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**Rarely-Seen Treasures on Display October 11 at California State Library in 4th Annual
“Sacramento Archives Crawl”**

SACRAMENTO –From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday October 11, the 4th Annual Sacramento Archives Crawl circles around the Capitol City allowing participants a special behind-the-scenes look into four locations that bring California history to life.

Historical archives and collections at the State Library, State Archives, Sacramento Public Library and the Center for Sacramento History will be displayed at each venue featuring this year’s theme – *Having Fun in the Sacramento Region*. This is a rare opportunity to explore the history of this region with unique tours and visits with the librarians and archivists.

The California State Library has a wonderful array of early California artifacts and memorabilia centered on the theme, *Having Fun in the Sacramento Region*. You’ll see: California vacation spots, California sports teams, dining out, California music and musicians, and how Californians entertain themselves – and others.

To illustrate these topics there will be shape books, broadsides, county pamphlets, programs, music posters, photos, menus, and placemats, along with photos of people just having fun! All artifacts were selected by the very knowledgeable librarians in the Library’s California History Section and will be on display in the California History Room on the 2nd floor of the 900 N Street library building.

Also on display will be a double “elephant” folio *Audubon’s Birds of America*, James Marshall’s gold discovery map, the Nuremberg Chronicle from 1493 (the first great picture book), the Pony Express newspaper from 1860, the only surviving copy of the first newspaper delivered via the Express and an assortment of curiosities such as a Richard Nixon shower head, a Black Bart reward poster, and a biographical card filled out by Mark Twain at the request of the State Library.

The following is a list of the host locations and the repositories that will be at each. Participants may start at any of the four locations:

California State Library (900 N Street)

California State University, Chico
Placer County Museums Archives & Research Center
University of California, Davis

California State Archives (1020 O Street)

ARMA International – Greater Sacramento Capitol Chapter
California State Parks Archives
California State Parks, Photographic Archives
California State University, Sacramento SAA Student Chapter
El Dorado County Historical Museum
Root Cellar – Sacramento Genealogical Society Library
Sacramento City College Archives
Society of California Archivists

Center for Sacramento History (551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd)

Congregation B'nai Israel Archives
Little People of America Archives
Sacramento River Delta Historical Society
Yolo County Archives

Sacramento Public Library, Sacramento Room (828 I Street)

California State Railroad Museum Library
California State University, Sacramento
Roseville Historical Society
Roseville Public Library, Local History Collection

Free Archives Crawl Passports are available at any of the four locations. You can pick up your passport wherever you begin your tour. As part of the tour, participants will get a passport stamp from each of the four venues. Those who visit three of the four sites will receive a set of limited-edition coasters. The coasters feature images of the Tower Bridge, the State Capitol, Sutter's Fort, and Memorial Auditorium.

Free transportation will be provided between locations by transit buses.

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For more information about the 4th annual Sacramento Archives Crawl, please visit www.sacarchivescrawl.blogspot.com. The Sacramento Archives Crawl is part of Archives Month, a nationwide celebration held each October to raise awareness of the value of archives and to recognize the archivists who bring the past to the present. For information about other events in California, visit www.calarchivesmonth.org.

About the State Library: Founded in 1850, the California State Library is the central reference and research library for the Governor's office, legislature, state employees, and the general public. The State Library administers federal and state grants for programs in historical preservation, library construction, civil liberties education, literacy, volunteering, and broadband connectivity in public libraries. For more information, visit www.library.ca.gov.

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