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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE - MAY 1982 MEET YOUR EXPECTATIONS

NO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY TOURS OF NEWLY RENOVATED STATE CAPITOL SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 31
WINE-TASTING EVENT ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5
TRIP TO SEE THE WHALES ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Instead of the regular January meeting, a trip to the State Capitol in Sacramento has been set for January 31 to see first-hand the \$68 million restoration of California's most important building. Two trips are scheduled, each of which will be able to take 60 people. The times are 10:30 and 1:30. Please call me at 685-3206 to make your reservation if you would like to go. Tour groups will meet on the steps of the Main Entrance to the Capitol. Program Chairman Sterling Kloss is to be commended for arranging this tour for us so soon after the grand opening and Capitol Restoration Gala. At least two Elk Grove residents have been actively involved in the restoration: Lucinda Woodward, new president of the Sacramento County Historical Society, worked on the project for two years as an interpretive historian (Cindy's mother, Mrs. Lillian Woodward is a member of our Historical Society); and Al Gates whose master bricklaying can now be seen in the magnificent capitol as well as our own Rhoads School.

The second trip coming up is a big one — to see the big ones — the whales off the Pacific roast at Half Moon Bay. The idea for such a trip came from member Helen Mahon, and we have Vice President Dennis Buscher to thank for getting it organized. The date is Friday, February 12, which is a holiday for state workers, those involved in schools and a number of others who celebrate Lincoln's Birthday on this day. Dennis has arranged for a bus which will pick up prospective whale-viewers in Elk Grove at 8:00 (place to be determined). A tour of Marineworld is the first event of the day. Marineworld is closed to the public for the day so this will be a behind-the-scenes tour of how the animals are trained etc. Lunch will be at the Shorebird with a three choice selection. At Half Moon Bay, the boat will then be boarded for the trip out to see the whales which will take about $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours. The bus will return back to Elk Grove between 5 and 6 o'clock. Cost of the trip which includes the bus, lunch and the boat trip is \$35 per person. We must have at least 22 people and we can take up to 47. You can make reservations with me (685-3206). We will not collect any money until we have enough people. We will hold it open until January 31.

Included with this newsletter are five tickets to the annual Wine-tasting event which is the Historical Society's major fund raiser of the year. Ticket chairperson Carmel Horigan is asking you to sell as many of the tickets as you can and send either the money and stubs or unsold tickets to her before January 29. Carmel's address is 8751 Aquarius Drive, Elk Grove 95624; her phone is 685-4058(evenings) and you may call her if you have any questions. Remember that in addition to admission to the Wine Tasting, your ticket may win you a prize in the drawing that takes place at the Wine Tasting.

The Wine-tasting will be held once again in St. Joseph's Parish Hall, and it promises as usual to be one of the major social events in Elk Grove. Hundreds of people attend to sample Gibson's finest and to view the artifacts and collectibles which have been assembled for the evening. Chairman Dennis Buscher has many treats in store for this year's event which has een designated as a "COUNTRY FAIR". There will be demonstrations of weaving, quilting and many other crafts. An old-fashioned punch board will be in operation and, hopefully, a genuine calliope will be part of the entertainment. Members are asked to donate items which can be used as door prizes. Displays of handwork are also needed.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS - Renewals: Lester and Fay Ledbetter, Alta Dickson, Frances Scott and Ellen Rosa. Herb and Darlene Grosz; Evelyn Kerr, sponsored by Sterling Kloss (#98 and #99); and DeLane Burkett, sponsored by Carl Amundsen.