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Historic Day in Borden County as Dorward Marker Unveiled

After years of restoration by Buster and Jean Taylor, after months of planning and coordinating by local county resi-

dents led by Lisa Dennis Mahler and County Judge Ross Sharp, the Dorward Drugstore now officially has its place in

Borden County history.

David and Minnie Dorward opened the drugstore in 1901. The couple's partnership influenced the economic, civic, and spiritual landscape of a growing county for years to come.

Thanks to the County Commissioners for the use of the Event Center which hosted the dedication speeches by Judge Sharp, Mrs. Mahler (*Chair of Borden County Historical Commission*), Tai Kreidler (*Deputy Director of Southwest Collection at Texas Tech University, Executive Director of the West Texas Historical Association, Adjunct Professor in the Texas Tech History Department*), Barbara Brannon (*Executive Director of the Texas Plains Trail*), and dedication prayer by Julie Mumme Smith (*Borden County AgriLife Extension Service Agent*). The Event Center also served as the reception area throughout the afternoon's festivities.

Over 75 people visited the newly-renovated Borden County Museum during the day. Approximately 35 Dorward family members attended the dedication festivities.



USPS To Conduct Public Meeting for Gail Post Office July 8 Will Provide Briefing on Local Survey Results

GAIL, TX — Officials with the U.S. Postal Service Rio Grande District will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., on July 8, 2014, at the Borden County Events Center, 127 Willow Valley Rd., in Gail, TX 79738. At the meeting, USPS officials will share results of a POST Plan survey for the Gail, TX Post Office, and also answer questions and provide additional information about the various POST Plan options. Surveys will be sent to Post Office Box customers served by the Gail Post Office, and also to mail delivery customers served by this office. Gail Post Office customers who do not receive a survey by June 17, may request one at the office's retail counter during normal business hours. Following are the POST Plan options that the Postal Service is considering.

1. Based upon office workload, retail hours for the Gail Post Office would be reduced from 8 hours each weekday to 6 hours per weekday. Current Saturday hours will not change as a result of POST Plan and access to delivery receptacles (PO Boxes) will not be affected by POST Plan.

2. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and offer roadside mailbox delivery. Retail and delivery service would be provided through a rural carrier. Mail delivery points will be established and customers can purchase most postal services through the carrier or other alternate access points.

3. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and find a suitable alternative location operated by a contrac-

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Dorward Drug Est. 1901

David and Minnie Dorward

David Dorward arrived in Borden County in 1892. He was born December 15, 1872, in Burlison County, TX, to David and Anna Atkinson Dorward. In 1893 David began working as a wagon cook for the Square and Compass Ranch; a year later he began work for the Magnolia Land and Cattle Company. In 1901 David became a businessman when he opened the Dorward Drug on the courthouse square.

A week after opening his business - May 26, 1901 - he married Minnie Russell, a schoolteacher. To this union three sons were born: Russell, Maurice, and Kelvin. David began home study for his pharmacist license. He received a district license first and then was issued license #855 by the Texas State Board of Pharmacy on September 17, 1907.

Mr. Dorward supplied prescriptions for physicians Dr. James N. Prince and Dr. John H. Hannabass. As the town began to decline in population, Dorward Drug became the focal point of the community by providing over-the-counter medicines, refreshments, ice, and most importantly, a gathering place to hear the local and area news. When the telephone switchboard closed in 1918, the drugstore had the only telephone serving Gail and surrounding farms and ranches until the 1950s. Telephone messages received by Mr. Dorward at the store would then be delivered to local residents or to outlying farmers and ranchers. David also served as a public servant by holding the offices of County Treasurer and County Judge.

David and Minnie became strong proponents of the Christian faith. David taught adult Sunday school classes for thirty years, and Minnie taught classes over fifty years. Their involvement in the Borden County community left an enduring legacy.

This building would have been lost if not for R. D. "Buster" and Jean Creighton Taylor who acquired the property in 2012. They dedicated their efforts to restoring the property, saving the drugstore's original walls, shelving, soda machine, and the safe. The pharmacy counter and samples of medicines and many other Dorward treasures may be viewed at the Borden County Museum.

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Photos Courtesy of Greg Bodin-facebook.com/GregsTexas

Historical marker placed at the site of the Dorward Drugstore, dedicated June 21.

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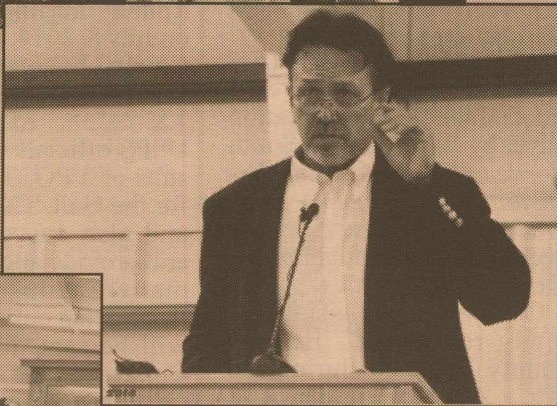
Dorward Drug Historical Marker

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(Left) The Taylor family in front of the Dorward Drugstore, Buster and his wife, the late Jean Taylor, had the vision to restore the site to honor the Dorward's. (Below) Lisa (Dennis) Mahler describing Gail at the turn of the 20th century as the Dorward Drugstore opened.

(Below) Dorward descendants and local Borden County resident, Buster Taylor (right) unveil the Dorward historical marker.



(Above) Tai Kreidler, Deputy Director Southwest Collection / Special Collections Library at Texas Tech University and the Executive Director of the West Texas Historical Association speaks at the dedication. (Left) County resident Carolyn Stephens visits with Barbara Farmer (right, member of the Borden Co. Historical Commission).

Post Office...

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tor, usually at a local business. When businesses are found that meet the criteria, these establishments are contracted through the U.S. Postal Service and offer stamps and flat rate products with service hours generally more expansive than what the local Post Office will be able to offer.

4. Conduct a discontinuance study for the office and provide P.O. Box service via another nearby Post Office and relocate P.O. Box delivery to that Post Office.

Although survey results will be known and shared at each meeting, the Postal Service will not make a final decision regarding each individual office until after the public meeting for that loca-

tion. This will enable the Postal Service to obtain all community input and opinions, from both the surveys and the meeting before making a final decision.

Anyone who wishes to submit comments in writing can send these to:

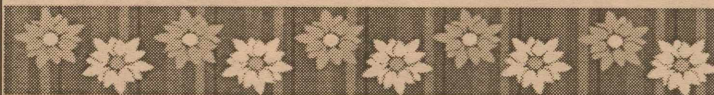
Christi Davidson POST Plan Coordinator
USPS Rio Grande District
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Bremond, TX 76629-9998

All comments received by July 8, 2014 will be considered. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.



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For my graduation gifts of a laundry tote with cleaning supplies and my beautiful bible. I just can't thank you all enough for your thoughtfulness.

Sydney Day

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Borden County 7th grader, Fallon Forbes guides Eyestolfirst around a barrel Texas State Junior High School Rodeo finals. Fallon placed 3rd qualifying her for the Annual Nation Junior High Finals Rodeo in Des Moines, Iowa this week.

Forbes Competes at National Junior High Rodeo

Courtesy Lamesa Press Reporter

Fallon Forbes, daughter of Stanley and Shannon Forbes of O'Donnell, has earned a position on the Texas National Junior High Rodeo Team and traveled to Des Moines, Iowa, June 22-28, to compete at the 10th Annual National Junior High Finals Rodeo (NJHFR) in the barrel racing competition.

Forbes is 12-years-old and will be in the seventh grade at Borden County in the fall. She qualified for nationals by coming in third at the Texas Junior High School State finals in Gonzales.

She was one of 100 barrel racers in the competition.

Featuring roughly 1,000 contestants from 42 states, five Canadian provinces and Australia, the NJHFR is the world's largest junior high rodeo. In addition to competing for more than \$75,000 in prizes, NJHFR contestants will also be vying for more than \$100,000 in college scholarships and the chance to be named a National Junior Finals Rodeo National Champion.

To earn this title, contestants must finish in the top 20 - based on their combined times/scores in the first two rounds - to advance to Saturday evening's final round. National champions will then be determined based on their three-round combined times/scores.

Again, this year, the Saturday championship performance will be televised nationally as a part of the Cinch High School Rodeo Tour telecast series on RFD-TV. Live broadcasts of each NJHFR performance will also air online at NHRATV.com. Performance times were at 7 p.m. on June 23, and 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. each day thereafter.

Along with great rodeo competition and the chance to meet new friends from around the world, NJHFR contestants have the opportunity to enjoy shooting sports, volleyball, tug-of-war, contestant dances, family-oriented activities, church services sponsored by the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys and shopping at the NJHFR tradeshow, as well as visiting area attractions as Des Moines hosts the event for the first time.

To follow Forbes at the NJHFR, visit NJHFR.org daily for complete results.

Commissioners Meeting

WHEREAS, On this the 10th day of June, 2014, the Commissioners' Court of Borden County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners Court room in the courthouse of Gail, Texas, the following members of the court being present, to-wit:

ROSS D. SHARP, County Judge, Presiding; **RANDY ADCOCK**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2; **ERNEST REYES**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3; **JOE BELEW**, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4; **JOYCE HERRIDGE** County Clerk and Ex-Officio of the Commissioners Court with Monte Smith, Commissioner Precinct No. 1 absent, constituting a quorum, when the following proceedings were had, in accordance with the posted agenda.

Other officers present: Marlo Holbrooks, County Attorney, Benny Allison, Sheriff and Sharlot Stone, County Treasurer.

COMMUNITY INPUT

No community input.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes of the Commissioners Court meeting of May 27, 2014 were read. Commissioner Belew made a motion to approve said minutes. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COUNTY OFFICE REPORTS

After examination of the County Officers' Reports, Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve, accept and file submitted reports in the County Clerk's Office. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

HOUSING RENTAL AGREEMENT

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the proposed Borden County Housing Rental Agreement with noted corrections. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commissioner Reyes made a motion to advertise for bids on Petroleum Products to be opened on June 10, 2014. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

FUEL BIDS

As advertised, Fuel Bids were opened at 9:00 a.m. Com-

missioner Belew made a motion to accept the bid of McCormick Marketing Inc. of Snyder. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BONIFAY & ASSOCIATES CONTRACT

Commissioner Belew made a motion to terminate the contract with Bonifay & Associates for certain engineering and consulting services in connection with the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER CONTRACT

A motion was made by Commissioner Belew to approve Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Contract for services on SealCoat and Road Assessments in connection with the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program. Commissioner Adcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve Parsley Energy Operations, LLC Division Order Lishman

19A-1, Borden County School Lands. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reyes. Motion carried.

UTILITY/PIPELINE CROSSING

No applications were received.

PRIVATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE

Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve the application received from Terry Smith, Precinct No. 2, as needed and the application from Shane Walker, Precinct No. 2, for one time. Commissioner Belew seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SOIL CONSERVATION WORK

No applications were received.

FUTURE AGENDA

County House Pet Agreement, Loader Bids.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS

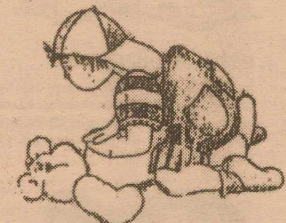
Commissioner Adcock made a motion to approve and pay said current accounts. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

THE FOREGOING MINUTES READ AND APPROVED THIS THE 24th day of June 2014.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATON FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

SM Energy Company, 6301 Holiday Hill Road, Bldg 1, Midland, TX 79707 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced formation water/fluid into a formation that is non-productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of fluids into the: San Andres Formation, Brycen Lease, Well Number 3601. The proposed injection well is located 7.6 miles in a NW direction from Gail in the N. S. D. field in Borden County, TX. Fluid will be disposed into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2,771 to 5,458 feet.

Legal Authority: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil & Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely af-

ected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, TX 78711-2967 Telephone # (512) 463-6792.

LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF BORDEN

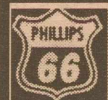
The Borden County Commissioners' Court will receive bids until 9:00 am, July 22, 2014 for the purchase of a used front-end loader to be used by Borden County Precinct #4.

Bids will be opened and considered in the Borden County Commissioners' Courtroom in the County Courthouse. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the County Judge by calling 806/756-4391, by fax 806/756-4405 or by email at bordencj@poka.com.

The Borden County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and ally bids and to waiver all formalities.

BY ORDER OF THE BORDEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Ross D. Sharp
County Judge
Borden County



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Join us as we travel to Caprock Canyons State Park in Quitaque for a day of fun! There will be rotating sessions on canoeing, kayaking, archery, leather craft and campfire cooking—as well as a chance to fish and meet NEW friends! Cost is \$20 per 4-H'er and \$4 per parent/adult. Please RSVP by 6/16 if you would like to go. Open to all 4-H'ers! We will leave about 8:00 a.m. and return by 7:00 p.m.



Kids in the Kitchen Cooking Camp

This is open to all youth in the county! Youth entering 5th-8th grades will be held on Monday, June 23 and youth entering 3rd-4th grades will be held on Wednesday, June 25. Both days will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Event Center. Cost is \$15 per participant and each day is limited to 10 youth. RSVP by Friday, June 20th so that we can plan for supplies.

Arts and Crafts Fun Day

Join us on Wednesday, July 2nd from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Borden County Event Center. Cost will be \$20. This will include supplies for several projects to make and take home, as well as refreshments. Youth need to bring a sack lunch. Fun Day is open to all BC youth ages 8-18. Please RSVP by Friday, June 27th so that we know how many to buy supplies for.

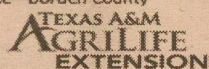


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District 4-H Leadership Workshop

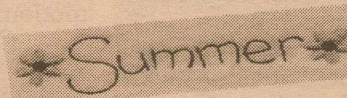
Join us for a fun day of learning about leadership and recreation on Thursday, July 10 in Plainview! We will leave about 8:00 a.m. and return around 10:00 p.m. The day will be filled with learning about the new Duds to Dazzle contest, various leadership and recreation projects and activities, and end with a dance! Cost is \$20 (unless you attend the H20 camp—it will be free). Please RSVP by Monday, July 7th if you wish to attend! Open to all 4-H'ers!

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Splendor



You are invited to join us on **Monday, June 30th** at 6:00 p.m. in the Borden County Event Center for a Summer program focusing on enjoying the Summer months by simplifying meal planning, cooking, and getting back to the basics of living with your family. Enjoy a sampling of a few simple recipes and make an easy take-home project (for even the least creative people). Cost is \$15 per person (will cover supplies and recipe/idea booklet). Please RSVP by **Friday, June 27th** (to allow for enough supplies) at 5:00 p.m. to (806)756-4336, via Facebook or julie.smith@agnet.tamu.edu



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