

#### SPEND TIME AT

- Museum Row
- Centennial Plaza
- State Theatre
- Historic Downtown
- Lake Oroville
- The Feather River
- Riverbend Park
- Bedrock Park
- Artists of River
   Town Gallery
- Brad Freeman Trail
- Fish Hatchery
- and of course the "Salmon Festival"

September 26th



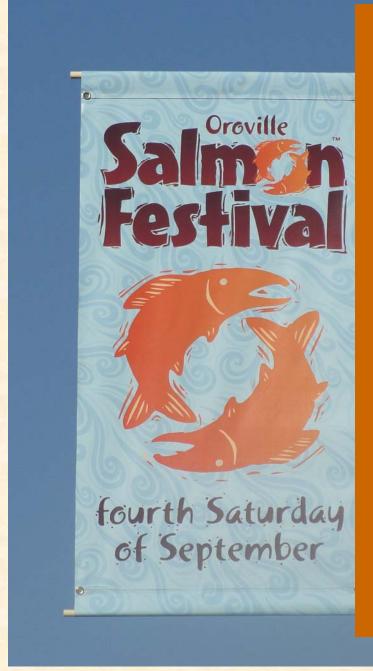
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# City of Oroville

Where you can Live, Work & Play ... all in a day!

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FALL 2015





21st Annual Celebration

#### ABOUT SALMON &

#### THE EVOLUTION OF THE FEATHER RIVER FISH HATCHERY

Throughout the years, many attempts have been made to artificially spawn salmon, shad and trout in the Feather River and its drainages. Prior to construction of the Oroville Dam, most of these historic fish hatcheries were located on the Eastern side of the mountain range, approx. 100 miles northeast of the current site of Feather River Hatchery.

## Yuba River Shad Hatchery 1916

This hatchery was built on the Feather River, near Yuba City, to address concerns with the overfishing of shad in the lower Sacramento River. Unfortunately the first run of Shad did not produce enough eggs to supply them and due to a light run in the river, the hatchery closed after only being in operation for one season.

## Domingo Springs 1916 - 1937

Built in 1916, Domingo Springs was built to supply fish to the lakes and streams in Lassen National Park and the surrounding area. In 1937 the hatchery was damaged due to floods. Because the cold water of the hatchery caused slow growth of eggs and fish, the damage was never repaired and the station was abandoned.

The equipment was packed up again and moved to Haskell Creek in Plumas County near Clio. Here the water and weather was found to be favorable and in 1924 the first permanent building was erected.

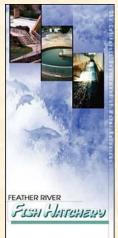
### Feather River Hatchery 1924 - 1953

Built in 1924, a 60 trough hatchery building and employee cabins were built. Situated four miles from Clio in Plumas County, on the Western Pacific Railroad, the hatchery operated for nearly 30 years. In 1953 the hatchery work was abandoned, considered outdated. From here, there is a 14 year gap in

hatchery work on the Feather River.

### Feather River Fish Hatchery 1967 - present

In 1961 the Department of Water Resources began to build the
Oroville Dam. This massive rock fill project altered the flow of the Feather River, and to
compensate the DWR worked with the Department of Fish and Wildlife to build a hatchery.

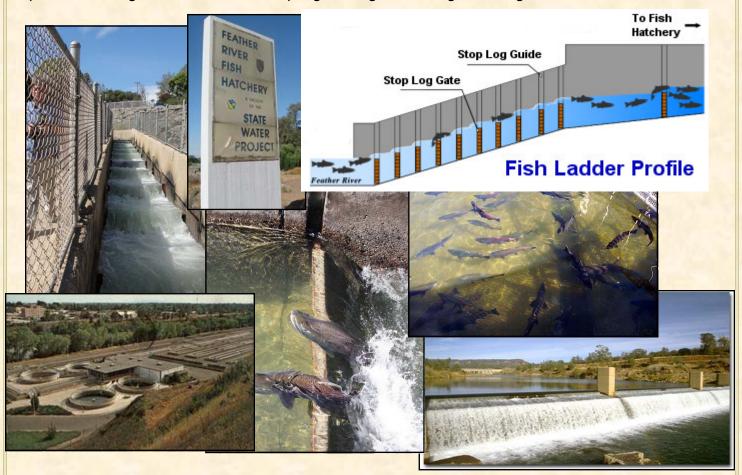


The Feather River Fish Hatchery proudly conducts tours of the facility during the Salmon Festival each year to allow the public to see the operation "Close-up". A little bit of history about how and why this incredible facility was built ...

When Oroville Dam was constructed, several miles of spawning and nursery grounds were no longer available for salmon and steelhead trout returning to their home stream to deposit eggs. To compensate for the loss, the hatchery was built in 1967, planned cooperatively by the Department of Fish & Wildlife and the California Department of Water Resources.

The main hatchery houses the spawning operation and incubators. The facility can accommodate 9,000 adult salmon and 2,000 adult steelhead. Incubators can hold 20 million eggs, and 9.6 million fingerlings can be reared in the eight concrete raceways.

At the base of the fish barrier dam, salmon and steelhead enter and climb the ladder to the hatchery gathering tank. During their spawning runs, the fish can be seen through special view windows as they climb the fish ladder to reach the hatchery. Fall-run salmon and steelhead arrive from September through November and the spring-running salmon begin arriving in June.



Oroville's Salmon Festival officially started in 1994 when Freda Flint a long-time local resident, while working at the Chamber of Commerce, came up with the "idea" that Oroville needed to celebrate the annual return of the salmon. The first event was small in comparison to the event that has steadily grown each year now attracting over 20,000 people to the Feather River Fish Hatchery, events on the levee and the Historic Downtown District. Check out this years activities!

# Late breaking news!

The Forebay Aquatic Center will have kayaks available on the Feather River during the Salmon

Festival. It is important to pre-register on the Salmon Festival website...you will also be able to pay for your "float" which is \$20.00 per person. This is a fun way to see the river, all participants will be provided life-jackets and will be escorted during the one+ hour float from under the green bridge near the Feather River Fish Hatchery to the Riverbend Park dock...a shuttle will pick you up at Riverbend & return you to the Salmon Festival at a stop of your choice.

Limited kayaks so reserve your space today at: <a href="http://salmonfestoroville.org/">http://salmonfestoroville.org/</a>













Oroville's Chinese Temple & Museum Complex reopened on August 27th after having been closed for the past several months while workers completed slightly over \$500,000 in restorations. Funding for the restoration project was made available by the City of Oroville using grant funds. The enchanting complex traces its roots back to the 1860's when the Chinese community was very vibrant and active in the Oroville Area. In 1907 a major flood decimated the Chinese community resulting in most of the Chinese leaving Oroville. Some returned to China while others moved to Sacramento or San Francisco. In 1937 the temple and grounds were deeded to the City of Oroville. Three beautiful and inspirational Chapels, a Council room, the Tapestry & Display Halls, the Cullie Room, the Fong Lee Building and the Courtyard & Gardens all await your visit. Located at 1500 Broderick Street in the Historic District the museum is open daily from noon until 4:00 P.M. and includes either a self or guided tour. Large groups should call (530) 538-2401 to arrange for a special tour.





#### CITY OF OROVILLE MUSEUM PASSPORTS

A great value & a <u>super gift idea</u>...Passports are good for one year, admits up to four people and cost only \$25.00. Available at City Hall or Bolt's Antique Tool Museum.



Well, that is a comment that we hear sometimes but all one has to do is "tune-in" to the many free, or small fee, events that happen on a regular basis in our

THE FUN STARTS HERE

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town. So here's a start of list of what is really out there ... several Farmers Markets , 1st Friday every month in the Historic Downtown District with a special theme, music. Follow the "Greenline" on Montgomery Street at Highway 70 up to the Lake Oroville Visitors Center, the lake and beyond. Drop back into town and visit one of the historic museums...take the "Walking Tour" or check out one of the following:

- 1. Drive over the Nations tallest dam
- 2. Walk across California's first suspension bridge
- 3. Best camping and best fishing in the state
- 4. Head out to the North Forebay or South Forebay for all sorts of water sports
- 5. Catch the 49er spirit at the Pioneer History Museum
- 6. Relieve a love story at the C.F. Lott Home in Sank Park
- 7. Discover another culture at Oroville's Chinese Temple & Museum Complex
- 8. Join in for songs, dances & more at the Historic State Theatre
- 9. See the house that olives built at the Ehmann Home
- 10. Search for unburied treasures up & down the streets in the many antique and collectible shops in the Historic Downtown District
- 11. Take in the visual arts at galleries and the Lantrip Ashtray Museum
- 12. See nature in action at the Feather River Fish Hatchery & Nature Park
- 13. 12,000 antique tools and still collecting at Bolt's Antique Tool Museum
- 14. Vineyards, wineries, citrus ranches, olive groves and more await you in the foothills
- 15. and just click on any of the following links for endless "local things to do" ...
- ⇒ 101 Things to do in Butte County at www.101thingstodo.net (or)
- ⇒ The Community Calendar at <a href="http://www.orovillechamber.net/calendar.html">http://www.orovillechamber.net/calendar.html</a> (or)
- ⇒ City of Oroville at www.cityoforoville.org (or)
- ⇒ Oroville Current Events on Facebook at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1516705045274630/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1516705045274630/</a>



## Passport Weekend ...

New discoveries are just waiting to be explored at the 10th Annual Sierra Oro Farm Trail Passport Weekend on October 10 & 11 (Columbus Day Weekend)! Perfect for foodies, wine and beer enthusiasts and travelers looking for a weekend getaway or a chance to explore off-the-beaten trail...this agritourism adventure provides participants with the once-a-year chance to savor the farm-fresh bounty of Butte County all weekend long. In fact, Passport holders can set their own pace, take self-guided tours of the scenic agricultural trails, meet local farmers and winemakers and sample the amazing bounty of locally-owned wineries and specialty farms located throughout Butte County. One Passport opens the doors to dozens of wineries where visitors will share samples specialty farms and of tasty artisan olive oils, specialty nuts, award-winning wines and much more! Due to the popularity of the Passport Weekend each year, an early sell-out is expected. Advance tickets are recommended and are available at the Oroville Chamber of Commerce or on-line <a href="http://www.sierraoro.org/passport-weekend">http://www.sierraoro.org/passport-weekend</a>



# Taste....sip....enjoy & meet the proprietors!

#### Oroville/Bangor Area ...

- Bangor Ranch Vineyard & Winery
- ♦ Butte View Olive Company
- ♦ Calolea Olive Oil
- Grey Fox Vineyards
- ♦ Hickman Family Vineyards
- ♦ Lodestar Olive Oil
- Long Creek Winery & Ranch
- Morse Farms
- ♦ Mt. Ida Mandarin Ranch
- Quilici Vineyards
- Welty Mandarins
- Wagon Wheel Market

# Chico/Durham/Paradise & beyond ...

- Bertagna Son Kissed Vineyards
- BC Horticulture Nursery
- Gale Vineyards
- Lavender Ranch
- CSU College of Agriculture
- Llano Seco Rancho
- HoneyRun Winery
- La Rocca Vineyards
- Maise Jane's
- New Clairvaux Vineyard
- The Worm Farm
- Odyssey Winery
- Roney Wines
- Noble Orchards
- Dog Creek Cellars
- Patrick Ranch Museum
- Emerald C. Vineyards
- TJ Farms Estates
- Hodges Nursery & Gifts
- Pedrozo Dairy & Cheese
- Harrison's California Chestnuts

Not on the official trail, at press time, but open for weekend tasting.

Note: separate fee may apply ...

- Tatum's Vineyard & Winery (Bangor)
- ♦ Spencer Shirey Wines (Bangor)



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# Oroville — California's best opportunity for a safe and diverse quality of life!

<u>Mission Statement</u>— The City of Oroville is dedicated to serving the public, ensuring the safety and vitality of the community, and promoting prosperity for all.

<u>Vision Statement</u>— The City of Oroville will be a vibrant and thriving Community with strong economic, recreational, and cultural opportunities, where you can live, work, and play, all in a day.

<u>Core Values</u>— Integrity & Honesty, Professionalism, Respect for Others, Customer Service, Open Communication, Accountability, Teamwork and Cooperation.

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Police/Non Emergency 538-2448 Fire/Non Emergency 538-2480

Business & Tourism Information Chamber of Commerce 538-2542

Hello Oroville! In today's fast paced world

where data is at your fingertips, the internet can be a company's greatest ally. This fall, the City of Oroville is partnering with Google to Put Oroville on the Map!! The Google search engine is a great opportunity for a small local businesses to have their



complete business info searchable online with one click. Businesses who have their complete business information online are twice as likely to be considered reputable by customers. When people can find information about a local doctor or a mechanic, our small town community becomes even stronger. Have a local business that is close to your heart? Help put them #OnTheMap. Our community is only as strong as the effort in making it a better place. You can learn more about putting your business on the map at www.gybo.com.

I hope to see everyone at the Salmon Festival held at the Feather River Fish Hatchery, along the levee and in the Historic Downtown District on the last Saturday of September. (September 26th)

Thank you for making "our community" a great place, where you can Live, Work & Play, all in a day!

Mayor Linda L. Dahlmeier



#### About the City & the Oroville Region

CITY OF OROVILLE'S POPULATION —

18,985 & GROWING!

AREA — APPROXIMATELY 17 SQUARE MILES

ELEVATION— 175-750 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL

AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL— 27.34 INCHES

GREATER OROVILLE POPULATION — 55,000+

COUNTY SEAT — BUTTE COUNTY

40 SQUARE MILES OF WATER —

LAKE OROVILLE AND THE AFTERBAYS

110 MILES OF BIKE TRAILS/EQUESTRIAN TRAILS/WALKING TRAILS

3 GOLF COURSES...WINERIES...OLIVE REGION...MANDARIN REGION...

FARMERS MARKETS...MUSEUMS...NATURE CENTER...PARKS...SALMON FISH HATCHERY & THE

BEAUTIFUL FEATHER RIVER ... SEE PAGE 6 FOR LOTS TO DO!



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