

Chalkboard Notes



FRIENDS OF GILLESPIE COUNTY COUNTRY SCHOOLS, INC.

Open House Schedule:

Jan. 19— Nebgen School

Three R's—rocks, recitations, & readings

Feb. 23—Cave Creek School

Bird Watching Event

March 16—Willow City School

Wildflower Pressing-Hands on

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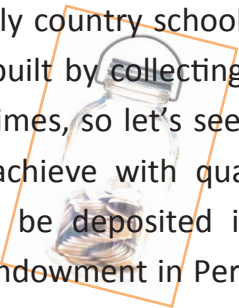
HOT OUT OF THE OVEN - BAKE SALE SUCCESSFUL

Annual December Bake Sales held in three locations for 2018: Short Stop West, Chase Bank, and Weinheimer & Son Store in Stonewall. With publicity, tradition, and great bakers, Friends reported over \$2,200 in sales. WE thank the bakers, the buyers, and the generous use of these three commercial properties. Funds go directly to Friends and help fund their preservation projects. Thanks to Project Chairperson, Jo Jenschke and THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR CUSTOMERS, TOO!



THE WOELLHOF CHALLENGE

Jane and Ron Woellhof challenged Friends' members and supporters to save quarters for the April 7th Annual BBQ Fundraiser. Bring your quarters to the BBQ. The Woellhof count is over \$45, so keep adding quarters or start your Quarter Jar! Some early country schoolhouses were built by collecting nickels and dimes, so let's see what we can achieve with quarters. They will be deposited in the Friends Endowment in Perpetuity, established by Dr. Alice White. Current balance is \$12,135.69 with a goal of \$20,000.



NOT LOST

Thanks to the Wayfinding Signs in Gillespie County, visitors can find their destination. Our historic country schoolhouses are now easier to find with the installation of directional signs throughout the county. A partnership project with Friends, Gillespie County Commissioners Court and County HOT Funds made this possible. Signs increase visits to these historic sites and support historic tourism. Together we get it done!



PRESERVATION REPORT

Rheingold School Pavilion work completed with City HOT Funds reported Carol Wahrmund Birmingham. Pavilions were used for stage plays, music, singing productions, dances, and school/community events. Structures not so expensive as a building and placed near the school to extend protected area for events—shade and a breeze was welcome to all. Rheingold school foundation and chimney work to begin soon. Crabapple School preservation project to begin very soon, too!



Lend-a-Hand Project 2018 Continued at Downtown Lauren Bade Shop

Sales of \$384 were achieved by Lauren Bade Team selling hand-knitted Christmas ornaments in their Yarn-Knitting Department. Thank you Lauren Bade Team and customers. Funds support Friends' projects and endowment. Great community support with both of our fundraising events made all the difference. Vielen Dank You All.

Painted School Curtain Project

Dr. Robin Fleck, a local dermatologist, has researched advertisers on our painted school stage curtains. This five-year project was completed in September 2018, with only ad research to help date some curtains remaining. The final written story will go to Kay Guenther, Friends' Webmaster, to produce an eBook for the Friends. Our gratitude to Dr. Fleck, all Friends' members and officers, Curtains Without Borders, Die Künstler von Fredericksburg and Kay Guenther.

Readers and Members: Please give your suggestions for CHALKBOARD Notes; we want to serve you better.

Contact Directors-at-Large, Jane Woellhof at 830-990-8059 or Don Spraggins at 830-456-3956, to submit newsletter items.

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