

Golden Nuggets

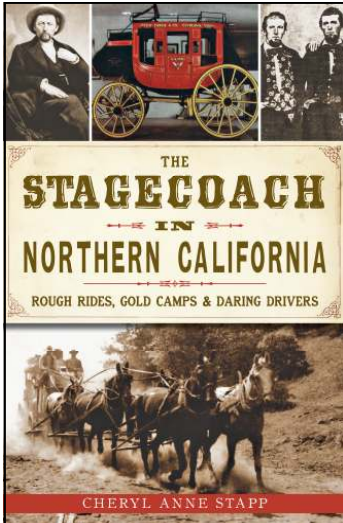
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SCHS Presents Cheryl Stapp: *The Stagecoach in Northern California*

Tuesday March 24, 7:00 PM (Social Time, 6:30)

Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society Building, 5380 Elvas Ave., Sacramento



The Gold Rush brought the stagecoach to California, up until then a pastoral, under-populated province with no roads and no one in a hurry. New England coachmen followed thousands of bedazzled gold rushers out west in 1849, carving out the first public overland transportation routes in California. Daring drivers like Hank Monk navigated treacherous terrain, while entrepreneurs such as James Birch, Jared Crandall and Louis McLane founded stagecoach companies traveling from Stockton to the Oregon border and over the formidable Sierra Nevada. Stagecoaches hauling gold from isolated mines to big-city safes were easy targets for highwaymen like Black Bart. Road accidents could end in disaster—coaches even tumbled down mountainsides. Journey back with author Cheryl Anne Stapp to an era before the railroad and automobile arrived and discover the wild history of stagecoach travel in California.

A CSU Northridge graduate, Stapp grew up in Sacramento and lives here with her husband. She has recently written three books on different aspects of life in the Sacramento area from the Gold Rush and beyond. She gave a presentation to SCHS on her first book, *Disaster and Triumph: Sacramento Women, Gold Rush to the Civil War*. Her second book, *Sacramento Chronicles*, focuses on the rich heritage of this city from its beginnings (her favorite era) to more modern times. With *The Stagecoach*, the spotlight shines on the romance of the road, stagecoach style. All three titles will be available for purchase and signing. SCHS members and guests are welcome on Tuesday, March 24 at 7 PM- or 6:30 for more time to meet and greet.

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**Sort through your closets, garages, storage units, etc.
And let us help validate why you've been gathering all that stuff!**

Contact: Lisa Wire, lmwire@gmail.com or 916-804-6766, BY APRIL 1 to sign up

Provide a paragraph on your treasures and how you got hooked...
Details on who is showing what will be on web page/in email in mid April



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OUT & ABOUT

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE & CONTACT
Saturday March 14	1:00 PM	<i>Life of a Choctaw Woman, 1889-1994</i> CSUS Professor Emeritus Charles Roberts will speak of his grandmother, who lived through 1906 dissolution of the Choctaw Nation, the second removal of the Mississippi Choctaws to Oklahoma, and the Indian dispersal to California in the 1920s. Native Education Series.	California State Indian Museum 2618 K Streets, Sacramento 916-324-8112
Saturday March 28	9:45 - 5	Antiquarian Book Fair Sixty exhibitors with thousands of rare and collectible books, maps, photos, graphics, postcards and ephemeral items. Food. Free Appraisals will be offered.	Scottish Rite Temple 6151 H St., Sacramento 916-849-9248 sacbookfair@gmail.com
Saturday April 23 thru Oct. 3	6 PM Thurs-Sat	ADULT Underground Tours of Old Sacramento resume Filled with tales of 'colorful' residents, these adult-only 1.5 hour walking tours feature courtesans, crime and adult themes, ending in a saloon with discounted adult drinks or free sassa-parilla. These fill up fast: reserve!	Sacramento History Museum 101 I Street, Old Sacramento 916-808-7059 (April tickets available now. Later tix available late April.)
Thru April 26	Tues-Sat 10-5 First Sun. 12-5	California Missions: A Journey Along El Camino Real The 21 military and religious outposts founded by the Franciscans represent a pivotal chapter of California history.	The California Museum 1020 O St., Sacramento, CA 916-653-7524 californiamuseum.org