Round Top Festival Hill to Honor the Memory of Friends and Patrons During Summer Concerts

The Round Top Festival Institute will be celebrating its 47th season this summer. Over the years the Institute has maintained a close connection to friends and family here in the Fayette County area.

During this six-week concert season from June 10 through July 15, many will be honored from the area with memorial concerts.

The June 17 concert at 3:30 p.m. will be dedicated to Carole Nagel. Carole became the first female mayor of Round Top in 2002. She was active in numerous civic activities and was always a fixture at the annual 4th of July parade and the semiannual antique festival and square fair for which Round Top is known across the country.

While residing in Round Top, Carole and her husband, Dave became entrepreneurs and pursued numerous endeavors including candle making and were at the forefront of the food truck movement by operating their very own funnel cake food truck at numerous county fairs. Carole loved attending the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, but equally loved the concerts at Festival Hill in her own small town of Round Top. She and her husband were Founding Patrons of the Round Top Festival Institute.

Drawn to the rural countryside of Central Texas, Howard Schulze split his time between Temple and Carmine. He served in the U.S. Army for twenty-eight years, having served in Vietnam. He and his wife, Martha moved to Temple 25 years ago and he taught school at Academy High School.

Nature brought him to Carmine and his love of music brought him to Festival Hill. He became a Round Top Festival Institute Patron till his death this year. The Memorial Concert in his memory will be held on July 1 at 7:30 p.m.

In retirement, Jackie and Herman Reynolds moved to their country home in Round Top where they were surrounded by an incredible network of loving and attentive friends. After Jackie passed away, Herman appreciated the love and comfort these special friends continued to provide. He was especially fond of attending concerts at Festival Hill where he enjoyed beautiful music and camaraderie.

A successful business man, civic and church leader he continued those interests in retirement. He became a supporter of all things Round Top and was a Round Top Festival Institute Patron till his passing. The July 15, 3:30 concert is dedicated to the memory of Herman Reynolds.

Please attend one or all of these summer festival concerts dedicated to past friends and patrons of the Round Top Festival Institute. Tickets can be purchased at festivalhill.org or by calling the Festival office at (979) 249-3129.