

Clarke Historical Museum

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EXHIBITS, NEW AND UPCOMING

We are welcoming in a new year with an exhibit of years past – calendars, almanacs, annual plates and “year in pictures” magazines. Then early in 2012 we have two new exhibits. One marks the 100th anniversary of

Harper Ford where, in addition to celebrating that remarkable business, we will be exhibiting all things automotive including many great photographs. Our upcoming clothing exhibit will be entirely devoted to one new donation. Bruce Pettit recently gave the Clarke trunks of clothing from the Phegley estate. These include many elegant 1910s gowns, some of the most spectacular pieces now in our collection. And you may remember that we had a dog exhibit several years ago. Now it's equal time for cats. Come see the many ways cats have appeared in our material culture.



THERE IS LIGHT!



If you drive by the Museum at night you'll see that for the first time in decades the facade is illuminated. This increases the beauty and security of the whole block. Many donors made this possible. Thank you to Jim and Pat Moranda, Shirley, Tom and David Foster, Nina Thorwaldson, John Winzler, Odd Fellows Lodge 14, Evelyn Waters, Arlene

Hartin, Gail and Jim Timmons, M. Colleen Bonner, Jeff and Sharon Lamoree, Cooper and Sons Electrical Services, and a generous anonymous donor. The lights are even on a timer to save electricity. Materials and labor for that were donated by Bob Marino of D.G. Fairhaven Power. Thank you to board members Chuck Petty for donating the light fixtures and Roy Sheppard who put in a lot of work on the whole project. So many many thanks to all!

The Mission of the Clarke Historical Museum is the acquisition, preservation and educational display of objects relating to the history of Eureka and Humboldt County, in order to further appreciation by residents, visitors and school children, of the area's rich and diverse heritage, and in doing so to promote increased visitation to our historic region.

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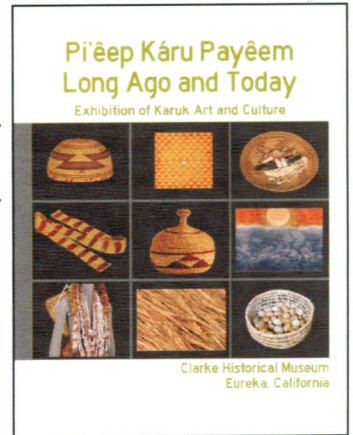


KARUK CATALOG UPDATE

The catalog for the Karuk exhibit "Pi'êep Káru Payêem?: Long Ago and Now" is going to the printer sometime in January, available in early February. Once published, the Clarke will be hosting a hot off the press party to recognize the accomplishment of documenting this collaborative exhibit on Karuk art and culture.

KIWELATTAH HITS THE ROAD

Beginning on February 10th, Arcata City Hall will host the newly restored Kiwelattah portrait! Coinciding with Arts Arcata, the portrait of the famous Wiyot leader, painted by Josiah Shaw for L.K. Wood, will be displayed alongside other complimentary works of art. The museum would like to thank the Arcata Foundation, whose grant made this traveling exhibit possible.



Cover of the Karuk Exhibit Catalog

CHANGES

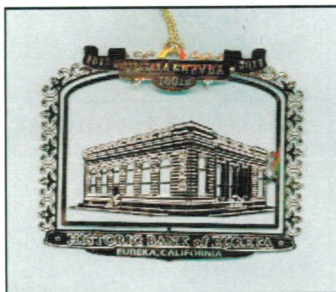
The Clarke, like most non-profits, is suffering in today's economy. Budget cuts are being made, mostly involving staff hours and positions. We will maintain the same quality of exhibits, programs and service, but we do ask for your patience. Better yet, this is an excellent time to give the Clarke a financial donation or to remember the Museum in your estate planning. *Together, we can make and preserve history!*

THANK YOU CLARKE VOLUNTEERS!

This year volunteers devoted more than 1,370 hours to the museum. That is 57 full days spent making sure that the museum's doors are open, that fundraisers run smoothly, and that school tours have guides. The museum staff knows there are many non-profits that need volunteers, and we are honored that you chose to spend your time helping the Clarke. Are you interested in volunteering? Call the museum at 443-1947, we hope to have many fundraisers in the new year and can always use some creative and active volunteers for a variety of tasks.

MUSEUM MURDER MYSTERY

Who done it? Find out this spring, when the Clarke holds a Murder Mystery dinner at the Eureka Women's Club on Saturday, May 5th 2012. Come out for some mystery on Cinco de Mayo and support the Clarke Museum in the process. Dinner and drinks will be served and if this event is a success the museum will hold it annually providing a much needed fundraiser for Spring bills.



GIFTS GALORE

Christmas may have come and gone, but the need for gift giving is year round. The museum gift shop has books on local history and Native American culture plus unique pieces by local artists including tiles, baskets and jewelry. A very special item is the Bank of Eureka ornament. The Arts Council's 2011 holiday ornament features the 100 year old building that now houses the Clarke Museum. It's a charming souvenir of the Clarke suitable for giving any time.

WISH LIST

Everyone has unwrapped their Holiday gifts, but the Clarke still has a few items on our wish list. Do you have any of these items that you could donate to the Clarke? Give us a call at 443—1947, or better yet stop by the museum for a visit.

Digital Camera

Colander

Cordless Drill

Book Stands

Book Ends



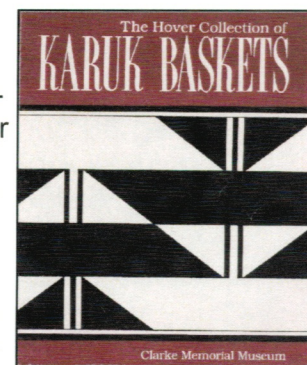
WELCOME MEMBERS!

Thanks to the following friends for joining or renewing their Clarke Museum memberships in the last few months:

Janice & Gary Albee	Hesse, Green, Pilard & Corsetti	Petersen Insurance
Elisa Abelleira	Ken Hoard	Louise Peterson
Nancy Barr	Leland & Christine House	H.E. Pierson Co.
Dr. James & Sile Bauriedel	Humboldt Interpretive Association	Pierson Building Center
Joan Berman	Susan & Bob McPherson	Peninsula Union School
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REMEMBERING LEE HOVER

The staff and board of the Clarke Historical Museum would like to honor the memory of Lee Hover. A Humboldt County native and World War II veteran, Lee Hover will be remembered as an important and influential member of the community. His family's collection of Karuk baskets was donated to the museum and put on permanent display on May 13, 1985. Over the past 26 year the collection has been enjoyed and studied by thousands of museum visitors. Our thoughts and regards go out to his wife of 67 years, Helen Hover, and her family. Thank you for ensuring that such beautiful Karuk basketry can be enjoyed by the people of Humboldt County and its visitors for years to come.



The Hover Collection Catalog, sold in our gift shop

MEMORIAL FUNDS

Four new memorial funds have been established

For: Lee M. Hover

For: Larry Francesconi

For: Edna "Penny" Mae Penfold

For: Hazel May Smith

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Donating to these or establishing your own fund is a way to honor someone's memory and support the museum that preserves Humboldt County's heritage. Please include with your donation information on the honoree and who should be informed of your gift.