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Inside the Museum Files:

“Covered Wagon”



Ken and Suzanne Jones donated an actual, real life, authentic covered wagon to the historical society. They purchased it from a family in 2011 in Springville, California. The Jones are downsizing and moving out of the area and wanted it to go to a good home where it would be appreciated. We are delighted!

Originally, it was brought to California by a relative of a Civil War General in the 1800's or early 1900's when the family moved to California from Virginia. It was used on their farm. Previous owner, Gail Inman from Visalia used to ride it in the Highway 50 Wagon Train (approximately 30 years ago), but it has not been driven since 2007.

Like any historical item that comes to the historical society, historian Dennis Buscher is researching and gathering documentation and genealogy for our files. It has been restored and is in excellent condition. It is on display, and we are working on a permanent structure to protect it year-round. Come visit for free on any first Saturday and take a picture.



Rhoads School

150th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, September 3rd at 10:00 am

Please come celebrate the history of our wonderful little school. Director Roberta Tanner will make a short presentation sharing the history of the school followed by the presentation of the Elizabeth Pinkerton History Award. We will have refreshments.

Our little school was built in 1872 to serve a growing community of pioneering families near Sloughouse. There is a lot of history concerning the school over the years, but ultimately it was moved to the Elk Grove Park in the Bicentennial Year in 1976. It took a year to refurbish and was dedicated on July 4th, 1977. It now serves as museum and where Living History Classes are held throughout the year.

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Elizabeth Pinkerton History Award

This year's winner is Angela Perry!

The presentation will take place at the Rhoads School 150th Anniversary Celebration at the Rhoads School on September 3rd at 10:00 am.

Congratulations!





Old Fashioned Christmas



Tour Decorated Museum/Visit with Santa
Cookie Decorating/ Games

Dates: Fridays Dec 2nd, 9th & 16th 6pm-8pm (no Santa)
Saturdays & Sundays Dec 3rd & 4th; 10th & 11th;
17th & 18th Noon-5pm

Christmas Week-Special Evening Showings
Come See the Lights & Visit w/Santa

Wed, Thurs, Friday Dec 21st-23rd 5pm-8pm

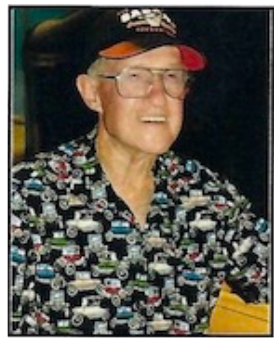
Event Fee: \$10 per adult & \$5 per child (with paying adult)

Our Old Fashion Christmas event is just around the corner, and it takes months to prepare. We need help setting up the museum and help during the weekends event. If you are interested, please contact:

Rosemarie Miller at (760) 803-5893 or Pam Phelps at (916) 494-3010

Museum Dining Room and Ladies Parlor

We have volunteers that enjoy taking responsibility of caring for different rooms of the museum. Basically, do a monthly cleaning nine months of the year for 1st Saturdays and just keep the room in order. We are looking for someone to care for either or both the Dining Room and Ladies Parlor. If interested, please contact Rosemarie Miller as above. Thank you!



Milt Webb

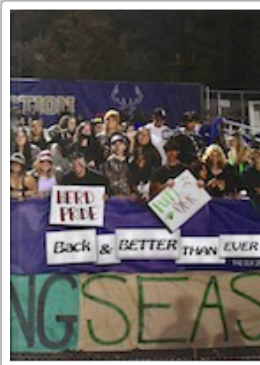
The Elk Grove Historical Society sends our love and condolences to the family and friends of our dear, dear friend and founding member Milt Webb. He was a past president and consummate volunteer who often brought his Model-T to many of our events.



Election Coming Soon!



In the next newsletter (Nov-Dec) we will list the Bios of those seeking offices in the Elk Grove Historical Society. We want to know your qualifications and why you are seeking the office. You must be a member, but that is easily taken care of. Please submit your bio as soon as possible to eghs@elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com.



We would like to thank Elk Grove High School Principal Dr. Eugene Christmas for the donation of an EGHS 2022 yearbook. It keeps our collection and archives up to date.

Thank You.

SAVE THE DATE



jingle, jingle, mark your calendar to party and mingle

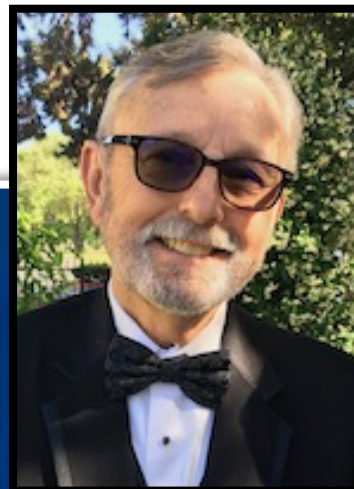
the historical society's annual

Black Tie & Santa Gala

November 27, 2022

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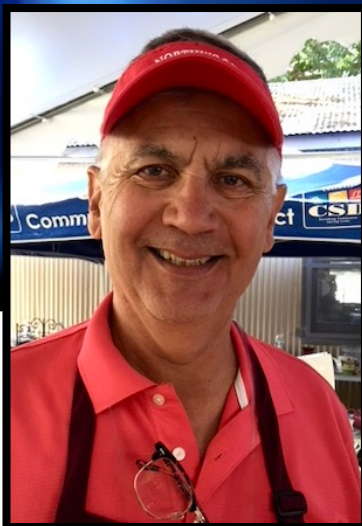


Message FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello members!

Summer came in with a lot of heat again this year and it never seems to go away. Please be sure to drink lots of water during your work and outings. This concerns us, as our visitors and volunteers are in our own Heritage Park, within Elk Grove Park, acting as docents, workers, guides, and guests. Speaking of which, have you ever attended a First Saturday tour open from noon to four in Heritage Park? Perhaps you have not seen our Covered Wagon from Virginia recently donated to us for viewing and protection. How about our tall Blacksmith Statue next to the Blacksmith Shop? Standing next to it makes us feel rather small. The Markofer Room is being refurbished with paint and wallpaper coverings. It is looking very pristine and will be ready for inside viewing very soon. Another refurbishing of the Foulks House is going to be completed with our partner the Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce. Many of you are already discussing how Christmas decorations will be looking this year. Be sure to mark your calendars and come see your park or listen to one of our monthly speakers talking about our history in Elk Grove or Sacramento County. Have fun visiting your treasures in Elk Grove through the Historical Society.

Ken Miller, President



Stage Stop Spotlight

Highlighting and appreciating our many volunteers

Jim Luttig Volunteer and Special Agent

"Born in February of 1951 at Mercy Hospital in Sacramento and grew up in Franklin township during the 1950's and 1960's. My early years in Franklin were busy punching a cash register at the family-owned Luttig's Market (100 years in the family). I also was a fixture at King's Roller Rink, so much so, they gave me my first "Law Enforcement" job as Floor Manager at age 15. The King family used a little psychology on me because it made me, and my buddies behave and slow down out on the floor. Being around the "Mom and Pop Grocery" atmosphere during my formative years, I knew I wanted to do something a little more challenging and adventurous. After attending local schools and graduating from Elk Grove High in 1969 I moved on to Sacramento City College (1971) and Sacramento State class of 1973. After obtaining my Criminal Justice degree I went on to a 41-year career (1975- 2016) in Law Enforcement with 21 of those years (1980-2001) as a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service. As a USSS agent I traveled the world with permanent assignments in Sacramento, Los Angeles, San Jose and San Francisco. My most coveted assignment was during my 1984 to 1988 years on the Presidential Protection Division at the White House with President Ronald Reagan. After the Secret Service career, I completed another 14 years as a Supervising Agent with the Inspector General's Office for the Social Security Administration in San Francisco combating Criminal Fraud against the agency. Currently and since 2001, I have been married to my wife Lauren and reside in the Fab Forties area of East Sacramento. We have a son, John who lives with his wife Heidi in Reno, Nevada. Elk Grove has grown and expanded enormously during the past 40-50 years. As a result, it is important that our newer residents are aware of some of the early history and pioneer families who made Elk Grove such a beautiful and prosperous area. I really enjoy volunteering and giving back to the Historical Society since our extended family has been in the Franklin/Elk Grove area since the 1860's. I also volunteer my time with the California Railroad Museum and the California Highway Patrol and belong to several civic organizations in the Sacramento area." - Jim



Rhoads School Report

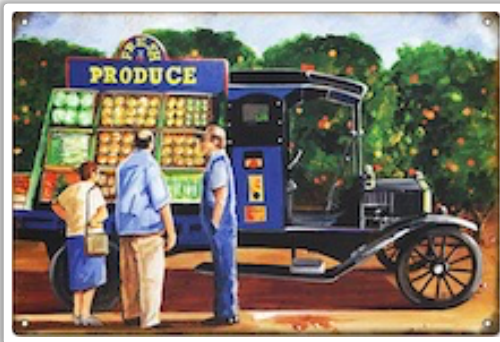


In spite of not knowing what the various regulations regarding school districts will be, we already have 25 classes scheduled for the 2022-2023 school year.

Also, the school has been reserved for filming a movie for two days. The Rhoads School will be 150 years old this year and we are planning its celebration on the 1st Saturday, September 3rd. We hope you can come. We are ready for next year, whatever it may bring.

Speaker Series

Monday, September 19



“The Tastes of Elk Grove and the Delta”

Join cultural and historian Maryellen Burns, as she gives us an unfiltered look at Elk Grove and the Sacramento Delta’s food and drink history – from the 1850 hotel and stage stops, to the demise of iconic places like Giusti’s, Moore’s River Boat, Lola’s Lounge, and Cassidy’s. Of course, for each place that is lost a new one is found – or reimaged. Like Frasinetti Winery, the Ryde Hotel, and Al the Wops.

Monday evening at 6:30 pm, both at the Presbyterian Church, 8153 Elk Grove Boulevard #50 (Turn North on Big Horn, behind the Chevron Station)

Monday, October 17



“Elk Grove Cemeteries”

District manager Jonathan Lambdin will share his knowledge of the history of the Elk Grove cemeteries.

Calendar of Events for Sept-Oct 2022



September

Sept 3rd: **1st Saturday Tours** of Museum and School, FREE Noon-4:00

Sept 3rd: **150th Anniversary of the Rhoads School** celebration and the presentation of the **Pinkerton History Award** to Angela Perry.
11:00 am

Sept 5: **Holiday-Labor Day**

Sept 10: **Daughters of the Utah Pioneers** anniversary celebration

Sept 12: **Historical Society Board Meeting** at the museum - 3:00 pm

Sept 19: Speaker Maryellen Burns on **The Tastes of Elk Grove and the Delta** at 6:30 at the Presbyterian Church. FREE

Sept 24: **Hop & Brew Fest** at the Mahon Ranch



October

Oct 1: **1st Saturday tours** of Museum and School, FREE Noon-4:00 pm

Oct 10: **Historical Society Board Meeting** at the Museum – 3:00 pm

Oct 17: **Rhoads School Board meeting** at 9:30 at Mike's Diner

Oct 17: Speaker Jonathan Lambdin on the **Elk Grove Cemeteries** at 6:30 at the Presbyterian Church
FREE

Oct 31: **Halloween**

Thank You

to all of our members who were willing to convert from a paper copy of the newsletter to an email version. We have already saved hundreds of dollars and time.

•welcome•
NEW MEMBERS

Elia Villanueva

Alia Oman
"The Untold Story"

David Strannard

Treasurer's Report: Jeannette Lawson

Operating Accounts:	June 2022	July 2022
General Operating Fund	\$106,052.42	\$17,315.88
Restoration Fund		\$82,577.42
Wightman Memorial Fund	Zero	Zero
Feasability-Barn Project	\$3,618.25	\$3,618.25
Library Digitalizing	\$101.33	\$101.33
Total Account Balance	\$109,670.67	\$103,612.55
Real Estate Rental Account	\$39,427.90	\$41,053.26
Museum Store Account:	\$5,996.44	\$5,566.54
Rhoads School Account:		
Operating Fund	\$258.06	\$256.06
Scholarship Fund	\$12,993.24	\$12,993.24
Total Account Balance	\$13,251.30	\$13,251.30
Total	\$168,346.31	\$163,483.65

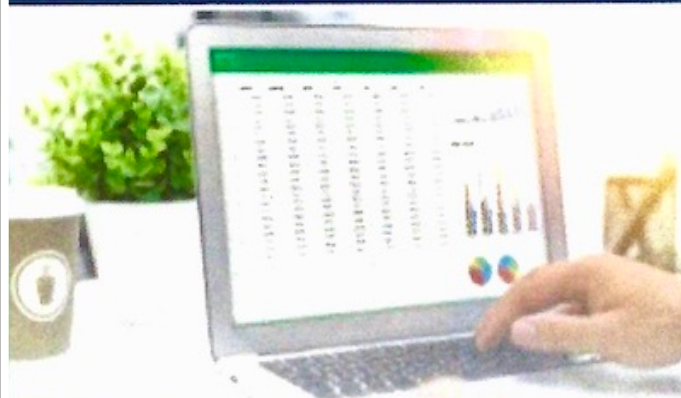
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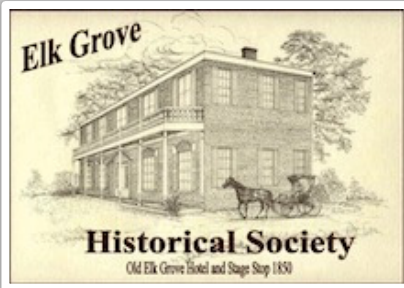
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Adjacent to the west entrance to the
Elk Grove Regional Park

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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.



The Lincoln Highway passed through Elk Grove in front of the Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum on what is now East Stockton Blvd.

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Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Area 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
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