabama is debris flying from truck beds. The students were asked to help spread the word about tarping large loads and avoiding lightweight trash in truck beds.

We are thrilled Brewer High School has heard the Clean Campus message and will be working toward making a difference in their community.

If a school near you could benefit from hearing my antilitter message, I can be reached by phone at 334-263-7737 or by email at Jamie@alpals.org. The Clean Campus Program is FREE to all Alabama

public, private and county schools. Schools may sign up for the Clean Campus Program online at www.alpals.org. ■

Jamie Mitchell is the PALS State Clean Campus Coordinator.





"See ya later, litter!"

W.S. Neal Elementary is becoming a leader in community cleanup.

by *Jamie Mitchell*

W.S. Neal Elementary School has decided to partner with the Clean Campus Program this school year! Located in East Brewton, W.S. Neal Elementary is looking to become leaders in their community for making positive changes. They would like to be a shining example by keeping their campus clean and getting involved in community cleanups.

I recently visited W.S. Neal Elementary and spoke to their pre-K through fourth-graders. The students heard more about what it means to be involved in the Clean Campus Program and learned many new ideas for ways they can make a difference. We discussed changing from plastic drink bottles to reusable containers. We calculated that just their group would contribute over 1,500 water bottles per week to the landfill if they brought a new water bottle

to school every day. That is just in one week! Switching to a reusable container means all of that plastic would stay out of the landfill and not potentially become litter!

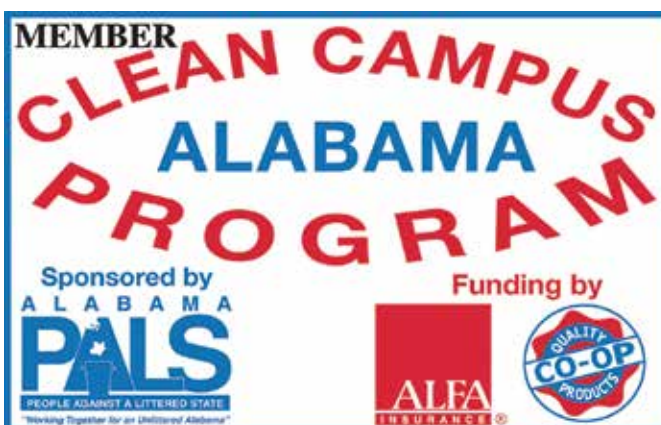
This group of students was also super excited about our annual poster competition coming in the spring. With a \$250 prize for the winner, the kids were very motivated to participate! The theme for this year's contest is "See ya later, litter!" They will be due in April 2017.

PALS is so excited to welcome W.S. Neal Elementary School to our program!

If a school near you could benefit from hearing my anti-litter message, I can be reached by phone at

334-263-7737 or by email at Jamie@alpals.org. The Clean Campus Program is FREE to all Alabama public, private and county schools. Schools may sign up for the Clean Campus Program online at www.alpals.org. ■

Jamie Mitchell is the PALS State Clean Campus Coordinator.





KEEPING OUR CAMPUSES CLEAN

C.A. Donehoo Elementary joins the team.

by *Jamie Mitchell*

At the direction of teacher Alicia Walker, C.A. Donehoo Elementary in Gadsden has decided to join the Alabama PALS Clean Campus Program. I recently spoke to the fourth- and fifth-graders at the school to explain the program and get them excited about participating this year.

The students learned that, as a part of the Clean Campus Program, they are expected to participate in regular campus cleanups and form a small committee to ensure they are following through with their commitment.

Because there is a recycling facility nearby, they are also encouraged to participate in a recycling program at the school.

In addition to cleanups and recycling, we also encourage the schools

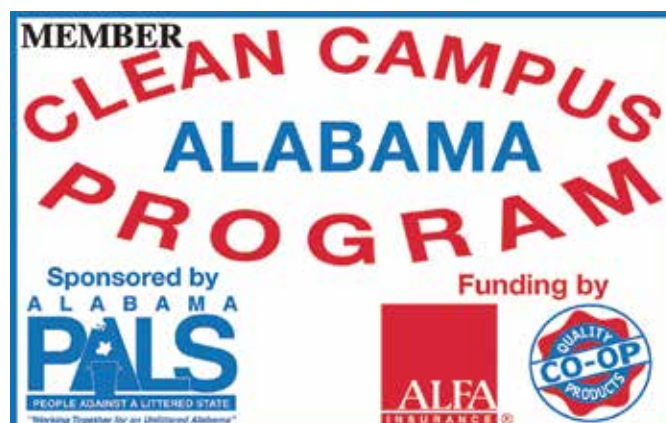
to participate in our annual poster and recycled-art competitions.

We dedicated a few minutes at the end of my talk for questions and comments, and I was so impressed with the interest these students have in keeping their campus and community clean. I just know this group of students is going to be making a big difference as our partners in the Clean Campus Program!

Is there a school near you that could benefit from hearing the anti-litter message? I can be reached by phone at 334-263-7737 or by email at Jamie@alpals.org to set up a program.

The Clean Campus Program is FREE to all Alabama public, private and county schools. Schools may sign up for the Clean Campus Program online at www.alpals.org. ■

Jamie Mitchell is the PALS State Clean Campus Coordinator.



29th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup a Success

By ANGELA UNDERWOOD, NATURAL RESOURCES PLANNER, ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE LANDS DIVISION – COASTAL SECTION

Alabama Coastal Cleanup, the state's largest one-day volunteer event, returned for its 29th year on Saturday, September 17. Over 4,100 residents, visitors, individuals and organizations braved stormy weather to "get the trash out of the splash" by picking up trash littering Alabama coasts and waterways. Approximately 30,000 pounds of trash was retrieved this year, bringing the 29 year total up to 1.6 million pounds of trash removed from the coastal environment.

"We always have great participation from volunteers who walk our beaches, parks and roadways and pick up trash," said Spencer Ryan, Executive Vice President of Alabama People Against A Littered State. After all of these years, I am still overwhelmed by the dedication, sincere personal interest, and hard work that our zone captains, volunteers, cities, municipalities and sponsors put into making this special coastal effort possible each year."

Alabama Coastal Cleanup is made possible by the generous support of 2016 Presenting Sponsor-The Poarch Band of Creek Indians and many other sponsors including: ExxonMobil, Bebo's Express, Mobile Bay National Estuary Program, Alabama Power Company, LuLu's, Ike's Beach Service, City of Gulf Shores, Gulf Shores Utilities, City of Orange Beach, Riviera Utilities, Baldwin EMC, The Home Depot, The Flora-Bama, Dog River Clear Water Revival, Republic Services, MAWSS, ALFA Insurance, Honda Manufacturing of Alabama, Vulcan



Airbus team at 2016 Coastal Cleanup

Materials Company, Alabama Farmers' Cooperative, Mercedes Benz, Compass Media, Coast 360, NOAA, Alabama Department of Conservation & Natural Resources-State Lands Division, Coastal Section and Alabama People Against A Littered State.



Thompson Engineering's Litter Gitter team hard at work on Fish River and Weeks Bay.

10 *Alabama* current connection

2016 ALABAMA COASTAL CLEANUP

During the history of the Alabama Coastal Cleanup, over 1,600,000 pounds of litter and debris have been picked up from our treasured Gulf Coast region. Each September, volunteers from all over Alabama gather at 30 zones along Alabama's beaches, bayous, bays and roadways to remove litter and debris which effects this fragile environment in a negative way. The success of this annual cleanup effort is a testament to the dedication of this unique partnership of volunteers, zone captains, corporate sponsors and partners, local and statewide environmental groups, and state agencies.

I want to thank you for your continued support of the Alabama Coastal Cleanup in 2016, and for your financial and active support of this annual effort. Thank you for providing the support which makes the Alabama Coastal Cleanup possible and for your genuine interest and willingness to play a major role in the goal of a cleaner and more beautiful Alabama.



THE ALABAMA ADOPT-A-BEACH PROGRAM APPLICATION

An Alabama PALS/ADCNR Coastal Program Partnership

Name: _____

Name of Organization/Group _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Location of Beach Area To Be Adopted (if known) _____

ADOPTION AREA PREFERRED ☐ Mobile County ☐ Baldwin County

ADCNR/State Lands/Coastal Section • 3115 Five Rivers Blvd. • Spanish Fort, AL 36527

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29th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup

Get the trash out of the splash!



2017 Dates to Remember.....

January ✓ All Spring Cleanup Materials Ordered
✓ PALS Newsletter Mailed

March 1 ✓ Spring Cleanup Materials Ready for Pickup

March 15 ✓ 9am PALS Audit Committee Meeting
✓ 10am PALS Board Meeting

April 15-22 ✓ "Don't Drop It On Alabama" Statewide Spring Cleanup

May ✓ Poster and Recycled Art Contest Entries Due

July ✓ PALS Summer Board Meeting
✓ PALS Newsletter Mailed

Sept. 16 ✓ 30th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup

ADOPT-A-STREAM APPLICATION FORM

Name of Participating Group _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Contact Person: _____

Location of Proposed Stream Crossing: _____

_____ County: _____

Location for Adopt-A-Stream Signs (Hwy #'s, Mile Markers, etc.) _____

Send Applications to Alabama PALS, 340 N. Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104



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