

# FAIR OAKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## QUARTERLY POTLUCK — GENERAL MEETING JULY 22, 1997 — 6:00PM

PROGRAM: CANNING JAR COLLECTIONS

SPEAKER: Bob Glover, Boonville, CA

Location: Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse (upstairs)  
7997 California Avenue

*Please bring a casserole, salad, or dessert to share with members.*

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### RESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Iva Langness

Please join us for July 22, 1997 general meeting and potluck supper. The great part of this meeting, in addition to the good food, is another great and interesting program that Steve Abbott, our Program Director, has planned for us. He tells me that Mr. Bob Glover will come to share his world of knowledge and exhibit materials with a story of "jar" life..... *You don't think that's a great subject???*.....*Have you never canned fruit or vegetables???*.....*Have you never set your clock for very early a.m., to be sure your well into canning before your aware of our valley summer sun.???*.....*Have you never had the thrill of just looking at the long rows of perfectly placed fruit in jars that are ready for your table serving or a gifts for special friends???*.....Or are you repeatedly blessing the inventor of a modern household item, the "freezer"????????.....

Steve will provide a table or two for us to display our own treasures. If you have items to share bring them along with a note telling us the who- what- when- where particulars. ....Please join us for an informative evening of shared memories.



**VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Steve Abbott**

Bob Glover of Boonville, CA will be our July speaker. Bob is a nationally-prominent collector of canning jars; his canning jar collection is one of the best and has been exhibited in many major shows. He is also an expert in "Boontling", a concocted language spoken by immigrant workers in the Boonville area. His expertise in "Boontling" has made him the subject of numerous interview in the press and on television, including a spot with Johnny Carson on the TONIGHT SHOW.

"Boontlers"

The canning jar played a prominent role in early Fair Oaks life. Most of the colonists were subsistence farmers and orchardists, who survived by growing and preserving their own food and selling some of their products for cash. Nothing was more important in the preservation of food than the canning jar, itself. As the glass industry joined the Industrial Revolution, hundreds of companies patented jars and closures to gain a foothold in the growing market. Features such as embossed logos, shapes, sizes, colors, closing mechanisms, and sealing features were the main selling points.

Come to hear Bob, see some of his rare collector's items and bring your own canning jars. Bob will be able to tell you a little about your prize possession.



**TREASURER'S REPORT: Lee Scott**

"Higs & higgery"

Balance as of 3/19/97			\$8715.37
INCOME:	membership	\$260.00	
	books and tapes	180.00	
	raffle and wine	<u>182.50</u>	
	Total	\$622.50	+622.50
EXPENSES:	kitchen supplies	60.50	
	office supplies	<u>166.12</u>	
	Total	\$226.62	-226.62
Balance as of 6/23/97			\$9111.25

I was very saddened to read that my favorite silver-haired groceryologist, **MR. HAROLD MILLIGAN** had passed away in Prescott, Arizona on May 11, 1997. When my children were just barely tall enough to touch the counter top, they would always get a special treat as I would be checking out with our groceries. There was always a kind greeting and a pleasant goodbye. I join the Historical Society membership in a salute to you and your family. We all will miss this gentle man.

Nancy B. Sherman

**1997 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FAIR OAKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Balance as of 1-7-97 \$8213.44

Income:	membership	\$ 800.00	
	publications	600.00	
	raffles	630.00	
	refreshments	814.00	
	miscellaneous	<u>50.00</u>	
	Total	\$2894.00	+ \$2894.00

*"forbes"*

Expenses:	P.O. Box rent	\$ 40.00	
	newsletter	370.00	
	Conf of Cal Hist Soc	30.00	
	Other dues selected	30.00	
	refreshments	200.00	
	Reprint/ <u>THE EARLY YEARS</u>	3000.00	
	photo reproductions	200.00	
	museum acquisitions	200.00	
	maintenance/archives	300.00	
	accrual/moving expenses	<u>3000.00</u>	
	Total	\$7370.00	- \$7370.00

*"Chipmunk"*

Projected balance for 1997 \$3737.44

Respectfully submitted by Lee Scott, Treasurer



**DOCENTS' REPORT: Lois Frazier**

*"doll"*

The History Museum in the administration building in the Fair Oaks Cemeteries is open every second Sunday of the month from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Come pay us a visit.

***Please join me in thanking each docent for their continued efforts for***

- January 12: Dottie Dykeman, Lois Frazier
- February 9: June Melvin, Leigh Landis, Ione Radonich
- March 9: Meg and Larry Smart
- April 13: Iva Langness and Alice Gallaher
- May 11: Ed Eubanks
- June 8: Darlene and Mike Aylward
- July 13: Marilyn and Chuck Kendrick
- August 10: Lois Frazier and Bonnie Drago
- September 14: Marilyn and Chuck Kendrick
- October 12: Kenneth and Lynn Steen
- November 9: Meg and Larry Smart
- December 14: OPEN HOUSE**

*"Branching"*

In this kitchen come the hand prints of Jennifer Hill for this recipe.....

### CURRIED PEA SALAD

10 oz frozen peas, thawed  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
3 slices cooked bacon, crumbled

5 green onions, sliced  
1/3 cup slivered roasted almonds  
Or cashews, to be added at the last minute

Dressing:  
2/3 cup sour cream  
1 1/4 tsp curry powder  
Fresh ground pepper  
Salt

Serve on a bed of lettuce leaves

"dishing"

"form"

These archives have a shadow — whoa! Do they ever! I reached into to my closet (one of many) and came upon this piece with its own story.....

nancy b. sherman

My Great-grandfather, Judge Miles J. Furnas was the wholesale distributor for the S.L. ALLEN CO. of Pennsylvania. According to my Grandfather, Dr. Lester Furnas, the S.L. ALLEN CO. manufactured all kinds of garden equipment, farm tools, and the flexible Flyer snow sled. In 1896, Great-Grandpa was awarded the top salesman's honor in the United States and given a Christmas bonus of \$500.00, which in those days, was a lot of money. With money in his pocket, he took my Great-grandmother to the World's Fair and bought her this hand-painted vase.

When this vase came home to rest in the small town of Lynn, Indiana, it created quite a bit of excitement in the village, according to Dr. Furnas, and was the talk of the town with its own set of weekly visitors. Since then and three generations later in California, it now rests with my family.



There are all kinds of footsteps with shadows in here --visit a Board Meeting or join friends and come view what YOUR museum has to offer.....

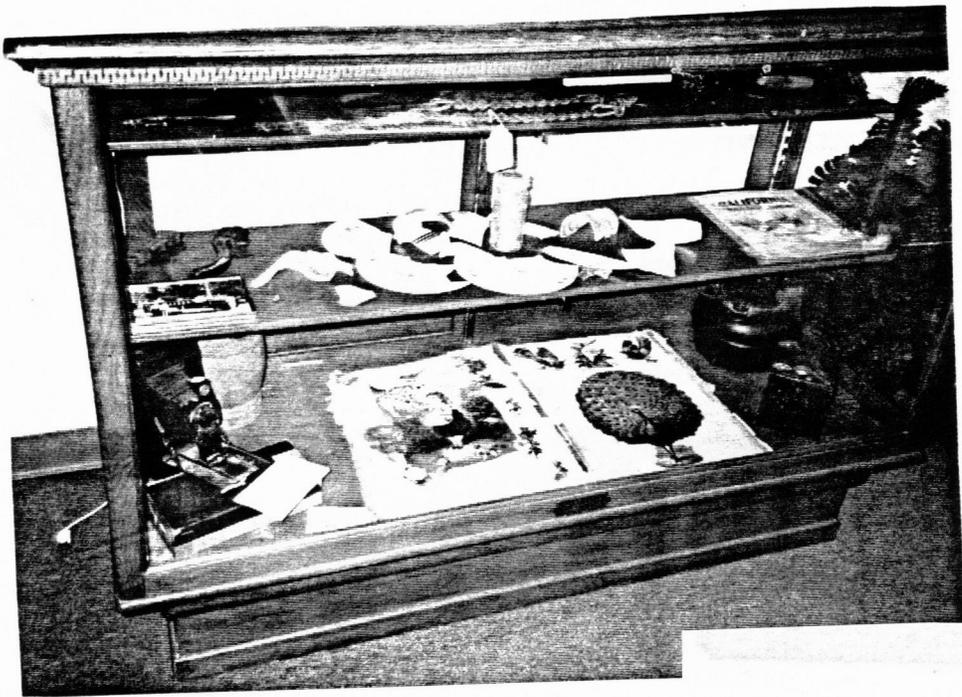


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"apple head"

FAIR OAKS HISTORICAL SOCIETY DISPLAY AT THE 1997 FAIR OAKS FIESTA



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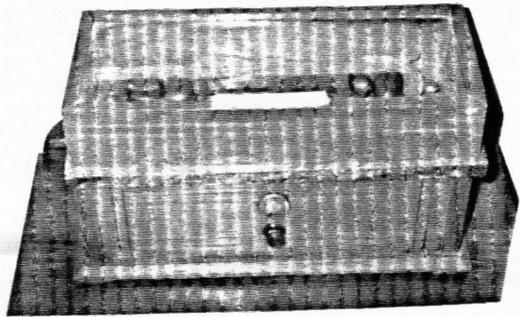
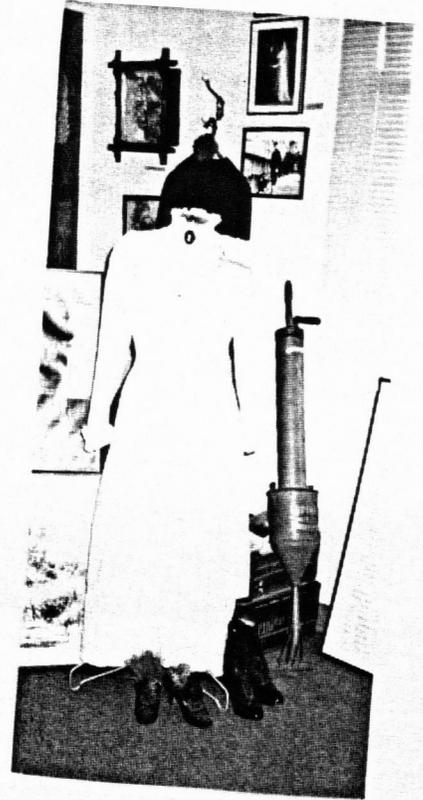
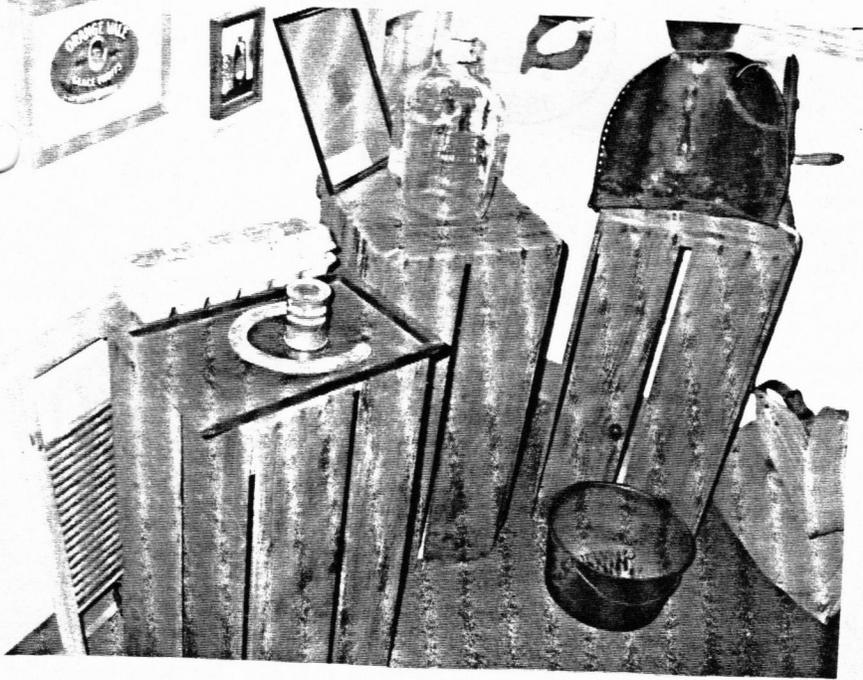
Treasurer Lee Scott says "Welcome to the Fair Oaks Historical Society Museum."



"Welk"



Can you identify the items in these displays??  
**Prize** to the one who can identify the most items contained in these pictures in this newsletter. Contest officially closes 10/13/97.



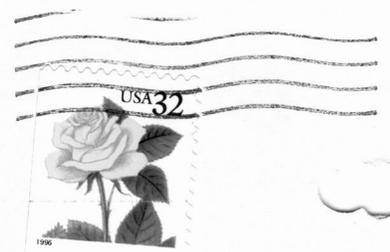
"white dome region"



STEVE ABBOTT WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEREABOUTS OF THE OTHER TWO DISPLAY PEG BOARDS LIKE THIS!!!

"teleaf"

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TO

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**F.O.H.S. MUSEUM:** open every 2<sup>nd</sup> sunday of  
each month from 1:00 — 4:00pm at the  
Fair Oaks Cemetery, 7780 Olive St., Fair Oaks  
"dusties"

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