# Field Trips ~~ Knowing Your Community In the San Ramon Valley Area

\* Location in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade passport

# Museum of the San Ramon Valley \*

205 Railroad Ave., Danville ~~ 837-3750. Website: museumsrv.org Open hours 1-4 Tu-Fri, 10-1 Sat; July and August 10-1

This restored depot is a local history museum with artifacts and information about the San Ramon Valley. There are permanent and changing exhibits, tours of Old Town Danville and the Alamo Cemetery, school programs, a store and a research library.

#### <u>Dublin Heritage Center</u>

6600 Donlon Way, Dublin 94568 ~~ 803-4128 Website: ci.dublin.ca.us/Dept. Parks Hours: Wed. - Sat. 1-4 pm

This cluster of historic buildings includes the Murray School House, St. Raymond's Church and the Dublin Pioneer Cemetery. In the Cemetery there are many San Ramon pioneers, including the Dougherty, Glass, Harlan, Lynch, Norris families.

## Forest Home Farms Historic Park \*

19953 San Ramon Valley Blvd. San Ramon 94526 ~~ 973-3281 Website: ci.san-ramon.ca.us/parks/boone

This San Ramon Park provides a variety of historic buildings, events and programs which feature the Valley's agricultural history. The park was once part of the Ruth and Travis Boone Ranch. It includes the historic Glass house (1877). Reserved third grade tours are available.

# Las Trampas Regional Wilderness \*

From Crow Canyon Road, north on Bollinger Canyon Road ~~ 837-3145 Website: ebparks.org/parks and trails/Las Trampas

Interpretive panels on the geology of Las Trampas at the staging area.

#### Eugene O'Neill National Historic Site

National Park Service, Box 280, Danville 94526 Call 838-0249 for van reservations. Free guided tours are provided Wed.-Sun. at 10:00 am and 12:30pm. The O'Neill home, Tao House, has several restored rooms. Websites: eugeneoneill.org and eoneill.com

#### Mount Diablo State Park ~~ Visitor Center, Summit Museum

Mount Diablo State Park ~~ 837-2525 Website: mdia.org/museum Hours: Park hours 8 am to sunset, day use admission charged.

Visitor Center Hours: Call 837-6119 to confirm hours; the Center is open during the summer. To reserve group picnics call 837-0904.

A museum and overlook area reward visitors to the top of Mount Diablo.

#### Museums at Blackhawk

3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville 94506 ~~ 736-2277 Website: blackhawkmuseum.org Open Wed.-Sun., 10 am to 5 pm. Entry fees: Adults \$8 Seniors/Students \$5 Members free

A Museum affiliated with the Smithsonian Institution. Features extraordinary restored automobiles, a research library and changing exhibits and programs of interest to families and the general public.

#### Lindsay Wildlife Museum

1931 First Ave., Walnut Creek 94596 ~~ 935-1978 Website: wildlifemuseum.org

Features live wildlife, changing exhibits and programs of interest to families.

### Oakland Museum of California

1000 Oak St., Oakland 94607 510-238-2000 Website: museumca.org

Museum with information and artifacts featuring the History, Natural Science and Art of California. Changing exhibits and docent tours.

#### Historic Plaques in the San Ramon Valley

- Placed by the SRV Historical Society, with dedication dates
- 1. Pedro Fages Spanish Expedition 4/1/77 \*

Recalls 1772 expedition, SE corner Danville Blvd. and El Portal, Danville

2. Alamo School Bell 3/22/77

Original Alamo School Bell at Alamo School, Livorna and Wilson Roads, Alamo

**3**. **Goold property** 3/22/75

Charles G. Goold family remembered, Sycamore Shopping Center, Danville

4. White Gate house 9/20/75

Commemorates pioneer home builder Nathaniel Howard, Stone Valley Rd. and Shandelin Ct., Alamo

5. Danville Hotel 11/19/77

Original hotel built after the railroad come to the valley, 1892, Danville

6. Mount Diablo State Park 4/23/78

At summit, denotes California-Nevada base line survey marker

7. Alamo Cemetery 5/31/80

First pioneer burial 1856, end of El Portal Bl. in Danville

8. A.J. Young house 12/8/01

Recalls pioneer teacher 911 San Ramon Valley Bl., Danville

**9. John M. Jones house** 9/15/85

Original Alamo post office site, Longs Drugs in Alamo

- 10. San Ramon graphic at SR Library Hey Days 1880-1915
- 11. Sycamore School 7/28/90

Remembers school 1866-1927, near Wood Ranch Rd., Danville

12. James Close Property 9/22/96

Recalls Close family in Danville. South side of Diablo Rd., downtown

13. San Ramon Grammar School 5/17/97

Remembers school 1867-1960, 2233 San Ramon Bl., San Ramon

14. Tassajara Grammar School 8/14/99

Remembers school 1889-1946, 1650 Finley Rd., Tassajara Valley

15. Alamo Grammar School 10/14/2000

Remembers school, NW corner of Danville Bl. and Stone Valley Rd., Alamo

16. S. P. Depot in Danville 12/8/01

Depot from 1891-1950s, now a museum, 205 Railroad Ave., Danville

17. San Ramon Valley High School

First high school in valley, began 1910, built 1916, 140 Love Ln., Danv.

#### East Bay Regional Park District ~~ Visitor Centers

These parks include museums, extensive trails and opportunities for naturalist and other tours. Many programs are offered throughout the year which feature the history of the East Bay. Website: *ebparks.org* For information call (925) 676-0192

ARDENWOOD HISTORIC FARM Ardenwood Blvd., north of 84, Fremont - (510) 796-0663 <a href="mailto:ardnwood@ebparks.org">ardnwood@ebparks.org</a>

BLACK DIAMOND MINES 5175 Somersville Rd., Antioch 94509 (925) 757-2620 <a href="mailto:bdvisit@ebparks.org">bdvisit@ebparks.org</a>

COYOTE HILLS 8000 Patterson Ranch Rd., Fremont 94555 (510) 795-9385 <a href="mailto:chvisit@ebparks.org">chvisit@ebparks.org</a>

CRAB COVE at CROWN BEACH 1252 McKay Ave., Alameda 94501 (510) 521-6887 <a href="mailto:ccove@ebparks.org">ccove@ebparks.org</a>

SUNOL REGIONAL WILDERNESS Geary Rd., off Calaveras Rd., Sunol - (510) 862-2601 <a href="mailto:svisit@ebparks.org">svisit@ebparks.org</a>

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