

President's Message

Skip Gebel

Hello everyone! It's the Autumn edition of the Quarry Quarterly and we've had a busy summer. Let's get right to it. In July, Rocklin's Chamber of Commerce held their 2nd annual Trash Bash celebration between Front Street and Heritage Park. Good food, good music and lots of visitors complimented us for our outstanding renovation of Old St. Mary's Chapel. One of our keys to such compliments is Sally Huseby's and Gene Johnson's attention to maintaining all the landscaping around the Chapel area since it was renovated and opened for weddings, meetings and other events. Heritage Trail Days, an event sponsored by the Placer County Museum organization, happened in August. Our History Museum Docent volunteers counted more than 200 visitors during this 2 day event. And lots of questions were answered by our excellent group of docents. Once again our Master Granite Splitter, Roy Ruhkala, demonstrated how granite was split the old fashioned way by using only hand tools. We also sponsored our first "Music at Heritage Park" event. A couple hundred people sat back and listened and danced to Zydeco music. Its musical roots come from Louisiana and it's gaining popularity throughout the nation.

September found us staffing a large booth at the Patriot's Day celebration. A few days later our booth was staffed at Rocklin's Hot Chili and Cool Cars street fair. And then we had our annual Pot Luck dinner where everyone won a prize.

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Chinese residents are expelled from Rocklin in 1877

Professor Daniel DeFoe

Condensed from a recent series of articles in the Placer Herald

They came at sundown on September 16, 1877, a deadly procession brandishing axes, awls and rifles, a vigilante mob filled with terrible purpose. Murder was in the air, and the place was Rocklin Cal-

was 6PM and all afternoon long lines of terrified Chinese, carrying whatever belongings they could manage, had been filing out of town.

Shortly after six, the outraged white citizens of Rocklin fell on the now empty 25 structures and tore them to pieces. An overturned stove ignited a fire that spread quickly and Chinatown disappeared in smoke and ash.

The cause that sent the "good citizens" of Rocklin to drive out the Chinese Community, many of whom had lived in the region since the building of the

Transcontinental Railroad was murder. The awful news had spread of a multiple homicide at the Sargent Ranch in Secret Ravine. On September 15, ranch hands discovered the

body of a white woman inside the main house. She had been attacked with an axe and shot twice. Outside they discovered her husband, the ranch foreman Xavier D. Oder, dead of multiple gunshot wounds. Not far from this grisly scene lay a third victim, the ranch owner H. N.

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This is one of the few remaining stone walls of the Whitney Ranch. It borders the Whitney reservoir in Lincoln. Chinese laborers probably built several miles of the ranch's stone walls after escaping to the ranch from the vitriol of South Placer County Euro-Americans in 1877.

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The mob marched on the modest Chinatown located near the Southern Pacific Railroad roundhouse, a community of a few hundred people set discreetly away from the rest of the city. The residents had been given an ultimatum: "pack up, get out, or be driven out!" The deadline

The Rocklin History Series continues with *Voices from the Passed* on Saturday, October 27 and Sunday, October 28, at 3:00 pm each day, with dramatized historical tours of the Rocklin cemetery. For reservations call Gay Morgan on 624-2355

Advanced payment of \$10 required, send checks to Rocklin Historical Society P. O. Box 1 Rocklin 95677

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It's no wonder that summer went by quickly.

Our agenda for the rest of the year, besides the normal stuff, includes our annual election of members of the Board of Directors and Officers of the RHS. Vice President Dan Defoe heads up this year's search committee and will present the results at our general membership meeting in November. Please contact him if you'd like to serve on the board.

Mark your calendars for December 1st and celebrate with thousands of your friends and neighbors at the 3rd annual Old Town Rocklin Tree Lighting at Heritage Park. Admission is free as are the



food and drinks. There's a rumor that Santa might show up and let you have a picture with him. There's still time to buy raffle tickets to win a beautiful quilt. Pro-

ceeds go to the Fire House building fund. The winning ticket will be drawn at our membership meeting in December at the History Museum.

Next year we'll have some significant anniversaries. It'll be the 130th anniversary of St. Mary's Church, the 120th anniversary of the incorporation of Rocklin and the opening of Rocklin's first Fire House, the 50th anniversary of the Sunset Whitney Country Club and our 25th anniversary. Maybe, in concert with other groups, we can have a big party to celebrate these milestones. Give me a call or an email to let me know your ideas.

Please donate to rebuild Rocklin's first firehouse

The Rocklin Historical Society plans to build a replica of Rocklin's original firehouse a few feet south of the Old Saint Mary's chapel in Heritage Park. Please donate to the project.

Send a check, identifying the firehouse project, in any amount to:

Rocklin Historical Society
P.O. 1
Rocklin Ca. 95677

Support the Rocklin Historical Society's Firehouse Reconstruction Fund Raiser and win this beautiful quilt

Skip Gebel



This quilt will be won at a drawing during the Rocklin Historical Society's Christmas celebration on Dec. 17, 2012 at the Rocklin History Museum. The museum is at the corner of Rocklin Road and San Francisco Street. Check your mailbox for the time and other details.

Raffle tickets will be available then and at other historical society events before then. The quilt is red, white, and blue Double Irish Chain, all hand stitched.

Rosalie Squibb of Paradise, CA, started to piece this quilt in about 2000. Rosalie's friend Pat Wallila, also of Paradise, finished it in 2005 after Rosalie died.

The quilt was originally raffled in Paradise to support the Catholic church there. The winner kept the quilt, not using it, waiting to donate it for a raffle for another cause and eventually donated it for our Fire House Fund Raiser.

The quilt is approximately 74" by 96".

Help preserve Rocklin's history
and support history-related arts
projects.



The Rocklin Heritage Fund at the Placer Community Foundation supports the Rocklin Historical Society

Now it is possible to make tax-deductible gifts and perpetual endowments that will support Rocklin Historical Society programs including both visual and performing arts related to Rocklin's heritage. Please contact Veronica Blake at 530-885-4920 to learn how you can contribute, or go to www.placercf.org.



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Sargent, mortally wounded with bullets in his head and shoulder.

Sargent lived long enough to accuse several Chinese men of the crime.

Police called in from Rocklin and Roseville arrived on the scene, and on the dying man's testimony arrested ten Chinese miners at their cabin not much more than a stone's throw from the murder scene. Police found weapons and money on the men. Reportedly, the Sargent house had been robbed and circumstantially this was enough for the officers who hauled off their frightened prisoners, incarcerating them in the Rocklin jail. Word of the sensational crime passed through the town like a bolt of lightning and crowds gathered outside the jail demanding the prisoners be given up for lynching. The next day all remaining Chinese were driven out of Rocklin.

Meanwhile police investigators were finding no conclusive evidence against any of the Chinese they were holding—a fact that the court of public opinion in Rocklin could not tolerate. New mobs swarmed around the jail demanding they be given the Chinese for vigilante justice. Realizing that they could not protect their prisoners the authorities in Rocklin opted to move them to Auburn. A cordon of police was able to get the Chinese to the railroad depot but before the eastbound train could pull out an angry crowd attacked it screaming "Have them out!" "Hang them!" Police and railroad employees were finally able to fight off the vigilantes throwing them off the train as it pulled out of Rocklin. Once the prisoners were in the Placer County Jail a coroner's jury convened and, based on evidence obtained by Rocklin and Roseville investigators, the jury announced charges against only two of the ten men. The region's Chinese and their few supporters argued that Sargent's teamster, who inexplicably disappeared the day of the murders, might be the guilty person.

Ultimately, Rocklin authorities made no further arrests and the real murderers were never brought to justice. In the end, the Chinese never returned to Rocklin. By 1879 one local account bragged, "No chinaman can rent a house or obtain employment in the town."

The Rocklin way of expurgating its Chinese residents—giving them a deadline and threatening violence and fire became a model for other gold country communities, among them Loomis, Penryn and Grass Valley.

The town of Truckee came up with its

own method. Instead of threatening violence, which could have legal ramifications, the city fathers decided instead to "starve them out." The Chinese were offered no employment at all and any white person who employed or used the services of the Chinese would be "publically shamed and threatened with worse."

The treatment of the Chinese in gold country communities reflected a larger nationwide hostility towards immigrants and foreigners generally. American nativism made targets of the Chinese, Japanese, Italians, Greeks, Eastern Europeans and others who in unprecedented numbers came to American shores in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. They came to take jobs in the expanding American factory system and in so doing often encountered the same bigotry and racism long endured by African Americans and American Indians. The diversity of races, cultures, religions and, yes, opinions that many today see as the hallmark of American pluralism was, in our past, something to be feared by the majority of white America.

(Author's Note: Among other sources, this account relies heavily on one of the more recent works concerning the Chinese in the gold country of California. It is *Driven Out: the Forgotten War against Chinese Americans* by Professor Jean Pfaelzer which is an excellent addition to the genre.)

Dues for 2013 are due.

If the label on this newsletter's envelop shows 2012, your dues for 2013 are now due. Your dues support the Rocklin History museum and programs to entertain and educate Rocklin's citizens about Rocklin history.

Please mail your \$20.00 dues for 2013 to:

**Rocklin Historical Society
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Rocklin California 95677**

Garden Report

Sally Huseby

Our gardens at the museum and chapel are looking healthy as we head into autumn, my favorite season.

My thanks go to all of the hard-working volunteers who:

Pulled weeds, pruned hedges and planted shrubs and flowers around the chapel's bridal patio,

Spruced up museum gardens to get ready for the Heritage Trail weekend



in August and

Made a wall of rocks at the rear of the chapel donation garden to create a snail and grass barrier..

It's a continuing battle to stay ahead of the snails' voracious appetites.

We worked mornings, to beat the afternoon heat.

Thanks to the city for weed-spraying at the rear of the chapel garden.

It has become a challenge to keep plants healthy in a soil that has never been tilled or amended.

I look forward to cooler weather and more enjoyable time spent in the gardens

DOCENTS NEEDED

Jean Sippola



We are scraping by at the museum with very few docents. If you are a docent, do you have a friend or neighbor

who can work with you or can you volunteer for more days? If so please call me (Jean) at 652-1034.

The best cure for insomnia is to get a lot of sleep.

W. C. Fields

Modifications to the third grade history tours

Gay Morgan

Thousands of Rocklin Unified School District's third graders have toured the Rocklin History Museum since it opened 10 years ago. Students learn about their community with an emphasis on its history as an important center of granite mining, railroading and ranching.

Museum tours are provided at no cost by a small, and dedicated group of volunteers. They are Roy Ruhkala, Ruth Williams, Susan Brooking and Gay Morgan. But change is coming. Third grade classes are larger, the cost to bus kids to the museum is higher, time is constrained, and the School District's budget is tighter. Service Clubs such as Kiwanis have contributed to a fund to help defray the cost of the buses and more donations to this fund would be welcomed.

We also need to improve the content and

delivery of the tours. Nancy Lohse, Nancy Ustaszewski, Diane Wade, Kathy Reed, Connie Russ and Pat Woessner are working with the original volunteers to design a new format.

The team has developed history oriented test questions and plans are underway for hands-on museum activities. The Museum Gift shop is now stocked with "kid" friendly items.

The "new and improved" tour will now begin with a visit to the beautifully restored Old Saint Mary's Chapel on Front Street and will include not only the Rocklin History Museum but also a peek at the Big Gun Quarry and the City Hall Complex.

During the tours students are encouraged to bring their parents to visit the Museum at a later date and allow the student to give them a tour.

The Museum is open from 1-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

That is a lot of stone

Gary Day

The earliest documented evidence of Rocklin's granite quarrying operations is from 1864, but by tradition there were probably quarries in the Rocklin area as early as the 1850s.

By 1910 Rocklin quarries had supplied granite for several major projects in Nevada and Northern California, including the State Capital Building and courthouses in Auburn, Reno, and Sacramento. Some San Francisco streets are still lined with Rocklin granite curbing used for repairs after the 1906 earthquake.

Rocklin Quarry Tour, stop number five Brigham and Hawes Quarry (N 38° 47.208', W 121° 14.355')

Gary Day,

GPS coordinates by Brian Ignaut, Photo by Roy Salisbury



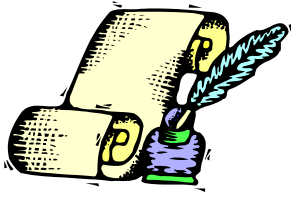
This quarry is on the west side of Pacific Street behind the tire store near the corner of Pacific and Far-non. Rock climbers practice on the granite boulders (pictured) at the south rim. Rocklin old timers know this quarry as Rocklin's oldest, but quarrying operations here predate their memories. A plaque at the site says that quarry operations started in 1861.

Since this quarry borders Rocklin's rail corridor it was probably a primary source of the granite used in construction of the transcontinental railroad after tracks reached Rocklin from Sacramento in 1864. This is a deep quarry but it is filled with trash, including a few junk cars and the refuse of lumber processors bordering on the north and south rims in the mid twentieth century.

Old Town Tidbits

Gene Johnson

The Rocklin Heritage Committee Announced that the Big Gun Quarry was accepted for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The committee is thanking Carol Ellis for advocating the



listing and piloting the application to approval. The registry lists the Big Gun site as the California

Granite Company Quarry because that was its name in 1908 when quarry owner Adolf Pernu built the granite processing sheds on the quarry's rim.

Big Gun is the first of many Rocklin sites which might be eligible for listing on the National Register.

Rocklin's Library, The Rocklin History Museum, and the Old Saint Mary's Chapel were developed or purchased with redevelopment funds and are subject to seizure by the state under the state laws that abolished redevelopment agencies. But state law exempts from seizure, subject to State Department of Finance approval, properties of public use. The city, is recommending public use status for those buildings and it appears now that DOF will allow the buildings to re-

main under city control. Not so with the Big Gun Quarry site which the city also purchased with redevelopment funds. There was an element of commercial use in the city's plan for that site but DOF might



allow the city to split the property to save non-commercial parts for public use and historic preservation.

Expect changes in the redevelopment law as DOF wrestles statewide with decisions about which local properties to seize.

The owner of the tiny, blue tarped, house at Pacific and Oak will not be rehabilitating it. We expect that he will make it available to be moved. Any ideas for its use?

The Barudoni Building is still available. The building is the key to bringing life to the Front Street Historic District. Can you propose a viable business for the building? Contact me at 624-2378.

We noticed a Honey Festival in Johnson-Springview Park recently. Please call me if you know about it. What do you do at a Honey Festival?

The mural on the south wall of the Blue Moose Deli building is completed with the Old Saint Mary's Chapel, the Rocklin History Museum and Finn Hall clearly depicted. Railroad engine 1938 roars through the scene.

Reportedly the artist is 74 years old, born in 1938. Is engine 1938 a coincidence?

But the mural didn't save the Blue Moose's business and sadly the Deli has closed. Glen and Barbara Farlee are throwing in the towel. We will miss them. Rumor has it that a Subway shop will occupy the site. Barbara says "Don't let them paint over the mural!"

We agree!

Glen and Barbara donated a Blue Moose sign and memorabilia to the society in the name of the Farlee and Kuykendall Families.

Wal-Mart Neighborhood Grocery will occupy the old Albertson's Store on Pacific Street near K-Mart. A similar Wal-Mart store is opening in Lincoln's Rainbow Market building. per Rocklin City Manager Ricky Horst,

Rocklin's store is in the paperwork phase with the opening date to be determined.

Members of the Rocklin Heritage Committee met with Scott Paris, owner of Loomis's High Hand Nursery and Restaurant, to discuss ideas for developing the Big Gun Quarry site.

Scott observed that Loomis' identity is in its Fruit Sheds, and Rocklin's identity and sense of place are in its granite quarries.



Ideas about how to make effective use of Rocklin's dormant quarry pits are stretching to extremes. Ethan

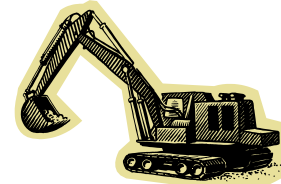
Davis suggests rock climbing and deep water scuba diving. Jerry Mitchell, and others including Roger Lokey and John Chase, suggest zip lines. Jeff Foltz suggests long concrete water slides. How about bungee jumping? People actually pay to do these things.

During the Old Town Council Candidate Forum – sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Rocklin Heritage

Committee, we heard from Broadway, Butler, Janda, Lento-Edrich, DeFoe, Magnuson, and Millard-Stadel. About 70 people attended.

Recent excavations near the railroad bed south of the Old Saint Mary's Chapel in Heritage Park by Mike Clark and city staff have unearthed a granite under-track storm drain. That storm drain might date to the time of the original tracks through Rocklin in the spring of 1864.

Rocklin's Old Town Tree Lighting is scheduled for December 1 in Heritage Park near the old Saint Mary's Chapel at 5251 Front Street from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Free fun for families: hot dogs, cookies, cider, train rides, horse and wagon rides and Santa.



The annual tree lighting is now one of Rocklin's premier events. But we need sponsors,

volunteers and donors. Call me at 624-2378.

In preparing for Kathie Nippert's

Voices of the Passed Cemetery Tour on October 27 and 28, we noted that Katherine Gorby Whitney, J Parker Whitney's third and last wife, has a marker in the cemetery. This means that her remains might not be entombed in the Whitney family's pyramid mausoleum behind Monument Park, possibly because she was married to J Parker only a few days before his death in 1924.

And finally we note with sadness the passing of Dan DeFoe's father and Dawn Clark's father.

photo tidbits

Photos by Ronna Davis



Historical society board member Gene Johnson (center and hatless) prepares to cut the Chamber of Commerce' ribbon marking the first concert in the newly landscaped Heritage Park on August 10, 2012. The Rocklin Historical Society and the City of Rocklin developed the park jointly near the corner of Rocklin Road and Front Street to beautify Rocklin's railroad corridor and attract commercial interest to Downtown Rocklin. The park's centerpiece is the old Saint Mary's chapel at 5251 Front Street



Native American/Maidu expert Don Perera discusses artifacts of Rocklin's Nisenan culture at the September 16 session of the Rocklin History Series at the Old Saint Mary's Chapel on Front Street. The series will continue at the Rocklin cemetery on October 27 and 28 with "Voices from the Passed" a dramatized remembrance of the lives of Rocklin cemetery residents who were important to the development of our city. See the flier included with this newsletter



Margaret Johnson visits with Beth and Marshall Smith at the Rocklin Historical Society's fall Pot Luck dinner on September 17 in the Community Center at Johnson-Springview Park.

The dinner is a popular annual event which kicks off a series of nine monthly member meetings, September through May.

The mission of the Rocklin Historical Society is to generate community interest and support for preservation of the history of Rocklin and to promote and encourage volunteerism and charitable gifts for these purposes.

To join the Rocklin Historical Society call Gay Morgan at 624-2355



On October 3, 2012 the local League of Women Voters sponsored a forum for Rocklin City Council candidates at the Old Saint Mary's Chapel on Front Street.

Posing on the granite front steps of the chapel are Carol Ellis, front center, who joined with Ed Lawson and Smokey Bassett, the two gentlemen in the top row, to add a costumed historical flavor to the event.

The City Council candidates are, from left to right Jack Lento-Edrich, Ken Broadway, Dave Butler, Dan DeFoe, Greg Janda, George Magnuson and Julie Millard-Stadel. About 70 people attended.

Treasurer's Report

Kathy Nippert



The Rocklin Historical Society's second quarter balance forward was \$65,994.79.

During the third quarter, we added 6 new memberships. The Society now has 165 members.

The Chapel account has a balance of \$7,957.81 with nine events scheduled for this year and three weddings for next year.

The RHS checking account has a balance of \$33,433.52 with the following committed funds:

- Third Grade Transportation Fund \$700,
 - Children's Fire House Fund \$10,348.65,
 - Rocklin Reunion \$2,564.04
 - Heritage Park Kiosk - \$4,000.
- Total Balance in all accounts \$72,074.52

Special thanks go to:

- Kiwanis Club
 - Allan Whitney
 - Sandra Davies
 - Carol & Jon Murray
 - Robert & Sue Sans
 - Zydeco Concert Donations
- Thank you all for your generosity.
Kathie Nippert, Treasurer

new members

Kathy Nippert

Please welcome the following New members to the Rocklin Historical Society:

Russ & Leslie McNeill
Dave Butler
Jerry Farren
Al & Sally Konishi
Angie Goebel
Carl & Gina Negek
Mary Lopez Alvarez

Rocklin's first golf course

Gary Day

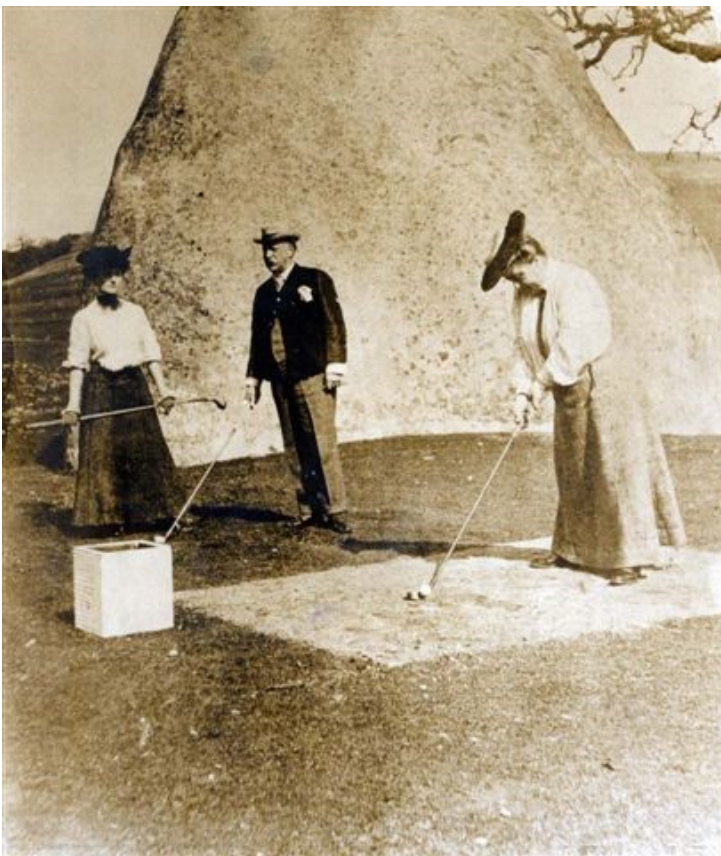
In the late 19th century Rocklin was home to one of California's first golf courses, a six-hole circuit near the Oaks mansion in the middle of the Spring Valley Ranch.

George Whitney established the Ranch in 1856 on rangeland west of downtown Rocklin where he ran a special cross-breed of Australian and California sheep. His son, Joel Parker Whitney, called Parker then, gained control of the ranch in the early 1870s, diversified its activities and operated it at about 20,000 acres for the next 35 years. By the early 1880s Parker was wealthy from his Colorado mining investments

and connected it to downtown Rocklin, three miles away, by improving and extending the ranch's decomposed granite roads.

Parker was enamored of English Society. He traveled to England often and built most of the twelve bridges on his roads in the style of stone bridges of the English countryside.

In the late 1880s Parker founded the Placer County Citrus Colony to lure Englishmen to purchase small citrus ranches in Clover Valley and on the flatter lands to the north and east in Loomis and Penryn.



Helen Beryl Whitney, Joel Parker Whitney, and Lucy Chadwick Whitney tee off c.1903 near a rock in today's Claremont neighborhood of Rocklin

and he decided to transform parts of the ranch into a baronial estate to flaunt his wealth and to provide a permanent home for his wife Lucy and the couple's three small children. He built his 20-room Oaks mansion in the mid 1880s

In the 1890s and early 1900s, as today, golf was a favored sport among Englishmen. English golf professionals were popularizing golf on America's east coast and Parker decided to please his English friends and provide recreation for ranch visitors and his family by building a course on the slope of the knoll below the Oaks and on the surrounding lower terrain.

Six holes of a modern course would occupy less than 50 acres but history does not record the exact layout of Parker's course. A photo from the very early 20th century shows the tee for the third hole near a boulder now at the corner of Hanover and Kali in Rocklin's Claremont neighborhood, about a quarter mile south-east of the Oaks' knoll.

Parker's diary indicates that his son Vincent oversaw course construction and completed the course about 1903. It must have been well maintained until at least 1910 because Parker touted it as a ranch feature when he tried, but failed, to sell his ranch that year.

When Parker died in 1913 Lucy moved out of the Oaks, and with the children gone the course probably started to deteriorate, with the land returning to its natural state. Whitney historian Richard Miller lived at the Oaks when his family leased the northern half of the ranch and ran cattle there in the late 1930s. Miller remembers that only vestiges of the course were visible then. Parker's golf course is now covered by residential neighborhoods near Mansion Oaks Park.

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Rocklin History Museum

Gay Morgan

The Rocklin History Museum is located at 3895 Rocklin Road at the corner of San Francisco Street. The museum is open from 1 to 4 pm on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. Docents are available to escort you and answer questions.

Group tours are available for 10 or more people by calling Gay Morgan at 624-2355.

Old Saint Mary's Chapel is available for your event.

Ronna Davis

Old Saint Mary's Chapel is Rocklin's oldest public building. It is at 5251 Front Street, near the corner of Rocklin Road. It is the centerpiece of Heritage Park and a key landmark in the restoration of the Front Street Historic District in down-



town Rocklin.

The chapel originated as Saint Mary's of the Assumption Catholic Church at 5420 Front Street, dedicated there by San Francisco Bishop Joseph Alemany in 1883.

The Catholic parish vacated the building in 1983 in favor of larger and more modern facilities on Granite Drive. The Rocklin Historical Society moved Saint Mary's to its present location at 5251 Front Street and restored it so that it is available for your event.

For more information contact:

Skip Gebel

At 916 415-5510

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Would you like to show off your collection

Gay Morgan

The yearly Rocklin Jubilee is a fond memory to many in Rocklin and the surrounding area. Each year there was a different theme and each year buttons and tee shirts were produced with the corresponding theme. Some of these items were preserved and framed and a few are now on display at the Rocklin History Museum.

We have displayed other collections of our members.

We recently displayed writing pens from the collection of Alan Brooking and we are now displaying Laverne Splan's Good Luck Elephants.

If you would like to put your collection on display, contact me at 624-2355 or gfmorgan@att.net.

Mark your calendar

October 15, 2012,
Rocklin Historical Society Monthly Meeting
 at Old Saint Mary's Chapel at 5201 Front Street.

October 27 and 28, 2012
Voices from the Passed,
 dramatized historical tours of the Rocklin Cemetery. \$10 admission, Call Gay Morgan at 624-2355 for reservations.

November 19, 2012
Rocklin Historical Society Monthly Meeting and annual election of RHS board
 at Old Saint Mary's Chapel at 5201 Front Street. Program to be announced.

December 1, 2012,
Rocklin's Old Town Tree Lighting
 in Heritage Park near the old Saint Mary's Chapel at 5251 Front Street from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.
 Free fun for families: hot dogs cookies, cider, train rides, horse and wagon rides and Santa. Potential sponsors call Gene Johnson at 624-2378

December 17, 2012 Rocklin Historical Society Holiday Social Meeting
 at the Rocklin History Museum, 3895 Rocklin Road.

Also:

Rocklin Historical Society board meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 6 pm in the Old Saint Mary's Chapel annex.

Rocklin Historical Society planning meetings are held every Tuesday at noon in the cafeteria at Oracle, corner of West Stanford Ranch Road and Sunset.

Give a membership

Kathy Nippert

Do you know someone who likes history? How about giving them a gift of a membership in the Rocklin historical society. For only \$20 they will receive four colorful and informative newsletters and much more. They will thank you all year long. Call 624-2355 or go to Rocklinhistory.org and sign up.