Finding aid for the County Flags and Seals Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: County Flags and Seals collection
Dates: 1969-2000
Collection number: 2010-008
Collector: Wyman, Beth
Collection Size: 2 folders
Repository: Santa Clara County Archives.
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Abstract: This collection documents the history of the creation of the flags and seals of Santa Clara County, California.
Physical location: For current information on the location of these materials, please consult Archives staff.
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English
Access
Collection is open for research.
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Preferred Citation
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Acquisition Information
This collection was transferred by Beth Wyman.
Administrative History
The design of the seal of the County of Santa Clara has evolved over the years. In 1852, the Board of Supervisors adopted as its seal the County Superior Court. By 1880, the Board of Supervisors adopted a stone bridge design. It was officially adopted in 1887 and several changes and revisions were made. In 1940, Former Sheriff Doug Hornbuckle designed the Valley of Heart's Delight County Seal. This seal was used extensively on sheriff's vehicles and badges until 1989 when the Department of Corrections was created (Wyman, 1990).
Scope and Content of Collection
This collection contains two series. The first series contains information on seals of various cities in California. The other series contains information on the flags flying at the Santa Clara County Government Center.
Arrangement
This collection is arranged alphabetically.
Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog. County government--California.
Series I: **County Seal, 1969-1990**  
Physical Description: 1 folder  
Scope and Content Note  
This series contains the history of the creation of the Santa Clara County seals.

Series II: **Flags Flying at County Government Center, 1986-2000**  
Physical Description: 1 folder  
Scope and Content Note  
This series contains information about the flags flying at the County Government Center.  
There are 9 flags in all: the 50-star flag, the California flag, the County flag, the City flag, the 31-star flag, the 28-star flag, the Fremont flag, and the Mexican flag.