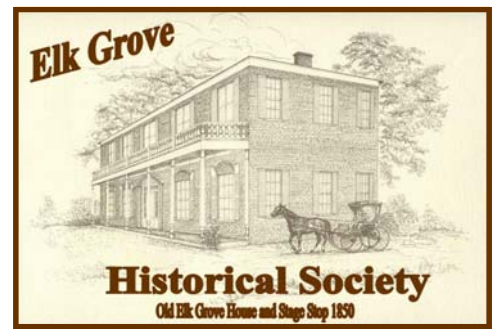


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*Happy Thanksgiving  
Merry Christmas  
And Thank you!!*



It's hard to believe we're coming to the end of another year. I want to take this opportunity to thank our members for their generous support and hard work for our many events in 2013. Here's a recap of what we've accomplished this year with your support.

**January:** We launched our Facebook page and continue to get new followers and people who "like" our page with it's event information and pictures of times past.

**February:** We opened the new exhibit for the year with our theme "collections". We ended up with quite an array of personal collections generously loaned by members and friends and put on display in the ballroom.

**March:** We filled up two large buses and had a wonderful tour of Mare Island, including St. Peter's Chapel, the Naval Artifacts Museum and the Admiral's Mansion, plus a stop at the Jelly Belly Factory.

**April:** We caught up with technology and acquired the ability to accept credit cards in the museum store and at our events. With the help of several eagle scouts and the Gardeners of the Grove we completed our 5 year landscape project in the front of the museum. This included some new teak benches (a scout project) and our new fountain so generously donated by the Morse family.

**May:** The new fountain became the main theme for our highly successful Spring Tea - we served over 200 guests, had a small tea room set up for pictures, a raffle and silent auction. We published our new cookbook and have sold over 250 copies to date.

**June:** For our General Meeting we were host to over 100 members and friends of the Lincoln Highway Association arriving in style in vintage cars and dress. Many on their way to Nebraska and New York.

**July:** We had our most success annual yard sale to date.

**August:** We took a much needed break! Installed new wallpaper in the upstairs hallway. We are in the process of installing new wallpaper in the dining room and will also get new drapes and chair covers.

**September:** We had our 3rd annual Antique and Craft Show, a success even with the rain. We redesigned and mounted our new museum sign.

**October:** New this year was the Haunted Stage Stop happening all month. On October 31st we'll sponsor another bus tour, this time to the Culinary Institute of America in St Helena, CA.

**November:** We'll have the election of officers for 2014 and will be preparing for our holiday events.

**December:** Black Tie & Santa event on December 1st, followed by the 8th Annual Old Fashioned Christmas event with Santa on December 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22nd with all the holiday trimmings (see page 3 of this newsletter). Also on December 1 is the Fountain Dedication with the Morse Family at 11 AM.

We had requests for use of our beautiful new grounds and facility for two birthday parties, a wine and cheese social and a luncheon for the area garden clubs. It's been a busy year! None of this would have been possible without your help and support. Please accept our thanks and very best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season. We're looking forward to the new year!

Barbara Claire  
President, Elk Grove Historical Society



**Calendar of Events for November—December**

- November 11: Board Meeting, 4 PM, Museum
- November 18: General Meeting, 6:30 PM, Election of Officers, Old Town Creations, 9170 G Bond Road, Elk Grove.
- December 1: Fountain Dedication with the Morse Family, Museum Grounds, 11 AM
- December 1: Black Tie & Santa, 6 PM, Museum
- December 7, 8: Old Fashioned Christmas, Pictures with Santa 1-5 PM
- December 9: Board Mtg, 4 PM, Museum
- December 14, 15: Old Fashioned Christmas, Pictures with Santa 1-5 PM
- December 21, 22: Old Fashioned Christmas Pictures with Santa 1-5 PM

**November General Mtg/Election of Officers**



Our last general meeting of the year will be November 18th, 6:30 PM at Old Town Creations, 9170 G Bond Road in the shopping center on Bond Rd and Elk Grove-Florin Rd. We will be voting for officers to serve on the 2014 Board of Directors. To vote by mail, request a ballot from Lorraine at 683-6893.

- Nominated for Office:
- President: Barbara Claire
  - 1st VP: Brookelea Lutton & Mary Bulford
  - 2nd VP: Claudia Johnson
  - Treasurer: Jeanette Lawson
  - Recording Secretary: Diane Borden
  - Corresponding Secretary: Sally Bergen

**New Members**



Dorene Ladewig  
Felix Grant (United Kingdom)



We just completed our first year of the Haunted Stage Stop and it was a frightfully scary good time!!! The staff dressed for the occasion and everyone had fun. Looking forward to doing it again next year. Thank you Jeanette!



A Big Thank You to all the docents who worked the September opening and the Haunted Stage Stop!!!



**Research Library**

Open by appointment.  
Call Jeanette at 685-8115  
or e-mail her at msjlw@comcast.net

**Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson**

Operating Accounts	9/8/13	10/1/13
General Operating Fund	\$6,145.41	\$5,616.17
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$9,218.69	\$9,218.69
<b>Total Account Balance:</b>	<b>\$15,364.15</b>	<b>\$14,834.86</b>
Restoration Accounts		
General Restoration Fund	\$6,443.14	\$5,272.79
Time Capsule Fund	-\$392.35	-\$392.35
Foulks House Fund	\$33,337.93	\$34,190.02
Reese School Fund	\$9,938.28	\$9,938.28
<b>Total Account Balance:</b>	<b>\$49,327.00</b>	<b>\$49,008.74</b>
Museum Store Account	\$2,104.38	\$2,411.48
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$66,795.53</b>	<b>\$66,255.08</b>
Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund:	\$1,413.24	\$1,189.42
Scholarship Fund:	\$1,198.74	\$1,198.74
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2,611.98</b>	<b>\$2,388.16</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$69,407.51</b>	<b>\$68,643.24</b>



Rhoads School  
Established 1872

**Rhoads School Report  
Merry Leverton**

We have been quite busy at the Rhoads School during the past several weeks. In September the school was the location for an event for the POW/VFW in spite of the rain on that day. We opened the school on Saturday, October 5 for public tours. We had a good response with many young people who had previously attended the Rhoads School stopping in to see if it had changed or to show a younger sibling around the school. Susan Hernandez and Helen Diepenbrock were available inside the school to answer questions for the visitors. Frances Fite, Iris & Arnie Zimbelman, and Merry and Gary Leverton acted as hosts. Thank you to everyone who participated.

School has officially begun as our first group of students attended the Living History Program on Tuesday, October 8. The school was cleaned and minor repairs were completed on Monday by the members of the school board. Thank you to everyone who helped with the clean up and repairs.

We want to acknowledge and say thank you to Jim and Virginia Ring and Dave & Evelyn Raulien for their years of devoted volunteer service to the Rhoads School Board. Due to personal reasons they have retired from active participation as members of the Rhoads School Board. We appreciate all they have done for the school and community and will miss them very much.

## EGHS Board Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2013

### Call to Order: EGHS President Barbara Claire

- Minutes of October 14 were approved as submitted.
- Board approved: \$240.00 to Brian Fishback to replace the pump for the fountain; \$247.07 to Jeanette Lawson for smoke detectors required by the Fire Department for the Haunted Stage Stop event and moving \$9,438.00 from the Reese School Fund to the General Restoration Fund for the storage shed.
- Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

### Committee Reports:

- Antique & Craft Show - \$1,262.55 profit going to the Foulks House Restoration.
- By-Laws Update - Still being reviewed and updated by the committee.
- Haunted Stage Stop - We're open and so far attendance has been great (400-500).
- Nominating Committee - Have been meeting and will present list of nominees for elected officers at the General Meeting on October 21.
- Old Fashioned Christmas - Tickets for the Black Tie & Santa Event are now on sale.

### Unfinished Business:

- Foulks House Restoration & Storage Shed - 2 contractor bids have been received. More research is needed for the storage shed.
- Plaque for Jail - It is now up and looks great.
- Community Calendar - Deadline was October 15th - all of our events for 2014 were submitted.
- Security System - Need further negotiations before making a decision. On hold at present.

### New Business:

- Request from Allen County Library in Ft. Wayne, IN for copies of missing issues of old newsletters from 1983 to 1994. 83 Issues were found and copied. The library will pay \$166.
- Marilyn Kenney donated a quilt that belong to Mary McDonnell, daughter of Thomas McConnell, who established McConnell's Station in 1869.
- The Morse family will dedicate the new fountain they donated on December 1st at 11 AM. Jim Entrican will spend up to \$100 for a plaque The Morse family has agreed to pay any over \$100).

**President Barbara Claire adjourned the meeting.**

### Eagle Scout Project

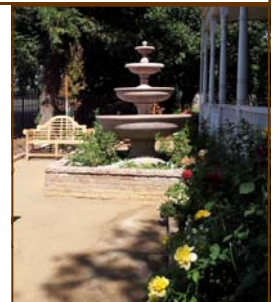


Eagle Scout Project completed by Taylor Gleim. Landscape border river rock along grass area where we hold our Spring Tea. Thank you Taylor!



### Fountain Dedication - December 1st

Come help us dedicate our new fountain to Archie Morse by tossing a coin in his memory, on his birthday, December 1st. Family members Barbara, Bonnie, Sharon, Archie and Bruce will be there. Let's make it a double date day. Dedication at 11AM with light refreshments and the Black Tie and Santa event that evening.



### Antique and Craft Show Called Early

It was a nice cool, cloudy fall morning for our Antique and Craft Show. The crowds were out and most people were buying. It was a festive atmosphere with face painting and music to make your toes dance. Then suddenly at 12:30 the sky opened up and thunder clapped at our heels causing vendors and volunteers to scramble to pack up and seek cover. We didn't know it at the time, but we were living history on Saturday, September 21. It had never before rained on that date in our area! Brookelea would like to thank the following for their help: Jim Entrican, Bob Chandler, Dennis Buscher, Diane Borden, Gregg Borden, Pam Phelps, Betty Wilson, Lorraine Croup, Annaclare Entrican, Jeanette Lawson, Barbara Claire, and Martha and David Heberlein.





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**OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS**  
 At the Stage Stop Museum in Elk Grove Regional Park  
**ROOMS LAVISHLY DECORATED FOR THE SEASON !**



Entrance off East Stockton Blvd.  
 (West Entrance to Elk Grove Park)

**\$5.00 DONATION  
 AT THE DOOR**  
 Kids Under 12 Free

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 UNWRAPPED TOY  
 FOR  
 SANTA  
 TO GIVE  
 TO A NEEDY  
 COMMUNITY  
 CHILD**

**OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS HOURS**  
 Saturdays & Sundays  
 December 7th - December 22st  
 1 - 5 pm

**SANTA WILL BE AT THE MUSEUM**  
 Pictures with Santa \$10.00

For further information call 685-8115



**SANTA  
 COOKIE  
 DECORATING FOR  
 THE KIDS  
 LOTS OF FUN FOR  
 EVERYONE!!!**

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*Black Tie & Santa  
 Preview Night  
 Sunday, December 1, 2013  
 Starting at 6 pm*



*At the Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum's  
 8th Annual "An Old Fashioned Christmas"  
 Spend an elegant evening with wine, caviar, hors d'oeuvres and friends  
 Tickets: \$25.00 per person*

*Tickets are Limited - Reserve yours today*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: *Black Tie & Santa Event  
 Elk Grove Historical Society  
 P.O. Box 562  
 Elk Grove, CA 95759*

*Bring a toy for Santa  
 to give to a needy  
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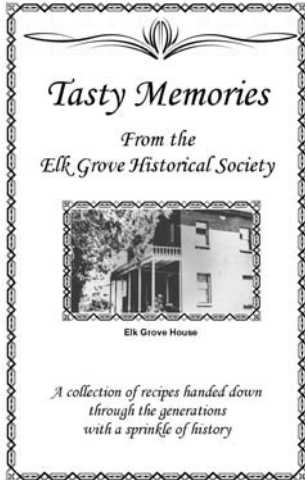




## Need Ideas for Christmas Presents?



### Give the Gift of "Tasty Memories"



A great gift for family or friends!

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Cookbooks: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment may be sent to:  
Elk Grove Historical Society  
PO Box 562  
Elk Grove, CA 95759

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for delivery  
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### Give the Gift of Membership



Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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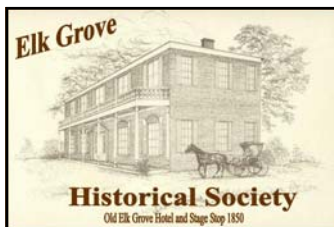
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each month or by Appointment

Research Library is now open by  
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Or  
[msjlaw@comcast.net](mailto:msjlaw@comcast.net)  
Or  
Call 916-685-8115

Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum  
Is located at  
9941 East Stockton Blvd.

Adjacent to the West Entrance of Elk  
Grove Regional Park

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