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Representing the communities of Elk Grove, Wilton, Sheldon, Franklin, Bruceville, Point Pleasant, and Sloughhouse.

## President's Message



Summer is here and we can look back at what was accomplished the last two months and what lies ahead. We had some major fundraiser events occur in rapid succession.

**May** was the busiest month.

First, the Big Day of Giving was held and exceeded our expectations.



Thank you all for your donations on BigDoG. Just think, if you donated the minimum of \$25, someone matched it and when you picked up your free bottle of wine and had your car washed free at

Gilley's, he donated another \$12.50! So your \$25 donation actually = \$62.50. Wow and thank you. The total donations for the day were almost \$20,000 and we are so grateful. We will put it to good use, we promise.

**Big  
Day of  
Giving** MAY. 4

A new event followed, the Chili Cook-off, during the Western Festival, with promising results for an annual event.



Then the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tea was scheduled and it too was very successful. Thanks so much to all of our members that participated in making these events something to remember and be proud of.



Thank You for your Support





**June** had only one annual fundraiser scheduled: The Annual Yard Sale. However, preparation has been ongoing since April. The Heritage Park Grounds were stuffed with items that people just can't live without. This too seemed to meet all expectations.

In the months of **July** and **August** there are **No** General Membership Meetings. Enjoy the summer and take a vacation.

However, be prepared for an active Fall.

We have **September** loaded with exciting new events. A "Plow to Plate" event sponsored by the City of Elk Grove and the Elk Grove CSD is scheduled for the 9<sup>th</sup>. Our Court House & Jail revitalization is to be unveiled and a "Pinkerton Picnic in the Park" planned. This is a partnership with the Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, as part of Elk Grove History Week. We need your help with our events to make them meet your own expectations.



Please volunteer to participate in these activities. We are always looking for members to be tour guides for First Saturday Tours. Perhaps you are next? Remember, being a member invites you to be an active volunteer.

See you soon. - President Ken Miller

Join us under the tents in front of and in support of the Rhoads School

# Plow to Plate

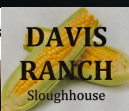


## September 9, 2017

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Our well-known chef is busy designing this special evening of savory delight. All the food and drinks are supplied by your local neighbors and in abundant supply, prepared to our chef's specifications. We want this to be an event you will not forget and look forward to next year.

There will only be 200 seats sold for \$100 each.



Since 2017





Elk Grove, CA  
HISTORY WEEK KICKOFF

save the date



PRESENTED BY THE ELK GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
& THE ELK GROVE CHAMBER 2017 LEADERSHIP CLASS  
honoring Elizabeth Pinkerton's contribution to preserving Elk Grove history

food/picnic, late 1800's period activities & entertainment

{ SEPTEMBER }  
{ 24 2017 }

THE ELK GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
& THE ELK GROVE REGIONAL PARK  
9941 east stockton blvd | elk grove, ca 95624

10:30AM TO 02:00PM

ribbon  
CUTTING

help us celebrate the newly refurbished  
**HISTORICAL COURTHOUSE & JAIL**  
ribbon cutting begins at 11:00am





## Rhoads School Report



**LIVING HISTORY CLASSES:** Our School year has ended and a busy one it was. There were several changes in the schedule, but staff rose to the occasion. We held 74 classes this year and we already have several dates reserved for the next school year.

**POSITIONS:** Unfortunately, one docent had to step down because of family conflicts so we are down to only five docents to handle the entire next school year. We are in desperate need of anyone who would like to be trained. They will be assigned to about ten classes a year lasting about 5-6 hours each for which they are paid. They don't need to be a retired teacher, just someone willing to learn and share the information.

**REPAIRS:** Volunteers and scouts are repairing or replacing rails, fences, and other things as needed, plus minor construction projects. This is one of the premiere programs and schools in the nation and we want to keep our little jewel in the park shining.

**RHOADS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE:** Every first Saturday of the month from 1:00 – 4:00 PM the school is open for FREE tours. Come see what classes were like in the 1890's. Look for the three new feather signs celebrating the day.

Director Roberta Tanner



**Attention members:** Are you in our “Surname” files? Will your family be remembered? We are organizing all the families in our archive files and are asking you to share any family information before it is lost, i.e. obituaries, family trees, accomplishments and events. Once the files have been organized we plan to computerize all the documentation. It is a way to maintain family history for the community. Leave a message for Louis at the museum at (916) 685-8115. - Thank you



## Calendar of Events for July-August 2017

### July

July 1: Free Museum & Rhoads School Tours,  
Noon – 4:00 PM

July 4: **Fourth of July**

July 10: EGHS **Board Meeting**-Museum  
4:00 PM

July 17: EGHS **No General Meeting** – Summer  
Break

### August

Aug 5: Free Museum & Rhoads School Tours,  
Noon – 4:00 PM

Aug 7: Rhoads School **Board Meeting**– 9:00 AM

Aug 14: EGHS **Board Meeting** – Museum  
4:00 PM

Aug 21: EGHS **No General Meeting** – Summer  
Break

**BUS TRIP** to Modesto on Tuesday, August 8 to the **McHenry Mansion** and the **Hilmar Cheese Factory** for a grand adventure for only \$65/person. The bus leaves the museum at 8:30 am and returns at 6:00 pm. For reservations and information call Lorraine at (916) 683-6893. Deadline is August 3.



### Sloughouse Cemetery Tours

July 8, Aug 12 & Sept 9  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm

There are many great stories in  
the FREE tour of this historic  
cemetery

**Welcome**

### New members

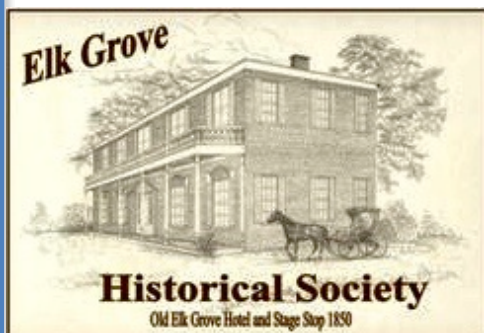
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Gallup  
Judy Ludlow  
Camille Parks  
Dan & Sonja Tarnasky  
Theresa Xavier

### Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson

Operating Accounts:	May 2017	June 2017
General Operating Fund	\$28,932.97	\$28,538.12
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$1,283.52	\$13,533.52
<b>Total Account Balance</b>	<b>\$30,216.49</b>	<b>\$42,071.64</b>
<b>Restoration Accounts:</b>		
General Restoration Fund	\$2,856.90	\$2,926.52
Foulks House Fund	\$90,300.52	\$90,300.52
Reese School Fund	\$239.55	\$239.55
<b>Total Account Balance</b>	<b>\$93,396.97</b>	<b>\$93,466.59</b>
<b>Museum Store Account:</b>	<b>\$3,292.34</b>	<b>\$3,292.39</b>
<b>Rhoads School Account:</b>		
Operating Fund	\$1,781.04	\$1,787.99
Scholarship Fund	\$3,288.83	\$3,288.83
<b>Total Account Balance</b>	<b>\$5,069.87</b>	<b>\$5,076.82</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$131,975.67</b>	<b>\$143,907.44</b>

The **Lewis & Clark Exhibit** is setup in the ballroom of the Stage Stop Museum and is open the first Saturday of the month from noon to 4:00 pm. The Rhoads School is also open at 1:00 and all tours are FREE!

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Elk Grove House and Stage Stop Museum  
Is located at  
9941 East Stockton Boulevard

Adjacent to the West Entrance of  
Elk Grove Regional Park

Museum is open the first Saturday of  
each month or by appointment

Research Library is now open by  
appointment Only

To schedule an appointment:

Email:

[eghs@elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com](mailto:eghs@elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com)

Or

[msjlaw@comcast.net](mailto:msjlaw@comcast.net)

Or

Call 916-685-8115



The Lincoln Highway passed  
through Elk Grove in front of the  
Elk Grove House & Stage Stop  
Museum on what is now East  
Stockton Blvd.

Rhoads School

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## New Member and Membership Renewal Form

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

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

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If this is a business membership, please complete the following:

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

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

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

Types of Membership and fee structure

Check one

\_\_\_ Individual Person.....\$20.00

\_\_\_ Family Group.....\$30.00

\_\_\_ Student (full time under 25).....\$15.00

\_\_\_ Senior Citizen (65 to 79).....\$15.00

\_\_\_ Senior Citizen (80+).....FREE

\_\_\_ Business, Corporation, Association.....\$30.00

\_\_\_ Lifetime (Member & Spouse).....\$400.00

Note: EGHS is a California Non-Profit Corporation  
Dues may be deductible under IRS code 501(c)3