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Museum - Archives

Corner of Spencer and Baldwin

Oroville

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

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Joining the Butte County Historical Society

BCHS is primarily supported by memberships and donations from the people and the friends of Butte • 10% discount on museum store County and receives no direct government funding. Membership in BCHS is open to all.

Phone

Members receive:

- Slickens (monthly newsletter)
- The Diggin's (quarterly publication)
- purchases
- Early notice of BCHS programs and activities

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ВСН	BCHS Membership Application			Museum Friday from 9 am - Noon Saturday from 11 am - 3 pn
Check one: Individual Family Senior Senior Family Name	(\$35) (\$45) (\$30) 7 (\$40)	Supporting Sustaining Organization	(\$55) (\$105) (\$35)	Archives Thursday and Friday 9 am - Noon Oregon City School 2100 Oregon Gulch Road Oregon City, CA
Address				530-533-9418
City ZIP				Bangor Church

1749 Spencer Ave., Oroville, Ca

Special hours these two days 10 am to 4 pm

Butte County Historical Society Museum Grand Opening

February 24 & 25

This Year's Theme

Butte County, Changes and Opportunity

We look at some of the past changes in Butte County's History and the opportunities people have taken advantage of during that time to advance their lives and the lives of others.

Topics include the Hudson Bay Trappers, the Gold Rush, the establishment of Bidwell Bar and Oroville, Banking, The Huntington Family, who have been Oroville residents since 1904.

We Are Pleased to Announce!

The South Oroville African American Historical Society

presents a special display on the history of The Southside of Oroville and the special people who made it successful.

We hope to see you there!

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

Thanks to everyone who has already paid their dues for 2024. If you aren't sure, check your Slickens mailing label. An orange stripe indicates your dues are still due!

Thank You!

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

Board Meets at the Butte County History Center the 2nd Wednesday at 7 pm

2024 Officers

President - Larry Tracy Vice President - Dale Wangberg Vice President, Finance - Larry Mauch Secretary - Open Treasurer - Janet Bertagna

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New Sign for Oregon City

Thanks to the efforts of BCHS President Larry Tracy and the good folks at Butte County Public Works, a new "historical interest" sign has been placed on north bound Cherokee Road at the Derrick Road turn off to Oregon City.





New Members

Carlos Ramirez Oroville

Jack Angel Durham

Vern Reinhardt

Robert Foster

Weekend

By Nancy Brower

In the process of cataloging an item for the collection, it is the cataloger's duty to thoroughly examine the book, pamphlet, photo, object, etc. in order to provide a complete description and note anything that might be of value to a researcher. Recently, I was handling several early 1900s Chico High and Chico Normal School yearbooks. While leafing through the Fall 1911 Normal Record, I noted the usual items, such as a faculty list, photos of student events, advertisements for local businesses. and literary submissions. However, there was one somewhat surprising inclusion, two pages of opinions regarding the Women's Suffrage question that was scheduled to appear on the October 1911 ballot. If passed, California would be the sixth state to allow women to vote in all but federal elections. To the credit of the editors of the *Normal Record*, they included both pro and con comments. Two examples are "Why should women strive for equality with men when they are so far their superiors?" Alma and "Wimmin ain't got no rite votin', cause it'll mean the downfall of our blessed country." Bruce. And, by the way, the male voters of California did approve the ballot measure.



Planning is in progress for the annual

Butte County Olive Festival June 15th, 2024

A celebration of the history of agriculture and the Olive Industry in Butte County



In Memoriam:



February 24&25: Butte County Museum

March: TBA

April 20th: **Bidwell Park** with Paul Belz

May: TBA

June 15th: Annual Butte County Olive Festival

Bits and Pieces of interesting information

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Huntington Family for their generous donation of 8 display cases, artifacts from the Steam Laundry, RCBS and the Sportsman store. Their donation of these items and their support of BCHS over the years is truly appreciated.

The photo at left shows Larry Mauch doing some touch up work on one of the donated cases. Larry and Treva Mauch have put in many hours of work on these new displays. Thank you!

When you visit us during the Museum Weekend (Feb 24th and 25th) be sure to look for the **Mystery Display Case**. The items in this display case will be unidentified and the challenge is for visitors to name as many as they can. Those who correctly identify all items will win a 25.00 gift certificate good for purchases in the BCHS Museum Store.

Wildflower season will be here before you know it and the Oregon City School Wildflower weekends are scheduled for March 23rd through April 28th, Saturdays and Sundays from Noon to 4 pm. Be sure to visit us! If you have an interest in volunteering as a docent, give us a call at 530-533-9418 or an email at:

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That's all for now

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