

Oroville's Museum Row

- **THE LOTT HOME
AT SANK PARK**

1067 Montgomery Street

Open: 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 and era.

- **PIONEER HISTORY MUSEUM**

2332 Montgomery Street

Open: Fri-Sat-Sun Noon — 4:00 pm



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.

Oroville traces its roots to 1808 when Gabriel Moraga, the first known visitor to this area, viewed the lush green valley here 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.

The riparian area of the Feather River supports a rich biodiversity of native flora and fauna. Waters from the river converge to form a recreational paradise in the Oroville area.

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



This brochure was funded by a grant from the
Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce
www.oroVILLEchamber.net



- Bolt's Antique Tool Museum
- Butte County Historical Archives
- Chinese Temple & Museum
- Feather River Nature Center
- Historic Downtown Murals
- The Ehmann Home
- The Lott Home at Sank Park
- Pioneer History Museum



Something for everyone ...

- **Bolt's Antique Tool Museum**

1650 Broderick Street



Open daily 11:45 — 3:45

Come explore a unique collection of over 8,000 tools dating back to the 1820's. As you wonder through the museum, you will not only view tools, but enjoy pictures of earlier times and see the tools "in action".



- **Butte County Historical Archives**

2335 Baldwin Avenue

Open Thursday & Friday 9 — Noon

A great place to research and find out about Oroville and Butte County. Historic ledgers, photographs and manuscripts.

- **Chinese temple & museum complex**

1500 Broderick Street

Open 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 Gardens**

Through the Montgomery Street roundabout on Old Ferry Road

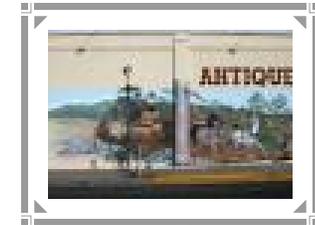
Open Sat-Sunday 12 — 4 & by appointment



Historic WPA Bath-house rescued and restored with nature displays, artifacts, minerals, and native plants.

- **Historic Downtown Murals**

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



- **The Ehmann home**

1480 Lincoln Street

Open 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 interesting architecture and memorabilia.