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**PLATOON ON POINT.** Several leaders and members of Hampton's Light House Church youth group joined the Great American Cleanup on Edisto Saturday, joined here by Edisto organizers Francine Morrison (top left), Ida Tipton (bottom left) and Linda Tilby at far right.

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# Records set in Edisto's war on litter

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Records were set Saturday in Edisto's war against litter, with 178 Glad trash bags of garbage collected throughout the islands during the annual Great American Cleanup. But the most unique record set was the distance traveled by a young platoon "on the point" in the battle, the Light House Church youth group from Hampton.

Light House's Pastor Brian Trent led the group for its second trip to Edisto for the annual event, assisted by youth leaders

Jody Andersson and Shannon Altman. After spanning out on the battle ground, the platoon distinguished itself before taking a break for hoagies and refreshments at Botany Bay Wildlife Management Area.

Organizers Francine Morrison and Ida Tipton thanked all the volunteers, including those in specific neighborhoods who have done their own impromptu organizing: Jim and Lee Wenthe, leading the Russell Creek Road community; Tohoma Ironfeather, Point of Pines Road; Doug and Mary McLean, the pristine Mary Seabrook area; and Tony and So-

nya Spainhour, Oyster Factory Road.

Groups also credited were the Methodist Men who monthly pick up Palmetto Road; property owners groups from Bailey Island and Peters Point Road; and the "Botany Bay Buddies" who work "grunt Tuesdays" almost every week at the management area under the direction of DNR Volunteer Coordinator Bess Kellett.

"There's not enough thanks for these and others who take pride in their neighborhoods," Tipton said following the cleanup, "The beauty of our roads and islands tell the story every day."