



**The California State Library Presents:**  
***Jersey Gold: The Newark Overland Company's Trek to California, 1849***  
**A Lunchtime Author Talk with Margaret Casterline Bowen**

**What:** When gold fever struck, many souls across the United States traveled to California in search of fortune. This is the story of a group of some thirty men from New Jersey, known as the Newark Overland Company, who came west to find gold. Their journey and the divergent paths their lives took make for a fascinating tale of fortune, scandal and heartbreak. *Jersey Gold* was co-written with Gwendolyn Joslin Hiles.

**When:** Tuesday, June 20, 12:00-1:30 p.m.

**Where:** Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building, 914 Capitol Mall, Gillis Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Sacramento.

**About the speaker:** Margaret C. Bowen was born in Champaign, Illinois. She received a degree in geology from the College of William and Mary but it was her numerous statistics classes that landed her a job on Capitol Hill. Her career included twenty-eight years as an IT Manager with most of it spent in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. She retired in 2010 to focus her attention full time to writing and researching *Jersey Gold*.



**This event is free. Although not required, RSVP is requested at [Eventbrite](#).** Feel free to bring your lunch.

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