San Diego Genealogical Society Collection MS 284

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Abstract: This collection contains newsletters and research material from the San Diego Genealogical Society, as well as a book detailing the history of the Clark, Cook, and Weld families.
creator: San Diego Genealogical Society.

Biographical / Historical Notes
The San Diego Genealogical Society was founded in 1946 by Mrs. Alicia P. Mayer and a small group of people interested in genealogy. Mrs. Mayer, the first President, stated the main purposes of the Society were "to promote general interest in the related fields of genealogy, history and heraldry," to assist members with their research, and to establish a genealogical library. Membership grew from the original 25 charter members to a total of 39 by the end of the first year. The San Diego Genealogical Society was incorporated in 1966 as a non-profit, 501(c)(3), California corporation and the official seal was developed.

One of the original goals of the Society was to assist those people interested in genealogy, in addition to providing for the mutual exchange of information among members. For this reason, monthly Society meetings included programs for beginners as well as those with many years of research experience. A number of well-known experts have appeared at meetings and at special seminars.

The Society has two publications. The Newsletter, started in 1963, contains information of general interest to the membership and program announcements and queries. The second publication, San Diego Leaves and Saplings, published since 1972, includes transcriptions of census, mortuary, cemetery, hospital, and many other early San Diego County records.

Scope and Content
This collection contains the San Diego Genealogical Society Newsletter from 1996-2004, genealogical research material arranged by subject, and indexes to some of those subjects. Additionally there is a volume of Family Records containing the detailed family histories of the Clark, Cook, and Weld families.

Arrangement
This collection is arranged by subject and chronologically. The research subject files are in alphabetical order, followed by issues of the Newsletter by year.

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Conditions Governing Access
This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use
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Processing Information
Collection processed by Samantha Mills in January 2015.

Comments
The Society’s publication Leaves and Saplings is located in the SDHC Serials Collection.

Immediate Source of Acquisition
Obtained from the San Diego Genealogical Society.

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Clark family
Cook family
First Presbyterian Church (San Diego, Calif.).
First Unitarian Church (San Diego, Calif.).
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church (San Diego, Calif.).
Johnson, Saum & Noble Mortuary.
Box-folder 1:1  Indexes 1973-1985
   Scope and Content
   These indexes are arranged by year, and correspond to many of the following subject files.

Box-folder 1:2  Agriculture 1860
Box-folder 1:3  Births 1860-1910
Box-folder 1:4  Cemeteries 1856-1965
Box-folder 1:5  Census (1 of 2) 1850-1860
Box-folder 1:6  Census (2 of 2) 1870-1880
Box-folder 1:7  Churches 1870-1973
Box-folder 1:8  Coroners’s Inquest 1871-1896
Box-folder 1:9  Deeds (1 of 2) 1850-1871
Box-folder 1:10  Deeds (2 of 2) 1872-1876
Box-folder 1:11  Great Register (1 of 2) 1866-1873
Box-folder 1:12  Great Register (2 of 2) 1866-1873
Box-folder 2:1  Index to Suits / Industry / Land Grants / Marriage / Mortality / National City 1850-1911
   Scope and Content
   These indexes do not correspond to subject files in this collection, but may be a possible
   match to issues of Leaves and Saplings.

Box-folder 2:2  Mortuary 1869-1909
Box-folder 2:3  Newspapers 1854-1885
Box-folder 2:4  Preemption / Probate Index / Queries / Twigs and Chips 1850-1922
Box-folder 2:5  Schools 1795-1910
Box-folder 2:6  Tax Payers 1850-1863
Box-folder 2:7  Wills 1880-1927
Box-folder 2:8  Newsletters 1996
Box-folder 2:9  Newsletters 1997
Box-folder 2:10  Newsletters 1998
Box-folder 2:11  Newsletters 1999
Box-folder 2:12  Newsletters 2000
Box-folder 2:13  Newsletters 2001
Box-folder 2:14  Newsletters 2002
Box-folder 2:15  Newsletters 2003
Box-folder 2:16  Newsletters 2004
Box-folder 3:1  "Leaves and Saplings, Family Records Vol. 1” 1639-1971
   Scope and Content
   This book includes the genealogy of the Clark, Cook, and Weld families.