VISIT HISTORICAL MUSEUMS, PARKS AND SOCIETIES IN THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

BUTTE COUNTY

Bidwell Mansion State Historic Park is a beautiful, three story, 26 room Victorian House Museum that stands as a memorial to John and Annie Bidwell. John Bidwell was known throughout California and across the nation as an important pioneer, farmer, soldier, statesman, politician and philanthropist.

The Butte County Historical Society preserves the history of Butte County. The society headquarters are located in the historical Ehmann Home in Oroville. Membership includes lectures, field trips, museum and quarterly historical publications.

The Chico Air Museum became a reality in 2004. Located on the flight line of the Chico Municipal Airport (Northern California), the Museum consists of an outdoor aircraft display, as well as an indoor display of interesting and historic aviation artifacts.

Chico Creek Nature Center [http://www.bidwellpark.org/](http://www.bidwellpark.org/)
The Chico Creek Nature Center is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization that serves as the official information and interpretive center for Bidwell Park, the 7th largest municipal park in the United States. Housed within the Center is a non-releasable living animal collection that features native animal species from Bidwell Park and other California habitats.

Housed in a former Carnegie Library building in downtown Chico, the Chico Museum has hosted more than 85 exhibits celebrating the distinct heritage of Chico since it opened in February 1986.

Provides numerous links to California history Web site pages

Visit the location where the first diamonds in the U.S. were found while mining for gold. In 1850 Cherokee California in Butte County was a gold town. Now you can visit museums, saloons, miner’s homes and old post offices at the Cherokee museum.
The Oroville Chinese Temple was built in 1863 to serve a community of 10,000 Chinese. It includes three separate temples for each of the major ways of life in China. The main temple is called Liet Sheng Kong- Temple of the assorted deities. It is a place of prayer for various worships including Taoism, Confucianism, and Buddhism.

Ehmann Home - Oroville [http://buttecountyhistoricalsociety.org/ehmannhome.html]
Though not open for tours, the home features lovely dark wainscoting, hardwood floors, fireplaces, intricate stained glass windows, and antique furniture including a Chickering piano that came around the Horn. The home is available for weddings & other events. The BCHS Museum features rotating exhibits. It houses Ishi's jail cell door, early gold scales, and photographs.

Gold Nugget Museum - Paradise [http://www.goldnuggetmuseum.com/]
The Museum covers the full range of human history on the Ridge; its focus is on the Gold Rush years. The largest almost pure gold nugget ever found in California, 54 pounds, was discovered here in 1859.

Among the hundreds of photographs, many different facets of history are represented, from military uniforms worn by local war veterans to old school desks.

The C.F. Lott Historic Home serves as a historic house museum and a cultural repository for decorative art objects typical of Oroville's pioneer families. The collection includes furniture, paintings, rugs, textiles, clothes, silver and glassware during the Lott family period 1949-1910.

Paradise Genealogical Society - Paradise [http://www.pargenso.org/]
The Paradise Genealogical Society (PGS), Inc.'s, objectives are to provide an organization for the benefit and education of persons interested in genealogy, local history, and the preservation of public records by maintaining a genealogical library, presenting educational events, and publishing local vital records and history.

Patrick Ranch - Chico [http://site.patrickranchmuseum.org/]
Operated by the Chico Museum, Patrick Ranch is not open regularly for visitors but is the site of many special events – including the Threshing Bee. Web site also includes photo gallery and special event details.

Owned and operated by the city of Oroville. Inspired by her father's passion for history, Florence Danforth Boyle developed a lifelong dream to create a museum dedicated to preserving the memories of the Pioneers who first settled in California and the Butte County area.

It is one of the most original and unaltered homes in California. Since family members lived here until 1974, it contains many of the family's original pieces.
COLUSA COUNTY

The Colusi County Historical Society www.colusi.com is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, documentation, and dissemination of the history of Colusa, Glenn and Tehama Counties which at one time, were part of Colusi County, one of twenty-seven original counties of California. The society was organized on February 18, 1950 to develop, for both the young and the old, an understanding and respect for our rich and unique cultural heritage.

Wagon Wheels is the semi-annual publication of the Colusi (pronounced co-loo-see) County Historical Society, first published in May, 1951. Over the years the contributors to Wagon Wheels have written extensively about the history of Colusa, Glenn, and Tehama Counties. All issues are in print and may be purchased from the CCHS.

Interested persons may visit the website to gain information about membership, ordering Wagon Wheels, location of upcoming meetings, and historical highlights of Colusi County. The Internet website is http://www.colusi.com/wagon-wheels.html and the mailing address is P.O. Box 643, Willows, CA 95988.

WILLIAMS

Sacramento Valley Museum http://sacvalleymuseum.com/ is located at 1495 E Street in Williams. The phone number is 530/473-2978. This museum is housed in the old two-story Williams High School, which graduated students from 1911 to 1956. It showcases life in the Sacramento Valley from the mid-1800s to the early 1900s.

Displays on the top floor include: Early 1800s style handmade quilts, apothecary shop, children's room with vintage toys and clothing, early home which includes a country kitchen, attic room, maps and other fantastic exhibits. Exhibits on the lower floor include: Leather shop, blacksmith shop, barber shop, doctor, dental and veteran’s room, and other exhibits; plus a research library and document room.

The Sacramento Valley Museum is open April to October, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday to Saturday; November to March, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday and Saturday by appointment.

GLENN COUNTY

Orland

Orland Historical and Cultural Society http://www.orlandhistory.org/Orland_Historical_Society/Home.html The object of the Orland Historical and Cultural Society is to promote and preserve the history of the Orland area and to promote and encourage cultural activities. OHCS sponsors several activities during the year such as: Old Fashioned Fourth of July Celebration held at Vinsonhaler Park; summer History Camp for those finishing 3rd grade through grade 6 at the Alta Schmidt House Museum; Orland Craft Fair held the weekend after Thanksgiving; and the Avenue of Lights held in December. Interested persons can become active members upon paying the required dues. The membership categories are as follows: Individual/Family-$10.00, Associate-$25.00, Sustaining-$100.00, and Life (Mr. & Mrs.)-$250. Make checks payable to: Orland Historical and Cultural Society, P.O. Box 183, Orland, CA 95963.
Alta Schmidt House Museum (no website listed) was built in 1902. This distinctive Victorian home is owned and operated by the Orland Historical and Cultural Society. The museum is located at 936 Fourth St. and is open weekly on Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m., May through October. Tours by appointment for the museum and/or the Heritage Trail at the Glenn County Fairgrounds may be arranged by calling 530/865-9555 or 530/865-3212. The home is filled with fascinating odds and ends relating to the Orland area history. Docents answer questions about displays of historical photographs, early day fashions, late 1800s trade tools, kitchen ware, and medical memorabilia.

An archival library was established in 2002 and is prepared to house books, photographs, publication and documents relating to Orland and its place in Sacramento Valley history. Research may be arranged by appointment.

Heritage Trail [http://cityoforland.com/visitors/thingstodo.asp](http://cityoforland.com/visitors/thingstodo.asp) is located at 221 E. Yolo Street. The Glenn County Fairgrounds is a collection of unique buildings and pieces of equipment from around Glenn County. Included are a blacksmith shop, print shop, variety store, gas station, jumbo lemon, tank house, shoe shop, child's play house, one room school, and pony barn. In addition are the Orland Southern Pacific Railroad Depot, steam engine and tender, and a caboose. There are artifacts in all of the structures. Docents are present during the Glenn County Fair (May) and at other times by appointment. Contact the 42nd Agricultural Association District (Glenn County Fair) at 530/865-1168.

Willows

Willows Museum [http://www.cityofwillows.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC=%7B1BC8CD71-9555-4396-8C4E-2C57140BD714%7D](http://www.cityofwillows.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC=%7B1BC8CD71-9555-4396-8C4E-2C57140BD714%7D) On a shady corner near downtown Willows stands a stately reminder of Glenn County's history. It is “The Museum.” The museum sits on the southeast corner of West Walnut and North Plumas Streets. The building was constructed in 1910 with funds donated through an Andrew Carnegie grant. It served as the city library from 1911 until 1969 when a new Civic Center was built to house city offices and the library. Through the efforts of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, many concerned citizens formed “The Museum Society” and the old library became the Museum in 1972. The museum was a bicentennial project and is now filled with artifacts, pictures, clothing, records, and maps. The Museum Society, with volunteer help, tries to keep the museum open on Thursdays throughout the year. The Museum is located at 336 West Walnut and you may call 530/934-5644 for further details.

NAPA COUNTY

Sharpsteen Museum Association House - Calistoga [http://www.sharpsteen-museum.org/](http://www.sharpsteen-museum.org/) The Sharpsteen Museum's permanent exhibits are designed to present the history of the upper Napa Valley from its pre-history to post World War I with an emphasis on people and changes brought by the period of U.S. emigration and development.

NEVADA COUNTY

Donner Memorial State Park - Truckee [http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=503](http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=503) Built to commemorate those who immigrated to California from the east in the mid-1800. Included in the museum are displays and information about one of the earliest pioneer wagon trains, the Donner Party, forced by circumstances to camp at the east end of Donner Lake in the winter of 1846-47, resulting in human suffering and loss of life.
Empire Mine State Historical Park [http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=499](http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=499)

Empire Mine State Historic Park is the site of one of the oldest, largest, deepest, longest and richest gold mines in California. The park is in Grass Valley at 10791 East Empire Street. In existence for more than 100 years, the mine produced 5.6 million ounces of gold before it closed in 1956. (5.6 million ounces of gold is equivalent to a box seven feet long, seven feet high, and seven feet deep filled with gold.) The park contains many of the mine’s buildings, the owner’s home and restored gardens, as well as the entrance to 367 miles (the distance, as the crow flies, from Grass Valley to Magic Mountain) of abandoned and flooded mine shafts. The park consists of forested backcountry and eight miles of trails – including easy hikes (for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding) - in the park.

Gold Country Museum (multiple locations) [http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#auborn](http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#auborn)
The complex includes the Bernhard Residence, built in 1851, a stone Winery building circa 1874, a Wine Processing building circa 1881, and a reconstructed Carriage Barn. Tours of the residence reflect the typical life of a nineteenth century farm family.

The Museum was an orphanage in Gold Rush times. It was later expanded to include a school. The Museum depicts the era with artifacts, clothing and furnishings. Don't forget the magnificent 130-year-old rose garden in front of the building.

Malakoff Diggins State Historic Park is the site of California’s largest "hydraulic" mine. Visitors can see huge cliffs carved by mighty streams of water, results of the gold mining technique of washing away entire mountains to find the precious metal. Legal battles between mine owners and downstream farmers ended this method. The park also contains a 7,847-foot bedrock tunnel that served as a drain. The visitor center has exhibits on life in the old mining town of North Bloomfield.

Nevada County Historical Park – Nevada City [http://www.ncgold.com/Museums_Parks/](http://www.ncgold.com/Museums_Parks/)

Featuring relics of the Donner Party, the Maidu Indian Culture and the Joss House was located in the Chinese portion of Nevada City in the 1880s.

The Underground Gold Miners Museum provides educational tours of the Sixteen to One Mine, collects artifacts, photos and stories related to the Alleghany Mining District. This organization is an operating museum with educational exhibits open to the public free of charge with public outreach on the Web.

MENDOCINO COUNTY

The Anderson Valley Historical Society is a non-profit, volunteer organization. Collecting, researching, displaying and sharing the rich history of Anderson Valley is both our mission and our pleasure!

Mendocino County Museum - Mendocino [http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/museum/](http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/museum/)
Mendocino County Museum is a regional "Community Storyteller" exhibiting the area's diverse ways of life through its exhibits and programs. MeCoMu welcomes its many guests and appreciates their interest in its programs and exhibits.
**PLACER COUNTY**

**Bernhard Museum Complex - Auburn** [http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/Museums/LocalMuseums/bernhard.aspx](http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/Museums/LocalMuseums/bernhard.aspx) The historic Bernhard Museum Complex has seen over 150 years of history. George Bishop and John Long built the structure in 1851. Originally the Traveler’s Rest Hotel, the structure is one of Auburn’s oldest surviving buildings. During the Gold Rush, this rustic establishment hosted teamsters traveling the old Auburn Folsom Road and miners who were working in nearby Rich Flat.

**Forest Hill Divide Museum - Forest Hill** [http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/Museums/LocalMuseums/ForesthillMuseum.aspx](http://www.placer.ca.gov/Departments/Facility/Museums/LocalMuseums/ForesthillMuseum.aspx) The Forest Hill Divide Museum features exhibits on mining and on many other aspects of the history of the Forest Hill and Iowa Hill Divides. The museum complex consists of the museum facility, a reconstructed Livery Stable/Blacksmith Shop, and the original Forest Hill Jail, which was moved to the site. Over time, the town of Forest Hill became Forest Hill, but the museum retains the area’s original name.

**Gold Country Museum (multiple locations)** [http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#auborn](http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#auborn) The complex includes the Bernhard Residence, built in 1851, a stone Winery building circa 1874, a Wine Processing building circa 1881, and a reconstructed Carriage Barn. Tours of the residence reflect the typical life of a nineteenth century farm family.

**Joss House Museum - Auburn** [http://www.foothill.net/goldrushdays/josshous.htm](http://www.foothill.net/goldrushdays/josshous.htm) Auburn’s Joss House is being restored as a museum, through the work of Auburn residents, Richard and Katherine Yue, other community residents, visitors and those who value the Chinese role in California and U.S. history.

**Placer County Museum - Auburn** [http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#placer](http://www.malakoff.com/muse.htm#placer) Located on the first floor of the Placer County Courthouse, museum highlights include a holographic image of an early miner, a restored Sheriff’s Office, and a Native American habitat complete with a light and sound presentation.

**PLUMAS COUNTY**

**Plumas County Museum - Quincy** [http://www.countyofplumas.com/museum/](http://www.countyofplumas.com/museum/) The concept of an active "living museum" is evidenced by the dozens of different exhibits, events, meetings, and functions held at the [Plumas County Museum](http://www.countyofplumas.com/museum/). Permanent exhibits include an outstanding collection of baskets woven by the area’s original Mountain Maidu Indians.

**Western Pacific Railroad Museum - Portola** [http://www.wplives.org/](http://www.wplives.org/) The Run-A-Locomotive program allows you and up to four others to operate a real locomotive on the museum grounds with your own private instructor!

**Williams House Museum - Portola** [http://www.portolavisitorscenter.com/](http://www.portolavisitorscenter.com/) Step into this old log cabin and learn about some of Portola’s oldest and dearest community members. Walk through the home that for many years belonged to The Williams Family and just recently was donated to the City of Portola. The State of California has recognized it in the
SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Today the museum houses over 30,000 artifacts as well a substantial library and archives. The museum also maintains relationships with the McClellan Aviation Museum at the former McClellan AFB in North Highlands and the Sons of the Revolution in the State of California Library in Glendale.

The Crocker Art Museum collects, preserves, exhibits, and interprets outstanding works of art that are the product of human ingenuity and creativity. Through youth, family, and adult public programs, the museum provides aesthetic and educational experiences that foster self-awareness and personal inquiry as well as an understanding of and respect for community traditions and values.

Discovery Museum - Sacramento [http://www.thediscovery.org/aboutus/ab.html](http://www.thediscovery.org/aboutus/ab.html)
History, science, space and technology come together at the Discovery Museum, your departure point for hands-on exploration of past, present and future. Two locations:

**Discovery Museum Gold Rush History Center** - Old Sacramento  
Phone: (916) 264-7057

**Discovery Museum Science & Space Center** - Sacramento  
Telephone: (916) 575-3941

The goal of the Folsom Historical Society is to preserve our past. The Folsom History Museum archives exist to collect, preserves, and make available historical records and documents for public research. The Museum's collection illustrates various aspects of Folsom's rich history.

The work of the Folsom, El Dorado & Sacramento Historical Railroad Association - - the restoration of Sacramento Valley Railroad, Historical Depot Grounds, including the first turntable in the west, track, rolling stock and the buildings of the 1860’s - 1920’s Era.

Pioneer Mutual Hook & Ladder - Sacramento [http://www.rcip.com/pmhls/Frame%202.html#anchor112525](http://www.rcip.com/pmhls/Frame%202.html#anchor112525)  The purpose of this organization is to collect, preserve and display fire related equipment and memorabilia in a permanent museum. A museum fund was established to secure a permanent building to display the equipment and memorabilia already in storage, and for future acquisitions and donations.

The Society is a group of enthusiastic and dedicated individuals interested in preserving the diverse history of West Sacramento and memories of the community pioneers. Membership benefits include newsletters, program meetings and presentations with guest speakers, invitations to special events, field trips, and annual July 3rd barbecue with the Lake Washington Sailing Club at Lake Washington, and workshops
**SHASTA COUNTY**

**Fort Crook Museum**  [http://www.fortcrook.com/](http://www.fortcrook.com/)
The museum was built in 1962-65 entirely by generous donations of time and materials by the communities it serves and by members of the society.

**Fort Crook Historical Society**  [http://www.ftcrook.com](http://www.ftcrook.com)
Founded in 1934 and dedicated to collecting, preserving and presenting the history of the Intermountain Area.

Collecting pioneer stories remains one of the activities of the society, but now it is a larger educational, non-profit organization. Its purposes are not only to collect, but to preserve knowledge about the ongoing history of Shasta County and, when appropriate of adjoining areas, to maintain a depository of such historical material to serve as a research library for its members and others and to spread the knowledge of local history and enjoyment to the public.

Turtle Bay Exploration Park is a sprawling 300-acre campus filled with educational and entertaining activities all focused on the interpretation of the relationship between humans and nature. Spanning the Sacramento River and linked by the Sundial Bridge, the Park tells the story of the region and its people.

**Shasta State Historic Park - Redding**  [http://www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov)
This state historic park contains the town’s first cemetery, the brick ruins of the original central business district, a restored general store and an old barn filled with antique farming and mining equipment. Located at 299 Trinity Alley, 530/243/8194.

**Sisson Museum/Mt Shasta Museum - Shasta**  [http://www.mountshastasissonmuseum.org/](http://www.mountshastasissonmuseum.org/)
Served as the main hatchery building of the California Department of Fish and Game Mount Shasta Fish Hatchery until it was declared no longer usable 72 years later. The Sisson Museum offers a series of self-guiding tour leaflets suggesting nearby places to visit you might otherwise overlook. Time required for these tours range from an hour or two to all day.

**Weaverville Joss House State Historic Park - Weaverville**  [http://www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov)
The temple is the oldest continuously used Chinese temple in California. On display are art objects, pictures, mining tools, and weapons used in the 1854 Tong War. This Taoist temple is still a place of worship and a fascinating look into the role played by Chinese immigrants in early California history. The temple was built in 1874 as a replacement for another that had burned.

**SISKIYOU COUNTY**

**Fort Jones Museum - Fort Jones**  [http://www.fortjonesmuseum.com/](http://www.fortjonesmuseum.com/)
Until the end of the Civil War, the fort was used by local militia, but by 1870, the structure had begun to decay. Some time after the turn of the century, remaining fort structures collapsed. Today, an historical marker on Eastside Road and the town of Fort Jones are the only evidence that the fort ever existed.
Heritage Junction of McCloud  
Housed in a turn-of-the-century building complete with exterior stairway to the second floor, exhibits focus on the early days of this McCloud River Lumber Mill town and the railroad that was its lifeblood. Displays include early fire-fighting equipment, period costumes, and a Corliss steam engine from the 1903 log mill.

Siskiyou County Historical Society - Yreka  
The Siskiyou County Historical Society features photographs, manuscripts, books, newspapers and printed ephemera, maps, and an extensive clippings file which are all available for public use in the library. Those wishing to do research should make arrangements in advance by phone or mail to insure that adequate resource materials and physical space is available to facilitate research.

SONOMA COUNTY

California Indian Museum - Santa Rosa  
Provides California Indians with a first class museum facility in which to portray California Indian history and culture from an Indian perspective and provide opportunities for Native Americans to receive training and experience in a variety of fields such as museum direction, design and interpretation.

Cloverdale Historical Society - Cloverdale  
Founded in 1968, the Cloverdale Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to local historical preservation and education. It is funded solely by activities sponsored by the Society, its members and its patrons.

SUTTER COUNTY

Community Memorial Museum - Yuba City  
The Community Memorial Museum is a Sutter County history museum and preserves Sutter County's history and to educate the public about the past.

TEHAMA COUNTY

Gaumer’s of Red Bluff Museum and Gallery - Red Bluff  
The gallery features 50 years and four generations of collecting. Beautiful, rare gem and minerals specimens from around the world, stone carvings, fossils, Native American artifacts, a fluorescent mineral display, and a detailed replica of an old mine tunnel complete with ore car, tracks and mining equipment.

William B. Ide Adobe State Historical Park - Red Bluff  
Your direct route to the 1850’s: a time of great opportunity and dramatic change at a pace that was demanding, yet genteel. First, we want to breathe life into Gold Rush history by bringing together the sights, sounds, smells, tastes and textures of the 1850’s in a way that makes them feel real for visitors. Second, we want to immerse visitors in that reality so that they can experience first-hand what life was like during the Gold Rush.
The museum is a wonderful example of how people lived in the 1880s. Exhibits include basketry, costumes, furniture, painting, photography, prints/drawing, textiles and works on paper.

The Museum proper has displays of Round-Up stock, signs, hats and a 15-foot picture of the 1922 Red Bluff Round-Up Grand Entry. The photo collection dates back to 1918 and continues to the present.

TRINITY COUNTY

The History Center is a separate section of the J.J. Jackson Memorial Museum. It houses extensive files of documents, photographs, maps, and books. All are indexed for easy access and the documents are available for research, most can be copied for personal use.

Jake Jackson Museum - Weaverville [http://www.trinitymuseum.org/]
The objective of the Jake Jackson Museum is to discover, collect, preserve and disseminate knowledge about the history of Trinity County. It is an organization of volunteers and all of its activities and accomplishments are due to the interest and effort of its members.

J.J. "Jake" Jackson Memorial Museum - Weaverville [http://www.trinitymuseum.org/]
The museum showcases the rich history of Trinity County. Of special note are the 19th century jail cells and the extensive textile collection, 530/623-5211, 508 Main St., Weaverville.

Joss House Historical Park - Weaverville [http://www.parks.ca.gov]
The Weaverville Joss House, a Taoist Temple of Worship, is now a state park and is the oldest still-in-use Chinese Temple in California. The adjoining priest's quarters and community meeting room was also a combination social hall, fraternity house and travelers' hotel, and served as a home for the priest and his family, 530/623-5284, Oregon and Main Streets,

Scott Museum of Trinity Center - Trinity [http://users.snowcrest.net/wb6fzh/tsmus1.html]
Exhibits include Native American artifacts; authentic models of transportation: a buggy, covered wagon and stagecoach.

YOLO COUNTY

Hattie Weber Museum - Davis [http://www.dcn.davis.ca.us/go/hattie/]
Find exhibits depicting the "History and Heritage of the City of Davis" and the surrounding area.

Pence Gallery - Davis [http://www.pencegallery.org/]
Through the operation of a non-profit art gallery and cultural museum, the Pence Gallery serves the community by generating an awareness of the artistic, historical and cultural heritage of California while providing educational enrichment.

Woodland Opera House SHP [http://www.parks.ca.gov]
Originally built in 1885 and rebuilt in 1896 after being destroyed by fire, the Woodland Opera House is still a stopping place for actors, musicians, and entertainers. Over 300 touring companies had appeared
on its stage by 1913, enriching the community with arts and entertainment, when, due to the growing popularity of motion pictures and an injury lawsuit, the Opera House was closed and boarded up. In 1971, the Yolo County Historical Society purchased the building. The Woodland Opera House was declared a California State Historical Park in 1976 and donated to the state in 1980. Its restoration was begun in 1981.

**Yolo County Historical Museum - Woodland** [http://yolo.net/vmc/ychm/](http://yolo.net/vmc/ychm/)
The Museum houses collections of furnishings and artifacts depicting the various eras from the 1850's to the 1930's. In addition to being a house museum there are changing exhibits on various subjects related to the history of Yolo County. The outbuildings contain displays of agriculture and everyday life of the same period. Feel free to visit us anytime during public hours.

**FIND MORE HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS:**

Provides a book search and marketplace where you can browse the inventory of northwest books.

**Butte County CA Government Agencies** [http://www.buttecounty.com/government.htm](http://www.buttecounty.com/government.htm)

**Butte County Library** [http://www.buttecounty.net/library/](http://www.buttecounty.net/library/)

**California Genealogical Societies, Publications and Libraries** [www.cagenweb.com/cpl/ca-socty.htm](http://www.cagenweb.com/cpl/ca-socty.htm)
Provides publications, libraries and research in Butte County, also acts as a historical society.

**The California Territorial Quarterly** [http://www.californiahistory.com/90.html](http://www.californiahistory.com/90.html)
Formerly known as the Dogtown Territorial Quarterly, this site provides full length articles about California history. Check out this listing of current California Territorial Quarterly issues and previous issues of the Dogtown Territorial Quarterly. There are links to each of the years of Dogtown Territorial Quarterly issues and a short review of each article is also included.

**CERES: Information by Geographic Area for Butte County** [http://ceres.ca.gov/geo_area/counties/Butte/](http://ceres.ca.gov/geo_area/counties/Butte/)
Provides Economic and Demographics. Find programs and organization of local interest, government institutions, documents, publications, historical resources and cultural resources.

**CHS: California Historical Society** [http://www.californiahistoricalsociety.org/about/index.html](http://www.californiahistoricalsociety.org/about/index.html)
CHS provides an extensive collection of manuscripts, maps, posters, printed ephemera, books and pamphlets.

**Conference of California Historical Societies** [http://content.cdlib.org/view?docId=t9v19p3m8&chunk.id=did-1.7.1](http://content.cdlib.org/view?docId=t9v19p3m8&chunk.id=did-1.7.1) The Conference supports the activities of its members with educational programs and information on historic restoration, fund raising, grant writing, lobbying, collection maintenance, volunteer activities and other subjects of interest to membership. The Conference, which publishes the California Historian, maintains a central office at the University of the Pacific, Stockton (Calif.).
DPR Archaeological Reports [http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=23635](http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=23635)
Publications in this series are facsimile reprints, includes archaeological investigation and state history including information and publications about Butte County.

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LUPIN: California Land Use Planning Information Network [http://ceres.ca.gov/planning/counties/Butte/](http://ceres.ca.gov/planning/counties/Butte/)
LUPIN resource agency provides access to programs and organizations of local interest, natural environments, historical and cultural resources, maps, spatial imaginary, documents and publications.

Specializes in researching and publishing California history and genealogy. Offers unique books on California history and genealogy. Home of the California Genealogy Index, which is a name index of early Californians from old newspapers and other sources to help you find information on your ancestors.

Mt. Gothic Tomes and Reliquary Rare Books Western America [http://www.mtgothictomes.com/cripple_creek.htm](http://www.mtgothictomes.com/cripple_creek.htm) Dealers in rare books and Western Americana: old maps, antique photographs, historical documents, stock certificates, historical artifacts, and other relics from the American West.

Nevada County Gold [http://www.nevadacountygold.com/about/history-western-nevco](http://www.nevadacountygold.com/about/history-western-nevco)
California Gold Rush index provides a mass index of California migration and gold rush publications.

The society includes a bibliography of historical archaeology in North America, including bibliographic resources, technical reports and curation standards.

The Society of California Pioneers: The Alice Phelan Sullivan Library [http://www.californiapioneers.org/library.html](http://www.californiapioneers.org/library.html) The Alice Phelan Sullivan Library contains over 10,000 books, manuscripts, maps, journals, newspapers, and autobiographical materials related to the early history of California. Among its most distinguished holdings are over fifty pioneer diaries, notably those of John A. Sutter and Henry W. Bigler, the primary sources documenting the discovery of gold in California.

Stone Quarries and Beyond: Quarry articles, links and Books [http://quarriesandbeyond.org/](http://quarriesandbeyond.org/) Find Published articles and books, concentration of quarry workers and historical dealers, Provides access to Butte county historical material.