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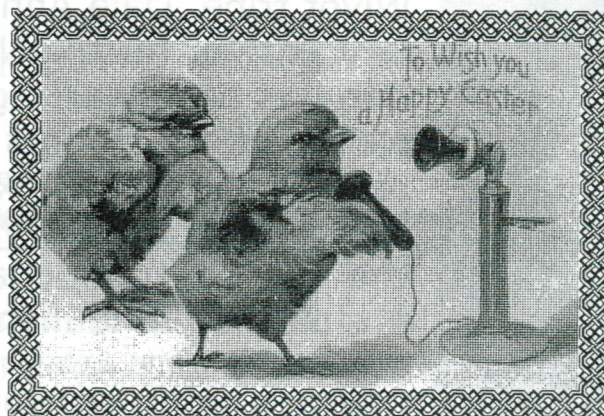
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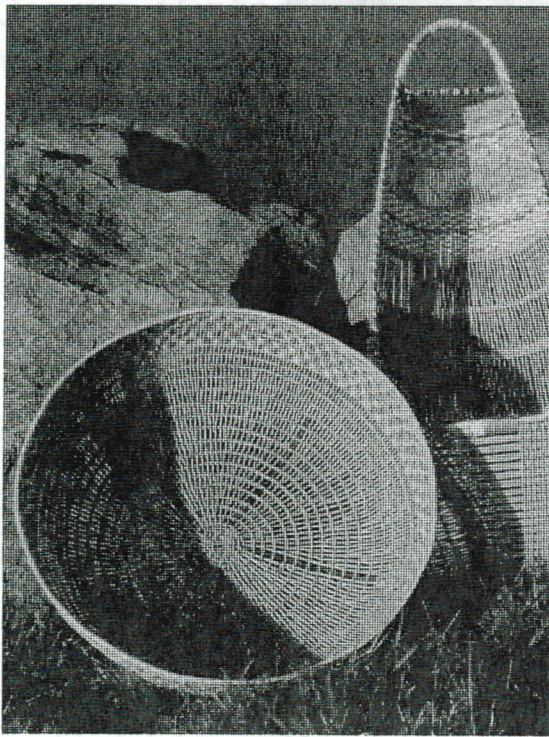
Springtime at the Museum

New exhibits blossoming this Spring include telephones and related items from our collection and a selection of aprons. In the frequently changing costume area, appropriate period costumes will be exhibited along with appliances.

This will give us a chance to bring out some big items from storage - including a recently acquired 1930s refrigerator and a 1950s television. Small appliances will be there as well from sad-irons to mix-masters. This is an exhibit you don't want to miss! Newly donated Jazz Festival items will be displayed in March, and since everyone has a sweet tooth, the exhibit of candy boxes and local candy store items that will be put up for Valentine's day will stay with us all Spring.

NEW VOLUNTEERS AT THE CLARKE - YOU CAN BE ONE, TOO!

Recently a number of folks have joined the ranks of Clarke volunteers. Jane Frey has volunteered for months researching new exhibits and has now decided she also wants to guide school tours, where she has been doing a great job. Ellie Poitras has helped in Nealis Hall projects before and has now added tour guiding to her skills. Diana Shoenfield visited the museum several times researching old schools and liked the place so much she decided she would like to be a tour docent as well. Mariah Wellman, daughter of museum registrar Lynn Wellman, has recently moved to town and has been helping in the textile collection - bringing with her lots of skill and knowledge. You can volunteer too - and see what the fun is about. We particularly need tour guides and Saturday gallery docents. Call 443-1947



WIYOT EXHIBIT

Thanks to a grant from the Bertha Russ Lytel Foundation, this year will see a new exhibit at the museum focusing on the Wiyot tribe. Dale Ann Sherman, our assistant curator for the Native American collection has been working with the Wiyots as well as HSU students and volunteers to put together a visually exciting exhibit showing Wiyot life and history. Since Eureka is in the heart of traditional Wiyot territory, we are pleased to launch this very appropriate project.

NEW ON THE BOARD



Wendy Wahlund, left, and new President Gerry Hale

At the Clarke's annual meeting in January, several new members were elected to the Board of Directors. These filled vacancies and replaced several (actually irreplaceable) members whose terms had expired - Jim Moranda and Bob Spencer. New members include long time volunteers Karen Briggs, Paul Burns and Ann Sullivan. Shirley Laos

and Roy Sheppard are new faces, and Chuck Petty returns to the board after many years.

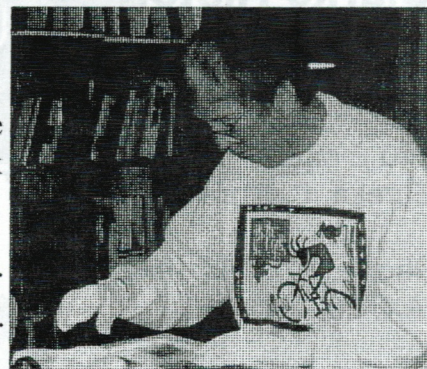
Welcome all - and congratulations to Gerry Hale, the newly elected President!



a gathering of new and not-so-new board members

GOODBYE, JEAN

Longtime museum volunteer Jean O'Brien died last month, and we will greatly miss her. For years, Jean loyally came in every Friday to work organizing the collection or giving tours. The kids she took around always learned a lot - and were well behaved. From an old Ferndale area family, Jean lived life to the full, every year taking some time off from her museum duties to go on some amazing trips to different parts of the world. It was Jean who donated the quilt that was raffled to earn money for the museum during the summer quilt show.



Although seriously ill, she continued to volunteer at the museum up until a few weeks from her death. We'll miss you, Jean - and thanks for everything.

MUSEUM CELEBRATES EUREKA'S BIRTHDAY

In 1856, Eureka Incorporated, and now the Clarke Museum is an active part of the 150th Birthday celebrations. In January, we opened an exhibit that highlights Eureka's early years, and also has a display of birthday cards that spans several decades. Photos and paintings of Eureka and Humoldt, early documents, clothing and artifacts are included. The exhibit is partly housed in elegant cases made possible by a grant from the Humboldt Area Foundation and by the skilled carpentry of Board Member Roger Smith.

This exhibit will run for all of 2006, and throughout the year the Clarke will be involved in many community celebrations. One of our main roles will be directing the time capsule project. For this, community members will be asked to bring in items typical of the year 2006. These will be sealed away to be opened in 2056 at the celebration of Eureka's 200th anniversary. The official announcement of this project will be at the city kick-off celebration at the Adorni Center on April 22. The capsule will be closed at the end of December, so between now and then think about what you would like Eureka in fifty years to know about our time and our town. Contributions to the capsule will be collected at the Clarke and other locations.

HOLD THE DATE

This year's Salmon Barbeque will be September the 9th. Mark your calendar and be ready for much fun and a delicious feast.

VISIT OUR GIFT SHOP

Our gift shop at the Clarke is chock full of items related to the history and environment of Humboldt county.

**BOOKS- NATIVE AMERICAN and
HUMBOLDT COUNTY HISTORY
(also children's books)
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stop in today!



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LEAVE A LEGACY HISTORY IS, BY DEFINITION, FOR THE LONG TERM. THOSE OF US THAT SUPPORT THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORY, NEED TO THINK LONG-TERM TOO. IF YOU SHARE THE CLARKE MUSEUM'S MISSION OF PRESERVING AND PRESENTING LOCAL HISTORY, YOU MIGHT CONSIDER SUPPORTING IT EVEN AFTER YOU ARE NO LONGER HERE.

PLANNED GIVING CAN COME IN MANY FORMS. YOU COULD REMEMBER THE CLARKE IN YOUR WILL WITH A GIFT OF MONEY, REAL ESTATE OR OTHER ASSETS. YOU COULD SET UP A LONG TERM ENDOWMENT, OR YOU COULD ESTABLISH A CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST SO THAT YOU CAN BEGIN GIVING IN YOUR LIFETIME. THESE AND OTHER OPTIONS WILL HELP SUSTAIN THE MUSEUM FOR YEARS TO COME AND WILL BRING IMMEDIATE TAX BENEFITS TO YOU AND YOUR HEIRS. TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF PLANNED GIVING, TALK TO YOUR LAWYER, INSURANCE AGENT, ACCOUNTANT OR FINANCIAL ADVISOR.

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