**April 11, 2015** 

### GREGG COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM'S

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00 Welcome

Exhibition Barrel Racing

WOW Playground Opens

11:00 Bank Robbery

11:30 Exhibition Barrel Racing

12:50 Tennis Ball Toss for Safe Haven Horse Rescue

1:00 Bank Robbery

2:00 Competition Barrel Racing

### Other Points of Interest

World of Western Children's Area Pony Rides Petty Zoo Lots of Vendors





### **Upcoming at the Museum**

April 7th — May 2nd Confederate Heritage Exhibit & Lecture Series

www.GreggHistorical.org

# THE 1894 BILL DALTON BANK ROBBERY

On May 23, 1894, famed outlaw Bill Dalton and three gang members, Jim Wallace and brothers Jim and Judd Nite, rode into Longview and robbed the First National Bank. What ensued was one of the Old West's biggest shootouts with

some 200 shots fired by outlaws and townspeople who responded to the holdup.

In the downtown gunfight at Fredonia and Bank streets, residents George Buckingham and Charles Learned died in the battle. Wounded in the fight were citizens Walter McQueen, T.J. Summers and City Marshal Matt Muckleroy. The marshal's life was saved when an outlaw's bullet stru

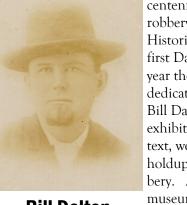
when an outlaw's bullet struck a coin purse in his shirt pocket. Although seriously injured, Muckleroy eventually recovered.

When bandit Wallace was killed by a citizen, Dalton decided it was time to hightail it out of town.

Dalton and the Nite brothers escaped with some \$2,000 in bank notes and coins. Two weeks later, Dalton – America's best-

known bandit in 1894 ~ was tracked down at a cabin in Oklahoma's Arbuckle Mountains and killed by a posse. Judd Nite later was killed in a Central Texas shootout and brother Jim Nite captured and sent to prison for his role in the Longview robbery.

In 1994, during the centennial year of the bank robbery, the Gregg County Historical Museum held its first Dalton Days. That year the museum formally dedicated its permanent Bill Dalton Bank Robbery exhibit featuring photos, text, weapons and even the holdup note from the robbery. Appropriately, the museum exhibit is housed in a former bank yault.



**Bill Dalton** 

For more information about the 1894 Dalton robbery, call the Gregg County Historical Museum at (903) 758-5840. The museum is located at 214 N. Fredonia St. in downtown Longview and open Tuesday—Friday 10a—4pm & Saturday noon to 4pm.



www.DaltonDays.com



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