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New Braunfels Slated to Receive State Sponsored Texas Historical Marker

New Braunfels, TX—The Texas Historical Commission (THC) has recognized the work of Heinrich Mordhorst as an untold story of Comal County by awarding an official Texas Historical Marker through the Untold Marker Program. The designation honors Heinrich Mordhorst’s contributions to the community as an important and educational component of local history.

Heinrich Mordhorst was a German masonry craftsman who created the majority of the shell-motif coverings for graves seen in Comal and surrounding counties. Notable examples of his work can be found in both the Comal and New Braunfels Cemeteries.

The Parks and Recreation Department, along with the New Braunfels Cemetery Committee, will now write a narrative to submit to the THC for inscription on the marker, slated for placement in 2014.

“We are honored to receive this designation,” said Stacey Dicke, Parks and Recreation Director. “And we are grateful to Connie Krause, a member of the New Braunfels Cemetery Committee, for her efforts in completing the program application.”

The THC Untold Marker Program was established in 2006 to address historical gaps, promote a diversity of topics, and proactively document significant untold stories or subjects. This spring, the program received 83 candidates for official Texas Historical Markers and of those, only 14 topics were approved to receive state-sponsored historical markers.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas. For more information on the THC visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

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