

THE EHMANN HOME

1480 Lincoln
Street

Saturdays 11-3 &
by appointment

Visit "the house that olives built" which begins with the story of Freda Ehmann, considered to be the mother of the olive industry. The 1911 Craftsman Bungalow style house has two floors of old-style architecture, furniture, and memorabilia.



BUTTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

2335 Baldwin Ave.

Thursday & Friday
9 – Noon

A great place to discover information about the areas' earliest settlers. A research archive is also available.



HISTORIC MURALS

Located through-out the Historic Downtown District; over 25 murals depicting Oroville & Butte County adorn the sides of buildings.



OROVILLE ... EARLY BEGINNINGS

Oroville traces its roots to 1808 when Gabriel Moraga, the first known visitor to this area, viewed the lush green valley with groves of oak trees, wild game, shy native Indians and an unnamed, tree-lined river. In 1820 Captain Luis Arguello explored the area and named the river "Rio de las Plumas", the River of Feathers.

In 1848 John Bidwell discovered gold on the Feather River and thousands flocked to the area to seek their fortune and for awhile the city was named "Ophir." In 1856 the name was changed to Oroville, Spanish for the "City of Gold."

Oroville is situated on the banks of the Feather River where it flows out of the Sierra Nevada onto the flat floor of the California Central Valley. The Feather River is the principal tributary of the Sacramento River. Oroville was established as the head of navigation on the Feather River to supply gold miners during the California Gold Rush.

City of Oroville
Parks & Trees Department
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA 95965
(530) 538-2415

*Historic Walking Tour &
Follow the Greenline Tour*
brochures are available at City Hall or the Chamber of Commerce providing another way to explore Oroville.

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www.oroVILLEchamber.net*

Celebrate Oroville's Museum Row



- BOLT'S ANTIQUE TOOL MUSEUM
- BUTTE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM
- CHINESE TEMPLE & MUSEUM
- FEATHER RIVER NATURE CENTER
- HISTORIC DOWNTOWN MURALS
- HISTORIC STATE THEATRE
- THE EHMANN HOME
- THE LOTT HOME IN SANK PARK
- PIONEER HISTORY MUSEUM



OROVILLE'S TREASURES AWAIT YOUR VISIT!

EXPERIENCE LIVING HISTORY

BOLT'S ANTIQUE TOOL MUSEUM

1650 Broderick St.
Daily 11:45 – 3:45

Come explore a unique collection of over 12,000 tools dating back to the 1820s'. As you wander through the museum, you will not only view tools, but enjoy pictures of earlier times and see the tools "in action."



C. F. LOTT HOME IN SANK PARK

1067 Montgomery Street
Fri-Sun-Mon 11:30 – 4:00



Visit a charming Victorian home, circa 1856 with a captivating history. The home and gardens encompass one square block. Costumed Docents provide a glimpse into a less complicated lifestyle.

CHINESE TEMPLE & MUSEUM COMPLEX

1500 Broderick Street
Daily 12:00 – 4:00



This enchanting museum includes three active chapels representing the major ways of life in China. The complex includes five separate buildings displaying priceless artifacts.

FEATHER RIVER NATURE CENTER & NATIVE PLANT PARK

Through the Montgomery Street
Roundabout on Old Ferry Road

Sat-Sunday 12 – 4
& by appointment



Historic WPA Bath-house, rescued and restored with nature displays, artifacts, minerals, and native plants. Incredible views of the Diversion Dam, Fish Barrier Dam & the Feather River. A hiking trail and gazebos follow the river.

PIONEER HISTORY MUSEUM

2332 Montgomery Street
Fri-Sat-Sun Noon – 4:00



Enjoy a step back in time and explore over 6000 square feet of displays containing artifacts from the early pioneers who settled in Oroville and Butte County.

HISTORIC STATE THEATRE

 1489 Myers Street
Call the Box Office
(530) 538-2470 for event schedules



Peek into a charming theater that was built in 1928 and is an on-going City restoration project. Experience musical programs, silent movies and much more.