

Spotlight On California Genealogical Research Facilities

A series of articles about places to do research around the state

Siskiyou County Library

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Website: <http://www.snowcrest.net/siskiyoulibrary/index.html>

Research gems that can be found on the website of the Siskiyou County Library are three databases: Newspaper Index; Obituary Index and Pioneer Index. In addition, there is a website on gold mining in Siskiyou County.

While the newspaper index dates from 1990 at the earliest and mainly from 1995, the obituary index covers 1854 to 1991.

At the present time, the gold mining section has digital copies of an alphabetical list of mine names along with

their history and a copy of a 1916 report on mines and mineral resources of Siskiyou County. They plan to add an index of newspaper clippings and maps in the future. According to their website, the collection of the Siskiyou County Library contains valuable mining history in documents, clippings, and microfilm.

The site also contains links to further information about Siskiyou County including a link to a history of Siskiyou County cities.

Society News

News From CGS

Report from the California Genealogical Society and Library

The California Genealogical Society is gearing up for October Family History Month. Events Chair Carolyn Steinberg has created a full menu of offerings for members and the public throughout the month. The CGS Family History Month 2008 Events brochure, designed by Colleen Huntley, can be downloaded from the CGS Website. The complete schedule of classes, workshops and consultations are also detailed on the CGS calendar. As always, members of the community are invited to the society library at no charge for the month of October.

CGS is teaming up with the Oakland Regional Family History Center to present a four week Introductory Genealogy Class. Beginning October 4, 2008, each class will be offered twice, Saturdays at CGS from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. and Tuesdays at the Family History Center from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Classes are free but there is a \$10 charge for a notebook containing the syllabus of the 4 classes. Free parking is available at both locations.

A follow-up six-week Intermediate series will be offered in January.

New in the October line-up this year is a special MEMBERS ONLY benefit: One-on-One Member Consultations. Several CGS members with specialized

skills have volunteered to come into the library to share their expertise. The thirty-minute sessions are by appointment only and can be used by members to help resolve a particular research problem or just get some general advice. The schedule can be downloaded from the CGS Web site: <http://calgensoc.org/>

The ever-popular Book Repair Workshop, taught by Bill O'Neil, will be offered on Saturday, October 25, 2008. Space is limited and reservations are required. There is a \$15 materials charge.

Be sure to visit the CGSL blog for up to date information about society members and events:

<http://calgensoc.blogspot.com>

— Jane Knowles Lindsey

Happy Birthday!

The Stanislaus Genealogical Society celebrated its 40th anniversary at its September meeting. And the Ventura County Genealogical Society recently celebrated a 30th anniversary with a birthday cake at its June meeting.

Congratulations to both.

Welcome

The Chula Vista Genealogical Society is a new member of CSGA. Welcome aboard!