



The Heritage Recorder

The Newsletter of the Chico Heritage Association
February 2006

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday February 26
2-4pm

Chico Branch of Butte Co. Library
1108 Sherman, at E. 1st Ave.

Our annual get-together of Chico Heritage members and supporters will feature longtime CHA member, Professor **Michele Shover** on "Chico Women and the Murderer, Hong Di" from her forthcoming book, *Exploring Chico's Past*, her collection of 20 articles on Chico history. Copies will be available for sale and signing.

An update on current Chico Heritage activities, a short business meeting, and election of board members will precede the talk. Refreshments will follow.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is Chico Heritage Association's 25th anniversary year! As a local, non-profit, all-volunteer group, CHA has advocated and pursued many efforts to preserve our local cultural heritage. Among our many accomplishments / success stories in our first quarter century are the following:

- Chico Historic Building Survey (Chico Cultural Resources Inventory)
- South of Campus National Register Historic District (168 structures)
- Saving the 3rd Street Language Houses from destruction and enabling them to be historically renovated by State legislation.
- Adoption by the City of Chico of the Mills Act, which affords the owners of qualified historic structures reduced property taxes.
- Researched and applied for listing of the Chico railroad depot in the National Register of Historic Places. (This qualified the City, the depot's owner, to receive a \$60,000 State grant for its restoration.)
- Restoration of the depot and renovation of the depot park
- Researched and advocated the listing of the old Chico City Hall in the National Register of Historic Places (the City declined), and advocated the structure's retention and restoration.
- Researched and filed the application for the listing of the Honey Run Covered Bridge in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Researched and applied for the listing of the historic St. John's Episcopal Church (now St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church) in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Researched and application of listing of the Silberstein-Park Building in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Sponsored the Greek Housing Improvement Contest.
- Continued research and support of the effort to preserve and restore the historic Wright-Patrick House, on the Midway.
- CHA received the prestigious Governor's Award for Historic Preservation.
- Hosted conferences, workshops and meetings on research, historic preservation, and tax advantages (e.g., 1st State Rural Preservation Conference, Annual Meeting of the No. Calif. Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians, etc.)
- Continually advocate for and encourage historic preservation.

John Gallardo, President

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A huge THANK YOU! to Tracy Tully-Davis and Grady Davis for office space for the past year and a half. We appreciate it very much!

Chico Heritage Association has recently moved into new quarters, sharing an office with the League of Women Voters. Thank you, League and Sharon Wallace (facilitator), for welcoming us!

We are seeking a wider audience and circle of friends & supporters for our efforts. Our new office space has the promise to facilitate our work. With greater resources and involvement from the community, we will be better able to achieve our mission — to foster the preservation of our cultural resources. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at our mailing or new email address or leave a message on our office phone. Thank you for your support!

CHA's FUTURE PLANS, HOPES, DREAMS:

- Adoption by the City of Chico of an historic preservation ordinance.
- Adoption by the City of Chico of The Secretary of the Interior Standards for Restoration and Rehabilitation, for City-owned historic properties. These include: the Stansbury Home, the Chico Museum building, the Chico RR Depot, and the old City Hall.
- Update the Historic Building Survey.
- Compilation of an index of local historic information.
- Establish a website.
- Host additional preservation conferences, workshops, and educational programs.

WHY CHA NEEDS YOUR MEMBERSHIP DONATION:

Current Basic Expenses:

- Office rent
- Telephone
- Utilities
- Newsletter printing & mailing
- Insurance
- Photocopying & photography for research

Current Income Sources:

- Membership dues
- Donations

WISH LIST: Insurance, file cabinets, Printer/copier/scanner. new computer

Current Board Members:

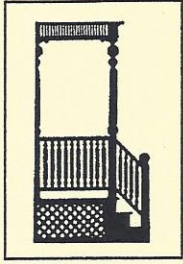
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Kathleen Hillman, *Secretary*
Carolyn Matheny, *Treasurer*
Giovanna Jackson
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UPCOMING EVENT:

Feb. 18-25

The **California Nut Festival**, presented by the Far West Heritage Association, stewards of the Chico Museum and the Patrick Ranch.

Call 892-1525 for a schedule of events & volunteer opportunities.



CHICO HERITAGE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Have you renewed your membership in Chico Heritage Association?
Would you like to become a member?

Help us preserve Chico's heritage! Simply fill out this form and return it to:
Chico Heritage Association, P.O. Box 3517, Chico, CA 95927

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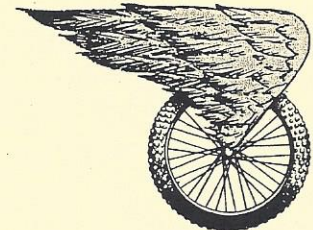
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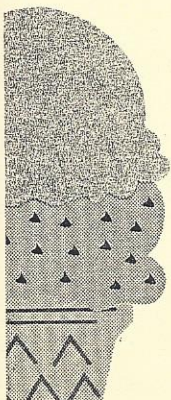
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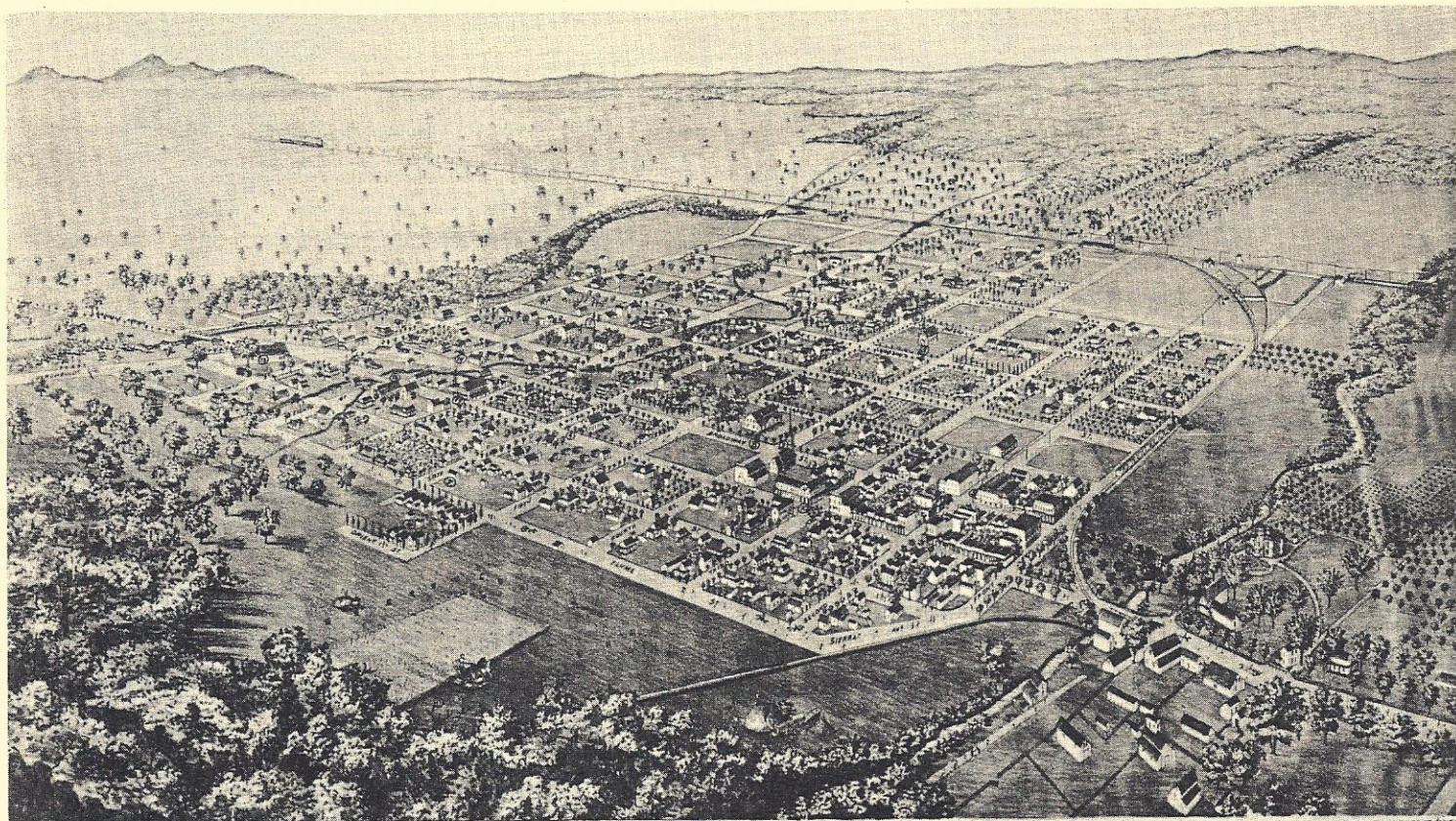
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1. Public Schools
2. Presbyterian Church
3. Roman Catholic
4. N. E. Smith
5. N. W. Smith
6. Masonic Temple
7. Commercial Building
8. Courthouse
9. Pavilion

BIRDSEYE VIEW OF
CHICO
 BUTTE COUNTY, CAL.
 1871

10. Union House
11. Union House
12. H. J. Alder's Saw-Door & Mill Factory
13. Chico Lumber Co.
14. Sprague & Co's Lumber Yard
15. Chico Store
16. Chico Store
17. Chico Store

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