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Collectibles Sale



A Fundraiser for Butte County Historical Society

May 2 , 2026 9am - 2pm

Ehmann Home 1480 Lincoln St. Oroville

- Antique Sewing Machines Antique Quilts Artwork Antique linens**
- Books Collector's Plates Bottles and Glassware Prints**
- Special Edition Newspapers High School Yearbooks**



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 BCCHS is open to all.

Members receive:

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

BCCHS PROPERTIES

Ehmann Home
 1480 Lincoln, Oroville
 Saturdays — 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
 530-533-9418

Museum - Archives
 Corner of Spencer and Baldwin
 Oroville
 530-533-9418

Museum
 Open Fridays 9 am to noon and
 Saturdays 11 am to 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


BCCHS Membership Application

Check one:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (\$40) | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting (\$60) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (\$50) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining (\$110) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (\$35) | <input type="checkbox"/> Organization (\$40) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Family (\$45) | |

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ ZIP _____
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Mail with your check to: BCCHS, P. O. Box 2195, Oroville, CA 95965



Butte County Olive Festival
 A Fundraiser for the
 Butte County Historical Society
Saturday, June 20, 2026
9AM to 2PM

Planning is underway for this year's Olive Festival. Save the date and plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

If you are interested in volunteer opportunities, contact us at 530-533-9418.

If you are a vendor with an interest in participating, we may have booth openings after April 15th. Email us at buttehistory@sbcglobal.net for more information

Items of Interest
The Lott Home Gardens

A request has been made for photos of the Lott Home gardens, preferably from before 2000. The Lott Home docents are hoping to restore the gardens to their former glory. There is particular interest in photos of the fountain. Anyone with pictures can contact the Lott Home directly or the BCHS Archives is willing to digitize photos and forward them to the docents.

Wildflower Weekends Begin

Wildflower season is here and the Oregon City School is now open for tours on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 pm

through May 3rd. Come see us during your weekend outings to Table Mountain!

Fun Times

Although we don't have a presentation for April there are several events coming up that you won't want to miss. On May 16th BCHS Vice President Daniel Ballard will be giving a presentation on the history of the Oroville Inn, at the Oroville Inn. This event will begin at 1:30 and promises to be very interesting and informative.

A Dinner/Fundraiser is in the works, scheduled for Friday, June 5th. Details for this event will be in the May Slickens and on our website. Save the Date!

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

Board Meets at the BCHS Museum and Events Center, 1749 Spencer Avenue in Oroville on the 2nd Wednesday at 7 pm.

2026 Officers

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

Board Members at Large

- Marjorie Daley
- Peggie Adamson
- Dale Wangberg
- Sandy Brodrick

Publications Staff

- Diggin's - Nancy Brower
- Slickens - Dale Wangberg



New Members:

Tanya Murillo and Paul Cushing - Oroville

In Memoriam

- John Rivers
- Dianne Franklin
- Mary Ann Boeger
- Peggy Arms

Upcoming BCHS Events

- May 2nd Collectibles Sale at the Ehmann Home**
- May 16th: History of the Oroville Inn**
- June 5th: Dinner Fundraiser**
- June 20th: The Olive Festival**

Check our website, Facebook and the May edition of Slickens for more information on upcoming events

What Is It?



While working on our new mining displays we were looking at a lot of artifacts in our mining collection. One of the items, shown on the right, had been identified by the donor as a piece of mining equipment used by a relative many years ago. After some puzzled head-scratching and some research, we didn't use it in the mining display but we did make some changes in the catalog record.



Do you know what it is? Watch for the answer in the May Slickens.

New Additions to our Collection!

Mark Karr and Peter Sellars are shown here viewing the ledger that lists everyone who lived at the Thermalito Odd Fellows Home. Personal information about the "inmates" is included. Peter donated the ledger on behalf of the Odd Fellows.

Many of our members and friends will recognize Mark Karr as a dedicated local historian who has given numerous presentations for BCHS on a variety of subjects. Peter Sellars is the author of the book *Calling Out from the Past: The First Oddfellows Home in California*. Copies of the book are available at our Museum store and online at our website; buttecountyhistory.com



BCHS recently accepted donation of a Carol Howe Franklin watercolor image that had been discovered by a gentleman cleaning out a storage unit in the Sacramento area. Information on the back of the painting led him to contact us and the painting is now in our collection. Many of you will recognize Carol's name and her distinctive style of watercolor artistry.

After a 30 year teaching career in the Oroville area schools, Carol had a second career as a watercolor artist. She commented that she particularly liked this medium due to the ability to express herself quickly and with enthusiasm. Local historic spots were among her favorite subjects, and she donated many of her works to the Butte County Historical Society and other community locations. Nine of her paintings hang in the Ehmann Home. She also provided 38 illustrations for a booklet on Durham history intended for use in the schools.

This latest image to join our collection is of the Park Hotel that once stood at the northwest corner of Fourth and Main streets in downtown Chico.



Carol Howe Franklin
 1898-1985