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**RE: Texas Heritage Music Foundation Funding Field Trips to Living History Day**

KERRVILLE, Texas—The Texas Heritage Music Foundation is now accepting funding requests from area schools planning to attend the upcoming Texas Heritage Living History Day on September 26 at Schreiner University.

Since 2001, THMF's Transportation Assistance Program (TAG) has helped cover transportation expenses to the annual community education event for schools within the following counties: Kerr, Kendall, Bandera, Real, Kimble and Edwards. This is especially relevant for this year's event given the increase in diesel fuel for buses. THMF recognizes the fact that many schools have scaled back their extracurricular budgets and that the traditional all-day field trip is usually the first item cut.

Texas Heritage Living History Day will be held at the Robbins-Lewis Pavilion on Schreiner University campus in Kerrville from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. More than 60 performers and presenters will be spread throughout the park surrounding the pavilion to both entertain and educate, including chuck wagons and cowboy cooking demonstrations; teepees with Native American exhibits and stories; Texas heritage crafts demonstrations; storytellers and oral historians; The Texas Camel Corps; Texas singers and songwriters, and much more. Central to the event will be the annual noon tribute to former Kerrville resident and "Father of Country Music" Jimmie Rodgers. Come and listen to the stories of Jimmie Rodgers as told by Tony Navarra while area musicians play Rodgers' legendary songs on stage. An in-depth take home educator's packet will be available to all interested teachers and parents who home school their children.

According to Kathleen Hudson, THMF Executive Director, Living History Day is one of the only events in Texas that actually offers to cover school transportation expenses. "We know that schools are having a hard time finding money to go to these things," Hudson said, "and that's a shame. With the TAG program, we are able to help out those who need it. All they have to do is call our office and we'll do what we can to get them to the event." Any school that is within the counties contiguous to Kerr qualifies for the TAG program. To request TAG funding, email the foundation at [kat@maverickbbs.com](mailto:kat@maverickbbs.com). For more information about Texas Heritage Living History Day, visit the foundation's website at [www.texasheritagemusic.org](http://www.texasheritagemusic.org).