

COMAL PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION

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Comal Cajun Celebration nets over \$55,000

The 3rd Annual Comal Public School Foundation's Comal Cajun Celebration raised more than \$55,000 for the classroom grant program that benefits teachers and students in Comal ISD.

More than 400 people enjoyed a great Cajun meal, a wonderful live and silent auction and jumping music while raising \$13,000 more than last year's event.

Since 2001, the Foundation has awarded more than \$225,000 to Comal ISD teachers for innovative projects and programs in the classroom.

In addition this year, the Foundation honored State Rep. Carter Casteel for her support of public education. While she was in the state legislature, she was a strong supporter of public schools and educational equity. The Foundation has established the "Carter Casteel Champion of Education Classroom Teacher Grant" in her honor. Contributions from Stoney Williams and Guada Coma Mechanical as well as others will create a permanent endowment for this grant that will be awarded for the first time this fall. Contributions can still be made to this endowment in Casteel's honor by contacting the Foundation at 830-221-2066.

The Foundation had many supporters for this event and they included the "Founding Partners" who are supporting all three major Foundation events. The following is a list of partners: Diamond Partner—Mandelbrot Ventures and GVTC; Platinum Partner—Pflugger Associates Architects; Gold Partners—Baird | Williams Construction, Bartlett Cocke General Contractors, Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Care Service Corporation, Fugro Consultants, HEB, Herff Jones | Overall Office, Hornberger, Sheehan, Fuller and Beiter, Law Office of R. David Fritsche, Moore Erection, L.P., PBK Architects, Riata Financial Services,

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The Cajun Celebration also had many additional contributors. They are: Zydeco Sponsors -- DBR Engineering Consultants, Inc., GVTC, Hanson Aggregates, Hanson Brick, and Padgett Stratemann & Co. Companies that sponsored tables for teachers and staff from CISD campuses were Arias & Associates, Fulbright & Jaworski, Horace Mann Insurance Company, Intech Southwest Services, Joeris General Contractors, McGriff, Seibels & Williams of Texas, Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union and Sac-N-Pac Stores.