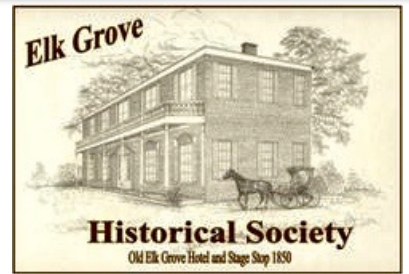


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Big Day of Giving

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On May 4 the Sacramento region will come together for one Big Day of Giving. This is a national 24-hour online challenge to benefit local charities in the area.

From 12:01 AM to midnight **on May 4**, go to:

bigdayofgiving.org

To make a donation on that site, type in "Elk Grove Historical Society" in the search box to bring up our page to make the donation.

or

Come by the museum between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM for a complementary glass of wine, hors d'oeuvres, and assistance in making your online donation.

WOW!!!!... A patron has come forward and will match whatever you donate up to \$10,000. In other words it will double your donation; if you donate say \$100, they will donate \$100. So, that means if we can get \$10,000 in total donations, she will kick in \$10,000.

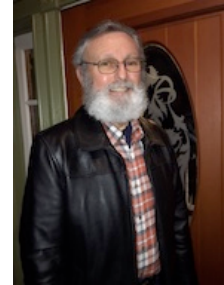
We have a goal, help us reach it!

Due to your generosity last year we have completed the blacksmith shop/storage facility and the entry gate-keeper.

This year we want to restore the Folks House and add sidewalks to connect the buildings.

(See enclosed flyer)

President's Message



Record rainfall, gusty winds and it is springtime? Nevertheless, activities continue into a busy May with three fundraising opportunities (see calendar). Existing construction projects (Blacksmith/Storage and Gate House) are completed by Eagle Scouts, Jim Entrican, volunteers and local business partners. Business items are progressing steadily too.

The Foulks House Restoration is planned to begin this Summer/Fall depending on the bidding process and permit issues. Architectural Plans are being updated. A bidding process will start thereafter. We will start one exterior wall at a time. This allows existing construction to be examined and identify materials needed for completion. Interior wall restoration will be a second phase that may begin after several outside walls are finished. Completion is expected in 2 to 3 years?



Whitelock Interchange: A letter has been sent to the City of Elk Grove stating our position on the proposed Whitelock Interchange. No one wants to see the interchange impact Heritage Park. However, the City believes, as adopted in City Planning Documents, something must be done for traffic improvement in future years. We continue to be open to discussion.

First Saturday Tours: Watch for activities to be scheduled for July through October. We are focusing on living history events at the Stage Stop. We invite you to visit your museum for Free tours.



Rhoads School Report



LIVING HISTORY CLASSES: Our docents are working hard. We have classes scheduled at the school, **every** weekday from now until June, except for eight random dates. Also, we already have seven dates reserved for the next school year.

POSITIONS: We still have a Historian position available and we would love to have a "Sub" Fire Starter. Your assistance would truly be appreciated.

BAKELESS CAKE SALE: Thank you Chairpersons Annaclare & Jim Entrican for putting together the Bakeless Cake sale. Because of the big hearts of our membership it was a resounding success. It will truly impact our scholarship program and help with many repairs and upgrades: Operating Fund - \$825, Scholarship Fund - \$1905. Thank you! We are already preparing to replace the dry rot on the porch, rail, and handicap ramp and are slated to have a woodpile cover made to keep the wood dry and stop theft.

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.

Director Roberta Tanner



Our huge Yard Sale being held at the museum is scheduled for
June 16, 17, 18 from **8:00 AM to 3:00 PM** each day.

We are now accepting donations on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for small household items and clothing (clean and folded) on May 6&7, 20&21, 27&28 and June 3&4, 10&11. Call Dennis Buscher (685-8115) for drop off or pickup of large items and furniture after May 16th.

Calendar of Events for May-June 2017

May

May 6: Free Museum & Rhoads School Tours,
Noon – 4:00 PM
May 6-7: **Western Festival**
May 8: EGHS **Board Meeting**-Museum
4:00 PM
May 13: **Spring Tea** at Museum 3:00 pm
May 14: MOTHER's DAY
May 15: EGHS **General Meeting** – 6:30 at
Presbyterian Church-8153 Elk Grove Blvd.
w/Guest Speaker Margaret (van Steyn) Duarte



EGHS '67

SPEAKER:

Margaret (van Steyn) Duarte grew up on her family's dairy in the Franklin area with her nine siblings. She went on to teach locally and after retiring, pursued her long time passion of creative writing. She has just finished her 3rd novel and its getting rave reviews.

She will speak on what it was like for her family from Holland to grow up, work, and go to school in this rural community. Most of her family is still around working their farms, dairies, and businesses. What changes have happened over the years? It will be a local history lesson you won't want to miss.

June

June 2: Free Museum & Rhoads School Tours,
Noon – 4:00 PM
June 5: Rhoads School **Board Meeting**– 9:00 AM
June 12: EGHS **Board Meeting** – Museum
4:00 PM
June 16-18: **Yard Sale** at Museum
June 18: FATHER's DAY
June 19: EGHS **General Meeting** – 6:30 at
Presbyterian Church-8153 Elk Grove Blvd.
w/Guest Speaker Steve Lawrence



EGHS '63

SPEAKER:

Steve Lawrence, too grew up on his family's dairy in the Franklin area. His family was one of the first of the Portuguese to establish themselves in California and a key in promoting their heritage and their place in the community. He and his parents were presidents of the local Portuguese Society and whose name represents much honor among the original pioneers. Come listen to how the nationality arrived here and what it took to be part of the community.

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!



Our efforts with your support earned the EG Historical Society \$6000.
Thank you

Welcome

New members
Paul & Laura Lindsay family
Deborah Llata
Chris Lombardo



We need an assistant Treasurer to handle things when our treasurer goes on vacation. You will be trained and supported.

Our condolences to the families of Jane (Derr)Morse, Ellen (Corthrin) Rosa, Jerry Strong, and Dale "Santa" Newbold for the loss of our long time friends.

There are just a few tickets left!



Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson

Operating Accounts:	Mar 2017	Apr 2017
General Operating Fund	\$23,805.46	\$28,460.19
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$5,693.51	\$5,607.00
Total Account Balance	\$29,498.97	\$34,067.19

Restoration Accounts:		
General Restoration Fund	\$6,615.26	\$2,496.18
Foulks House Fund	\$90,300.52	\$90,300.52
Reese School Fund	\$239.55	\$239.55
Total Account Balance	\$97,155.33	\$93,036.25

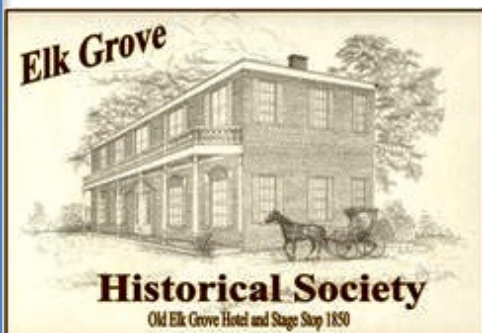
Museum Store Account:	\$3,175.17	\$3,175.17
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Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund	\$1,227.55	\$1,602.55
Scholarship Fund	\$2,888.83	\$3,048.83
Total Account Balance	\$4,116.38	\$4,651.38

Total **\$133,945.85** **\$134,929.99**

We have eliminated the condensed minutes from the newsletter. We have them on file in the Tom Russell Research Library at the museum and they are open to the public for viewing. We are removing two pages from the newsletter to save ink and paper. Its small but we are trying to put every penny of your donations to smart use. Thank you.

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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

Or

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.

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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

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

___ Senior Citizen (80+).....FREE

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

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

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