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Friends & Family Series: Digging Up San Jose’s Past
at History Park
Sunday, August 3rd – 11 AM to 3 PM

San José, CA – July 23, 2014. On Sunday, August 3 from 11 AM to 3 PM, Digging Up San Jose’s Past at History Park will offer children an opportunity to be junior archaeologists. In partnership with the Chinese Historical & Cultural Project, Stanford Archaeology Center students will be at History Park conducting a mock excavation, screening, artifact identification and artifact reconstruction.

“This program gives Stanford students a chance to share our research,” said Barbara Voss, Associate Professor of Anthropology at Stanford University. “The hidden history of San Jose’s early Chinatowns is not well known, and it’s exciting to give our youngest residents a chance to learn about archaeology and about the legacy of San Jose’s 19th century Chinese pioneers.”

This family educational program will allow individuals to collect stickers for each activity to place in Archaeology Passports and become ‘certified’ as a Junior Archaeologist.

Adults will enjoy hearing Barbara Voss, Associate Professor at Stanford University, speak on the topic of The Archaeology of Anti-Immigrant Violence. This talk will take place upstairs in the Firehouse meeting lecture room in History Park from 1 PM to 3:30 PM.

While you’re at the park, be sure to visit the Print Shop for a printing demonstration on the 1884 Liberty Printing Press. Take a ride on our trolley and visit the Trolley Barn. Stop in and check out our exhibit called Shirlie Montgomery: Picturing San Jose Since 1938 in the McKay Galley of the Pasetta House, or Silicon Valley Bikes: Passion, Innovation & Politics Since 1880 in the Arbuckle Gallery of the Pacific Hotel.

When you need a rest, enjoy an ice cream from O’Brien’s Candy Store & Ice Cream Parlor.

Cost: HSJ members, Military with proper ID, and kids two and under – FREE. All others $5.00.

For more information, call 408 918-1047 or visit www.historysanjose.org

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About History San José:
History San José (HSJ) is a non-profit organization that collects, preserves and celebrates the stories of diversity and innovation in San José and the Santa Clara Valley. HSJ manages one of the largest and most comprehensive regional history collections in the State of California, from
1784 Spanish governmental records to twenty-first century Silicon Valley technology.

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