UPCOMING EVENTS

Adventure Days
Every 2nd Saturday of the Month

Wild West Festival
May 19th & 20th

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Fridays 12:00am - 4:00pm
2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month 10:00am - 4:00pm

DAY USE FEES

Adults $4.00
Children 12 and under $3.00
Dogs on Leash $1.00
Tours $5.00

SCHOOL PROGRAMS/LARGE TOURS

By Reservation only

Journey back in time...

GILMAN HISTORIC RANCH
AND
WAGON MUSEUM

Programs and Tours

- California Gold Rush
- Native Americans of the San Gorgonio Pass
- Ranch Tours

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Programs
Gilman Historic Ranch and Wagon Museum offers programs to meet state standards for the 3rd and 4th grade curriculum. New perspectives are gained through hands on activities bringing realism to that which is normally read in books. Programs can be easily adjusted to match any age group or groups with special needs.

CALIFORNIA GOLD RUSH

The discovery of gold at Sutter’s Mill in 1848 accelerated the population growth to the Western United States, with a tidal wave of immigrants coming to California to seek their fortunes. Students will have an opportunity to “strike it rich” as they pan for fool’s gold (pyrite) near our spring fed stream (and “yes” they keep what they find). The Gilman Ranch is rich in history, as the students will discover while treading on remnants of the wagon trail as early gold prospectors did in 1862. Further exploration of the Ranch will include the Gilman House, several outbuildings, and the Wagon Museum. Contrast between today’s lifestyle and that of people from the 1800’s creates a lasting memory that immerses visitors in days gone by.

Fee: $5.00 per student (includes vial for gold)
Min. of 10 students and a Max. of 60 students

NATIVE AMERICANS OF THE PASS

This program introduces the lifestyle of the Native Americans of the San Gorgonio Pass, emphasizing their cultural and historical significance to the area. Students will learn about the Cahuilla peoples’ ingenuity of using their surroundings for survival including use of native plants for medicinal, ceremonial, dietary, and other functional purposes. Hands on opportunities are abound as students experience grinding seeds with a mano and metate, throwing a rabbit stick, launching an atlatl dart, or drilling holes with hand drills. Every student will return home with a craft, as well as memories to last a lifetime.

Fee: $5.00 per student (includes a craft)
Min. of 10 students and a Max. of 60 students

RANCH TOURS

Tours for non-school groups start with a look through the Wagon Museum. The Westward migration, California’s past, and the varied history of the Gilman Ranch come to life through the collection of wagons and other artifacts. Other stops on the tour include the Victorian-style Gilman ranch house, original outbuildings, Jose Pope’s Adobe ruins, and the old stagecoach trail.

Fee: $5.00 per person