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Matters of Interest

- **Error Correction**
An apology is in order to the Lion's Club for the misspelling of their name in the September Newsletter.
- **Docents Needed**
If you'd like to experience being a part of living history, volunteering as a docent is a great way to do this. We'll be open more weekends for the holiday exhibit and would appreciate any small amount of time you can spare. Please call (685-8115).
- **Sponsor the Newsletter**
\$15 per month
\$75 for 6 months
\$150 per year
We'll display your business card in the newsletter or list your name if you prefer. Send information to stagesophotel@aol.com or call 916-685-8115.
- **Parking Lot Update**
A request had been submitted for the fire lanes in the parking lot to be painted red and our loading zone at the end of the sidewalk painted yellow. It's been completed and looks very nice.

Newsletter Delivery Options

The newsletter will now offer two delivery options for members to choose from:

1. Have the newsletter mailed to you as it is now, or
2. Have the newsletter sent to you as a PDF file (which you may print) via e-mail.

If you'd like to continue having the newsletter mailed to you, you don't need to do anything, it will be sent by regular mail.

If you'd like it sent by e-mail (we're trying to go green, maybe save a tree), just send an e-mail to bclaire@frontiernet.net with the subject line as "e-mail newsletter".

Foulks House Restoration Update



The 1853 Foulks house is down on its foundation! It took nearly three years, but we have finally accomplished putting the little house down. The house was moved to our site in December of 2005; during 2006 we concentrated on moving the 1884 Reese School to our site as it was threatened with demolition if we did not act quickly. The school was moved on site in December of 2006 and the next 18 months was spent getting a conditional use permit (CUP) from the city. Once that was in place we arranged to hire a contractor and get the building set down. Our next project will be to replace the roof, windows and siding in the Foulks house so it will look much like it did in 1853. After that we will concentrate on setting the Reese School down on a foundation and then replace the windows, siding and roof on the school. Once both are down and weather tight we will begin restoring the inside of both buildings. We want to thank our project manager, Jim Entrican, for taking care of all the details in getting the Foulks house down.



Research Library

Now open by appointment.
Call Jeanette at 685-8115
or e-mail her at
msjlaw@comcast.net

History Tidbits

It happened in
 1858—150 years ago:
 Prairie Elementary School,
 previously called East
 Union was renamed to
 Prairie in 1858. It is now
 celebrating it's 150th
 anniversary.

1908—100 years ago:
 The Elk Grove Community
 Library was established in
 October 1908 as the first
 county Free Library in the
 state of California.

1958—50 years ago:
 Dec. 2, 1958 was the date of
 the election to unify the
 elementary and high schools
 into the Elk Grove Unified
 School District.

2008—today:
 The Elk Grove Historical
 Society prepares a display
 for the Elk Grove Unified
 School District.

Members Corner

Welcome to our New
 Members

Herb & Ouida Garms

Robert & Faye Krull

William & Kay Mosher

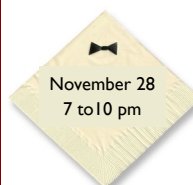
PremierWest Bank

A special **Thank You**
 goes to Steve Lambert for
 making our "Keep Out
 Authorized Personnel
 Only" signs for the Foulks
 House and Reese School.

Calendar of Events

- Special Note: No Board Meetings in November and December
- November 1: Museum closed for Christmas Event Set-up
 - November 15: Governor's Mansion Tour 10 am
 - November 17: General Meeting and Election of Officers, Logan's Roadhouse no-host dinner at 5:30, meeting at 7:00 pm. Christopher Corey, Associate State Archaeologist will speak on "Archaeology of the Central Valley and the Delta" regarding ancient rituals, foods, and burials of the northern California Indians.
 - November 24: No Board Meeting Scheduled
 - November 28: Black Tie & Santa 7-10 pm, Elk Grove Hotel & Stage Stop
 - November 29: Old Fashioned Christmas Event Open 1-8 pm
 - November 29: Old Fashioned Christmas & Holiday Boutique Open 1-5 pm
 - November 30: Old Fashioned Christmas Open 1-5 pm
 - December 1: Planning Meeting 7:00 pm at 7432 Abbey Circle, Elk Grove

Black Tie & Santa Event



Our 2008 Old Fashioned Christmas will begin Friday, November 28, 2008 with our "Black Tie & Santa" Event. It will be from 7:00 to 10:00 pm at the Elk Grove Hotel & Stage Stop Museum, located at 9941 East Stockton Blvd. The public is invited to spend an elegant evening with wine, caviar, chocolate, good friends and of course, Santa! Tickets are \$25 each with a limited number available. Contact Jeanette Lawson at 685-8810 or e-mail her at msjlaw@comcast.net before they're all gone.



Old Fashioned Christmas

Our Old Fashioned Christmas Event will begin Saturday, November 29th. This year we'll be adding a "Holiday Boutique" which will offer handcrafted, beaded jewelry and craft items for sale and will be open on Saturdays for the entire event. From November 29 through December 21 the museum will be open on Friday and Saturday from 1:00 to 8:00 pm and on Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. The fee to view this spectacular presentation is only \$5 per person, children under 12 are free. We again have many talented decorators and hope you enjoy the exhibit. We're looking forward to this special event and hope to see you there!

Museum Exhibit for 2009

The 2009 Exhibit will open February 7, 2009 at the Elk Grove Hotel & Stage Stop Museum (9941 East Stockton Blvd). The exhibit will showcase area churches and organizations, especially those established before 1950. We are looking for community members that are able to help contribute information, pictures or artifacts. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Society Archivist Liz Sellstrom at 685-8115 or e-mail stagestophotel@aol.com

More Activities and Special Events



Historic Home Tour 2008

The home tour was a great success and enjoyed by all.

Home Tour Volunteers: Those who provided salads and brownies were Ed & Lucille Metzler (2),

Billie de la Rosa, Donna Olovson, Mary Gress, Lucille Christesen, Anita Peters, Barbara Claire, and Lorraine Croup (2). Preparing the kitchen for lunch were Anita Peters, Donna Olovson, Barb Claire, and Lucille Christesen; setting up tables and chairs Tim Knox and Dennis Buscher; and preparing the jail was Steve Lambert. Many, many thanks to all for their help and for a great day.Lorraine Croup.

New Tours: Governor's Mansion

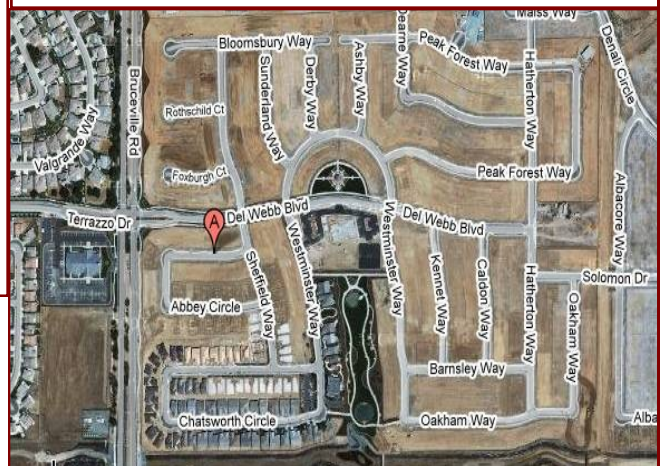
The EGHS is setting up a private tour of the Governor's Mansion, 1526 H Street, Sacramento on Saturday, November 15. This is our fundraising project similar to the tour we had at the Stanford Mansion and the Wells Fargo Museum. The price will be \$20 per person and there will be a no-host lunch at a restaurant close to the mansion. The tour will start at 10 am. For further information contact Lorraine 683-6893.

Planning Meeting for 2009

Jim and Annaclare Entrican will host our 2009 planning meeting on Monday, December 1, 2008 at 7:00 pm. We will have hot cider, coffee & snacks, and discuss our ideas and goals for the upcoming year and confirm the chairman for the fund raising events. The elected officers, the current board of directors and other members wishing to help the Society next year are invited. Non members who would like to commit their time to the society are also welcome. A map to 7432 Abbey Circle located in Del Webb off of Bruceville Road between Elk Grove Blvd and Poppy Ridge Road is below.

Archivist Report

The Historical Society was recently honored and asked to prepare a display for the Elk Grove Unified School District. They will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on July 1, 2009. The elementary and high school districts unified in 1959 through a public vote. Liz Sellstrom and Barb Claire looked through the many artifacts and prepared the first display which will be up for viewing in the month of October at the district office, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Rd. We found so many things we will be able to do 3 different displays for the school district. What a fun and educational project! Stop by and see!



Attention Members: What would you like to see in the Newsletter? Do you have a special interest? It's the members newsletter, so if you have suggestions, please send them to bclair@frontiernet.net. We'll do our best!



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The Stage Stop Hotel & Museum
Is located at
9941 East Stockton Blvd.
Adjacent to the West Entrance of Elk
Grove Regional Park

We're on the web
www.elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com

New Member and Membership Renewal Form

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

If this is a business membership, please complete the following

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Types of Membership and Fee Structure Check one:

Individual Person\$20.00

Family Group.....\$30.00

Student (full time under 25).....\$15.00

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