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Inside the Museum Files: BRANDS

Brands are one of the most interesting tools used by livestock people to mark their animal possessions. Each brand by necessity is unique to the owner or family, often conveys the character of that owner, and is permanent. The origin of branding livestock dates from 2700 B.C. Evidence has been found in Egyptian tombs and Greek and Roman's would even brand their slaves. Hernando Cortez who introduced branding from Spain to the new World in 1541 initiating California's branding roots. There are many requirements for developing a brand. Each brand is unique, can't be used by anyone else, must be registered each year to keep it active, and requirements may vary from place to place. Some animals must be branded in certain places and some are different whether the animal is a horse or cow. Certain types of horses must be branded in certain spots as registered Arabians on the right side of the neck and Thoroughbreds on upper lip. In our library we have a book of all the California brands. We have reached out to many local ranchers and have accumulated over 50 brands, marked a piece of wood with the brand and a name plate, and have mounted them on our blacksmith wall. Its impressive and we are still looking for more. On our website we have posted photos of each of the brands and are slowly gathering the history of each. Check them out on our website at elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com, click-on "HISTORY TOPICS" then under "Brands."

History Week is Coming!



September 21-28

History Week is a week that has been designated as a week to celebrate our local history.

Any group, organization, or person can schedule an event on any day and we will gladly put it on the calendar and help promote it.

This is an opportunity to help bring the community together and appreciate our past.

You are welcome to enjoy any of the events and if your group would like to offer an event, contact at us eghs@elkgrovehistoricalsociety. com or (916) 685-8115

For more information on each event, visit our home page at elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com

2019 History Week Calendar

Saturday, September 21

Plow-To-Plate Dinner (6:00-9:00) \$80 at the museum for the Rhoads School

Sunday, September 22

Pinkerton Picnic in the Park honors EGUSD (12:30-3:00) Free at the museum Catered food: \$10 adult & \$5 child LMML Foundation 2019 Annual Performance of Irene West (2:00-5:00) \$25

Monday, September 23

Sloughhouse Cemetery Tour – Roberta Tanner (4 pm-dusk) Free

Tuesday, September 24

Franklin Cemetery Tour - Dennis Buscher (4 pm-dusk) Free

Wednesday, September 25

Rhoads School Tour - Roberta Tanner (4 pm-dusk) Free

Thursday, September 26

Old Town Tour – Angi Perry (4:00-dusk) Free at Old Town Plaza

Friday, September 27

Chamber Luncheon (11:30-1:30) w/History Speaker Jim Entrican – Angi Perry \$35 (approx.) at Valley-Hi Country Club

Saturday, September 28

Mahon Ranch Hop & Brew Fest (2:00-8:00) \$40 adult, \$15 under 13 (Free parking)

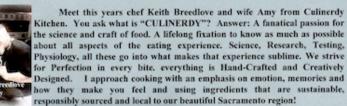
The Elk Grove Historical Society and Rhoads School Presents 2019

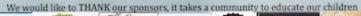
PLOW-TO-PLATE



Saturday, September 21

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Museum (9941 East Stockton Boulevard - West entrance to the EG Park)

















Saturday, September 21

6 pm to 9 pm at the museum

This is our big dinner and fundraiser that earns us money for scholarships for schools, usually Title I, that can't afford to attend the Rhoads School Living History Program. You would not believe the difference it makes in the lives of these children.

Look on our website elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com for details, menu, and tickets.



Sunday, September 22

12:30 pm – 3:00 pm at the museum

This is the 3rd Annual Pinkerton
Picnic in the Park where on
behalf of the Elk Grove
Historical Society local historian
Elizabeth Pinkerton honors a
local person or group who has
contributed to the history in our
area. This year she has chosen

Elk Grove Unified School District.

It is a free picnic open to the public with many fun games for the children. Bring your own lunch or purchase a catered one for \$10 adult, \$5 child (13 & under).

Purchase lunches on line at elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com



Rhoads School Report

By Director Roberta Tanner



- The new school year is starting and the first Living History class is scheduled for October 1st. Everyone is excited and can't wait to share their knowledge with the new third graders.
- At this publication we presently have over sixty classes scheduled from 25 different schools, but expect to reach our usual 80 classes soon as public school is starting.
 Some schools are year round and why many classes are already scheduled.
- For over eight years we have been working to get our leaky and stuck windows repaired and historically correct. It has finally happened and they were installed August 14th and 15th. We can't begin to say how pleased we are.
- The next Rhoads School board meeting is scheduled for October 7th where we will vote on and hand out scholarships to financially strapped schools. We are able to do this because of your generosity.

Calendar of Events for September - October 2019

September

Sept 7: Free Museum & Rhoads School **Tours**, Noon -4:00

Sept 9: EG Historical Society **Board** meeting 3:00 PM at the Museum

Sept 16: EG Historical Society

General meeting speaker*- Arnie Zimbelman

Sept 21-28 HISTORY WEEK

See previous pages for schedule of events

*Speaker: Arnie Zimbelman Local icon, Strauss Festival founder, and long time teacher and coach at Elk Grove

High school will speak on his many experiences over the years and share his thoughts for the future of Elk Grove. He has a beautiful slide show prepared. You really



don't want to miss this presentation.

October

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

Oct 7: Rhoads School Board Meeting – 9:00 am Oct 12: **Bus Trip to Sonoma & Vallejo House**

Oct 14: EG Historical Society **Board** meeting 3:00 PM at the Museum

Oct 21: EG Historical Society

General meeting speaker* - Roberta Tanner

*Speaker: Roberta Tanner
Our Rhoads School
director is an expert on
the history of the
Continental Railroad.
Recently, she was the
keynote speaker at an
event in Utah and brings
her knowledge to our
community. Come learn
all the facts and inside
dealings to get it done.







Bus Trip to Sonoma Saturday, October 12

Leave at 8:00 am return at 6:00 pm



See the Vallejo house, his army quarters, Sonoma Mission, wine tasting, lunch, (lunch is on your own) and

shopping on the plaza. Only \$80 each and includes shopping discount gift pkg. Mail check to historical society or credit card on our website

elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com



Would you like to be a historical society board member? We will be voting in November and if interested, you need to call our nominating chairman, Jim Entrican (916-761-2225) to express your interest in a position and he can answer questions.

The elected options are President, 1st Vicepresident, 2nd Vice-president, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Correspondence Secretary.

Please give it some consideration. Short candidate Bio's will be presented in the next Newsletter.

New Members
Carmen Bird
Kelly Gonzalez
Thomas Herzog
Ron & Elizabeth Madsen
Susan Strong

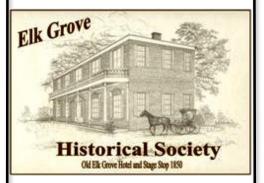


Presently, we have 320
Historical Society members
and we slowly continue to
grow. They are all warmly
appreciated as they all help in
our mission to provide and
save history for our
community. We wouldn't exist
with out their support.
Thank you all

Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson

Operating Accounts:	July 2019	Aug 2019								
General Operating Fund	\$1,823.63	\$1,823.63								
Total Account Balance	\$1,823.63	\$1,823.63								
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Restoration Accounts:										
General Oprting/Restor Fu	nd \$21,216.84	\$7,550.28								
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$0	\$7,500								
Donations	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00								
Foulks House Fund	\$91,036.35	\$81,036,35								
Reese School Fund	\$433.55	\$7,000.00								
Total Account Balance	\$262,686.74	\$253,086.63								
Real Estate Rental Account	\$12,009.67	\$13,006.90								
Museum Store Account:	\$2,787.04	\$2,787.08								
Rhoads School Account:										
Operating Fund	\$642.20	\$554.32								
Scholarship Fund	\$4,620.14	\$8,150.14								
Total Account Balance	\$5,262.34	\$8,704.46								
Total	\$284,569.42	\$279,408.73								

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www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com

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, noon to 4:00 pm.

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.

Rhoads School Email: <u>rhoadsschool@gmail.com</u> (916) 685-8115

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