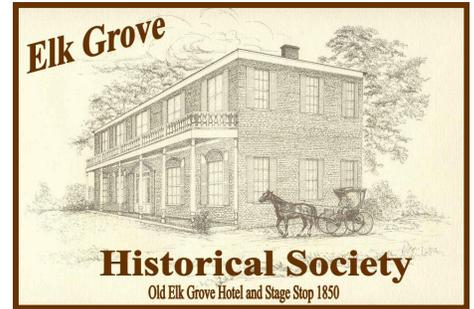


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## Message from the First Vice President



I would like to welcome in 2011, and wish it to be a wonderful and happy year for each and every one of you. May the new year be a propitious one for the Elk Grove Historical Society.

We have a very busy and hectic life at the museum, and need many volunteers to help. There is a project for each and every one of you that you may enjoy, whether it's working inside or outside or working in some other way that will make the site more beautiful. Oh, we do have a lot of fun and great programs and trips.

One way to help is to invite your friends and neighbors to be part of the history of Elk Grove. It is fun to learn how this community started and why it is what it is today. We need to save our history for future generations.

One thing we all need to show is how important all the work Jim Entrican did in his two years as President of the Elk Grove Historical Society. He devoted many hours of promoting the museum and working there. Thank you, Jim.

We still need a leader who wants to be a part of the history that was and is "Happening Here in Elk Grove." We need a PRESIDENT.

Always,  
Elaine Wright



## ALERT - MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING CHANGE

It has been decided to try changing the monthly general meeting to daytime for the months of January and February. It is felt that we would get better turnout during the winter months if we meet during the day. January 17 has been scheduled at The General Store, 9085 Elk Grove Blvd from 2 to 4 PM. Our speaker will be Ted Robinson. Ted has spoken to us before but this time he will speak of his personal experience "Pauper to Commander" which is the story of his childhood to the time he rescued Jack Kennedy during WWII. He is a topnotch speaker and you will be very interested in the story of a rags to riches theme.

The General Store serves lunch and some will be eating lunch and then attending the meeting. Put it on your calendar for a good turnout January 17.

Research Library

Open by appointment. Call Jeanette at 685-8115 or e-mail her at [msjlaw@comcast.net](mailto:msjlaw@comcast.net)

## Calendar of Events for January 2011

January 1: Happy New Year—2011!

January 10: Board Meeting, 4:00 PM, Museum

January 17: General Meeting at The General Store, 9085 Elk Grove Blvd from 2 to 4 P.M..

Our speaker will be Ted Robinson

## Treasurer's Report: Phil Minghetti

## Pink Ribbon Flower Patch

Operating Accounts	11-4-10	12-6-10
General Fund	\$1,426.30	\$540.95
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$5,310.00	\$5,046.09
Generations Fund	\$103.98	\$103.98
Total Operating Account Balance:	<b>\$6,840.28</b>	<b>\$5,691.02</b>
Restoration Accounts		
General Restoration Fund	\$6,827.81	\$8,388.46
Time Capsule Fund	\$20,674.81	\$318.83
Luttig Memorial Fund	\$132.83	\$34.95
Foulk's House Fund	\$5,725.24	\$5,725.24
Reese School Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Restorations Account Balance:	<b>\$33,360.69</b>	<b>\$14,467.48</b>
Museum Store Account	\$693.65	\$895.25
<b>TOTAL OF MUSEUM Accounts:</b>	<b>\$40,894.62</b>	<b>\$21,053.75</b>
Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund:	\$327.02	\$327.02
Scholarship Fund:	\$1,327.73	\$1,327.73
Wright Family Memorial:	\$2,625.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL RHOADS SCHOOL Accounts:</b>	<b>\$4,279.75</b>	<b>\$1,654.75</b>
<b>Total of all accounts</b>	<b>\$45,174.37</b>	<b>\$22,708.50</b>



From the Gardeners of the Grove Newsletter, *The Scarecrow*

In recent times, ribbons have been used to express solidarity with a cause. Pink Ribbons are used to express support for those who are diagnosed with breast cancer.

In the fall of 1991, the Susan G. Komen Foundation handed out pink ribbons to participants in its New York City race for the cure. The next year, Alexandra Penney, editor-in-chief of *Self* magazine, and Evelyn Lauder, of Estée Lauder cosmetics, came up with the idea of creating a ribbon and enlisting the cosmetics giant to distribute it in stores in New York City. Since then, the pink ribbon has become an international symbol for breast cancer awareness.

To demonstrate our club's solidarity with women diagnosed with breast cancer and to raise the public's awareness of their cause, Lorraine Radke purchased pink cyclamen to plant a pink ribbon flower patch at the Elk Grove Hotel and Stage Stop Museum. On behalf of the many breast cancer survivors in our garden club and the Elk Grove Historical Society: **Thank you, Lorraine.**

## Mark Wightman Passes Away

Mark Wightman, who was from an old Elk Grove family, died at his home in Hillsborough, CA on December 14.

Mark married Grace Brown, whose father was the last owner of the Elk Grove House that was demolished in 1957 to make way for Highway 99. After her passing in 2000, Mark and his daughters set aside a foundation of \$100,000, and the interest was donated to the Historical Society each year in her memory.

Funeral services were held at the Andrews & Greilich

Funeral Home on December 22. Our condolences go to his family.



New Member  
Mary Pawlowski

**Filoli Gardens Bus Tour a Success – Lorraine Croup**



The well-attended Filoli bus tour was a huge success! So much so that the people attending asked that we do a tour in the spring. At this time we will attempt to get together a tour the last part of March or the very first part of April. I wish to thank Jim and Annaclare Entrican and Dennis Buscher, who helped to serve coffee and donuts. I also want to thank Barbara Claire, who printed and donated the brochures, and Lucille Christesen who donated the candy. It's a pleasure to do the tours, but I need help to make the tours a success. Watch the next newsletter and the *Elk Grove Citizen* for information regarding the next Filoli tour.

The estate house was beautifully decorated for Christmas and tour attendees had fun shopping for that special gift to take home. The 36,000 square foot house has 43 rooms, excluding bathrooms and storerooms. The interior has elegantly carved moldings, marble fireplaces, inlaid parquet floors and magnificent architectural doorways. Most of the major rooms are 17' high, but the Reception



Photos by Jim Entrican

**EGHS Board Meeting Minutes - December 13, 2010**

**Call to Order: President Jim Entrican**

The 2011 Board Members for the Elk Grove Historical Society are:

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|---|--------------------------------------|
| President - Vacant                        | First Vice President - Elaine Wright |
| Second Vice President - Jim Entrican      | Recording Secretary - Sue Richter    |
| Correspondence Secretary - Joyce Amundson | Treasurer - Jeanette Lawson          |

These Board Members have relinquished their positions on the Board: Phil Minghetti - Treasurer and Steve Lambert - Vice President

The minutes of the November 15 meeting were approved as amended.

A bill for \$823 for supplies for the Christmas Open House was discussed and approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. The Time Capsule Fund and the Restoration Fund were discussed.

The next General meeting will be on Monday, January 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the General Store in Old Elk Grove.

**Old Business:** The gutters will be cleaned and a bid will be sought for repair of the pipe on the side of the Hotel and for the installation of an ADA toilet.

Dennis Buscher reported on the Miwok Exhibit that is planned for next year at the Hotel.

Jeanette Lawson reported that the Christmas Open House has had great attendance so far.

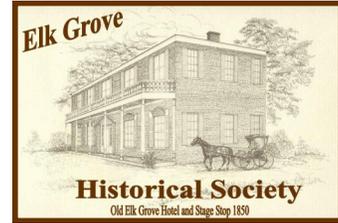
The date of the Spring Tea fundraiser is set for May 7, 2011.

**New Business:** Jim Entrican received a check for \$5,000 for the restoration of the Foulks' House.

Milt Webb presented a \$310 bill for yearly maintenance of the heating and cooling system at the Hotel. The Board approved payment.

First Vice President Elaine Wright adjourned the meeting.

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