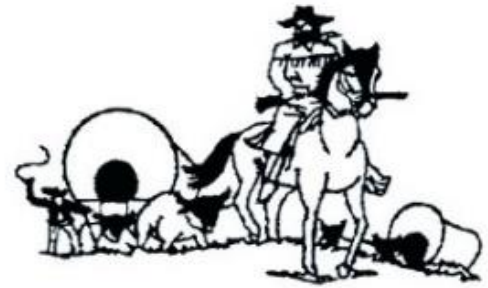


Nacitone Foundation

Lockwood, California

"Enrich Your Future and Discover the Past"

Third Quarter 2021



Presidents Message

Hello from Nacitone,

Hello, everyone from Nacitone, It looks like things are easing up on travel and the state is trying to get back to the new normal. Now is the time to stop by Nacitone to check out the items they have picked up from the Watsonville Ag Museum. A special thanks to Jeff Plaskett for helping haul old farm equipment from Watsonville to Lockwood along with Neil Whitty, Lester Patterson, Neil Wollesen, Rob Johnson and myself. It was a full day's work and several hundred miles. A reminder to keep an eye on the calendar for our Clam Chowder Takeout coming this fall. As always Nacitone will be open for viewing the first Saturday of each month. Hope to see you there. Stop by and buy your tickets for the cut and wrap lamb.

Donald Gillett
President Nacitone Foundation Inc.

Dates to Remember

Museum Meeting Time – 6:30 pm Museum Monthly Meetings- 3rd Tuesday

Meeting Dates for 2021- Sept. 21, Oct 19, Nov. 16, & Dec. No Meeting

Museum open 1st Saturday of each month – 10 am to 4 pm or by appointment

COMING EVENTS

Clam Chowder Feed – Saturday November 13, 2021 – take out - Harden Center, Lockwood

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Pleyto

This former settlement was located at the junction of Pleyto Road and the road to Bradley along the S side of the San Antonio River, but the site is now completely under water, inundated by the creation of San Antonio Reservoir (Lake San Antonio).

The town was planned by William Pinkerton, who bought large portion of Rancho Pleyto in 1868. Pinkerton married Mary H. (Mollie) Earl. I 1875, Paulsen reported: Pleito Station is a small collection of buildings, which, by a stretch of courtesy, might be called a town..... It is nearly ninety miles south-east of Salinas City. The hotel at this place is very comfortable, home like place, whose wholesome and substantial fare is refreshing and sustaining. The store is at present closed, but will be restocked and opened in the Spring by the enterprising hotel proprietors. The Stage

Company has a large and complete stable here. This is the last town or village in the southern extremity of the County. A of forty-three persons recently reached here from Kentucky; many of them immediately purchase land, and all except to settle in the vicinity. In 1894 Pleyto had one store, one hotel, one blacksmith shop, and a post office, but by 1960's the town had disappeared even before the reservoir was created. It took its name from the land grant Rancho Pleyto, (q.v). Variant names: Plato, Pleito. The time-table issued by the Coastal Stage line effective May 18, 1871, listed the stage stop as "Plato Ranch."

Ref. Names & Places of Monterey County

Daniel "Web" & Mae Basham Wood



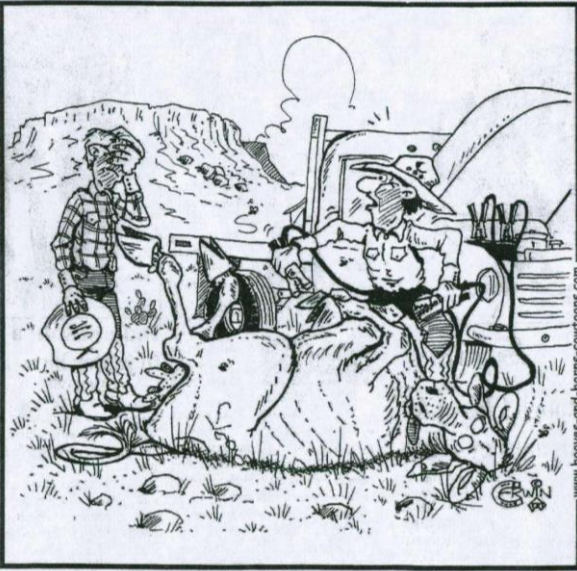
Recognize this lady?

Find out in our next newsletter

No one can make you inferior without your consent.

Eleanor Roosevelt

HOOVES & HORNS BY A.W. ERWIN



"I've got a lot of time an' money in this ol' cow,....
It's worth a shot!"

Looking for someone to take over the newsletter.

We need some new blood.

I will be glad to help. Pam Davis



The Directors have been busy moving equipment and leveling areas to organizing machinery. Neil Wollesen, Rob Johnson and Lester Patterson have strategically placed the tract layer Tractors.

*These Men have spent countless hours.
You are all greatly appreciated!*

OLD JOLON CAL. RUBY MINE SALOON and DINING HALL



ITEMS FROM THE PAST

ENTRY WAY

The front doors are from the last true saloon in San Ardo which was torn down in 1921. The name of the saloon, although it is not for certain was the Frank Brown Saloon. The doors have brass handles that say "Acme Beer for Your Health".

The Ceiling fans came from an old bar in the gold rush country near Jamestown and the pillars were salvaged from old houses in King City, Soledad, Salinas and Paso Robles.

DINING HALL

The bar and back bar came from San Miguel. It was made in 1890 in San Francisco and brought to the San Miguel Hotel then later moved to a bar called "The Keg". This bar was torn down in 1948 and stored in an old barn until purchased in 1975.

The ice cream stools came from an ice cream parlor in an old section of Sacramento and the items behind the Pantry door came from Alaska in the year ????(take a peek!)

The tables and chairs came from the Midwest – mainly Illinois and Nebraska.

SALOON

The bar and back bar came from the old Pozo Hotel near Santa Maria which was torn down and purchased by William Randolph Hurst. It is not clear what happened to it at that time, but it somehow turned up in Arroyo Grande and was purchased by Lillian Payne and stored in a bedroom until 1973.

The hurricane lamps hanging near the bar were made in England and are over 100 years old. The large mirror was originally in the old Vendome Hotel in King City. All the wall paneling is from old houses and barns in King City, San Lucas, Bryson, Gonzales, and Salinas, and the bell came from an old warehouse in Metz.

The wooden Indian came from a bar on Mission Street in San Francisco.

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Memorial Bricks

Order your personalized brick for permanent display on our patio.

You can use your name, family member or company, also add a logo

A 4”X8” brick is \$100, an 8”X8” is \$200 and a 12” X 12” is \$500

Logo and graphics are available.

For information Contact Neil Whitty- @ (831)818-5265 or email – nwkenworth@gmail.com





Director Fred Forgnone added to our sign. He spent a lot of time and effort painting and stenciling the new addition. Several other Directors help him hang it up.

Awesome Job!

Thank You, Fred

Hard at Work!

We cannot say enough for all that has been done. We have addition of electricity and water to the sign and gate area. More Security cameras will be added

Thank you to Neil Wollesen, son Brian Wollesen and Lester Patterson for digging trench line, laying line for Electricity and water, and donation of PVC pipe & conduit.

Archive Room

We are getting closer, the archive room has electrical outlets and lights thru out, thank you to Brandon Gillette, for doing the wiring with help from his dad, President Don Gillett and Lester Patterson. We were fortunate enough to obtain shelving. Directors Lester Patterson and Don Gillett took a trailer and picked the selves up.

LUNCHEON MENU	
<i>BIG MINER ... 3.25</i>	
5 oz. tender top sirloin char-broiled to perfection and served open face with garlic bread, crisp french fries, fresh, green Salinas Valley Salad.	
<i>SMOKEY JOE ... 1.95</i>	
Succulent tender beef in mouth watering BBQ sauce, served on french roll. Fresh, tossed green salad, choice of dressing. Crisp French Fries.	
<i>PACK TRAIN SPECIAL ... 1.85</i>	
6 oz. tender ground chuck expertly char-broiled and served on a sesame seed bun. Crisp Salinas Valley Salad, golden brown french fries.	
<i>PACK TRAIN DELUXE ... 1.95</i>	
6 oz. expertly char-broiled tender ground chuck on sesame seed bun with melted cheese. Crisp Salinas Valley Salad, golden brown French Fries.	
<i>SLIM DIGGINS ... 2.50</i>	
Low-Cal delight featuring 1/2 lb. tasty char-broiled ground chuck, large scoop of dairy fresh Cottage Cheese and slices of fresh, juicy orange.	
<i>PAY DIRT ... 2.50</i>	
Delicious dipped french roll brim full of juicy tender beef. Au Jus, crisp Salinas Valley Salad, golden French Fries and garni.	
SPECIAL	
<i>RUBY MOUNTAIN ... 1.95</i>	
Sumptuous 3-decker sandwich featuring smoked ham, turkey and roast beef. All that plus crisp tossed green salad and golden French Fries.	
<i>SAN ANTONIO SPECIAL ... 1.95</i>	
6 oz. hamburger patty topped with zesty chili beans, cheddar cheese and chopped onion. Crackers.	
<i>RIG BONANZA ... 2.50</i>	
Chef's deluxe salad of crisp Salinas Valley Salad greens generously topped with ham, turkey, cheese, olives, tomatoes and hard boiled eggs. Fresh rolls and creamy butter.	
<i>MINER'S SPECIAL ... 1.95</i>	
Cup of savory homemade soup. Tender slices of pastrami served on large steak bun. Golden French Fries.	
<i>WAGON MASTER'S TREAT ... 3.75</i>	
Jumbo prawns from the Gulf of San Lucas, deep fried in our Chef's special batter. Bob's own tartar sauce and cocktail sauce, crisp tossed salad, golden French Fries, fresh rolls and creamy butter.	
<i>PACIFIC VALLEY'S BEST ... 2.75</i>	
4 oz. batter dipped boneless white fish perfectly deep fried and accompanied by Bob's own tartar sauce and cocktail sauce. Salad and French Fries.	
<i>MULETEER'S CHOICE ... 2.75</i>	
Four generous pieces of fresh young chicken dipped in golden honey breading, cooked tender-crisp to perfection. Fresh tossed green salad, crisp French Fries.	
<i>BUCKET OF CHICKEN ... 6.50</i> featuring twelve pieces	<i>BARREL OF CHICKEN ... 12.00</i> featuring twenty pieces
SANDWICHES	
HAMBURGER on sesame bun 90	GRILLED HAM & CHEESE 1.25
CHESSEBURGER on sesame bun 1.00	COLD HAM 1.00
POLISH SAUSAGE on steak bun w/fries 1.25	COLD TURKEY 1.25
HOT DOG w/fries 1.00	HOT TURKEY w/gravy, mashed potatoes 1.95
GRILLED CHEESE 85	HOT BEEF w/gravy, mashed potatoes 1.95
GRILLED HAM 1.00	BURRITO 70
SOUP & SALAD	BURRITO w/chili 1.35
BOWL OF SOUP w/garlic bread 95	TACO 70
CUP OF SOUP w/crackers 75	SIDE ORDERS
CHEF'S SALAD 2.50	FRENCH FRIES 40
HALF CHEF'S SALAD 1.60	ONION RINGS 75
POTATO SALAD 40	BOWL OF CHILI w/garlic bread 95
	COTTAGE CHEESE 35
PIZZA	(10) (14)
CHEESE 3.00 ... 4.90	MED. LGE.
ITALIAN SALAMI 3.30 ... 5.30	
SPICY PEPPERONI 3.30 ... 5.30	
JALAPENO 3.30 ... 5.30	
MUSHROOM 3.50 ... 5.50	
COMBINATION 3.95 ... 6.25	
Cheese, Salami, Pepperoni, olive, bell pepper	
MEXICAN COMBINATION 3.95 ... 6.25	
Mild sauce, cheese, olive, bell pepper,	
jalapeno, mushroom	

OLD JOLO CAL.	
RUBY RINE SALOON	
and DIKING HALL	
Featuring	
FAMILY STYLE EATING	
In a continuing effort to bring you the old-time atmosphere of the late 1800's, we have introduced FAMILY STYLE EATING to the Central Coast. We're trying to bring back old-time prices, too - including special rates for the youngsters.	
We change our soup and vegetables every day for the coming day.	
All Ruby Mine dinners include aged cheddar cheese and crackers, a tureen of savory homemade soup, fresh, crisp Salinas Valley salad with choice of dressing, choice of baked potato w/our cream or golden French Fries, fresh garden vegetable.	
FROM THE PIT	
<i>RIB STEAK ... 7.00</i>	(16 oz.) A select cut of flavor char-broiled to your taste and served with zesty-Jolon style salsa, toasted garlic bread
<i>TOP SIRLOIN ... 6.25</i>	(12 oz.) Always a favorite. Zesty, Jolon style salsa. Toasted garlic bread.
<i>T-BONE ... 7.00</i>	(14-16 Oz.) Choice, delicious, enhanced with Zesty Jolon style salsa. Toasted garlic bread.
<i>BBQ BEEF BACK RIBS ... 4.50</i>	A special BBQ treat from our chef. Complete with toasted garlic bread.
<i>GROUND CHUCK ... 4.50</i>	8 oz. tender, choice ground chuck expertly char-broiled. Zesty Jolon style salsa and toasted garlic bread.
DINNER SUGGESTIONS	
<i>SOUTHERN-STYLE CHICKEN ... 4.25</i>	Fresh young chicken dipped in golden honey butter and cooked tender-crisp to perfection. Fresh rolls and creamy butter.
<i>BARBECUED CHICKEN ... 4.25</i>	One half succulent, tender chicken barbecued as only our chef can. Fresh rolls and creamy butter or toasted garlic bread.
<i>PORK CHOPS ... 4.90</i>	Deliciously prepared with a favorite go-together-Applesauce! Fresh rolls and creamy butter.
<i>COMBINATION SEA FOOD PLATTER ... 5.60</i>	Delightful delizions of the deep! Boneless white fish, shrimp and scallops served with Bob's own tartar sauce and cocktail sauce. Fresh rolls and creamy butter.
<i>CHILD'S PLATE ... 2.99</i>	Choice of 3 pieces tender fried chicken or 4 oz. top sirloin. Fresh rolls and creamy butter.
<i>MUSHROOMS ... 1.50</i>	<i>WE PROUDLY SERVE HOUSE WINES FROM THE LOCAL ALMADEN VINEYARDS</i>
WINE	
<i>RUBY CABERNET BURGUNDY CHARLIS ROSE</i>	
Glass 75	1/2 Liter 2.00 Liter 3.25
Wine Cooler ... 1.00 Margarita ... 1.00 Sunrise ... 1.00 Sangria ... 1.00	
BEVERAGES	
Coke, Orange, Root Beer, 7-up, Grape, Lg. 45 Sm. ... 35 Coffee ... 35 Tea ... 35 Iced Tea ... 35 Milk Lg. ... 45 Sm. ... 35	
MICHELOB BEER	
Schooner 60	
Pitcher 2.50	
BUDWEISER	
Schooner 60	
Pitcher 2.50	

Welcome to the Ruby Mine Saloon and Dining Hall, located on the beautiful acres of the town called JOLON. To you people in this area for the first time, the pronunciation of JOLON may be foreign to you. It's really quite simple - merely substitute a capital J, and you have the proper pronunciation, HOLON, with the accent on the last syllable.

There are many different thoughts about the actual meaning of the word JOLON, but probably the one being most correct is "VALLEY OF THE OAK", a beautiful and practical thought, you need only to look about you to see that it is indeed a "Valley of the Oaks".

The area surrounding JOLON was once occupied by three tribes of Indians: the COSTANOAN, ESSELLIN and SALINAS groups. Modern penetration of the area did not occur until 1767 or 1769, when the religious military expedition led by Father Junipero Serra and Don Gaspar de Portola, passed through on their way north. Father Serra returned in 1771 to establish the Mission San Antonia de Padua, located some six miles north of JOLON.

Around the year 1881 in JOLON, a big adobe, originally held by Antonio Raigrez and later purchased by the pioneer, N.C. Dodge, was bought with the surrounding 100 acres by Georg Dutton for \$1,000. Dutton, a native of Connecticut reared in Canada, left for the gold country of California in 1849 and after his marriage to Deborah Dodge of Maine in 1866, he settled in JOLON. With his friend from Civil War days, Captain T. T. Tidball, he established a store and kept the post office. But differences arose causing a severance of their partnership and Tidball opened another store owned by Ganoung on the other side of the road. This support of two stores was greatly augmented by trade from the coast where the mines were going full blast. Also prairie schooners were constantly drifting by with emigrants traveling this main thoroughfare in search of land where they might locate. And, of course, the stage coach brought numerous passengers.

Since 1871 many settlers have come to the JOLON area. Among them are Weferlings, Heinsens, Martinus, Paulsens, Wollesens, Myers and Daytons, consequently JOLON with its two hotels, three stores, one saloon, called the BIG RUBY SALOON, eight residences, two blacksmith shops and one church was a very thriving community. From the stores, supplies were obtained for the long haul to the mines. From JOLON a road led to the Nacimiento River about eight miles away, and from there a trail led throughout Santa Lucia Wilderness to the mines, a distance of approximately twelve miles. The main mine was called The Last Chance Mine, discovered March 24, 1887 by William D. "Willie" Craikshank (son of the recorder of claims) is estimated by the United States Bureau of Mines to have yielded \$62,000 in valuable gold ore. Soon a small town of Manchester was founded next to the mine with record population of 350 people. A hotel, two general stores, barber shop, restaurant, post office, blacksmith shop, school, dance hall and, of course, a number of saloons like the "Gem Saloon", made up the town. Today the town of Manchester is truly a ghost of the past - often referred to as "The Lost City of the Santa Lucias". Almost all provisions and mail were brought by mule or wagons to Manchester from JOLON.

The Chinese have played an important part in the history of gold and mining in Monterey County. In the years of mining the Chinese were reported to have mined in the JOLON (RUBY MINE) and Los Burros areas of the county. In those years, over two hundred Chinese were said to have been at work in the JOLON area with Messrs. Dutton and Tidball, owners of stores in JOLON, having taken in \$2,500 in gold dust from these industrious workers.

After the mines slowed down, JOLON, though still lively was beginning to shrink. The daily stages to and from the terminal of Southern Pacific Railroad at Soledad have discontinued their run.

Since 1890, when the tracks were extended through the settlement at the Charles King ranch on the exmission land, a bridge was constructed spanning the Salinas river, no need now to route the highway over the mountain. Naturally, it passed throughout this settlement which, formerly designated as "HOSTOWN" recently has been dignified by the name "King City".

In about 1929 William Randolph Hearst started buying large ranches in the area until his ranch was about 154,000 acres. The Dutton's 160 acre estate was also sold and the picturesque old hotel was vacated by the Dutton family who moved to San Jose. Practically all the remains of the once lively little center is the Episcopal Chapel, the remains of the Dutton Hotel, and the old Tidball store that has been owned by the A. Dock family since 1913. The old store has been abandoned since June 1948 when Eldon and Ramona Duffin built a new store. This store was purchased in 1974 by Bob Gregory and converted into a replica of the past.

The area still provides the hunter with many game animals and birds such as deer, rabbits, mountain quail, pigeons and squirrels. Although there are still mountain lions, they are now considered an endangered species and are protected by law.

Pigs, too, are hunted in the surrounding hills during the normal hunting season. As far as is known they are not native to the area but were first introduced in 1776 when the DeAnza expedition brought a pair to the San Antonio Mission. The breed is unknown but they apparently thrived and produced many offspring.

When William Randolph Hearst purchased many thousands of acres here, he introduced the European Wild Boar to the country and from them come the present day wild pigs which are hunted each year. They are long snouted, long in length with short hair and long tusks. A few good specimens can be seen on the walls of the dining hall and in the saloon.

We come now to the fascinating name of the building you are in - "The Ruby Mine Saloon". A short distance northeast of here may be found, in good quantity, the "Red Rubies of Jolon". The actual location is a firing range back stop known as Ruby Canyon. The fact that there is a firing range precludes anyone from exploring and attempting to find more of the rubies of JOLON. In the 1870's the stones were worth a great deal of money but now they have little value and are used only as a base for certain watch mechanisms.

It is apparent now where the one bar of which JOLON boasted in the 1870's gained its name - from the rubies taken from the mine. Thus, The Ruby Mine Saloon.

Bob Gregory