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Buhne fence dedication & ribbon cutting

MORE THAN 50 PEOPLE gathered with the Eureka Heritage Society on Thursday, Aug. 14, to dedicate the beautifully restored Buhne fence. The Mayor of Eureka, along with Society members, the Greater Eureka Chamber of Commerce, and the community, attended the celebration of the installation of the 1884 fence along the E Street section of the Annie B. Ryan House and Gardens.

The sun made a timely appearance as Heritage Society President Derek Glavich welcomed the crowd. Then board member Chuck Petty provided a brief history of the cast- and wrought-iron fence, and board member Bill Peer discussed the community's role in purchasing, relocating, and installing it. The ribbon-cutting was performed by Mayor Kim Bergel, followed by refreshments. It was a wonderful celebration after several years of dedicated effort.

While the historic fence has been officially dedicated, some additional work remains: a closer look reveals several missing cast-iron pieces. Generous donations helped buy the fence, and further funds are needed to restore its original grandeur fully. This includes installing the second set of driveway gates.

Please contact the Society or visit www.eurekaheritagesociety.com to learn how you can help ensure the fence continues to enhance the Eureka landscape for at least 141 more years.

—Mary Ann McCulloch
EHS Treasurer



The Buhne Mansion taken from the corner of 7th & E Streets prior to the construction of the Eureka Inn.



The Buhne Mansion early 1950s. The iron fence is only on the E St. side.



The Buhne Mansion taken from 7th St. with Eureka Inn in the background. Downtown was closing in on the house.



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