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## Field Trip to the Orange Public Library & History Center



Above: Orange Public Library, 407 East Chapman Avenue, Orange, California, 1940. The Carnegie Library, designed by architect Cornelius B. Bradshaw (d. 1932), opened in 1908 and was demolished in 1961. OPL178

**Thursday, July 28, 2011**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Orange Public Library & History Center  
407 N. Chapman Avenue  
Orange, California 92866**



**T**he LOCAL HISTORY COLLECTION of the Orange Public Library was established in 1988 under a Library Services & Construction Act Grant. Its purpose is to collect, preserve and make available to the public materials relating to the historical development of the City of Orange and Orange County.

The Collection consists of the Florence Flippen Smiley Memorial Archives, on permanent loan from the Orange Community Historical Society, as well as numerous items acquired by the Library through purchase or donation.

Covering the period 1871 to the present, this rich and diverse collection includes books, periodicals, photographs, manuscripts, maps, pamphlets, ephemera and artifacts. A variety of subject areas are represented, with particular emphasis on the citrus industry, old businesses, civic and religious organizations, and city agencies.

**O**n July 28th we will be going on a 'Field Trip' of sorts! We will be visiting our very own History Center at the Orange Public Library.

Even though the 'new' library reopened several years ago, many have yet to visit our History Center.

Lizeth Ramirez and John Ferry will be conducting a tour for our members. We will meet in the Community Room of the Orange Public Library & History Center, 407 E. Chapman, at 7:00 pm. After starting our evening in this room, we'll then break into two groups so Lizeth and John can conduct one group upstairs and give an overview of the Center. While one group is touring the other group will be treated to an overview to the Digital Collection. After both groups have seen the History Center and Digital Collection, we will have our ice cream social in the community room.

If you haven't visited the history room, this will be a great opportunity! And if you have, there are always new things to discover! And ice cream!

# Membership News

## SUSTAINING MEMBERS

John & Carol Summo  
Loraine Bosch-Selvidge  
Billie Post Block

Thank you  
for renewing  
at this level!

*Own a bit of history*

## OCHS Historic Throws & Tapestries

Need a special gift? OCHS historic throws and tapestries are a nice option. The multicolor is \$65.00, and the two-color (offwhite with cranberry, light blue, dark blue or green) is \$55.00. They are available at The Hope Chest, 105 W. Chapman Avenue in Orange. Members can also order through Buddy Hillebrecht (714) 538-7271 or Schroeder Studio (714) 633-0653.



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## Exhibit at Old County Courthouse

# On Location: Silent Films in Orange County

**B**etween 1910 and 1928, Orange County might well have been called "Hollywood's back lot," home to the production of hundreds of films, ranging from comic shorts and newsreels to full-length silent movies.

To celebrate Orange County's pivotal role in creating this Hollywood magic, the Orange County Archives and OC Parks presents "On Location: Silent Films in Orange County." The exhibit continues through Aug. 5 at the 3rd Floor Museum Gallery at the Old County Courthouse, 211 W. Santa Ana Blvd., in downtown Santa Ana. Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

The county's silent film history is vast, thanks to its proximity to Hollywood, its sweeping natural vistas and pristine beaches. "The Two Brothers," filmed in 1910 at Mission San Juan Capistrano under the direction of legend D.W. Griffith, was the first motion picture filmed in Orange County. Movie greats Harold Lloyd, Buster Keaton and native Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle all appeared in movies here, as well as Gilbert Roland, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, Lon Chaney and Rudolph Valentino.

The exhibit includes photographs, artifacts, props, movie posters, and replica costumes from Theda Bara's epic "Cleopatra" and Douglas Fairbanks' "The Mark of Zorro"

*From press release by Marisa O'Neil, Public Information Officer*



Above: Pathé movie camp in Santiago Canyon, Orange County, California, 1912. OPL008b  
Below: Filming a western in Santiago Canyon, Orange County, California, 1914. OPL008f





# HISTORIC ORANGE WALKING TOURS for 2011

**T**he Orange Community Historical Society offers visitors a peek into Old Towne's history with its popular historical walking tours of Old Towne Orange. Docents share the story of Orange's founding and the significance of some of its downtown buildings.



## THE SCHEDULE

**2nd Saturday of the month: 10:00 a.m.**

July 9, August 13,  
September 10, October 8

**4th Sunday of the month: 4:00 p.m.**

July 24, August 28,  
September 25, October 23

Meet at the Orange Public Library Fountain  
407 East Chapman Avenue, Orange, California  
Wear comfortable shoes

Reservations required: Call (714) 998-0330  
or email [tours@historicorange.org](mailto:tours@historicorange.org)  
Each tour lasts 90 minutes Donation: \$5.00

Donations support OCHS historical projects and preservation activities. Wear comfortable shoes. Donations support OCHS historical projects and preservation activities. In addition to the regular tours, speakers for special presentations are available for a fee. Check for availability and schedule at (714) 998-0330 or email [historicalorange@gmail.com](mailto:historicalorange@gmail.com). And visit our website at [www.historicorange.org](http://www.historicorange.org).



Thank you to our dedicated docents--Lisa Ackerman, Aaron Alduenda, Cathy Dencklau, Adrienne Gladson, Margit Ischovitsch, and Barbara Resnick.



## Who Do You Think You Are?

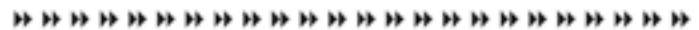
**F**ind out how to do basic genealogical research and what local resources are available at the Orange Public Library & History Center.

**Saturday, July 16**  
**2:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Main Library - Community Room**

Space is limited. Call 714-288-2410 to register.

## DONATIONS to the Archives



- » Olive Heights document, Olive Improvement Association donated by Regina Powers.
- » History of the Founding of Orange Lutheran High School, donated by James Beam.
- » Books: Postcard History Series - Orange County and St. Joseph Hospital 75th Anniversary, donated to Friend's Bookstore.
- » Album of photographs and clippings on Alice Pitcher and Pitcher Park, donated through the Library Foundation.

List of donations courtesy of Lizeth Ramirez, Site Supervisor, El Modena Branch Library & Archivist, Orange Public Library & History Center. If you have donations for the archives, you can reach Lizeth Monday-Wednesdays at (714) 288-2445, Thursday-Friday/Saturday (714) 288-2449, or [lr Ramirez@cityoforange.org](mailto:lr Ramirez@cityoforange.org).

Orange Daily News photograph of the cramped basement cataloging stacks in the Orange Public [Carnegie] Library, 1959. Library Director Ethel Swanger is standing; Harriet Lampert Friis, right, is processing newly received books and long-playing records. OPL4246

