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FRIENDS OF GILLESPIE COUNTY COUNTRY SCHOOLS, INC.

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

FIRST QUARTER 2024

January 27-Nebgen School

February 10-Cave Creek School

March 9-Willow City School

March 30-Pecan Creek School

Hours

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Driving instructions/Hours and Complete Open House 2024

See: www.historicschools.org for information.

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GREAT NEWS!

FRIENDS ENDOWMENT exceeded FRIENDS 2023 goal of \$20,000! The Endowment, created in September, 2015, by Dr. Alice White, is now at \$20,861.57. THANK YOU for your support with contributions totaling \$16,300.10 from individuals and from the annual support of Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools. WE HAVE A FUTURE! NEW ENDOWMENT GOAL IS \$22,000.

See Friends' website at www.historicschools.org for the opportunity to give online or donate directly to Kerrville Community Foundation, let's GO!

FRIENDS GCCS Officers for 2024

New officers installed at the January business meeting are:

President: Jo Jacoby Jenschke

Vice President: Marjorie Eckert Otte

Secretary: Frances Heimann

Treasurer: Patsy Hauptrief

County Representative: Don Weinheimer

Directors at Large: Dir. Jim Lindley, Jane Woellhof

Advisory Board: Ernie Loeffler, Doris Spraggins, and Evelyn Weinheimer

Carolyn Sowell and Sally Murray of Lubbock delivered a National Geographic Globe, c. 1961-62, a box of their teaching items and 14 early schoolbooks that they used in Texas Schools to Friends GCCS. Our Book Log No 20 completed and all books carry a label with title, date, and donor. These items are ready to be placed in February.

THANK YOU Sally and Carolyn, sisters with love for education and Texas history and our long-time supporters.



Friends of GCCS adopted Gillespie County to support the Texas Almanac Project under the Texas State Historical Association. The Almanac, used in our schools and considered the "go to" reference for Texas History. TSHA is the oldest learned society in our state, organized in 1897. Our 12 member schools will display this Certificate throughout the year.

CSAA Annual Conference

2024 County School Association of America Conference
University of Toledo
Center for Performing Arts
June 9-12, 2024
"Great Lakes, Great Schools"



Country School Association of America National Conference is June 9-12, 2024, and will be held at The University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio. Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools need a representative to attend.

See information at www.countryschoolassociation.org and talk to Jane Woellhof at 830-990-8059 for more information.

News from Schools

WREDE SCHOOL member, Violet Ottmers, reported the donation of the Wrede School Painting, given by Glen Treibs in memory of his wife Peggy. The artist, Dalton Fromme of Fredericksburg, is a long-time supporter of our country schools. His wife, Joy Petermann, deceased (Aug. 2023), had attended Wrede School. The painting, a treasured artifact, will be on view for members and guests visiting Wrede School. The Wrede School-Community Club thanks Glen Treibs for gifting the painting to them. Wrede School was built in 1896 and was open until 1960, and is one of the twelve Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools. Marjorie Otte, President, is shown with the painting.



WILLIAMS CREEK'S Christmas Social was Bingo and snacks. 62 people attended and \$885 was raised and donated to the Stonewall Chamber of Commerce Food and Toy Drive. Arin Jenschke Smith reported that both rooms of the school were used to accommodate the many



who came. Another Bingo is planned for the February meeting along with fajitas. Everyone is invited.

Contact Directors-at-Large, Jane Woellhof at 830-990-8059 or Jim Lindley at 830-997-2103 to submit newsletter items.

The Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools, Inc. P.O. Box 55, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

Friends' website: www.historicschools.org

OUR MISSION: Preserving the past to enrich the future.

+To further the preservation and maintenance of historic community school buildings in Gillespie County

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