



### *News from the Helotes Heritage Association*

Dear Readers,

The next roadside clean-up of Scenic Loop and the Old Bandera Highway will be this Saturday (October 6). We will meet in front of Floore Country Store at 8:00 am and will be done in a little over an hour. Once again we will be teaming with Friends of Scenic Loop who will clean Scenic Loop north in Grey Forest and beyond. Please come out and join us. As I've mentioned in the past, this really is a rewarding time, an easy way to give a little back to the community, and spend some time with your neighbors.

I would like to provide the following recent information on the Scenic Loop Corridor. The first paragraph is from Freda Hoffman with the Grey Forest Historical Society.

"The Grey Forest Historical Society has received approval for a historic subject marker for the Scenic Loop Playground!! The narrative, maps and the application were submitted last December. We received the initial approval from Bexar Co Historical Commission (BCHC) in January. Everything was then forwarded to the Texas Historical Commission (THC). In March, the THC requested two additional items of information which were quickly sent to them. We received the final approval in April from the THC along with a hearty congratulations!!!! The BCHC followed with congratulations as well. The plans for the "official" unveiling are still in the works. I will let everyone know when I have the date, time, etc so you can attend."

The second item is that last week the HHA submitted an application to Tourism Cares, an international philanthropic organization, for a \$10,000 grant to install storyboards at the north and south ends of Scenic Loop Rd to recognize the historical, cultural, and environmental importance of the Scenic Loop-Boerne Stage Corridor. As you may recall, a preliminary application to Tourism Cares was accepted and HHA was invited to follow with the full application. We will inform you of the outcome of this application when we are informed. I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Elaine Daniels who went to great lengths to assist HHA and several other local organizations to prepare the application. It will be due to her great assistance if we are fortunate to win the grant. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Ron Green, President  
Helotes Heritage Association