



Happy New Year!

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Our Holiday Open House

On Saturday December 14th, our annual Holiday Open House returned to the Ehmann Home. This drop in event was open from 11 am to 3 pm and included a visit from Santa Claus, traditional German and American decorations, refreshments and tours of the Ehmann Home. Special Guests included some descendants of the Ehmann Family!

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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 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 PROPERTIES

Ehmann Home
 1480 Lincoln, Oroville
 Saturday 11 am to 3 pm
 530-533-9418

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
 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

BCHS Membership Application

Check one:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (\$35) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting (\$55) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (\$45) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining (\$105) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (\$30) | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization (\$35) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Family (\$40) | |

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ ZIP _____
 Phone _____
 E-mail _____

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



Freda Ehmann's great great granddaughter Catherine donated a beautiful set of china to the Ehmann Home at our Holiday Open House. The set belonged to her grandmother Marion who grew up in the Ehmann Home. While unpacking the dishes Catherine shared memories of family dinners around the holidays.

Janice Womack was the winner of our Opportunity Quilt Drawing during the Holiday Open House



Marci Trimlett, Ellie Ewing and Catherine Rose enjoying the Holiday Open House at the Ehmann Home

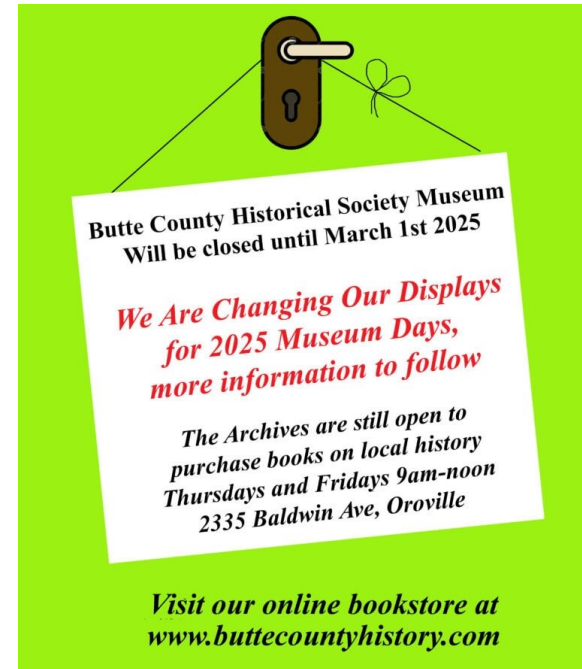


At left, Santa Claus takes time out from his busy pre-Christmas schedule to visit with some folks at the Ehmann Home

Special thanks to Daniel Ballard and his crew for all their work on this event, and to the State Theater for their prize sponsorship.

Reminder

Memberships end on December 31st. Last year we began sending renewals via e-mail for those members who have provided us with their e-mail address. If we don't have one for you, it will come via USPS as usual. With the increasing costs of postage, we are attempting to be more fiscally efficient. If you aren't sure of the status of your membership, the expiration date appears on your mailing label. We thank those who have already renewed for 2025.



Welcome!

New Members

Garcia Family - Oroville

Ed McLaughlin - Durham

Mark & Corinna Brown - Oroville

Bob, Mary & Lindsay Poulin - Chico

Connie Curry - Oroville

Glatz Family - Chico

Save the Date!

Volunteer Appreciation: TBA February

Museum Opening: March 1

Wildflower Weekends: March

Olive Festival: June

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

2025 Officers

President - Larry Mauch
Vice President - Daniel Ballard
Vice President, Finance - Open
Secretary - Lucy Sperlin
Treasurer - Janet Bertagna

Board Members at Large

Marjorie Daley
Peggie Adamson
Dale Wangberg
Kent Fowler

Publications Staff

Diggin's - Nancy Brower
Slickens - Dale Wangberg

A little TLC For Our Historic Buildings

We are playing catchup on repairs for the 1872 historic Oregon City School and the 1910 Ehmann home. We have done some painting of the exterior of the school and purchased new gutters for the Ehmann home. Larry Tracy and his crew did a lot of work on the Oregon City School and the Ehmann home over the last few years to preserve the structures. We owe Larry our gratitude. In October thru December we did a little more work to spruce things up a bit with paint and new gutters. A new sign for the front of the Ehmann home is in process and some interior painting. As funds permit, we will be addressing some exterior windows in the Ehmann Home that need some help.



Sarah Mauch and Lane Owen scraping and painting the back wall of the old schoolhouse



New gutters for the Ehmann Home, now she's waiting for her new sign.
There is still more to be done!

We gratefully accept donations! www.buttecountyhistory.com



Another Volunteer to Appreciate
In 1995 when BCHS purchased the buildings that became our Museum and Archives, there was an out-of-the way corner on the McClellan Avenue side just right for a native plant garden. Lowell Ahart got the garden started and has been maintaining it ever since.
Thank you Lowell!

