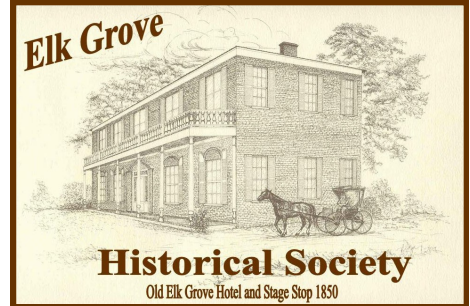


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Strauss Goes Silver—Celebrating 25 Years



Don't miss the "Strauss Goes Silver" exhibit in the ballroom. Jackie Lewis has provided us with a beautiful display with many items from the last 25 years of festivals in Elk Grove, which began in 1987. Pictured on the left are the King's Chair and one of the many beautiful masquerade masks on display, and on the right are some of the hand-made costumes used in the performances. There are replicas of the Schonbrunn Palace (pictured below), the Alpine Chalet designed by Arnie Zimbelman and constructed by Arnie and Ed Keema in 1995, and the Cinderella Castle designed by Ed Keema and constructed by Ed and Arnie Zimbelman in 1994. The walls are filled with program posters and masks dating back to the first one (1987) and going through 2011. The 2012 poster contest is still underway. Please stop by—it's great!



SAVE THE DATE Spring Tea—Saturday, May 12, 2012

You won't want to miss our entertainment this year featuring docents from the Historic Governor's Mansion. They will present a series of "vignettes" about the history of the Governor's Mansion. You will "meet" the first resident of this opulent mansion as well as each of the Governors' wives, from Mrs. Pardee (1905) to Nancy Reagan (1967).



Spring Tea 2011

Donations are needed for the silent auction. Contact Elaine Wright at 686-5200.

Be sure to put May 12 on your calendar. More information will follow.



The Phantom Ball Continues!

We have sent notices inviting you to attend our
Fourth Annual Phantom Ball
Fundraising Event

*This event is held at
a Phantom Place;
at a Phantom Time*

*Proceeds will go for the purchase & installation of
Walkway Lighting.*

*Previous Events were used to complete our Beautiful
Iron Fencing.*

*Don't forget to send in your donation. Remember, your
donation makes a difference in keeping the history of
Elk Grove alive!*

Calendar of Events for March-April 2012

March 3, 2012: Free Museum Tours, Noon-4:00 PM

March 12, 2012: Board Meeting, 4 PM, Hotel

March 13-15: Snow Train to Reno. **We have three openings. Call Dennis at 714-2355 if interested.**

March 17, 2012: Native American Celebration, Noon-4:00 PM, Hotel

March 19, 2012: General Meeting 6:30 PM, Elk Grove Farm Bureau, 8970 Elk Grove Blvd # A. Enjoy a presentation on the Sloughhouse Pioneer Cemetery's 40th year of stewardship with the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. They would like the Historical Society to see what they are planning for their May celebration.

April 7, 2012: Free Museum Tours, Noon-4:00 PM

April 9, 2012: Board Meeting, 4 PM Hotel

April 16, 2012: General Meeting, 6:30 PM, Elk Grove Farm Bureau, 8970 Elk Grove Blvd # A.

April 21, 2012: Native American Celebration, Noon-4:00 PM, Hotel



If you have email and are NOT receiving email messages from the Society call Lorraine at 683-6893 so we can correct our records.

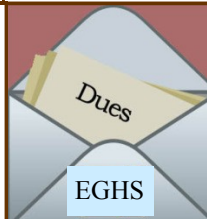


2 Four-Drawer Legal-Size File Cabinets Needed



Do you have a couple four-drawer legal-size file cabinets that you are no longer using and don't know what to do with? Please consider donating them to the Elk Grove Historical Society for our filing needs. If you can donate one or two, please contact Jeanette Lawson at 685-8115.

Membership Dues



Membership dues are now due. Please use the renewal form on the last page of this newsletter. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson

Operating Accounts	12/1/11	2/2/12
General Fund	\$311.76	\$1,522.74
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$6,916.10	\$6,671.10
Total Account Balance:	\$7,227.86	\$8,193.84
Restoration Accounts		
General Restoration Fund	\$4,929.35	\$6,233.78
Time Capsule Fund	\$168.83	\$168.83
Foulks House Fund	\$18,285.15	\$18,335.15
Reese School Fund	\$8,750.00	\$8,750.00
Total Account Balance:	\$32,133.33	\$33,487.76
Museum Store Account	\$2,137.73	\$749.29
Subtotal	\$41,498.92	\$42,430.89
Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund:	\$206.92	\$290.84
Scholarship Fund:	\$1,216.66	\$416.66
Subtotal	\$1,423.58	\$707.50
Total	\$42,922.50	\$43,138.39

Tea Cups Needed



Thanks to all who have so generously donated tea cups for our May tea—however, we still need a few more cups to make our table settings extra special. Any questions call Lorraine 683-6893.

Yard Sale Items

Start putting aside your unwanted household and yard items now for our annual Yard Sale this summer. July 20, 21, 22, 2012.



New Members



Steven Schultz
Charles Wirth
Linda & John Patterson



Research Library

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

EGHS Board Meeting Minutes - February 13, 2012

- Call to Order: Vice President Barbara Claire
 - The minutes of the January 9 meeting were approved as corrected.
 - Treasurer's report was approved as presented. The January SMUD bill was approved for payment. The Board approved a request to purchase a copy of Quick Books 2012 for \$249.
- **Committee Reports**
 - Christmas Wrap-up: The Christmas fund raiser was very successful. Thanks to those who helped with taking down the decorations and setting up the new displays: Jeanette Lawson, Jim Entrican, Randy Entrican, Andrew Entrican and John Bennett.
 - Docents are needed for March.
 - Lorraine Croup reported on the membership dues.
 - Jim Entrican reported on Spring landscaping plans. Milt Webb, Dianne Cadwallader and Linda Lichtenberg were noted for their great work in pruning all the roses.
 - Plans are underway for the next Antique and Craft Show scheduled for September 15.
 - Jeanette Lawson provided an update on the upcoming Phantom Ball fund raiser.
 - Mary McIntyre will be the speaker at February's General Meeting.
 - Elaine Wright is the new program chair for the General Meetings.
 - Dennis Buscher provided an update on the Snow Trip to Reno in March.
 - The Spring Tea will be on May 12. The entertainment will be provided by Governor's Mansion docents.
 - Dennis Buscher is working on getting new items for the Native American display.
 - There was discussion on how to display donors' names on the new fence.

New Business

- The Iron Safes in the Jail and their historical significance was discussed.
- Barbara Claire has made changes to our website. Please take a look at www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com.
- Vice President Barbara Claire adjourned the meeting.



A Big Thank You
to all the docents who
opened in February!!



Save the Date: Thursday, April 19th.
Bus trip to Ironstone Winery in Murphys.
More information to follow.



Rhoads School
Established 1872

Rhoads School Report – Frances Fite

We may still be waiting for Winter, but the Rhoads School Schedule says it's almost Spring. We took our annual mid-winter break for the holidays, and also because our wonderful old building is harder to keep heated in the cold weather. Now classes have started up again, and it looks like a pretty full schedule well into May.

■ We have five full-time docents, plus a sometimes-available, Mistress Nellie St.Clair, who became a Grandma last year and wants the time off. Each docent brings her own uniqueness to the teaching, and they are all great.

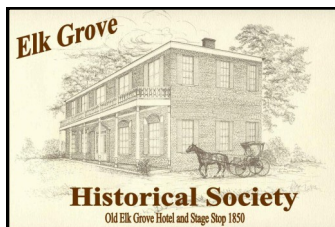
We also have a crew that we call 'the Fire-Builders', consisting of six individuals or couples. Five are responsible for a specific day of each week, with number six being the substitute, whenever needed. And so far he is a busy substitute. I assume that you can guess what the 'fire-builders' do. Yes, they arrive early and build a fire in the indoor stove, and then tend to it and any other custodial needs, and greet the docent when she arrives about an hour later. Like the docents, the Rhoads School Program couldn't happen without these people.



Fire Builders

Monday	Dave & Evelyn Raulien
Tuesday	Arnie & Iris Zimbelman
Wednesday	Jim & Virginia Ring
Thursday	Ed & Ethel Keema
Friday	Vernon & Pat Vincent
Substitute/Relief	Jim & Annaclare Entrican

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Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

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 and over)\$15.00

☐ Business, Corporation, Association \$30.00

☐ Lifetime (Member and Spouse)\$400.00

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