



## Good News, Ganders!

The Texas State Historical Commission has designated Robert E. Lee High School as a state historical landmark. Both the 1928 original main building and the two wings that were added in 1937 are included in the designation. This means that REL will be listed in the state register of historic places and that a state historical marker will be placed in front of the building. It has been a long process that has been in the works for about two years, and this is just the beginning of another phase. When the marker is cast and delivered to the Baytown Historical Preservation Association (“BHPA”), a time will be set for the dedication of the marker and a reception to celebrate this great honor. Hopefully, there will be a huge crowd of Ganders to help us celebrate.

In the meantime, however, we must move quickly to get donations to cover the \$1,500 cost of the marker. The BHPA will be accepting donations from individuals and, hopefully, from graduating classes, as well. Donations in excess of the cost of the marker will go toward the reception. Any remaining money will be kept in a permanent marker fund to help defray costs of future marker projects.

I know how generous the Baytown community and Ganders are when it comes to showing support for our beloved alma mater. Please send checks to:

Baytown Historical Preservation Association  
PO Box 1244  
Baytown, Texas 77522-1244

Make checks out to BHPA, note it is for the Lee Marker Fund, and send with this form.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ (Maiden name if a REL grad \_\_\_\_\_)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

(This is for our organization only. We will not give out your email address.)

Robert E. Lee Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
(If husband wife are both graduates, please indicate both classes.)

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the marker dedication—date to be announced later. If you have any questions or I can assist you in any way, please call me at 281-422-9957 (home) or 832-262-9566 (cell). To stay informed of up-to-the-minute changes, please visit the BHPA website at [www.baytownhistory.org](http://www.baytownhistory.org).

Sincerely,

Jean Laughlin McLeod, Class of '62  
Marker Chairman for the REL Marker

### Corporate Matching Gifts

When you donate to the Baytown Historical Preservation Association you may be able to increase your gift. Companies (e.g. Chevron Phillips, ExxonMobil, and Lubrizol) often encourage their employees, retirees, surviving spouses of deceased employees and retirees, and board members to support nonprofit organizations. Please consider asking your human resources or community relations department for a matching gift form. Then, complete the paperwork and mail it to us along with your contribution. We'll do the rest.