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Inside the Museum Files:

“Horrible Riot on the Cosumnes”

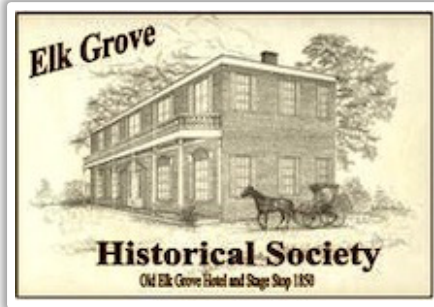
The N.S.G.W. historical marker says:

“Jared Dixon Sheldon, pioneer and owner of the land grant in Sloughhouse, originally from Vermont, also owned 300 acres at this location. To supply water to his crops south of the river, he built a dam 16-ft high, double-walled of heavy oak and filled with large stones. On July 12, 1851, he was shot and killed by 40 to 100 angry miners in the river below this point. Also killed in the shootout were 2 of Sheldon’s 12 friends, James M. Johnson of Iowa and Edward Cody of Illinois. Three men were wounded, including a miner.”

“The prevailing miners destroyed the sluice gate in the dam. They had unrecorded gold mining claims in the river-bottom on Sheldon’s land, which would be flooded by the rising water upstream from the dam. Subsequent floods continued the dam’s destruction, and hydraulic mining in Michigan Bar buried the remnants in silt. Public right of access to California streams was not clarified until 1879.”

Go to the elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com website to see more photos and the detailed story of Sheldon’s dam.

There will be NO Spring Tea this year



Big Day of Giving
MAY 6



Mark your calendars:

Thursday, May 6

This year the Elk Grove Historical Society is partnering with the Strauss Festival to host the Big Day of Giving 24-hour online challenge from

10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Museum.

The Strauss dancers will be doing demonstrations (Performances at 11 am and 1 pm). There will be beverages and snacks indoors as well as computers available, where we can help you with your donations if you choose.

We will adhere to whatever COVID regulations that are recommended at that time.



YARD SALE

June 17, 18, 19, 20 (Thursday-Sunday)

8:00 am to 2:00 pm every day

Last year we held our huge Yard Sale, and it was a tremendous success. We don't know what health recommendations will be required to enter this June. However, we believe the ones we followed last year, which we will repeat if necessary, should continue to keep everyone safe.

It is not too early to start cleaning out your closets, cupboards, attics, and garages to select treasures you no longer use or need and set aside for donating to this big 4-day sale. This frees up room for you and allows continue support for the historical museum. We truly appreciate whatever you decide to share. Thank you.

There is more information on our elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com website.

DONATION INFORMATION

We will be open to accept donations at the museum only on the weekends (Saturday-Sunday) on

May 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, and June 5-6

10:00 am to 2:00 pm each day.

We were fortunate to receive an estate sale and already have a storage container full of items. We still have to sort and price. This is going to be another big one!

During the recent high windstorm, we had a huge oak tree fall on the outhouse and a corner of the newly restored Foulks House. The damage wasn't as bad as the photo implies, but enough damage none the less. Our Facilities Director Dave Chalmers is working on getting repairs done as soon as possible to decrease any further damage.



We are beginning to list many items online that we have in our store. We have many historical books and items that you could only purchase by visiting our museum store in person. It is taking a bit of time to list them but by the next newsletter we should be ready. You will love it!

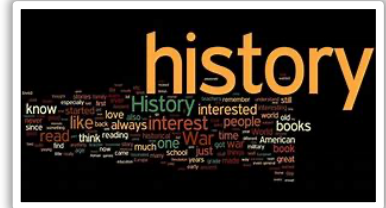


Rhoads School Report



Due to the new regulations regarding independent contractors, we are working to find a solution to the docents ability to teach at the Rhoads School. We are optimistic we can solve it.

There will be **NO** General meetings with history speakers until September 20th and October 18th due to gathering recommendations.



Calendar of Events for March-April 2021

March

Mar11: Historical Society **ZOOM** Board Meeting

April

Apr 12: Historical Society **ZOOM** Board Meeting

There will be **NO** 1st Saturday tours of the museum until further notice

welcome

New members

Diane Buscher

Richard Valencia Jr.

Michael Vargas

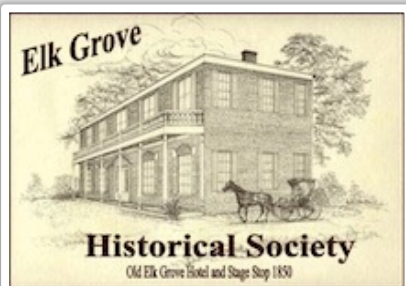
Treasurer's Report: Jeannette Lawson

Operating/Restoration Accts:	Jan 2021	Feb 2021
General Restoration Fund	\$58,553.28	\$34,232.82
Wightman Memorial Fund	\$4,925.69	\$4,672.99
Summer Kitchen Project	\$150,000.00	\$175,000.00
Total Account Balance	\$213,478.97	\$213,905.81
Real Estate Rental Account	\$24,560.96	\$27,724.23
Museum Store Account:	\$3,770.74	\$3,770.81
Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund	\$501.38	\$501.38
Scholarship Fund	\$11,502.82	\$11,502.82
Total Account Balance	\$12,004.20	\$12,004.20
Total	\$253,814.87	\$257,405.05



LAST REMINDER: 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.

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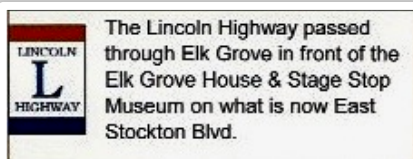
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All the answers are on

Our Website:

www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com

- There are over fifty local history subjects listed on our website to peruse.
- The museum is open for FREE tours every first Saturday of the month between 12:00 to 4:00.
- The Research Library is open to the public by appointment only.



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