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GBRA Directors Elect Schneider, Wilson and McLeroy as 2005 Board Officers

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SEGUIN- The Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Board of Directors has elected new officers for the 2005 calendar year. John P. Schneider, Jr. of Lockhart will chair the board, Dr. Stephen F. Wilson of Port Lavaca will serve as vice-chair and Myrna P. McLeroy of Gonzales will serve as secretary/treasurer.

Schneider represents Caldwell County and lives in Lockhart. He served as GBRA board chair in 2003, assists in running the family cow/calf operation, and is president of Schneider & Associates specializing in commercial, farm and ranch real estate in Central and South Texas.

Schneider received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Texas A&M University and is a member of the Texas Society of Range Management, the Austin Real Estate Council, the Society of Texas A&M Real Estate Professionals, the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, past chairman of the Texas Real Estate Center Advisory Committee and the Executive Committee of the Texas Agriculture Summit.

Schneider also serves as a member of the Texas A&M College of Agriculture Development Council, the Association of Former Students and is currently a board member of the Twelfth Man Foundation.

Dr. Wilson represents Calhoun County and resides in Port Lavaca. Wilson owns and operates the Calhoun County Animal Hospital and received B.S. degrees in Biomedical Science, Veterinary Science and a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Texas A&M University. He is a member of the American Animal Hospital Association, the American Veterinary Medical Association, and the Texas Veterinary Medical Association.

Wilson received the 1996 Texas Game Warden Association's award as Conservationist of the Year for wildlife rehabilitation in Calhoun County. He belongs to the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, and is a former Advisory Director and Regional Medical Director of the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network.

McLeroy represents Gonzales County and lives in the city of Gonzales. She is owner of the McLeroy Land Group, which conducts mineral title searches and negotiates oil and gas leases for various companies. Since 1984, McLeroy has operated a farm that has been in her family since 1885.

McLeroy attended Southern Methodist University and the University of Houston. Her community activities include director, Torch of Freedom Foundation, commissioner of the Housing Authority of Gonzales, a member of the Empowerment Board of Gonzales, member of the State Republican Executive Committee since 1996, chair of the Gonzales County Republican Party since 1990, and a member of the American Association of Professional Landmen since 1978.

McLeroy is also a member of the Gonzales County Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, and a member of Memorial Heights Baptist Church.

Directors Schneider and Wilson were appointed to the GBRA board in 1999 by former Governor George W. Bush and McLeroy was appointed in 2001 by Governor Rick Perry.

GBRA's board of directors also includes: Kathleen Devine, Comal County; Jack Gary, Hays County; Margaret Grier, Kendall County; Clifton Thomas, Jr., Victoria County; Frank Pagel, Refugio County; and Frederick "Fritz" Schlather, Guadalupe County.