

## Museum Meets with Other Local Museums

Local history museums are in place all around us and we try to keep in touch with our nearby counterparts. There are two groups which meet quarterly in Contra Costa and in the Tri Valley, sharing experiences, challenges, objects to loan and information. One is the Contra Costa Museum Curators Committee, whose members include central and east county museums, the Black Diamond Mines and National Park Service historic sites. The other is the Tri Valley History Council, with members from Livermore to Danville. This one also includes genealogical society and library representatives. In our Valley, Forest Home Farms Historic Park, Blackhawk Museum and the Eugene O'Neill National Historic site also send representatives to both meetings.



Members of the Tri-Valley History Council visited the Tassajara School in May.

Most of the museums use the same local history computer program, *PastPerfect*, to keep track of donations and collections. The Contra Costa group co-sponsored an advanced computer training this year at California State University East Bay in Concord. The Tri Valley group has put together an archival training workshop given by Maxine Trost, archivist for Livermore Lab. The Contra Costa group set up *May is Museum Month* displays from each museum this year at Forest Home Farms Historic Park during its Saturday Farmers Market. Also, in May our Museum hosted the Tri-Valley History Council on a tour of our Agriculture exhibit and a picnic and program at the Tassajara School.

Beverly Lane  
Museum Curator

## VALLEY HISTORICAL GROUPS JOIN TOGETHER FOR A PICNIC ON AUGUST 3



Mark your calendars for August 3, 2008 at 12 noon. The San Ramon Valley Historical Society is planning a social gathering of the three historical organizations of the Valley - the Museum, the San Ramon Historic Foundation (support group for Forest Home Farms Historic Park), and the Historical Society. The All-History picnic will include entertainment, displays, games and a silent auction.

This will be held at the beautiful new Oak Hill Park Community Center. Invitations will be in the mail at end of June for our gathering. It is going to be a fun time for all. See you there!

Judy Sandkuhle  
President of San Ramon Valley Historical Society

The August 3 gathering of Valley historical groups will take place at Danville's new Oak Hill Park Community Center.

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The Museum of the San Ramon Valley in the Depot

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