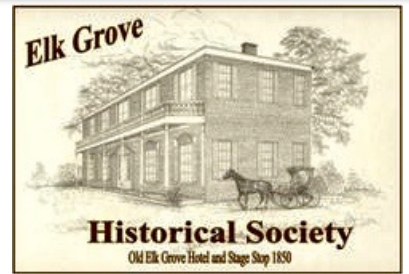


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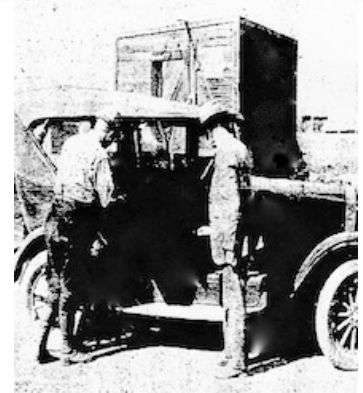
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Inside the Museum Files:

The First Elk Grove Bank Robbery

On Monday, July 16, 1928 the Elk Grove branch of the Security Bank and Trust in Elk Grove (middle photo) was robbed of \$8,200 by two masked bandits brandishing weapons. It was the second robbery in four days by the same crew. Four days earlier, Tuesday, July 12, the Bank of Courtland was robbed of \$10,000.

Wearing handkerchiefs over their mouth and in greasy coveralls they went about the robbery in military precision while a third waited in a car outside. Charles H. Copper, manager of the bank, George Tavernar, member of the board of directors, and William Smith, teller (left photo) were first taken behind one of the bank cages, where Tavernar was forced to turn over the keys to the cash drawer.

They escaped in a Sacramento man's stolen car (right photo). The three headed toward the park where a fourth person was waiting in another car. Two men from the bank followed them, but ran out of gas just before they got to them. The bandits were seen driving toward Stockton, but the police believe they will circle around to their lair believed to actually be in Sacramento.

There is much more detail and capture on our website, elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com.
Look for "HISTORY – Elk Grove" on the Menu to the right.

Early California Days

March 28-29, 2020

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Elk Grove Park in Rotary Grove/ Pavilion



FREE experiences for the whole family....

*Encampments *Enactments *Demonstrations *Historic Music
*Historical speaker presentations *Children activities and much more

Groups Participating

California Living History Pioneers - Daughters of the Utah Pioneers
US-China Railroad Friendship Assn. - Blue Canyon Gang
Ballet Folklorico' - Cosumnes River Preserve - National Civil War Assn.
Kit Carson Mountain Men of Amador County - MC Buffalo Soldiers
ASDSC Square dancers - TOFA of Sacramento dancers - 4H clubs
Top Hand Ranch Covered Wagon rides (\$3) - Food trucks on site
and many more groups and activities.

Rhoads School Open with tours

Elk Grove Historical Society Museum Open with tours

For program and more details visit: elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com



Its time for the second annual **Early California Days**
at the Elk Grove Park. A whole day of going back in time to appreciate the "old days."

There are many, many historical groups with endless displays and tons of activities for the kids to participate in. We even have musket firing, covered wagons rides through the park, and history speakers in the pavilion for the adults.

The Stage Stop Museum will be open as well as the Rhoads School.

A whole day of **FREE** activities and **Free** parking for the whole family. For more information and a schedule of events, please go to the elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com website.

The Lorraine Croup Historic Bus Trip to
General Vallejo Home, Sonoma Mission, & Plaza Shopping



The Sonoma bus trip was cancelled last year due to the PG&E outages, but has been re-scheduled for **April 18th**. Those 30+ who signed up will be notified and we hope they and others will register. It is a big day filled with many historical sites to view with fun and games on the bus. Please contact Rosemarie Miller (760) 803-5893 cel or Cindy Mahon (916) 952-3417 cel for information.

Lorraine Croup Historical Bus Trip to
SONOMA & VALLEJO HOME
SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH

Bus leaves museum at 8:00 am sharp, return by 6:00 pm



Paid tour of General Vallejo's home and Sonoma Mission, several historic buildings to peruse, goodie bag from City Hall with discounts for food, wine tasting, and shopping on the plaza, and Bingo on the bus for \$2/card/game.

Tickets are \$65 per person (lunch is on your own)

To use your credit card go to elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com or send check to
Elk Grove Historical Society, P.O. Box 562, Elk Grove, CA 95759.

Ticket purchase deadline is April 4th, no refunds.



The Spring Tea is scheduled for May 9th this year at the museum. A registration form is included in this newsletter and plenty of information is on our website at elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com

On Thursday, **May 7** the Sacramento region will come together for one Big Day of Giving from 12:01 AM to midnight. This is a national 24-hour online challenge to benefit local charities in the area.

Thanks to everyone who donated last year to make this one of our important income sources for the preservation of the Foulks house and for scholarships for the Rhoads School program. This year, the Foulks house was restored and looks wonderful. Thank you for your donations. There are some final steps to finish the inside and the top floor bedroom and then it will be the Foulks House Museum.

Please help support these two important projects by donating again this year. You can donate on-line at <http://bigdayofgiving.org/elkgrovehistoricalsociety> the week of May 4th. Also, please stop by the museum on May 7th between 10am and 3pm for a self guided tour, wine, hors d'oeuvres and we can even help you place your donation.



June 19, 20, 21

Thanks to the generosity of our members, our annual Yard Sale gets bigger and better every year! It's not too early to start cleaning out your closets, cupboards and garages to select treasures you no longer use or need for donation to this year's big 3-day sale June 19, 20 & 21.

We request **usable items in good condition, nothing broken or with missing pieces.** Items you might find to

donate include kitchen & tableware; bed, bath & table linens & towels; furniture; wearable clothing & shoes; small appliances; books, DVDs, CDs, vinyl records; artwork & frames; décor items; crafts & holiday decorations; children's toys & games; bicycles & scooters; patio furniture; yard & garden equipment.

Donated items can be brought to the museum on 4 weekends (Saturday & Sunday) between 12 noon and 4 PM starting **May 16 through June 7**. A volunteer will be on site to accept your donation at these times only and will give you an in-kind donation receipt you may use for tax purposes. Arrangements can be made after May 25th to have large items like pieces of furniture picked up at your location by calling Dennis Buscher at (916) 479-2158 or Jim Entrican at (916) 761-2225.

Items we cannot accept include: Used mattresses, bed pillows, baby car seats & strollers; TVs, computers, monitors, printers and stereos. These items do not sell and we have to dispose of them.



Rhoads School Report

By Director Roberta Tanner



There are no big changes in the program and things seem to be running smoothly. Our schedule starts to really pick up in February through May, i.e. February has 9 classes scheduled out of 20 possible days, March, 15 out of 22 days, April, 19 out of 22, May, 11 out of 20, June has 1 class.

And we already have a class scheduled for the next school year!

One of our docents has taken another teaching position and one docent is lessening her load, so we are on the lookout for anyone who might want to be trained next year to be a docent. It is a way to earn a few extra dollars and enjoy a one-time living history experience with each class. Let us know if you know anyone interested.

We have time to train them this year if they are ready.

Calendar of Events for March - April 2020

March

Mar 7: Free Museum & Rhoads School **Tours**,
Noon – 4:00

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

Mar 16: EG Historical Society **General** meeting
6:30 at Presbyterian Church
*Speaker: Wayne Gallup

Mar 28-29: **Early California Days**

* “Re-enactors and Living History of the Civil War”



Wayne was a Civil War re-enactor for many years and he explains the work and research it takes to get the proper clothing and accessories to become a Civil War re-enactors and his experiences on the battlefield.

April

Apr 6: Rhoads School Board Meeting – 9:00 am

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

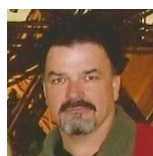
Apr 13: EG Historical Society **Board** meeting
3:00 PM at the Museum

Apr 18: **Bus Trip to Vallejo Home**

Apr 20: EG Historical Society **General** meeting
6:30 at Presbyterian Church

*Speaker: Dan Tarnasky and
Janis Barsetti-Gray

* “The History of Galt”



Dan and Janis are both long time residents and business people in Galt who have a passion for their town. Janis owns a winery and Dan is Galt archivist. They will explain the history and changes over the years of our neighbor.

BALLROOM DISPLAY

Each year the Historical society picks a historical theme and decorates the ballroom with a display lasting the whole year.

This year we decided to tell the story of long time resident, quilter, historian, and local photographer

Anabel Gage. Her son Richard help decide items to display like her many quilts and keepsakes.

The ballroom is open every first Saturday of the month from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm or by appointment.



welcome

New members

Allenya & Bob Knapik
Joseph Cottle



Our deepest condolences to family and friends of our dear member and friend
Lorraine Croup

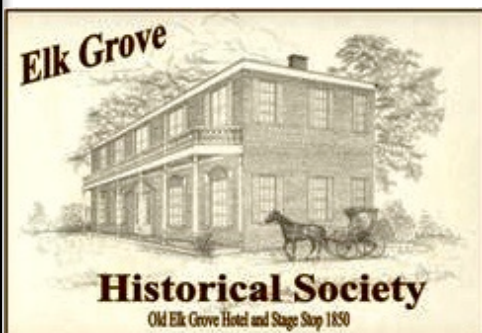
Treasurer's Report: Jeanette Lawson

Operatng/Restor. Accounts:	Jan 2019	Feb 2019
Gnral/Operatng/Restor Fund	\$28,677.29	\$29,719.18
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$4,688.03	\$4,314.51
<u>Donations</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
Total Account Balance	\$183,365.32	\$184,033.69
 Real Estate Rental Account	 \$15,210.58	 \$17,811.93
 Museum Store Account:	 \$4,248.81	 \$4,248.88
 Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund	\$446.22	\$509.22
<u>Scholarship Fund</u>	<u>\$7,067.45</u>	<u>\$7,576.67</u>
Total Account Balance	\$7,513.67	\$7,576.67
 Total	 \$210,338.38	 \$213,671.17



LAST CALL: Please don't forget to renew your membership. The money allows us to pay many bills and help with upkeep of the museum. You can use the renewal form on the next page or go to the website (elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com) and pay by credit card. Look on the Menu for "EG Historical Society Information" to find renewal.

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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 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.

Rhoads School

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Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

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

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Areas of Interest: _____

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

The Elk Grove Historical Society presents

"Strawberry Blossom Teatime"

Saturday, May 9, 2020

Gates open at 12 noon

Heritage Park Garden

9941 Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove, CA. 95624

Raffle - Door Prizes - Professional photos - Valet parking

Decorate your table and receive one complementary ticket

Contact Michelle Sanchez for information at mlicsa_sanchez@yahoo.com



Tickets are \$40 per person - Reserve yours today

Guest name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Tickets: _____ (at \$40 each) Total amount enclosed _____

Vegetarian Meals: _____ # Children: _____ # Wheelchairs _____

Make checks payable to the Elk Grove Historical Society, but mail to
Susan Hernandez - 8244 Laguna Brook Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758

or

Enclose credit card info

Visa Master Card Discover American Express

Name on card: _____

Credit Card number: _____ Exp date: _____

3-digit security code on back: _____ Zip code on billing address: _____

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