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The Butte County Historical Society Presents:

The Nearly Indescribable..

Totally Unpredictable..

More Than Just a Yard Sale

Sale

Consisting of innumerable items of interest to most discerning shoppers

November 6, 2021, at the Ehmann Home, 9 am to 2 pm

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BCHS Information

*Joining the Butte County
 Historical Society*

BCHS is primarily supported by memberships and donations from the people and the friends of Butte County and receives no direct government funding. Membership in BCHS is open to all.

Members receive:

- Slickens (monthly newsletter)
- The Diggin's (quarterly publication)
- 10% discount on museum store purchases
- Early notice of BCHS programs and activities

BCHS Membership Application

Check one:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (\$30) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting (\$50) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (\$40) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining (\$100) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (\$25) | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization (\$30) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Family (\$35) | |

Name _____
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Mail with your check to: BCHS, P. O. Box 2195, Oroville, CA 95965

BCHS PROPERTIES

Ehmann Home

1480 Lincoln, Oroville
 Saturdays — 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
 530-533-5316

Museum - Archives

Corner of Spencer and Baldwin
 Oroville
 530-533-9418

Museum

Friday from 9 am - Noon
 Saturday from 11 am - 3 pm

Archives

Thursday and Friday
 9 am - Noon

Oregon City School

2100 Oregon Gulch Road
 Oregon City, CA
 Saturday & Sunday from 1 pm to 4 pm
 530-533-9418

Bangor Church

5730 LaPorte Road, Bangor, CA
 Noon to 2 pm on 1st & 3rd Saturday
 Closed: Dec., Jan., Jul. and Aug.
 530-679-2112

**The Big Chico Creek Flume
 and other V Flumes of Butte County**

When the V-flume was first introduced into the foothills and mountains in northeastern California, it revolutionized the local lumber industry. Transportation of timber from higher to lower elevations no longer had to be done with plodding beasts pulling heavy wagons weighted down with stacks of lumber over rutty, bumpy old roads.

Join us on November 21st at the Butte County Historical Society Museum as author and researcher Andy Mark shares a Power Point Presentation about the Big Chico Creek V flume, along with information about two lesser known V flumes in Butte County.



Photo courtesy of CSU, Chico, Meriam Library, Special Collections

The program will follow the annual membership meeting that starts at 2 pm. Business being conducted should take less than 20 minutes.

Save the Date!

Our annual membership meeting and program will be at the BCHS Museum.

November 21st at 2 pm.

We hope to see you there!

We're Changing our Colors!

The Museum and Archives buildings are getting some fresh paint on the outside and some improvements on the inside. See page 3 for more information.





History Detective Squad Looking for Recruits!

History Detectives was a popular show for many years on PBS. Their staff consisted of an art historian, an appraiser, and a couple of professors. Did you know that BCHS has its own history detective squad of volunteers that meets weekly at the Archives on Baldwin Avenue in Oroville? Our team members include retired librarians, a museum curator, an artist, and a self-educated historian who grew up in Butte County – and we are looking for new members to join the team!

Some of the artifacts donated to the collection have a documented history, but sometimes the team has to do research to determine if it is indeed a genuine Butte County historical artifact. There have even been a few times when team members had to solve the mystery of exactly what the artifact was!

If you're interested in history, enjoy doing research, and look forward to learning something new every day, you may be just the perfect person the BCHS Detective Squad is looking for! Please call the Archives at (530) 533-9418 and leave your name and phone number or send an email to buttehistory@sbcglobal.net.

Welcome!

New Members:

Phaedra Snow - Oroville
Don Sherwood - Gridley
Kale Graham - Forest Ranch
Dianne Rose - Yuba City
Bob Wilson - Oroville
Barbara Flynn - Oroville
Max Howell - Golden Valley, AZ



In Memoriam

Don Bollerud

Upcoming BCHS Events

- **November 6, SALE! At the Ehmann Home**
- **November 21, Annual membership meeting with program.**
- **December 12, Ehmann Home Open House (with quilt drawing)**

New Fence at Oregon City

Due to recent security concerns at the Butte County Historical Society's Oregon City School property, fencing has been installed to discourage unauthorized vehicular entry. In the photo below BCHS President Larry Tracy (right) observes the work being done by Wes Chill (left), and Paul Hauk. (center). Thank you guys!



Sale at the Ehmann Home November 6, 2021 9 am to 2 pm

In the course of receiving donations for our two very successful yard sales this year, BCHS was gifted many quality items from remnants of estates, individuals who were relocating and folks who had decided to downsize their personal collections of vintage items, art and collectibles. These include some quality clothing, fine China, paintings and some sports memorabilia (a signed 49er football is one of those items.) This is a very brief description of a large and eclectic collection of items we will be offering for sale.

We hope you will join us on Saturday, November 6, at the Ehmann Home for this special sale. The doors open at 9 am and the sale continues until 2 pm.

See you there!

Museum Changes



We're making some changes in the museum to better serve our membership and the community at large. The museum, at 1749 Spencer Ave in Oroville, is being reconfigured to accommodate a semimonthly speaker series in 2022. We will have seating for 60 people and a new sound system and large screen for presentations. There will still be exhibits in the museum but the center area is being cleared for seating.

You will be able to see the changes at our general meeting on November 21st this year.

We are also sprucing up the outside of the Archives and the Museum. Our first 2022 presentation will be in March and the topic will be:

Ophir to Oroville, the transformation of a very small community of miners in 1852 to a bustling town with the opening of a 750 seat theater in Dec 1855.

These changes resulted in Oroville becoming the County Seat the following year. It is a remarkable transformation spearheaded by a handful of the community's businessmen whose names can be seen on street signs downtown. We will touch on their history as well. Watch this newsletter, Facebook and our webpage buttecountyhistory.com for dates and times.

Thanks to all of you who stopped by to say "Hi" at our vendor booth at the Durham Harvest Festival in September. A special thanks to the members who made it possible to be there through volunteering their time that day: Dorothy Lindsay, Dixie Hargrove, Jim Holt, Peggie Adamson and Dale Wangberg. It was fun and we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks again!

The BCHS Mission
is to preserve Butte County's rich and varied history, making it engaging and meaningful for all.

Board Meets at the Ehmann Home the
2nd Wednesday at 7 pm

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