

## Marker Inscription

### RED BRICK SCHOOL

THE RED BRICK SCHOOL WAS BUILT ON PROPERTY BEQUEATHED BY EARLY BURNET COUNTY PIONEER PETER KERR. KERR MIGRATED TO WHAT WOULD BECOME BURNET COUNTY IN 1849. ACTIVE IN THE LAND AND CATTLE BUSINESS, HE LAID OUT THE TOWN OF HAMILTON, LATER RENAMED BURNET. WHEN KERR DIED IN 1861, HE LEFT MONEY TO ESTABLISH THE PETER KERR COLLEGE IN BURNET. HOWEVER, TWO OF KERR'S NEPHEWS HAD THE WILL ANNULLED, GIFTING ONLY TWO ACRES FOR EDUCATIONAL USE. A SCHOOLHOUSE STOOD ON THE PROPERTY FROM 1874 UNTIL 1927, WHEN THE RED BRICK SCHOOL WAS BUILT IN ITS PLACE. THE SCHOOL SERVED AS A HIGH SCHOOL UNTIL 1942, WHEN IT HOUSED GRADES ONE THROUGH EIGHT. TODAY IT STANDS AS A REMINDER OF BURNET EARLY FOUNDERS' DEDICATION TO EDUCATION.



## Dedication of Official Texas Historical Marker for Burnet's Red Brick School



Constructed 1927, 303 North Pierce Street, Burnet, Texas

**Burnet County Historical Commission  
November 12, 2016**



# Program

- Presiding: Jane A. Knapik, Marker Chair, Burnet County Historical Commission
- Presentation of Flags by Boy Scout Troop 282
- Invocation – Darrell Debo
- Introduction of Special Guests
- Welcome – Keith McBurnett, Superintendent, Burnet Consolidated Independent School District
- Main Address – Members of Burnet County Historical Commission
- Tribute to the Late Johnny Smith, Former Principal of Red Brick School – Dot Riley Creasey
- Unveiling of the Marker - Margaret Smith, Marker Sponsor, with Frank Seidensticker
- Reading of the Marker – JoAnn Myers, Chairman, Burnet County Historical Commission
- Sharing School Memories – Milli Riley Williams
- Benediction – Darrell Debo
- Invitation to a Reception and Tour of the Building