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The **News Bulletin** is published quarterly by the Society in Yuba City, California. The annual membership dues includes receiving the **News Bulletin** and the Museum's **Muse News**. At the April 1987 Annual Dinner Meeting it was voted to change the By-laws to combine the memberships of the Society and the Museum.

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President's Message

Our Annual Dinner Meeting was held in Meridian this year. We had an excellent meal and Margit Sands shared some of her photographs of the Sutter Buttes in Spring – think wonderful pictures of wild flowers. Mrs. Judy Barr presented the awards to this year's winners of the Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest. Bruce Harter conducted his famous raffle; the dinner was a big success and a good time was had by all.

Our project to repair the old Hock Farm Monument on Garden Highway will soon begin. As the homesite of John A. Sutter, the monument was erected in the mid-1920s, and the old iron structure is in need of paint and repair. The committee assigned to this project has come up with some ideas that will beautify the monument without destroying its history.

There appears to be some interest in reproducing the Thompson & West 1879 *History of Sutter County*. In 1974, Randolph Schnable, then President of the Sutter County Historical Society, commissioned Howell North Books of Berkeley, CA, to reproduce this classic. The 1974 copies have been unavailable, and we are forming a committee to look into the feasibility of printing more.

I am pleased to announce that in May 1999, the Agricultural Wing of the Community Museum, because of your contributions and hard work on the part of committee members over the years, became a reality. If you haven't been yet, make some time in your schedule to see the new wing and the exhibits there.

Steve Perry
President



Our Thanks Go To

The Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County and its Commission for contributing the funds to print this Bulletin. For more information on our financial situation as a result of the Agricultural addition to the Museum, please read the last article in the Bulletin.

Director's Report

This year has been an exciting one at the Community Memorial Museum. The dream of an agricultural history wing was realized, and the Museum staff is now busy working on exhibits to fill the wonderful new facility. Our beautiful, newly restored Yuba Ball Tread Tractor has found its home on the north end of the wing. It literally shines in front of a stunning photo mural of an almond orchard in bloom near the Sutter Buttes which was photographed by Vanessa Helder.

Summer was a time for enjoying the marvelous traveling exhibit *Gold Fever!* which celebrates the sesquicentennial of the Gold Rush in California. It remained at the Museum through September 11. On Saturday, September 18, scholar David Fenimore assumed the character of John Sutter during a Chatauqua program sponsored by the California Council for the Humanities.

In keeping with the Gold Rush celebration, we were privileged to present the eminent Gold Rush historian J. S. Holliday on Wednesday, September 29. He gave a program at the Museum featuring his new book Rush to Riches, copies of which are available at the Museum gift shop. You have probably seen Holliday on the PBS Gold Rush video, which is also available at the Museum, as is his previous landmark book on the Gold Rush, The World Rushed In.

The Fall exhibit *What Women Wore* opened Friday, September 24. It featured wonderful examples of women's clothing from the first three decades of this century. All of the clothing was from the Museum's collection, and most of the pieces had never been exhibited before. Organized by guest curator Karen Burrow, who used her considerable talent to stage the display, the beautiful clothing was available for admiration. The clothing normally remains in climate-controlled storage away from the damaging rays of daylight. We hope you had the opportunity to view these rarely seen examples of vintage clothing. The show remained up until it was time to decorate for *Trees and Traditions*.

Work also continues on the patio behind the Museum's new wing. Many of you have purchased memorial paving stones for the patio and will be interested to know that the Sutter Buttes Sunrise Rotary Club is now setting their plans for the laying of the pavers. We will keep you apprized of the progress of the patio, which will be a wonderful addition to our Museum facility.

Julie Stark
Director

FROM THE EDITORS

We're baaaaaaack.

We're happy to have a Bulletin for you to read and enjoy before the start of the 21st Century. We apologize for the delay in getting this out and guarantee that we'll be back on schedule for the year 2000.

As you can see, most of this issue is spent "cleaning up" and includes an expanded Contributions list and two years of essays from the Judith Barr Fairbanks Essay Contest – along with an in depth financial record for the new agricultural wing which has been the focus of the Historical Society for the last year and a half. We want to take the opportunity to thank you for your patience regarding the lack of a Bulletin for so many months and to especially thank you for all your support with regard to the new Agricultural Wing in the Museum.

The Essay Contest is back on track as well. In 1998, we had a tie for first place between Scarlett Harris and Samantha Jewell as both students did such a fine job we could not choose a single first place winner. The Jewell Family had two winners that night. Mrs. Debbie Jewell won the door prize, photographs of both the old and new Meridian bridges, donated by Tom Harrington of Cal Trans. She then graciously donated them to the Museum for their collection. In 1999, we expanded the eligible grades for competing in the contest to 4th and 5th grades as the subject ties into the history curriculum for both grades. Four terrific students, Riley Zyszkiewicz, Benjamin

Hoyt, Anthony Lavy, and Brandi McGee, were are winners at the April dinner in 1999. The Y2K contest deadline is February 28th. If you know of a student at these grade levels, ask if they are participating.

The Historical Society has a Web Page now. The URL to the home page is <http://www.jps.net/sds> From there you can navigate to our page. We invite you to take a look and make suggestions as it is a work in progress.

In the year 2000, you can look for an article about Live Oak, another article by Burwell Ullrey, and an article about the Meridian Creamery. As always, we are looking for article suggestions and contributions. Start off the new century by getting your own by-line in the Bulletin and by becoming more actively involved in the Historical Society.

The next issue (January 2000!) will contain information about the upcoming Buttes Hikes. We are in the process of deciding whether or not to continue the Bus Trip Around the Buttes. If you are interested in a bus trip in 2000, please contact us at 673-2721 as we are trying to see if this is an economic possibility.

Finally, we want to close out 1999 by wishing you, your family and friends a Happy Holiday season.

Linda Leone
Sharyl Simmons

HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

JANUARY MEETING

We will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 18th at the fire station in Live Oak. The station is located at 2745 Fir Street. Audrey Breeding and Annamae Berry are in charge of the evening which means there will be an interesting program and tasty treats. Hope you can join us.

APRIL ANNUAL MEETING

We will once again meet in Meridian for our annual dinner meeting on the third Tuesday in April. If you have ideas for a theme for the evening, contact Linda Leone (673-2721). The awards from the Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest will be presented that night in addition to the program.

DUES ARE DUE

It's time to pay dues again. How convenient, just in time for Christmas gift giving! You may have noticed an increase in the dues for 2000. This is not another "Y2K" event and we gave the matter serious consideration. The \$5.00 increase in most categories was necessitated by the increase in the expenses of both the Historical Society and the Museum. The Historical Society Board and the Museum Commission voted on this matter. An example of costs is that the Historical Society receives 35-cents of every \$1.00 paid in dues. The Society then pays 35% of the membership expenses (in most years – this year, because of the agricultural wing expenses, we did not pay our 35%) such as the printing of the blue membership envelopes. Also, there is the expense of printing and mailing the Bulletin which runs approximately \$3.50 per copy. Dues had not been raised in many, many years and the time finally came for this unpleasant matter.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

No, not this year. However, we would like to get back on track with the Christmas ornament series. In the past we've offered the old Sutter County Hall of Records, the old Meridian Bridge and the Sutter Buttes. What suggestions do you have for future ornaments? The cut-off date for ordering at the best price is in March so if you have ideas, please call Linda (673-2721) soon.

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The above list of contributions contains gifts to both the Community Memorial Museum and the Sutter County Historical Society.

Currently, all donations to the Historical Society are going into the General Fund. These monies were exhausted during the construction phase of the Agricultural Wing and we are now repaying the General Fund from donations. Monies from the General Fund are used to pay the Society's annual insurance premium, post office box rental, Bulletin printing and mailing expenses and other operating expenses.

All donations are greatly appreciated and help keep the Historical Society a viable entity in the community.

Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest - 1998

The Sutter County Historical Society and the Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County were co-hosts of the eighth annual Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest which was open to all fourth grade students in Sutter County. The contest was created to honor Judith Barr Fairbanks, a fourth grade teacher at King Avenue School, who believed very strongly in the importance of involving our children in local history. The award money for this year's winners was provided by the Walter Nock Scholarship Fund. We thank Margaret Spengler and Rich Garmire, trustees of this fund, for their support.

The topic of the essay was a "letter home" from the immigrant or emigrant who had arrived in the Sutter County area during the 1840s, '50s or '60s. The letter was to describe how the area looked or relate experiences since arriving here.

For the first time in this contest, we had a tie for first place. Samantha Jewell and Scarlett Harris received their awards at the Society's Annual Dinner which was held in April. Following are their essays. We flipped a coin to determine the order in which the essays were published.

Samantha Jewell

First Place

Grace Christian Academy

Teacher: Mrs. Carol Whitmore

May 6, 1850

My dear Grandpapa and Grandmama,

I had a wonderful time with you in Pennsylvania on March 2, 1850. Even though it was raining and cold then, now it's nice and sunny. We are in Kentucky and Pa says we will be crossing the Mississippi River tomorrow.

I, Samantha, am fine and I am 9-1/2 years old. My sister Abigail is 13. My brother Kyle is 15. My Ma had a baby when we were with you and his name is Matthew. He is 2 months old already.

When Pa and I packed I wanted to bring all my stuffed animals and toys, but my Pa said that we could only bring what we needed. I said of course we needed toys. But he said we didn't. Pa let me bring only my favorite toy, my doll Samantha. We brought eggs. They stayed in the flour barrel with the flour. The only problem is that when you want an egg, you have to stick your hand in the flour and it comes out white. We brought blankets for sleeping and guns for killing animals.

Tonight I slept in the open air and I stared at the stars. They were so pretty.

May 7, 1850

Today we crossed the Mississippi. The wagon in front of us tipped over and we had to stop and help them get out. They now are staying in the wagon behind us. We shared our flour with them because theirs got all wet when the wagon tipped over. We also loaned them some dry clothes.

July 4, 1850

We are in Wyoming territory. We celebrated the Fourth of July by stopping our wagons and getting in a circle. We got a blue jacket for stars, a sheet for the white stripes, and red cloth for the red stripes to make an American flag. We hung it on a pole and brought it to the people who lost their wagon to cheer them up. Then we went back to our wagon and made a flag for our wagon, too. Tonight Pa went to a meeting with the people who are in charge of the wagon train and Ma tucked me in bed under the sparkling stars. While I was in bed the men were putting off fireworks and some kids were doing sparklers. I wanted to get out of bed, but my Ma said she would lay down by me and watch them.

August 2, 1850

Today is my 10th birthday. We had a pound cake with chocolate frosting. It was so good. It was very special that Ma could bake a cake with chocolate frosting. One of my friends made me a cloth doll for my birthday. It is very pretty. She really worked hard. I had a fun day today. It is the best birthday I ever had. I just wish that I could be with you.

November 24, 1850

We are in California. Right now we are getting ready for Thanksgiving. California is very beautiful. My favorite part is the mountains. We are in Grass Valley, a big town in the mountains. Not everybody went to Grass Valley but most of my friends are here. Some of the people were miners and they went to Nevada City and mined for gold.

Ma, Abigail, and I are baking cakes and vegetables that our new neighbors gave to us from their garden. We are having Thanksgiving dinner with them and they invited some of my friends. Pa and Kyle are turkey hunting for the biggest turkey in the world, and we are going to give it to our neighbors for their hospitality. After Thanksgiving we are going to cut down trees and build a home, but right now we are staying in our wagon by their house.

I am glad to be in California, but I wish you could come visit me. I miss you. Have a Merry Christmas and tell my cousins that I miss them and that we got here safely.

Love,

Your dearest
Samantha

Scarlett Harris
First Place
Winship Elementary School
Teacher: Tom Reusser

Dear Ma and Pa,

Our boat ride went well except for a fearsome storm. First the sky went blacker than Maggie's coat of wool. Then waves crashed noisily against the port side of the ship, and rain pounded the ship's deck like thunder. Arrow-like lightening ripped through the sky, and wind tore at the sails. I got seasick and turned as green as a four leaf clover.

When we reached the Bay, I smelled fish that made me ill. I wanted to leave there as quick as I could. We then went to the General Store. We bought some food, two wagons, four oxen and a few sets of clothing. I also bought a beautiful sunbonnet, made of straw, with an emerald green ribbon. I bought Thomas a small gun and a box of bullets. We soon went on our way. We were five days into our journey when Thomas was bitten by a rattler. I'm glad you taught me how to mix herbs to make a remedy for rattlesnake bites. Thomas got the fever with it, but he is all right now. We finished our journey without complaints except when we didn't have any water.

We reached Sutter's Fort and asked for jobs. I was a maid for Sutter himself! Thomas was an apprentice for the blacksmith. The walls of the fort were made of adobe brick. The ground was dusty and my dresses were always caked with dirt. The summer sun would beat down on my back, and I turned chili pepper red. We earned enough money to build a house.

If you want to send us a letter, send it to New Helvetia. It is the small town where we live. It has a few stores and one hotel. We have beautiful flowing creeks and a few trees.

For Thomas' 11th birthday celebration, I made him a johnnycake with cream on top. We also played games and had a picnic supper on the lawn. We had deer that Thomas shot with the gun I had given him. We also had cheese, apples, and rolls. We laid there until the glittering stars came out. They were the brightest stars I'd ever seen! God must have known it was his birthday. By the way, my 21st is also coming up!

Though the hills are not as green as back in ol' Ireland, I hope when you are well you can come live with us. These are beautiful sunsets every evening. I sit and watch them and see rainbow patterns in the sky. They remind me of the leprechaun's pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

How are our potatoes? Are they still cursed?
I hope you are alive and well.

Yours truly,

Patricia and Thomas

Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest - 1999

The Sutter County Historical Society and the Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County were co-hosts of the ninth annual Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest which was open to all fourth and fifth grade students in Sutter County. The contest was created to honor Judith Barr Fairbanks, a fourth grade teacher at King Avenue School, who believed very strongly in the importance of involving our children in local history.

The topic of the essay was a "letter home" from the immigrant or emigrant who had arrived in the Sutter County area during the 1840s, '50s or '60s. The letter was to describe how the area looked or relate experiences since arriving here.



Riley Zyszkiewicz
First Place
First Lutheran School
Teacher: Lynne Newman

October 1850

Dear Mom and Dad,

I just want to let you know that I arrived safely in California. The trip was hard, but the people I travelled with were friendly and helpful. It took our wagon train about six months to make the journey. My trip was easier than some. A few in our wagon train did not survive. It is a rough, beautiful country and you have to be tough to survive.

I ended up in a place called Yuba City. There is a lot of good farm land and water here. There are already several families settling here.

By the time you get this letter I will have purchased land and will be building some sort of house before winter comes. I am told that winters here are cold and wet, but it usually does not snow. I hope to have a roof over my head before the rain starts.

I still need to get supplies for the winter. I need flour, sugar, coffee, dried beans, fire wood and a lot of other things. I can't wait for spring so I can start planting corn, pumpkins, lettuce, tomatoes, and beans. I think the climate here will be good for farming. Sacramento is about 60 miles from here. I hope to be able to get there to see what it is like.

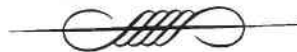
There are several rivers in this area. I am near the Feather River. There are salmon, trout, and sturgeon. Also, the water attracts a lot of ducks and geese to the area. There are quail, grouse and wild turkey.

Something else interesting here is the Sutter Buttes. There is a small mountain range. There are wild pigs and deer around there to hunt. So between the fishing and the hunting I shouldn't go hungry.

I miss you all very much. Maybe if the railroad ever comes this far west you could come visit me. Give my love to all the family.

Love,

Riley



Benjamin Hoyt
Second Place
Pleasant Grove School
Teacher: Wendy Rossell

May 1, 1850

Dear Aunt Mary Fran,

I have arrived in Sacramento, a town divided by two rivers. I went out to mine gold, but, alas, I found nothing.

In this tough town you need to live by your wits. A flood of trappers, pioneers, and miners swarmed into the saloon where I was eating dinner. The restaurants are full of dirty, gun toting miners. Empty whiskey bottles litter the tables. The large bartender is built like a moose. He wields a rifle and five pistols. He shot a man for making a foul remark about his deformed body.

My meal consisted of a thing called bear steak. It was a greasy and stringy piece of meat. I washed this horror down with a sour liquor called beer. I miss the sweet milk from our dairy at home.

I took a walk after dinner and saw a mix of human faces. There are many different colors of skin here, unlike Vermont. The town is a mixture of tents, small huts, and muddy streets. The Donner Party is staying at Sutter's Fort. I do not know who could live in such a wreck. Squatters have moved in and destroyed the buildings. They have stolen land from the absent John Sutter. I have arranged to stay on the Globe for a month. My bed is a hammock with two heavy blankets and a pillow.

My trip from Vermont to California was quite difficult. It has taken me nine months to arrive in Sacramento. The Sierra were difficult to cross. Vermont's mountains are mole hills

compared to these majestic mountains. Still the terrain is similar to Vermont's terrain only grander. Sacramento is in a big valley surrounded by the majestic and wonderful Sierra.

I will close this letter by saying I really miss you, my mom and dad. Thoughts of my family always fill my mind. While I love this wild country, I miss Vermont. I am giving myself one month to strike it rich. If I don't find gold, I'll return to Vermont poor, but wiser from my western adventure.

Yours truly,

Benjamin



Anthony Lavy
Third Place
Winship School
Teacher: Tom Russer

Dear Ma and Pa,

I just got here from New Jersey. The wagon trip was exciting, but kind of sad. One of the party members almost died while we were fording a river. Another one of the party members died, and we buried him along the trail. That man was the party's best hunter. The wagon master said winter might be hard.

We had our first encounter with Indians along the South Platte River. One came along and offered to help us get across. I also got to have a "Cowboy" breakfast: beans and coffee because we were low on food. When we came to Fort Bridger, we bought some supplies. Then our wagon train split up, and we headed for California. After several weeks, we came to the Sutter Buttes. The next day we hiked to the top. Boy, when we got to the top, what a site it was! Green land, oak trees, birds and wild game as far as the eye could see! We also saw the Sacramento River to the west. At the base of the Buttes we saw a settlement. I decided to go there the next day.

We all separated the next morning. I gathered my things, a horse, and headed in the direction of the settlement. It wasn't very big, barely any people and even less tents, and some Indians. I looked around for a job. I found one at the general store, which was a large tent. The owner is Spanish and I have to translate for him. I also bought some supplies like food and cooking utensils.

After I had stayed here for a couple of weeks, I noticed several wagons passing through our settlement, heading east. I asked my neighbor what was going on. He said, "Someone found gold on the river bank."

I headed in the direction of the Yuba (a river some people had been talking about). After a day of digging and panning I got an ounce of gold. Then I went to an assay office. I got \$10.00. I think that's good for a day's work. Well, I think you should come here. Write back!

Sincerely,

Anthony



Brandi McGee
Fourth Place
April Lane School
Teacher: Shelley Boeger

Dear Nana and Grandad,

We have arrived in Marysville. Our trip from Baltimore had been uneventful, but I can't wait to tell you about our new city!

This city has a lot of little buildings and stores. The larger buildings are mostly hotels. The ship's captain told daddy that this is the third city in size and style in Upper California.

I am seeing so many different people here. There are European, Asian, African, Anglo-Saxon people from this country and abroad. We have been told they are coming for the gold. To me, this place looks like one huge camp. A lot of the buildings are made of canvas. And the streets are muddy and full of holes.

The best news is that daddy will be working soon. He is going to help build a second Feather River bridge. We can buy a lot and build a home. For the time being, we will live in a tent.

By the way, there aren't many women and children here so I guess I will spend my time exploring the city. They are going to have a state fair here. Mom and Dad say we can take trips to places like Yuba City and Chico.

Did you know that it rains a lot here? These heavy rains cause lots of floods. In one rainy season, it rained 119 inches of rain. The river rose and drove the miners out of the city.

The men in the mountains had to stay there. Can you believe that everything from farm animals, hay, house's wood and stuff like that floated in the river. Because of the floods you had to use rowboats to get to Marysville from Yuba City. When the water finally went down there was lots of mud everywhere.

The area has hillsides, a lot of trees and plenty of hills. The best way to get around is by rowboat or mule.

A lot of famous people came through here. People like John Bidwell, Kit Carson, John Sutter. There is a real bandit named Black Bart. We did get to the Chinese workers. Mommy says they are early immigrants to California. They work in the gold mines and have built a lot of railroad.

I know you thought we would see Indians, but we didn't. Mom says we probably will in Marysville. I can't wait until you come to Marysville. I hope we build a house before the rainy season.

Love always,

Brandi



Information concerning the Tenth Annual Judith Barr Fairbanks Memorial Essay Contest was sent to Sutter County Schools in early October. All Fourth and Fifth Grade students in Sutter County, including home school students, are eligible to participate in this contest. If you know of a student who meets these qualifications, please encourage him/her to participate. Cash prizes for the winners total \$100.



AGRICULTURAL WING ADDITION TO COMMUNITY MEMORIAL MUSEUM

It's done. Finally. If you haven't yet seen the room, you should visit the museum. Currently it houses the Yuba Ball Tractor which was refurbished by Art Worledge and his associates, made possible by generous donations from the community. Behind the tractor is an impressive photo of an orchard by Vanessa Helder. Also currently residing in the room is Joe Titus' Grandpa Beck's wagon. Julie and Kristen have been checking out other museums and ag displays for ideas for our ag exhibit. The display cases aren't in, but we now have a place for them.

This has been a very expensive project – a lot of time, tears and money have gone into its completion. Without generous donations from the community, this could not have been accomplished.

A preliminary sketch of the proposed project was completed. A "guestimate" was prepared by a local contractor at no charge. A meeting was held for the general membership at the Museum to discuss the project, the "guestimated" costs, and questions were answered; it was decided to move forward because it was never going to get cheaper. It was "Now or Never".

We knew we needed help. Two members of the building committee met with the Museum Trustees and asked for funds. The Trustees generously agreed to donate \$40,000 to the project. We knew then we could proceed; somehow it would all come together.

The project went out to bid in November 1998. The bids were opened on November 19th with valid bids ranging from \$108,962 to \$154,000. The bid was awarded to Dale Green Construction, the low bidder.

We started off the year 1999 with a new bank. We chose our present bank based on the services we could get and the lack of fees. Since we were going to be using the money in the memorial fund at an unknown speed, it was decided to open a Money Market checking account (General Fund) and a savings account (Memorial/Building Fund). The difference in the interest rate between a savings account and a CD at a monthly rate was non-existent – and we needed to be able to get to the money when we needed it. We started the year with \$13,000.00 in our General Fund and \$59,378.71 in the Building Fund for a total amount of \$72,378.71.

An expenditure breakdown follows. As it shows, the total amount expended by the Sutter County Historical Society for this project was \$83,901.73. In addition to that, the Museum Trustees paid \$40,000 and the Museum paid a miscellaneous alarm system bill in the amount of \$55 which brings the total cost of the room to \$123,956.73.

As with most projects of this magnitude, I guess, there were numerous surprises. Some were financial. When it came time for the security system, we were told who we were to use and the "guestimated" cost was \$500. As you can see, the actual cost paid by the

Historical Society was \$1,502.00 with an additional \$55 bill paid by the Museum. Ron Conger's \$350 bill is also associated with the security system. Surprise! The security system cost \$1,907.

Other surprises were not financial. The first one was the flood caused by a broken pipe.

As with most painful things, now that it's over, the bad memories are fading away. We have a room which we can all be proud of and people who have made donations to make this dream a reality.

**Sutter County Historical Society
Museum Agricultural Wing Addition
Expenditures**

Expense	Amount Paid
Ed Fletcher - preliminary ag addition sketch	\$ 1,495.74
Postmaster - postage/mail notice of special meeting re building	39.08
Appeal Democrat - project to bid ad	266.00
City of Yuba City - encroachment permit (Stevens Way)	54.00
PG&E - contract payment (electrical inspection, etc.)	1,421.58
Dale L. Green Inc. (1 st installment on contract)	37,532.00
McCarley Electric (panel, wiring, conduit & labor)	7,436.98
Robert Estrada (drafting costs & blueprints)	2,874.00
Dale L. Green Inc. (portion of 2 nd installment on contract)	24,142.36
Certified Systems (security required by County)	1,502.00
Dale L. Green Inc. (final payment)	6,787.99
Ron Conger, electrician	350.00
Total paid by Sutter County Historical Society	\$83,901.73

Museum Trust Fund Payments have been made totaling **\$40,000.00**

Community Memorial Museum - payment to Certified Security **\$55.00**

Unless something's been missed, the cost of the addition is **\$123,956.73**

Happy Holidays



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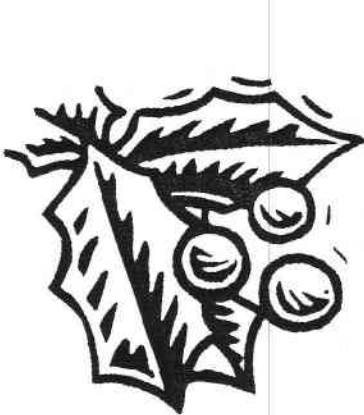
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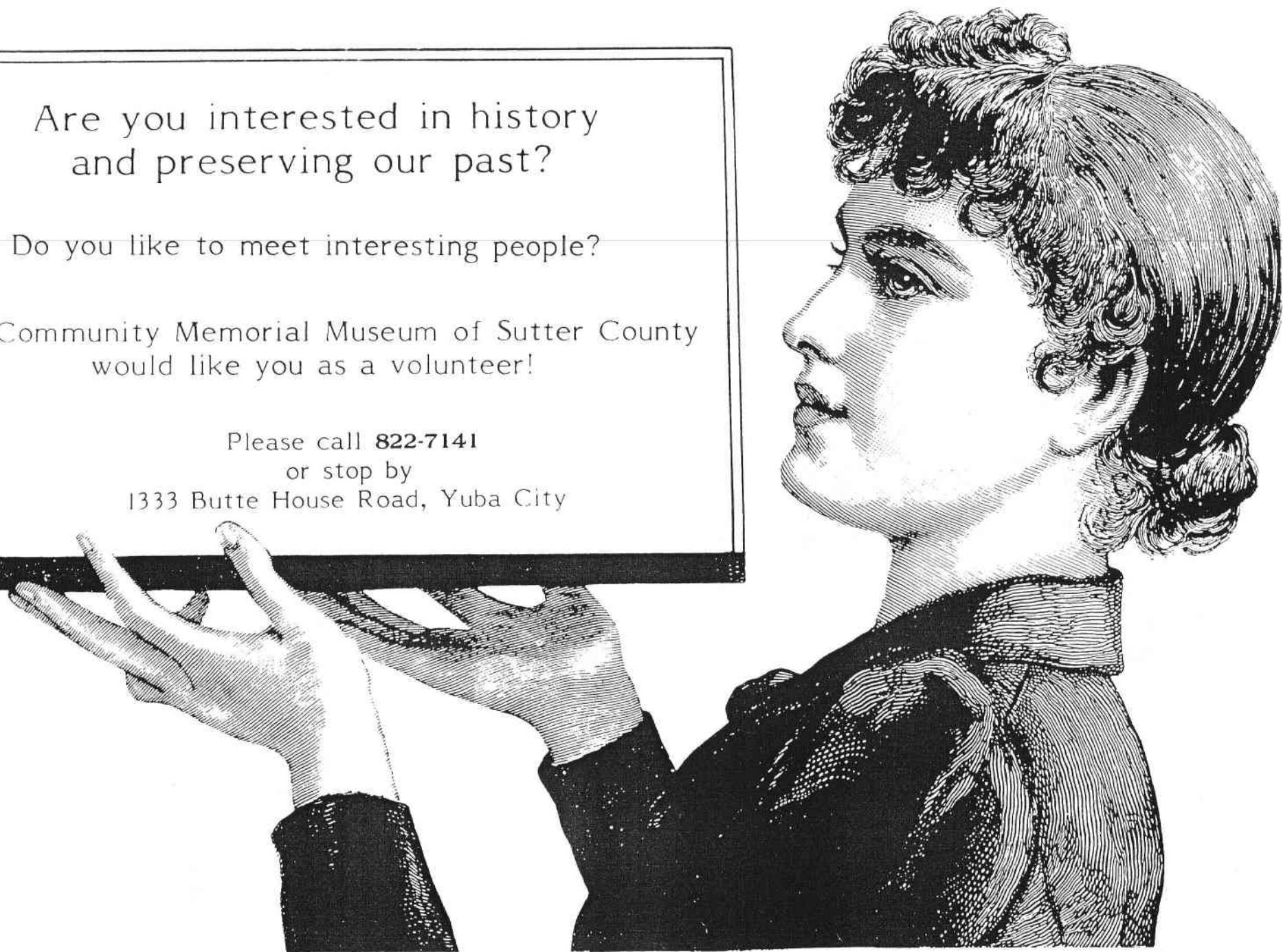
Happy New Year

Are you interested in history
and preserving our past?

Do you like to meet interesting people?

The Community Memorial Museum of Sutter County
would like you as a volunteer!

Please call **822-7141**
or stop by
1333 Butte House Road, Yuba City



Coming Events

December

- 21 Community Memorial Museum
Open House – 10:00 to 4:00
Children's Program – 2:00

January

- 14 Community Memorial Museum
Votes for Women exhibit opens
18 Historical Society Meeting
Live Oak Fire House – 7:00 p.m.

February

- 14 Love's Messenger
Valentine Gift Bags delivered

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