Sacramento River Delta Historical Society Program

Immigrant & Emigrant Pioneer Contributions

Featuring Carol A. Jensen



Saturday, March 15 2025 2 – 4 PM at the Ryde Hotel, 14340 CA-160

"Where y'all from? Is the California greeting from colonization to today -- are you an emigrant from the States or an immigrant from abroad? Join us as we explore the legacy of the Delta pioneers who transformed our world. Those that stayed in California after the Gold Rush looked for "Bottom land" and where better than along the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers. Here, agribusiness led the economic boom. Point of Timber farmers helped found the national Grange movement and shipped more grain in the 1870s from Tulare and San Joaquin than from the entire Mississippi Valley. German-Jewish merchants Louis Grunauer, Samuel Lavenson, and Jacob Stern established general stores in Stockton, Walnut Grove, and Rio Vista. British investment and commercial traders sent Delta celery, asparagus, fish and nuts throughout Europe. One Delta emigrant pioneer was instrumental in changing the name of Lake (Governor) Bigler to Lake Tahoe, its original Indigenous Peoples' name.

Carol A. Jensen has been passionate about local history since the early 1960s. A UC Santa Barbara history graduate, she is dedicated to uncovering and documenting the rich cultural heritage of the Delta. Carol currently serves on the Delta Heritage Area Advisory Committee and shares her insights through local history lectures at Los Medaños College.

We welcome everyone.

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Don't pass up the opportunity to purchase **Delta Stories**, our new history journal, **Historic Houses of the Sacramento River Delta**, and the commemorative **50-year Anniversary of the Courtland Pear Fair**. Check our website for details: srdhs.org

Mark your calendar for our May Program – Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 6 pm, at Jean Jean Harvie Community Center Walnut Grove for our Annual Members Meeting and program about the Vineyards and Vintners of the Sacramento Delta with special guest Mike Dunne – author of The Signature Wines of Superior California: 50 Wines that Define the Sierra Foothills, the Delta, Yolo and Lodi.