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BLUEBONNET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE MAKES DONATION TO WINCHESTER AREA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

(WINCHESTER) – Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative awarded a \$10,328 grant to the Winchester Area Civic Association (WACA), which will be used to add a covered patio, lighting and seating to Zilss Hall.

“Giving back to the communities where we live and work is important to Bluebonnet,” said Beverly Lee, Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative community representative, “With this grant, Bluebonnet and LCRA are demonstrating their commitment to helping an organization that plays a big part in the lives of Winchester’s citizens .”

Thanks to a previous grant in 2005, from Bluebonnet and LCRA, the historic Zilss Hall in Winchester is fully operational and frequently used. It is a place in the community where citizens gather for meetings, parties, receptions and dinners. Seasonal events benefitting the children and senior citizens of Fayette County are held in Zilss Hall, among other events that, now will be held outside.

“Years ago, when I was a child, I remember when events were held here that people congregated and stood around out here in this corner,” said Joyce Herzog, Hall Manager, “We thought a covered patio would be a nice addition and special tribute to the memory of those people and events.”

The Community Development Partnership Program provides economic development and community assistance grants to cities, counties, volunteer fire departments, regional development councils and other nonprofit organizations in the Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative and LCRA electrical and water service areas as part of their effort to give back to the communities they serve.

Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative owns and maintains about 11,000 miles of power lines, located across more than 3,800 square miles within 14 Southeastern Texas counties. Bluebonnet's service area stretches from Travis to Washington County and from Milam down to Gonzales County. For more information about Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative go to www.bluebonnetelectric.coop.

Barbara Turner, Bluebonnet; Lori LeBlue, LCRA; Mark Johnson, Bluebonnet; Pat Kleiber, WACA President; Beverly Lee, Bluebonnet; Joyce Herzog, Hall Manager; Linda Dunk; Kay Lorenz, Secretary; Bobbie Hajek, Treasurer (sitting).