

On The Road

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My first classes of young writers entered the door at Schreiner University on August 23, and my life has moved into full swing, doing what I absolutely love. After a summer of recovery (that new knee is strong now and ready to dance), I am entering a fall of teaching, writing, and chasing that music down the road. My 14 year old granddaughter, Jessica, is my new roommate. I listen to her rap and hip-hop, loving the beat! I invite her to share some of my great loves in music. Imagine me, at this time in life, sharing music with a 14 year old. Of course, she also borrows my makeup, shoes and earrings. Never thought I'd see that day!

September 8 is the birthday of Jimmie Rodgers, the Father of Country Music. We celebrate this in a big way at Schreiner University on **September 29-30** at the Living History Weekend. Friday we have over 60 performers, including children's author, Susie Nelson, Texas songwriters galore, Slim Ritchie and the Dream Band, Barbara K, Conjunto Taller, Aztec Dancer Ray Rios and more, much more. Saturday, the Texas Folllore Society brings us a fascinating panel of storytellers and scholars. Saturday night is our coffeehouse concert featuring three local bands. What more can you ask for....in the Texas Hill Country. At no charge. Food on the grounds. Schreiner is located on Highway 27 just east of the Kerrville court house at 2100 Memorial. Call me for info....792-7409 or e-mail THMF office. Schreiner president, Tim Summerlin, will be singing Jimmie Rodgers at noon on Friday. We have gospel music in the historic Union Church on campus.

The THMF/Schreiner coffeehouse series begins September 6 with Stephanie Urbina Jones. Florin Sanchez, the first Wayne Kennemer Scholarship winner, will join her on guitar, along with Roberto Ramos on bass. What a great trio of puro Texas music. September is Hispanic Heritage Month. Join us for the free party. October 4 is Texas Music Month with Sustain Records and Drew Kennedy. November 1 is Native American Heritage Month with Drew Kennedy. The time is 7-9 p.m. Location: Cailloux Student Center on the Schreiner campus.