

Chalkboard Notes



FRIENDS OF GILLESPIE COUNTY COUNTRY SCHOOLS, INC.

Open House Schedule:

Please note that ALL OPEN HOUSE

dates for June, July, and August have been CANCELED due to Coronavirus.

For updates, check our website:

www.historicschools.org

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RAFFLE TICKET SALES CONTINUE:

Friends' members have Friends Annual Fundraiser Raffle Tickets. The DRAWING is JULY 30, 2020. Winners will be notified. Still time to buy Raffle Tickets! We have some stunning prizes, so buy your Raffle Tickets or email Frances Heimann at fheimann@ctesc.net for more information.



Raffle Item : Handmade Hammered Sterling Designer Necklace: Value: Over \$100

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SCHOOL CLOSINGS

It meant the last day of school in the Texas Hill Country. This all-day affair included a traditional Prüffung-Oral Exams in front of parents, friends, family, and visiting teacher. Passing meant moving into the next grade or eighth grade graduation. It meant a BBQ arranged by the school trustees, with everyone bringing food. A 1957 Luckenbach School Closing Ad offered BBQ at \$1 a pound. BBQ's were fundraisers to fund a school cistern or purchase school desks. It included baseball, a play, music and singing, with a big dance in the evening. Luckenbach School rented Engle's Hall for \$16 day/night in the 1920's for School Closing.

Luckenbach SCHOOL CLOSING
— on —
SUNDAY, MAY 11, 1917
— in —
ENGEL'S HALL
Children's Program at 2:30 P. M.
BARBECUE for Supper.
DANCE AT NIGHT
Music by the "Hill Country Boys"
Everybody welcome
The Trustees

SCHOOL CLOSING
SATURDAY, MAY 7,
White Oak School
Children's Program at 2 P. M. Goat Roping, Cigar Races, Barrel Roping, etc. at 3:30 P. M.
BARBECUE AT 6 P. M.
Adult Program at 7:30 P. M. pres-
dy drama "The Boss of the Powder
muffs on grounds at all times — Go
Admission free. Everybody cordial
THE TRUSTEES.

School Closing
— of —
Pilot Knob School
— in —
REEH'S HALL
— on —
SATURDAY, MAY 3, 1917
Children's Program at 3 P. M.
BARBECUE at 5 P. M.
Adults Play at 8 P. M. entitled
"Uncle's Rocky Road"
Admission for play and dance
Music by the
"Hill Country Boys" 34-5

CHERRY SPRING School Closing
SATURDAY, MAY 3, 1917
Children's Program at 2 o'clock,
followed by Baseball Game,
BARBECUE at 4:00 P. M.
Three Act Play—
"Melvina's Courtship"
at 7:30 P. M.
Everybody welcome
The Trustees 34-5

NEBGEN School Closing
SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1917
Children's Program at 3:00 P. M.
A few two act plays,
"The Laughing Cure"
adults at 7:30 P. M.
DANCE AFTER PLAY
Music by
"The Old Time Band"
LUE for supper — beer
treatments on grounds.
Everybody welcome
The Trustees 34-5

1932 & 1947 Ads from

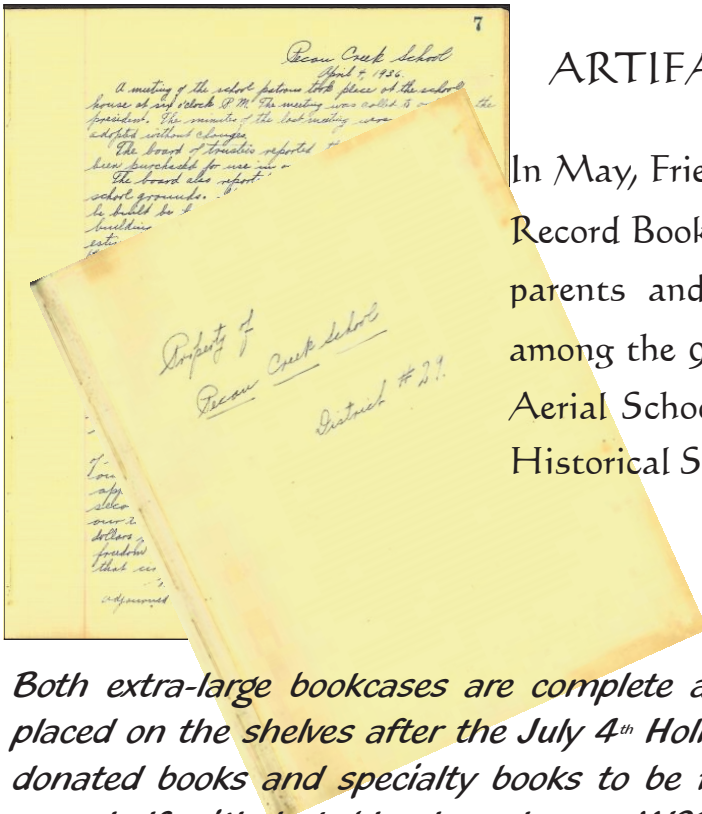
the Fredericksburg Standard Archives

GO FOR A DRIVE

Use the Friends of Gillespie County Country Schools brochure map or go to www.historicschools.org for our brochure map. Select a school and drive out for an up-close look at the school-house, the BBQ, the playground, school yard and beautiful countryside. Please be sure and register while there.



Crabapple School register at outside door for visitors



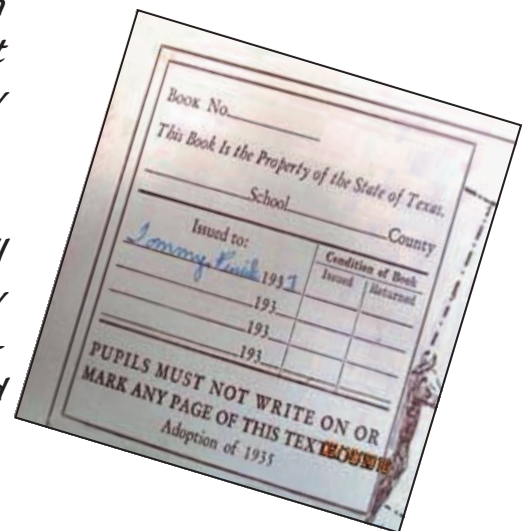
ARTIFACTS & ARCHIVES PROJECT

In May, Friends digitized the Pecan Creek School Trustee Record Book 1935-1957. Records of stove-wood brought by parents and paid for "handwork on the cistern" were among the 93 pages scanned. Also, a copy of the Friends Aerial School Photos was provided to Gillespie County Historical Society.

Willow City School Books Project

Both extra-large bookcases are complete and installed. The inventoried books will be placed on the shelves after the July 4th Holiday. A special rotating book display will allow donated books and specialty books to be featured on one shelf with lockable glass doors. WCS is almost ready to show off over 500 historical Gillespie County school textbooks at Willow City Schoolhouse.

This school book issued to Tommy Penick in 1937, will be placed in the new bookcases under category "reader" in Dewey Library System. The WCS School-book Inventory will be nearby to show titles included and under which category book shelved.



VISIT THE FRIENDS' DISPLAY at the Gillespie County FAIR-August 20 through 23, 2020. It is the 132nd Fair, the oldest continuous Country Fair in Texas.

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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OUR MISSION: *Preserving the past to enrich the future.*

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