

Since 1947, the Humboldt County Historical Society has worked to preserve original historical materials related to Northern California history. Our purpose is to further an understanding and appreciation of all peoples, places, events, and activities of Humboldt County and related areas. Toward this end, we focus on acquiring, preserving, interpreting, creating, and sharing historical information, and by educating and assisting others to do the same. To further these goals, the Humboldt County Historical Society publishes an outstanding quarterly magazine, the Humboldt Historian; maintains a thorough reference library; prints historical books; records and transcribes oral histories of knowledgeable residents; archives valuable collections, and makes the information in those collections available to researchers.

The Historical Society collections include over two hundred historical maps and over 65,000 historical photographs, as well as documents, ledgers, memoirs, and much more. Come see what awaits you at the Humboldt County Historical Society.

The Historical Society would like to invite you to join us at our annual luncheon on February 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm at the Humboldt County Office of Education's Sequoia Conference Center.

The event will be catered by Uniquely Yours. The menu includes assorted breads, spinach salad and chocolate ganache, with a choice of entrees: pork tenderloin stuffed with chevre and a vegan choice of curried tofu and vegetables.

Special guest speaker Ray Raphael, local historian and author of *The First American Revolution*, *Two Peoples, One Place*, and *Cash Crop*, will be giving a presentation for the event. Ray's presentation, titled "*Trees and Grass: Boom and Bust the American Way*," will take a look at the history of natural resources utilized in the county through boom and bust cycles, including timber, cannabis, tan bark and sugar beets.

Tickets are \$45 and are available at the Humboldt County Historical Society before the event. There will be no sales at the door. We are located at 703 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Eureka, at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and H streets. You can call the Historical Society at area code (707) 445-4342.