GADGETS & GIZMOS

Programs

Saturday, February 14, 11AM – 4PM. **Family Fun Day**, "Gizmos and Gadgets." The museum education division has designed activities for kids ages 3 to 12 and their grownups to make inventions come alive. How did people make toast before electric toasters were invented? What about opening cans? Check out these gadgets and gizmos in our special exhibit. Who knows—maybe you'll be inspired to invent something fabulous yourself!

Friday, February 20, 2PM. **Gallery Walk** with curator of History Michele Nielsen. Walk through the exhibit and see a few of the unique gadgets and gizmos that did not make the cut for the exhibit, but are fun just the same. Look at the role consumerism played in demand for early gadgets and gizmos, and the influence electricity had on people's perception of technology.

Saturday, May 16, 10AM – 2PM. **Lights! Sirens! Safety!** In this annual event you'll once again meet the people who keep us safe. But this time, focus on how they do it: the inventions that firemen, police-men, search-and-rescue and more rely upon to save lives and property. Free in the museum parking lot.

On various Saturdays and Sundays, visitors can engage in cart talks and "**cartivities**" with the educa-tion division in the exhibit gallery, engaging brains and encouraging creativity. Invent a gadget that solves an everyday problem in the exhibit's "Back to the Drawing Board" and build a model of it. Figure out what the cart-o-gadgets are used for. Explore common advertisements and identify what makes them effective.

At the **museum historic sites**, special history days offer hands-on opportunities to try out high tech in-ventions from the 19th century. Try out life like it was in the 1800s in California! See how things have changed -- and how some technology lives on!

Saturday, February 28, 11AM – 2PM. History Day at the **John Rains House**, Rancho Cucamonga, 8810 Hemlock. Free.

Saturday, April 18, 11AM – 2PM. Adobe Day at the **Yorba and Slaughter Families Adobe** in Chino, 17127 Pomona Rincon Road. Free.

Saturday, May 30, 11AM – 2PM. Adobe Day at the **Yucaipa Adobe**, 32183 Kentucky Street. Free.