

**What's New for Genealogists & Local Historians at the Santa Clara City Library?
Presented April 16, 2013 at SCCHGS Program Meeting by Mary Hanel**

- 1) The Best of the New Books Added to Santa Clara City Library in 2012-2013 (handout will go on the SCCHGS Meetings – Handouts webpage)
- 2) Ancestry Library Edition: <http://library.santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1834>
Noteworthy resources for 2013:
 - a) U.S. City Directories, 1821-1989 database (Find link to this in Ancestry Card Catalog – collection digitized using OCR technology making directories both surname and keyword searchable)
 - b) Public Member Trees (Find link to this in Ancestry Card Catalog -- members willing to allow others to view their trees)
 - c) View recent and updated databases from link on Ancestry homepage (find link to this at bottom of Ancestry homepage under More Collections)
- 3) Heritage Quest Online: <http://library.santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1834>
 - a) Now over 28,000 digitized family and local history books
 - b) Census advanced search and Census browse
- 4) Newspapers
 - a) San Francisco Chronicle microfilm 1906, 1971-2004
 - b) Some San Francisco Chronicle access via our Historical San Jose Mercury News Online database (1937, 1942, 1942): <http://library.santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1834>
 - c) Google has digitized some issues of 1930s & 1940s San Jose newspapers:
<http://news.google.com/newspapers#S>
- 5) Internet Resources webpage
 - a) look at FamilySearch.org link: <https://familysearch.org/search> -- enormous amount of new records digitized this year
 - b) look at the Wiki pages for FamilySearch.org:
https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Main_Page
- 6) Local history webpages
For Santa Clara County, look at California Room of San Jose Public library if your family research is in Santa Clara County: <http://www.sjpl.org/caroom>
- 7) Electronic Resources Button gives you access to RefUSA and the current San Jose Mercury Online (1985-current): <http://library.santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1752>
- 8) American Ancestors: <http://library.santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1834>
 - a) Class on this taught on occasion by Reference Librarian Mary Boyle
 - b) Popular databases on this website include The (NEHGS) Register and The American Genealogist (TAG)
- 9) Special Programs
Coming up: Self-publishing program on May 5th in Central Park Library Redwood Room, 2 pm
<http://www.scchgs.org/meetinghandouts/Bob-Tower.pdf>