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# The Stage Stop Gazette



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#### 100-Year Celebration - San Joaquin Township Courthouse & Jail



Supervisor Don Nottoli presents Sacramento County's proclamation to Vice President Barbara Claire

Dignitaries, members and guests braved the heat and attended the 100-year celebration and dedication of the San Joaquin Courthouse & Jail on June 16. The Native Sons of the Golden West provided the plaque and performed the ceremony commemorating the occasion. Proclamations were presented by Supervisor Don Nottoli on behalf of Sacramento County, Rod\_Brewer\_on behalf of Cosumnes Community Services District, and Elizabeth Pinkerton on behalf of the City of Elk Grove.

Joyce Melton represented the Delta Patrol of



Native Sons of the Golden West, Parlor 41

the Sacramento County Sheriffs' office and her husband Jay Melton who initiated the move of the courthouse and jail to Heritage Park. Aaron Larson who helped restore

the jail as an Eagle Scout project in 2000 was also present with his family. After the ceremony everyone enjoyed refreshing strawberry sundaes provided by Leatherby's.

#### **Tour of Ironstone Winery**



Those of us who took the bus trip to Murphys were in for a big treat as we toured the Ironstone Winery. Some of us were not aware of the underground storage area for the wine barrels, which included a waterfall at the end of the tunnel. Our guide was Conrad Levasseur who told us the history of the Krautz family-owned winery. A special treat was listening to the beautiful music of the organ that once graced the interior of the old Alhambra Theater. If you haven't tried the deli at the winery, you are missing out. It is fabulous, as was the wine tasting. Afterwards, the bus dropped us off in downtown Murphys where we roamed the shops and had something cool to drink or an ice cream to top off our lunch. Another great trip, Lorraine!

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YARD

#### Yard Sale Alert

The Society is accepting any donations you might have for the yard sale scheduled for July 20, 21 & 22 at the Museum. Look in

the attic, garage and your house for unwanted items. Call Lorraine at 683-6893. The funds from the yard sale will be used for restoration of the Foulks House.

#### **Vendors Wanted**

We still need vendors for our Antique and Craft Show on September 15th.

We are looking for hand-made arts and

crafts as well as antique/collectible vendors. Please download an application at <a href="https://www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com">www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com</a> or call Brookelea at 685-3368.



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# July 7, 2012: Free Museum Tours, Noon—4:00 PM July 9, 2012: Board Meeting, 4:00 PM Hotel July 20, 21, 22, 2012: Annual Yard Sale. Hotel grounds.

Calendar of Events for July—August 2012

No General Meeting in July or August. A Board meeting may be scheduled in August if needed. Happy Summer!

## **Concours D'Elegance**Save the Date—September 22!!!



Lorraine is putting together a bus tour to the Concours D'Elegance at the Ironstone Winery on Saturday, September 22. The bus will leave the museum parking

lot on East Stockton Blvd at 8 AM, returning at 6 PM. The event is second only to Pebble Beach's Concours. You will see cars of various vintages and values from all over the United States. You will also be able to visit their gold rush museum and see the world's largest (44 pound) crystalline gold-leaf specimen. The funds from this tour will be used toward the restoration of the Foulks House. Watch for further information in the Elk Grove Citizen and our next newsletter or call Lorraine at 683-6893. LEAVE THE DRIVING TO US!

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!



We need a VOLUNTEER who has the expertise to install two ADA toilets in our bathrooms. We will supply the ADA toilets and any other material necessary. You supply the expertise and labor! Please contact: Jim 916 761-2225.

Treasurer's Report:	Jeanette Lawson					
Operating Accounts	5/2/12	6/1/12				
General Operating Fund	\$1,999.08	\$2,176.24				
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$2,388.99	\$2,042.25				
Total Account Balance:	\$4,388.07	\$4,218.49				
Restoration Accounts						
General Restoration Fund	\$7,333.73	\$8,977.27				
Time Capsule Fund	\$603.83	\$603.83				
Foulks House Fund	\$19,222.81	\$19,222.81				
Reese School Fund	\$9,938.28	\$9,93828				
Total Account Balance:	\$37,098.65	\$38,742.19				
Museum Store Account	\$1,139.79	\$1,306.80				
<u>Subtotal</u>	\$42,626.51	\$44,267.48				
Rhoads School Account:						
Operating Fund:	\$290.84	\$417.29				
Scholarship Fund:	\$416.66	\$416.66				
<u>Subtotal</u>	\$707.50	\$833.95				
<u>Total</u>	\$43,334.01	\$45,101.43				
Raleys/Bel Air Qualit	v of Life P	rogram				

#### Raleys/Bel Air Quality of Life Program



Members, Please remember to use your Quality of Life cards at your local Raley's & Bel Air. The profits from the cards go to award scholarships to local schools so students can attend the Rhoads School Living History Program.

Remember, you must activate your card online for the rewards to benefit the Rhoads School Program.

#### **Old Fashioned Christmas**

Plans are underway for our 2012 Old Fashioned Christmas.



WE NEED
DECORATORS!

If you or you know someone/decorator who would

like to decorate one of the rooms in the Hotel, please call Jeanette 685-8115 or email her at msjlaw@comcast.net.

#### **Parade of Trees**

The Elk Grove Historical Society is inviting organizations and businesses to participate in the <u>Parade of Trees</u>, a new feature in the "Old Fashioned Christmas" event held each year at the Elk Grove Hotel & Stage Stop Museum. The trees will line the walkway approach to the hotel.

This is a good way to join in a community event and have your organization's tree admired by all who visit the Hotel during the December holidays. Please call Sally Bergen at 686-8653 if you would like to participate.



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#### EGHS Board Meeting Minutes - June 11, 2012

- Call to order: Vice President Barbara Claire
  - Minutes of May 14 were approved as submitted.
  - The Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.
  - An internal audit committee consisting of Dennis Buscher, Lorraine Croup and Brookelea Lutton was appointed to audit the period of December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2011.

#### **A**nnouncements

- Barbara Claire expressed concern about the parking situation during our open time in June because of a baseball game being held at the same time.
- The speaker for the May general meeting, Tom Mahon, was very interesting and knowledgeable about the early history of Elk Grove and talked about the Ranch his family built.
- At the General Meeting, Sophia Scherman suggested having the signage for the Museum, Lincoln Highway, etc., all on one pole. She will check into getting it done.
- The 3 long benches on the front porch have been painted.

#### **Committee Reports**

- So far only one recipe has been received for our cookbook project. See the insert with this newsletter. We will follow up with phone calls.
- There were not as many visitors to the Hotel on June 2 as hoped due to the parking situation.
- Elk Grove City Grant: No official notice has been received yet. Jim Entrican will follow up.
- Jeanette Lawson and Barbara Claire are still gathering information for the brochure on Historic Homes of Elk Grove.
- So far 19 vendor applications have been received for our Antique and Craft Show. The hot dog vendor has been confirmed, and things are moving along.
- Jeanette Lawson has found one more decorator to decorate one of the Hotel rooms at Christmas. We need more.

#### **New Business**

- The EG Garden Club will give us \$400 for rose bushes for the Hotel.
- We received a request to use the Rhoads School for a wedding on September 29.
   Even though CSD owns the property, we need to give permission in writing.
- The first annual Living History Celebration of the News of Statehood at the Hotel will be held October
   This will be during our normal Museum open time and we will use this as our General Meeting to promote attendance.
- Vice President Barbara Claire adjourned the meeting.



A Big Thank You to all the docents who worked the openings in May & June!

Thanks to those who responded timely to our Dues Reminder letter. For those who haven't responded yet, please get your checks in to us. These dues are used to keep the Society functioning during the year. Our fundraisers are used to bolster our restoration program. Any questions call Lorraine at 683-6893.



Rhoads School

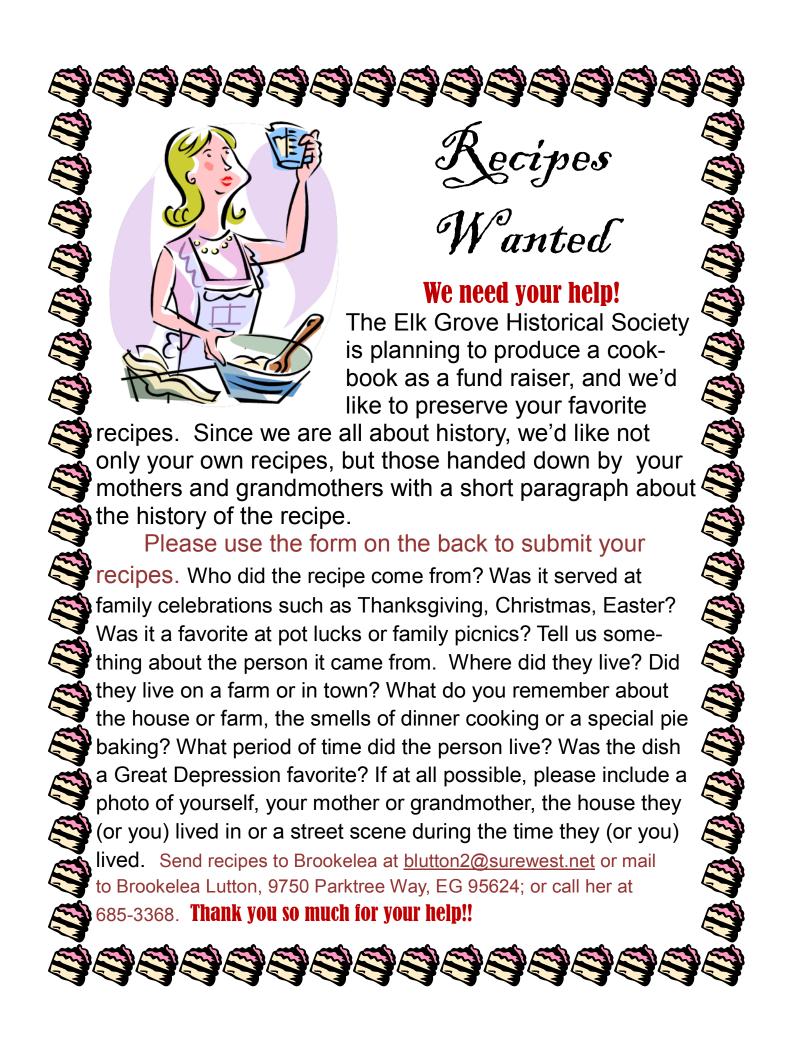
Rhoads School Established 1872 Research Library Open by appointment.

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

#### Rhoads School – Frances Fite

The Rhoads School is quiet during the summer, since classes will not resume until October. Some maintenance is undertaken where needed, and wood supplies for the winter are located and stored.

However, August will be our Annual Docent Meeting, when our 9 docents and one curator, Meg Waegell, will get together at the schoolhouse for planning, discussing, learning from each other, and eating. This important event will be under the direction of our wonderful Lead Docent, Ellen McNeal and her assistants Nancy White and Rosemary Fajen. The date is yet to be decided.



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COOKBOOK	Recipe Name: Person Submitting: Phone Number: List of Ingredients:
Preparation Instr	uctions:
Recipe's History:	

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Museum Open the first Saturday of each month or by Appointment

Research Library is now open by Appointment Only
To schedule an appointment,
E-mail:

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Or

Call 916-685-8115

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Is located at
9941 East Stockton Blvd.
Adjacent to the West Entrance of Elk
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