

Large Turnout for Water Guardians Lake McIntosh Clean-up Project

Fayette County, Georgia, April 2, 2018 – A record number of volunteers emerged at Lake McIntosh in Peachtree City to clean up the county's vital supply of drinking water.

There was a chill in the morning air which organizers thought may keep local citizens from participating in the first Water Guardians clean up event of the 2018. They could not have been more wrong.

"We literally ran out of volunteer supplies and food which is a great problem to have, and we truly appreciate the large number of people who cared enough about clean water to brave some cold temperatures," said Water Guardians organizer Commissioner Steve Brown.

The volunteers got to work quickly and within a couple of hours had collected over two pick-up truck loads of trash from the water and the surrounding banks.

Not only was the crowd of volunteers large, but it was also diverse, ranging in age from four-years to senior citizen. Brown praised the young people saying, "It is so gratifying to see that half of all the Water Guardians were below the age of 18, proving our community is building civic pride in our young people and they are genuinely concerned about our drinking water."

Water Guardians will be a cleaning up a different water reservoir in Fayette County every month over the warm part of the year. Volunteers clean the water from their kayaks or canoes while others clean the banks, paths and parking lots on foot.

For more information on future events, like the Water Guardians page on Facebook or send your email address to WaterGuardians@fayettecountyga.gov and ask to be included on the organizations email alert list.

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