NLC Recognizes Terracon Engineering for Support of Lower Valley School

Northeast Lakeview College recognized Terracon Engineering Consultants during its Spring Convocation for their in-kind contributions to the college in support of the Lower Valley School #33, a circa-1920s schoolhouse which will serve as a museum on the college campus.

In 2007 Terracon donated geotechnical engineering services valued at $3,500 and in 2009 it donated building condition assessment services valued at $4,900. Representing Terracon at the Convocation were Webb Schoenfeld, Manager of Market Development, Michael Branton, Kathryn Watts and Malynn Wolfe.

The Lower Valley School #33 was a gift to Northeast Lakeview from the Lutrell and Maxine Watts heirs in order to renovate and preserve the authentic two-room rural schoolhouse. Lutrell and Maxine Watts were teachers at the school, which operated from 1877 to 1966 in the general area of the college. The school served a German settlement in Guadalupe County.

Northeast Lakeview College is the only educational institution in Texas with an authentic rural schoolhouse on its campus. It is located just left of the main entrance to the college on Kitty Hawk Road, establishing a connection between the schoolhouse and the state-of-the-art college campus sitting behind it.

The moving and renovation of the Lower Valley School brings several benefits. First, it serves as a celebration of the area’s 19th century settlers’ heritage and as a concrete example of Texas’ commitment to education over generations. It will also provide a venue for engaging young children in Texas history while exposing them to a higher education institution. Also, it will provide local professional groups a setting for meeting in a culturally-rich environment.
Terracon Engineering was recently honored for its in-kind contributions to Northeast Lakeview College. From left: Dr. Eric Reno, NLC, President; Webb Schoenfeld, Terracon, Client Development Manager; Melynne Wulff, Terracon, Client Development Coordinator; Kathryn Watts, Terracon, Corporate Services Representative for Facilities; Micol Bratten, Terracon, Project Manager; and Dr. Martha Trevino, NLC Dean, Community Development