



Bess & Leon Stone

The Hill Country Community Foundation has enjoyed remarkable success since its inception fifteen years ago. This success could not have been achieved without the ongoing support of our

donors. Bess and Leon Stone have been supporters of our Foundation since its beginning.

The Bess Northington Stone Scholarship is funded annually through the Hill Country Community Foundation. This scholarship is awarded each year to a Burnet High School graduate in order to help the student further his or her education.

Mr. Stone, through his association as Chairman of the Board of First State Bank of Burnet, has encouraged the bank's support of the Hill Country Community Foundation through contributions made on behalf of the Highland Lakes Medical Center, Baptist Retirement Community and the recently completed community center as well as numerous other endeavors for the benefit of our local community.

Mr. Stone has further supported the Hill Country Community Foundation as executor of the Marie Clark Galloway Estate. Miss Galloway, whose family owned First State Bank of Burnet for many years worked for the bank for over fifty years and was cashier of the bank until her death in 1983 at the age of 80.

It was Miss Galloway's wish that her estate would benefit the Burnet community. Mr. Stone, in keeping with her request, has utilized the Foundation to establish the Marie Clark Galloway Memorial Scholarship fund, which awards scholarships each year to Burnet High School graduates. The Galloway Estate has also contributed generously to the Highland Lakes Medical Center, City of Burnet and the Community Center Project. All of these funds for these worthwhile endeavors have been administered through the Hill Country Community Foundation.

While Mr. and Mrs. Stone reside in Austin, a considerable amount of their time is spent at their ranch near Burnet. We feel they are an integral part of our community and we are fortunate to have them as part of the Hill Country Community Foundation.