

# YVGS FAMILY FINDERS



Yucaipa Valley  
Genealogical Society

Established 1982

**YUCAIPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

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## President's Message:

As we move into the holiday season around us only at this time of year. The giving and family gatherings all have family to family and from culture to culture. As we look back at our ancestors lives, we may find inspiration to bring some of their traditions into our current celebration and keep them alive for future generations.

Until Thomas Nast and Norman Rockwell somewhat standardized the appearance of Santa Claus, there were different representations, names and even clothing styles and colors in the way different people thought of this icon. Sometimes what we find from the past is surprising. I was walking down the Royal Mile in Edinburgh, Scotland one time and found a Christmas Store. Having tried to do some research on old Scottish Christmas traditions and not having much success, I went into the store to find some answers. Here were all the trees and ornaments, the wrapping and wreaths and even the modern tea pot and ornament with bits of Scottish Plaid proudly painted on them. All of this was a modern adaptation to our current traditions. There was not much in the way of truly old Christmas traditions.

In response to my question about old traditions, the clerk said that most of the current traditions are adaptations of Welsh, English and other cultural traditions. In response to my next inquiry; "Why?" the clerk reminded me of the period of the Reformation. During that time, almost all celebration of Christmas, both secular and religious, had been banned. Celebrating had become so wild that it did not fit with the Reformation concepts and so *all* of it was thrown out. I realized again how our ancestor's lives were part of the culture around them. I stepped out of the door of the little shop and saw the home of John Knox, Reformation leader, just ten steps down the street. One more instance of genealogy becoming even more real with an understanding of the times our ancestors lived in.

As a society the events of this past year has created some change for us. We are moving on to a new meeting location and the chance to make the United Methodist Church meeting room our new home. I look forward to seeing all of you at the Christmas Potluck and annual business meeting; see plans for that in this issue. Wishing all of you the best of Christmas, past and present....

Floyd K. Ferguson  
President, YVGS

2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

there are a host of traditions that swirl music, the decorations, the food, gift traditions that may be different from

ELECTED OFFICERS

President Floyd Ferguson
Vice President Donna Hunter
Secretary Bonnie Brown
Treasurer Arlene Allsopp

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Parliamentarian Jamie Daniel
Corresponding Secretary Bonnie Brown
Librarian Ruth Bishop
Editor Jamie Daniel
Hospitality Sue Wolfe
Welcome Terry Brown
Membership Marg Polich
Publicity VACANT
Sunshine Barbara Thomas
Historian Barbara Cogorno
Ways and Means VACANT
Website Earl Giddings

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The Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society, Inc. meets at 1:00 P.M. on the SECOND Saturday of each month at the United Methodist Church in Yucaipa. YVGS annual membership fees are \$20.00 for individuals or \$25.00.00 for families. This amount includes the monthly newsletter and free query privileges. \$10.00 will have our newsletter mailed to another society or individual out of the area. The Editor and Society assume no responsibility for statements made by contributors. Misstatements of fact will be corrected upon receipt of proof of error.

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YUCAIPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

General Meeting Minutes

of November 13, 2010

Workshop 12:00 to 1:00 sharing of Calendar Projects

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 P.M. by President Floyd Ferguson. The pledge of Allegiance was led by member Tricia Beuler. Terry Brown introduced on guest, Paula Messer. There were 19 members present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Arlene Allsopp presented the Treasurer's report. There is currently \$1865.30 in the checking account.

Standing committees:

Programs/Vice President: No report.

Editor: Twenty-one newsletter sent U.S. mail; 35 sent via email.

Membership: no changes.

Website: Earl had handouts to explain the current workings of the website.

Hospitality: A sign-up sheet for 2011 will be available at the December meeting.

Old Business: President Floyd Ferguson reviewed the meeting location change and announced that the Board voted to continue meeting and the United Methodist Church in Yucaipa with a \$32.00 monthly charge.

The December meeting will be held at the home of Jamie Daniel. Maps were available, and will also be in the December newsletter.

Report of Nominating Committee: The following slate of officers will be voted upon at the annual meeting in December: Floyd Ferguson, President, Marg Polich, Treasurer, Jamie Daniel, Secretary. The position of Vice President has yet to be filled.

Report of Budget Committee: The budget committee, consisting of members Joe Swetich, Arlene Allsopp, and Marg Polich, submitted their report. [It is published later in the newsletter] The proposed budget will be voted upon at the December meeting.

New Business: The financial review committee was appointed by President Floyd Ferguson; they will review the Treasurer's books and give their report at the January meeting. The members are Betty Marcum, Glenda Page, and Barbara Firestone.

Floyd announced he had found a website to help people with family medical history, and encouraged members to use it. (www.familyhistory.hhs.gov)

After the break, Member Glenda Page won the 50/50 drawing and donated it back to the society.

The DVD "Surviving the Dustbowl" was introduced by President Floyd Ferguson.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Jamie Daniel, in the absence of a secretary

# COMING EVENTS

1. *Saturday, December 11, 2010 Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society Annual Christmas Potluck at the home of Jamie Daniel 12:00 P.M. Please bring something (your choice) to eat, and join us. This is our annual meeting. We will be voting on our board for next year, as well as the budget. Map included in the newsletter.*

2. *Saturday, January 8, 2011. Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society meeting at United Methodist Church, Yucaipa. 12:00 Workshop to be announced. 1:00 meeting-to be announced.*

3. *Friday, January 14, 2011 at the Hemet Public Library. 10:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Topic: Emigration—Immigration—Passenger Lists. Naturalization and Declarations of Intent to obtain Legal Status*



## The First Printed Christmas Cards



In 1843 an edition of 1,000 of these Christmas cards was placed on sale in London. They were printed in lithography by Jobbins of Warwick Court, Holborn, London, and hand-colored by a professional "colourer" named Mason.

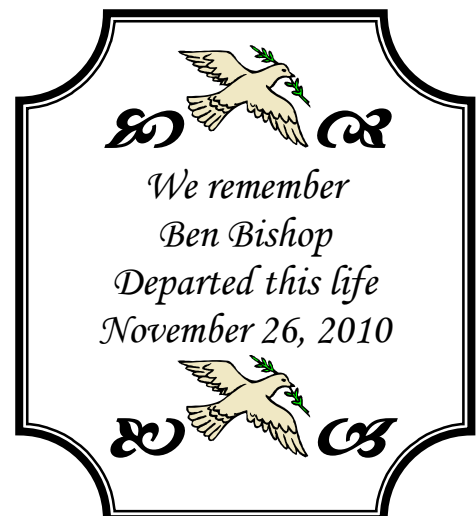
John Callcott Horsley (born 1817-- died 1903), a British narrative painter and a Royal Academician, designed the very first Christmas and New Year's card at the request of his friend Sir Henry Cole (the first director of the Victoria and Albert Museum). Cole suggested the idea of a specially designed form of greeting to send to friends at Christmas. In 1843 an edition of 1,000 of these Christmas cards were printed and placed on sale in London. They were printed in lithography by Jobbins of Warwick Court, Holborn, London, and hand-colored by a professional "colourer" named Mason. The cards were published under Sir Henry Cole's nom de guerre, "Felix Summerly"—by his friend Joseph Cundall, of New Bond Street.

The Christmas card was lithographed on stiff cardboard, 5 1/8 by 3 1/4 inches, in dark sepia, with a design of a trellis of rustic-work, in the Germanesque style, divided into a center and two side panels. In the panels were figures representing two of the acts of charity, "feeding the hungry" and "clothing the naked." In the center is a picture of a merry family party, including three generations, grandparents to grandchildren, quaffing draughts of wine. Below is the greeting, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You." The card is marked: "Published at Summerly's Home Treasury Office, 12 Old Bond Street, London." The price was 1s. each.

That was the beginning. The following year there were other picture-makers, and the Christmas card was launched on the tide of popular favor; but it was not until the idea had grown out of favor among artistic and literary circles that it was taken up by a business man, Goodall. Charles Goodall & Son, a British publisher of visiting cards was one of the first to mass produce Christmas cards and visiting cards. In 1866 Mr. Josiah Goodall commissioned Messrs. Marcus Ward & Co., of Belfast, to lithograph, for his firm, a set of four designs by C. H. Bennett, and in the following year another set by the same artist. These, together with Luke Limner's border design of holly, mistletoe, and robins, may be taken as the forerunners of today's Christmas card.

The Christmas card publishing industry created unheard of opportunities for artists, writers, printers, and engravers. In 1880 the Christmas card had a new birth, for it was then that a great London firm offered five hundred guineas in prizes for the most artistic designs. Many of the great artists of the day responded with their best ideas. Kate Greenaway, Walter Crane, and Thomas Crane were among the many 19th century artists famous for their greeting card designs. In addition, literary writers saw the opportunity; they gave to the beauty of the painting the music of their words. Many well-known writers were not above this profitable work of creating greeting cards. Thousands of pounds were spent in finding the right poems and suitable Christmas sentiments, until at last these Yuletide offerings reached the climax of their literary and artistic excellence.

An original copy of Horsley's Christmas card is considered very rare. The Christmas card publishers, Messrs De La Rue, reproduced the original design by chromolithography in 1881; and then copies of this reprint were issued in 1955 and can still be found today.



*Editor's note: Every year on the Family Tree Magazine website, there is a listed published called Genealogy 101 Best Websites. I have found list for this year (actually, some are from 2009), and compiled it for you. However, as I found when researching, 100 is a lot of websites to think about at once. Fortunately, they were broken down to lists of ten. Here are the last 20 (you have the first 60 in the August, September, October, and November newsletters).*

## 101 Best Web Sites 2009- 2010



By David A. Fryxell

Sites that are mostly free but where you might still wind up pulling out your credit card for some purchase or other are marked with a \$. Subscription-only sites and those where you have to pay for any meaningful results are indicated with \$\$.

What's the one Web resource in a class by itself? Ancestry.com \$\$, of course. <http://www.ancestry.com/>

### 10 Best Web Sites for Military Research

Find ancestors who served their country in these databases and archives.

#### **Alabama Department of Archives and History**

<http://www.archives.state.al.us/>

Military riches here include Thomas McAdory Owen's Revolutionary War Soldiers in Alabama, Confederate service cards and WWI deaths.

#### **Archives of Maryland Online**

<http://www.aomol.net/html/index.html>

Also home to land and probate records, this site will attract military researchers for its muster rolls and other service records from the Revolution, and Civil War records from both sides.

#### **Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System**

<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/>

An essential starting point for finding Civil War military kin, the system searches 6.3 million names, Union and Confederate alike, from 44 states and territories. Each name is linked to a regimental history and, in turn, capsule histories of battles.

#### **CivilWar.com**

<http://www.civilwar.com/>  
Among the hundreds of thousands of pages of information here, you'll find the published Official Record of the war (the "OR"), battle maps and the largest online collection of Civil War photos.

#### **Library of Virginia**

[http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/using\\_collections.asp#\\_guides-MilitaryService](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/public/using_collections.asp#_guides-MilitaryService)

Though encompassing all of Virginia history, these digital holdings are particularly rich in military history, including the 34,402-name Virginia Military Dead Database and 250,000

Virginia World War II Separation Notices. The index to names in Confederate Veteran magazine goes beyond Virginians.

#### **Louisiana State Archives**

<http://www400.sos.louisiana.gov/archives/gen/cpa-alpha.htm>

Search a 49,000-name online index to 152 rolls of microfilmed Confederate pension applications.

#### **National Park Service Civil War Homepage**

<http://cwar.nps.gov/civilwar/>

Get a head start on the Civil War sesquicentennial beginning in 2011 with this official site.

#### **New York State Civil War Soldier Database**

<http://iarchives.nysed.gov/CivilWarWeb/search.jsp>

The archives is loaded with helpful info for researching military records, but the star of this site is its searchable database of more than 360,000 New York soldiers.

#### **Pennsylvania State Archives**

<http://www.digitalarchives.state.pa.us/archive.asp>

Files of Pennsylvania veterans from the American Revolution to the Spanish-American War are online here, along with WWI medal applications.

#### **Texas State Library and Archives Commission**

<http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/arc/genfirst.html>

Though not limited to military history, this Lone Star State site is packed with data on Texas fighting men. Search more than 54,000 Confederate pension applications, the Confederate Indigent Families Lists, and the Index to Texas Adjutant General Service Records, 1836 to 1935.

### 10 Best Virtual Library Web Sites

Powerful search tools let you explore great library collections in the comfort of your own home.

#### **BYU Family History Archives**

<http://www.lib.byu.edu/fhc/index.php>

This Brigham Young University (BYU) site combines family history books from the collections of the Family History Library, the Allen County Public Library, Houston's Clayton Library, the Mid-Continent Public Library Midwest Genealogy Center, the BYU Harold B. Lee Library, the BYU Hawaii Joseph F. Smith Library, and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' historical library.

#### **Canadian Genealogy Centre**

<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/genealogy/index-e.html>

Library and Archives Canada keeps expanding its online offerings, with the 1891 census joining the 1881 and 1911 enumerations, along with 1871 Ontario and 1906 Northwest Territories censuses. You'll also find land, military, immigration and vital records, directories and a database to track your Mountie ancestors.

#### **Denver Public Library Western History and Genealogy**

*Editor's note: I tried to find this online, and the URL listed did not work.)*

Besides an online catalog and extensive finding aids for Western history, you'll find a digitized collection of more

than 600,000 images, most dating from the 19th century. Find something you like? You can order prints right online.

**Google Book Search** <http://books.google.com/>  
Fast, familiar and easy Google search is applied to the contents of 7 million books, many with previews and some with full text online. But that's only the beginning, as a groundbreaking new agreement will soon expand Book Search both in range and depth of online content.

**Library of Congress** <http://www.loc.gov/index.html>  
Check out the American Memory collection of historic maps, photos, documents, audio and video; historic newspapers via the Chronicling America project; 1 million images, representing about half the library's holdings; and the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections (NUCMC).

**Making of America:**  
<http://quod.lib.umich.edu/m/moagrp/> and <http://digital.library.cornell.edu/m/moa/>  
Split into two sites, Making of America represents a digital chronicle of the 19th century in print. The University of Michigan site encompasses approximately 10,000 books and 50,000 journal articles—3.8 million pages from nearly 13,000 volumes. The tandem Cornell University site emphasizes journals, monographs and magazines, ranging from Scribner's to Scientific American, totaling more than 900,000 pages from more than 1,200 volumes. You can search or browse both sites by title; you can browse the Michigan site by subject.

**National Archives and Records Administration**  
<http://archives.gov/>  
Besides getting you started on your search for military, immigration and other records at the archives, this site offers two digital peeks into the archives' holdings. Its Archival Research Catalog (ARC) indexes 5.4 million records and includes 142,000 digital copies. Access to Archival Databases (AAD) lets you search more than 85 million historical electronic records, among them photos, maps, a smattering of immigration records and more than 9 million WWII enlistment files.

**New York Public Library Digital Library**  
<http://www.nypl.org/collections>  
You don't need a library card to access this site's half-million images and documents, covering American Indian portraits, African-American history and migration, historical photographs, surveyors of the American West, Holocaust memorial books and much more.

**Online Archive of California** <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/>  
Open your golden gates with this compilation of historical materials from museums, historical societies and archives. You'll find more than 120,000 images, 50,000 pages of documents, letters and oral histories, and 8,000 guides to collections in the Golden State.

**WorldCat** <http://www.worldcat.org/>  
Now available for your mobile phone and Facebook, WorldCat searches the collections of more than 10,000 libraries worldwide—more than 1 billion holdings in all. There's no better tool to identify obscure or out-of-print books to borrow on interlibrary loan.

## Surveying Mt. San Gorgonio Memorial Park

Would you like to help survey, take photographs and transcribe the local cemeteries? The Society is now in the process of trying to survey the Summit Cemetery District in Riverside County. Please contact Jamie Daniel or anyone on the YVGS Board if you are interested. We could use your help!

## Family History Center

Located at 5<sup>th</sup> and Wabash in Redlands

Hours:

Tuesday - Saturday

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday

6:00p.m. to 9:00p.m.

FHC Telephone Number: 909.794.3844

## The Hanukkah Story



Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday celebrated for eight days and nights. It starts on the 25th of the Jewish month of Kislev, which coincides with late November-late December on the secular calendar.

In Hebrew, the word "hanukkah" means "dedication." The name reminds us that this holiday

commemorates the re-dedication of the holy Temple in Jerusalem following the Jewish victory over the Syrian-Greeks in 165 B.C.E.

In 168 B.C.E. the Jewish Temple was seized by Syrian-Greek soldiers and dedicated to the worship of the god Zeus. This upset the Jewish people, but many were afraid to fight back for fear of reprisals. Then in 167 B.C.E. the Syrian-Greek emperor Antiochus made the observance of Judaism an offense punishable by death. He also ordered all Jews to worship Greek gods.

Jewish resistance began in the village of Modiin, near Jerusalem. Greek soldiers forcibly gathered the Jewish villages and told them to bow down to an idol, and then eat the flesh of a pig – both practices that are forbidden to Jews. A Greek officer ordered Mattathias, a High Priest, to acquiesce to their demands, but Mattathias refused. When another villager stepped forward and offered to cooperate on Mattathias' behalf, the High Priest became outraged. He drew his sword and killed the villager, then turned on the Greek officer and killed him too. His five sons and the other villagers then attacked the remaining soldiers, killing all of them.

Mattathias and his family went into hiding in the mountains, where other Jews wishing to fight against the Greeks joined them. Eventually they succeeded in retaking their land from the Greeks. These rebels became known as the Maccabees, or Hasmoneans.

Once the Maccabees had regained control they returned to the Temple in Jerusalem. By this time it had been spiritually defiled by being used for the worship of foreign gods and also by practices such as sacrificing swine. Jewish troops were determined to purify the Temple by burning ritual oil in the Temple's menorah for eight days. But to their dismay, they discovered that there was only one day's worth of oil left in the Temple. They lit the menorah anyway and to their surprise the small amount of oil lasted the full eight days.

This is the miracle of the Hanukkah oil that is celebrated every year when Jews light a special menorah known as a hanukkiyah for eight days. One candle is lit on the first night of Hanukkah, two on the second, and so on, until eight candles are lit.

According to Jewish law, Hanukkah is one of the less important Jewish holidays. However, Hanukkah has become much more popular in modern practice because of its proximity to Christmas.



If you know of anyone who needs a little sunshine, or someone who would benefit from a card, please contact Barbara Thomas, our Sunshine Chair. She cannot do her job without our help!



Thank you, Sue Wolfe and Juanita Marshall for the goodies you brought to the November meeting. In December, we will be having potluck at the home of Jamie Daniel.

Sue Wolfe, Hospitality



Don't forget!

We're selling Stater Bros. gift cards at the meeting.

The Society receives a percentage back from Stater's...and everyone needs groceries! The money we make from the cards is paying our bills for the society: meeting place, speakers, printing, coffee, etc.



### Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society 2011 Projected Budget

Income	2010 Projected Budget	YTD thru Oct Balance	2011 Projected Budget
<b>Category</b>			
Membership renewal	580.00	265.00	700.00
Membership-new	125.00	240.00	100.00
Coffee Fund-Hospitality	20.00	25.50	20.00
Fines	5.00	5.00	5.00
General Donations	300.00	6.00	5.00
Book Fund (from 50/50)	171.00	112.00	100.00
50/50	170.00	00.00	
50/50 winners donations		66.00	60.00
<b>Fund raisers/Special Projects</b>			
Misc. Income (Feb. petty cash)		32.00	
Bookmark purchases	20.00	44.00	40.00
Stater Bros. Gift Cards	440.00	10,575.00	360.00
Petty Cash (Feb deposited)	32.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1863.00</b>	<b>11,370.00</b>	<b>1390.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Postage	-127.00	-88.00	130.00
Printing	-255.00	-76.88	100.00
Programs	-537.00	-431.36	500.00
Office Supplies	-56.00	-124.14	130.00
Membership (Paper, printing, etc)		-59.45	55.00
P.O. Box Rental		-36.00	75.00
Misc. Expenses	-170.00	00.00	
50/50 paid		-23.00	22.00
Donations to Charity	-200.00	00.00	
Website Hosting	-30.00	-225.00	300.00
Rental of meeting room			550.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-11375.00</b>	<b>-11474.00</b>	<b>1862.00</b>

Dating back to Rome in 330 AD, the Christian holiday of Christmas is one of the oldest and most powerful celebrations in human history. Originally celebrated as a simple mass, Christmas has come to replace a number of other holidays in many countries, and a large number of traditions have become a cherished part of the family Christmas celebration.



**Why December 25?** From the words *Cristes maesse*, or "Christ's Mass," Christmas is the Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus. What's interesting about this is that Jesus was not born on December 25 as many assume. Actually, no one is sure when Jesus was born as the exact date is not mentioned in the Bible. December 25th is just a date picked by the Catholic Church to eclipse the festivities of a rival pagan festival, Saturnalia.



**Mistletoe and Holly**—Two hundred years before the birth of Christ, Druids decorated their homes with mistletoe to celebrate the coming of winter. They believed the plant had special healing for everything from female infertility to poison. Scandinavians also considered the mistletoe to be a special plant, associating it with their goddess of love, Frigga. The custom of kissing under the mistletoe probably derived from this belief. Because of the pagan origins of mistletoe, the early church banned its use in Christmas celebrations, suggesting holly as an appropriate substitute. Holly's sharply pointed leaves were to symbolize the thorns in Christ's crown and the red berries drops of his blood.



**Poinsettias**—Native to Mexico, poinsettias were named after America's first ambassador to Mexico, Joel Poinsett, who brought the plants to America in 1828. The Mexicans in the eighteenth century thought the plants were symbolic of the Star of Bethlehem. Thus the Poinsettia became associated with the Christmas season. The actual flower of the poinsettia is the small, yellow cluster found surrounded by bright, colored leaves often mistaken for petals.



**O Christmas Tree**—One of the most recognizable images of the Christmas season, the Christmas Tree originated in Germany, possibly as early as 700 AD. The Christmas tree as we know it is most commonly credited to Martin Luther, who in 1530 was moved by the sight of stars shining through the forest of firs near his home that he apparently cut a small one and brought it indoors. He then placed lit candles in its boughs as a salute to the star of Bethlehem. By the 1800s, the Christmas tree custom was widespread throughout many parts of Europe, and was brought to America by the Pennsylvania German immigrants in the 1820's. In 1880, Woolworths sold the first manufactured Christmas tree ornaments, and the first electrically lighted Christmas tree appeared in 1882.



**Santa Claus - St. Nicholas**—The original Santa Claus, Saint Nicholas, was born in Turkey during the 4th century. He devoted his life to Christianity and his reputation for generosity and kindness gave rise to legends of the miracles he performed for the poor and unhappy. Devotion to the legendary St. Nicholas spread throughout Europe during the Middle Ages and he became the patron saint of Sicily, Russia, Greece, charitable fraternities and guilds, sailors and children. After the Reformation, the legend of St. Nicholas all but disappeared in all Protestant countries of Europe except Holland, where Dutch children would place their wooden shoes by the hearth in hopes that they would be filled with a treat. The Dutch knew St. Nicholas as Sinterklaas, which eventually became corrupted in Anglican to Santa Claus. In 1822, Clement C. Moore composed his famous poem, "A Visit from St. Nick" (later published as "The Night Before Christmas"), and is credited with creating the modern image of Santa Claus as a jolly fat man in a red suit.



**Xmas**—Of Greek origin, this popular abbreviation for Christmas originates in the Greek word for Christ, *Xristos*. During the 16th century, Europeans began using the first initial of Christ's name, "X" in place of the word Christ in Christmas as a shorthand form of the word.



# Christmas Potluck



**12:00 P.M. Saturday, December 11, 2010**

The Christmas Potluck will be at the home of Jamie Daniel, **333 Poppy Road, Redlands.**

The written directions follow, as well as a map.

## **Directions to 333 Poppy Road from I-10:**

**Traveling from the West:** After passing by the downtown area of Redlands, take the Ford Street off-ramp; turn **RIGHT** on Ford at the bottom of the ramp; follow Ford Street across Redlands Blvd.

**Traveling from the East (from Yucaipa):** Take the Redlands Blvd./Ford Street off-ramp; turn left on Ford Street at the stop light.

Continue up the hill. You will cross Sunset Drive at the crest of the hill. Continue on Ford, crossing South Street. There will be a Lutheran Church and Valley Preparatory School on your left. Shortly after passing the school and ascending a small hill, stay to the right of the street as it narrows and rises into Garden Hill, curving left down to Garden Street (concrete pillars stand at the intersection). Turn **LEFT** onto Garden Street for a very short block. The Southside Fire Station will be on your right. Turn **RIGHT** on Rossmont by the station and **RIGHT** again on Mariposa directly behind the fire station. Follow Mariposa up a little hill and around a curve. Go almost **STRAIGHT** (and a little left) on Chaparral as Mariposa curves to the right. At the top of the hill on Chaparral, turn **RIGHT** on Poppy Road. 333 is on the left hand side of the street (the only house on that side of the street). The number is on the house and the mailbox.

**From Cajon Street:** Go south on Cajon to Garden street (Prospect Park will be on your right as you approach Garden—Cajon continues straight in front of you). Garden Street **CURVES TO THE LEFT** off Cajon. Follow Garden Street all the way to Rossmont. The Southside Fire Station will be on your right. Turn **RIGHT** on Rossmont by the station and **RIGHT** again on Mariposa directly behind the fire station. Follow Mariposa up a little hill and around a curve. Go almost **STRAIGHT** (and a little left) on (Chaparral as Mariposa curves to the right. At the top of the hill on Chaparral, turn **RIGHT** on Poppy Road. 333 is on the left hand side of the street (the only house on that side of the street). The number is on the house and the mailbox.

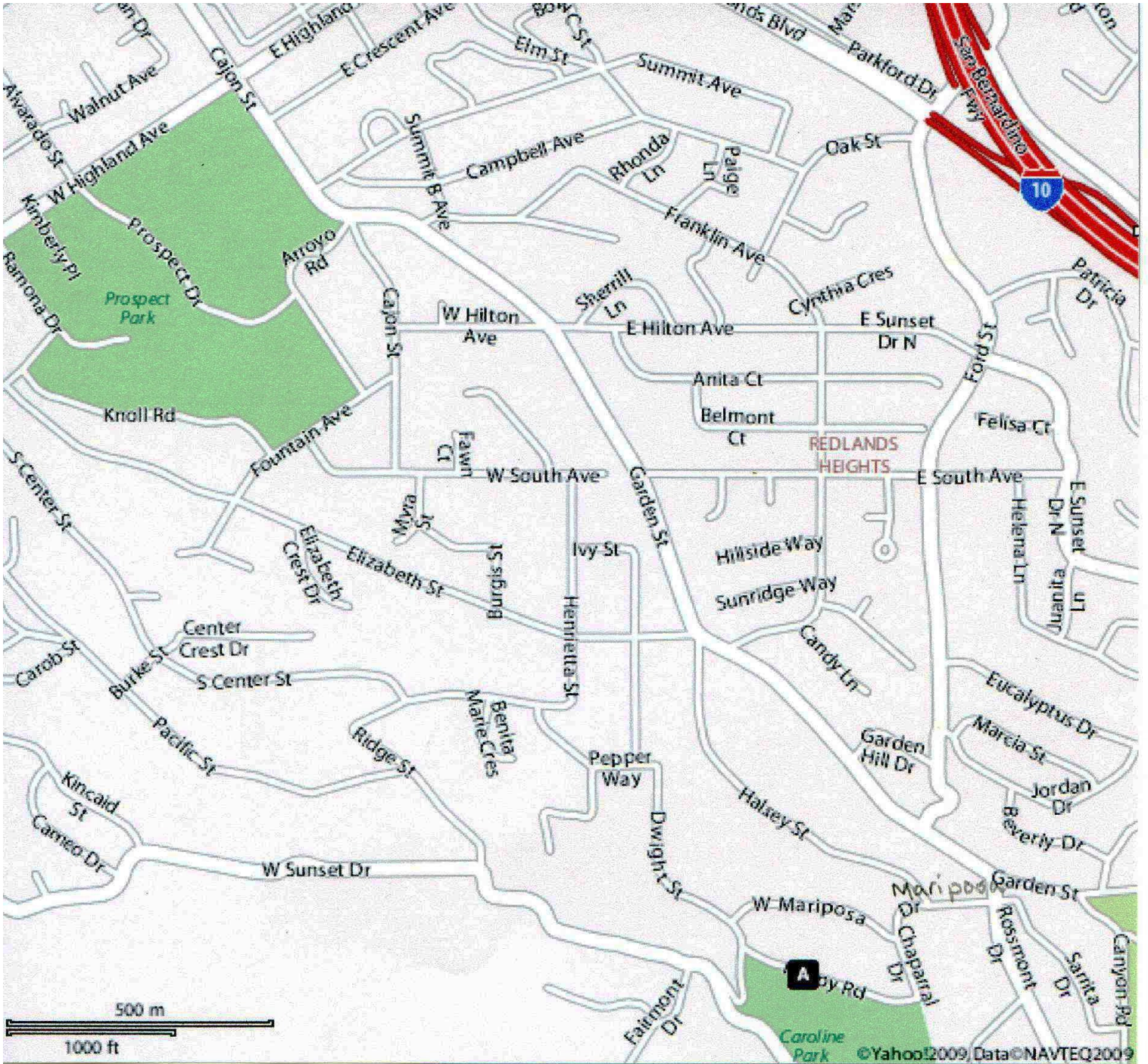
**From Center Street:** Follow Center Street south to the "T" that intersects Crescent. Turn **LEFT** on Crescent and make an almost immediate right on Elizabeth Street. Follow Elizabeth up the hill to Dwight Street where you are to turn **RIGHT**—just before Elizabeth Street starts downhill. Stay on Dwight (around several curves and down a short hill) until you reach Mariposa. Angle across Mariposa to Poppy Road. You will see a large concrete sign that reads **CAROLINE PARK** as you enter onto Poppy. 333 is more than halfway up the block on the right hand side of the street (the only house on that side of the street). The number is on the house and the mailbox.

**If you get lost, call 792-2962 and we'll talk to you up to the house.**





## Map to 333 Poppy Road





# Whittier Area Genealogical Society 28th ANNUAL SEMINAR

*Presents*

## Lisa Louise Cooke

Saturday, January 29, 2011  
Masonic Lodge, Whittier, California  
7604 Greenleaf Ave. at Mar Vista in Whittier

### Morning

8:00 Doors Open / Registration  
Browse Displays/Sales Tables  
9:00 Welcome/Introductions  
9:15 **1. Google Search Strategies**  
10:15 Break. Browse Displays  
10:45 **2. Google Earth and Maps for Genealogy**

### Afternoon

12:00 Lunch. Visit Displays and Sales Tables  
1:00 Door Prizes Awarded  
1:30 **3. Genealogy Gems: Google Books and Google Toolbar**  
2:30 Break. Last chance to visit Sales Tables  
3:00 **4. Google Tools: iGoogle, Gmail, and Google Alerts**  
4:00 Adjournment



*Lisa Louise Cooke* is the owner of *Genealogy Gems*, a genealogy and family history multi-media company. She is producer and host of the *Genealogy Gems Podcast*, the popular online genealogy audio show, as well as the *Family History: Genealogy Made Easy* podcast. She is the author of a variety of multi-media materials including the *Genealogy Gems Premium* website subscription, her book *Genealogy Gems: Ultimate Research Strategies*, the DVD *Google Earth for Genealogy*, and *Genealogy Gems Premium Audio Podcast Episode* digital downloads. Her newest book is *Google for Genealogy*.

In addition to *Genealogy Gems*, Lisa works closely with *Family Tree Magazine* as producer and host of the *Family Tree Magazine Podcast*, a regular article author for the magazine and curriculum developer and instructor for Family Tree University.

### **~ It is now time to register!**

Contact Roger Mount, the Seminar Director: email: [wags.seminar@gmail.com](mailto:wags.seminar@gmail.com); phone: 562-693-2674; Check out our [blog](#) for the latest updates and Q&A with Lisa Louise Cooke on why to use Google with your Genealogy. See also our new [Facebook](#) page!

Or, contact Ray Ristic, WAGS President: phone: 626-919-1713 or email: [nerak2000@earthlink.net](mailto:nerak2000@earthlink.net).

\***VALUABLE DOOR PRIZES**—Will be awarded at 1:00. Don't miss this! You need to be present!

\***REFRESHMENTS**—Will be available during the day.

\* **Deli lunches** of sandwiches, salad, dessert, and beverage may be ordered through pre-registration **only**.

\* **Other eating places** are within walking distance or you may bring your own lunch.

### \***VENDORS SCHEDULED**

\* **Lisa Cooke**—The speaker's popular books, DVDs, and resources will be available for purchase.

- \* **Southern California Genealogy Society (SCGS)**—many books and supplies will be available.
- \* **Carlberg Press**—Well-known genealogist, Nancy Carlberg, will be available with a wide selection of her books, including some new titles.
- \* **Whittier Area Genealogical Society (WAGS)**—Book sales and displays.
- \* **Legacy Family Tree**--Genealogical software. For more information: [www.LegacyFamilyTree.com](http://www.LegacyFamilyTree.com)
- \* **Additional Vendors Are Pending. Check this website for list of added vendors.**

**\*ACCOMMODATIONS**

\* For accommodations at the Radisson Hotel, across from the Seminar location, call 562-945-8511 or see their website at <http://www.radisson.com/home.do>

**\*REGISTRATION**

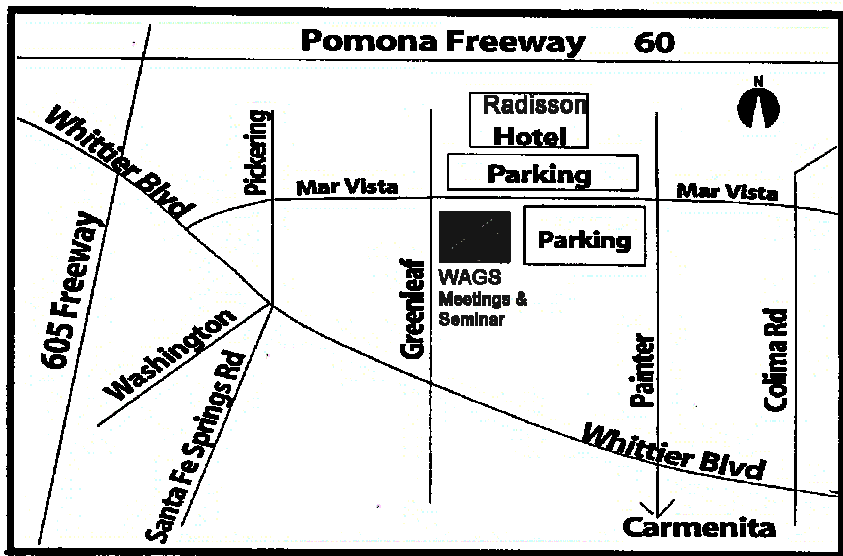
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## Seminar Location Map

Masonic Lodge.....7604 Greenleaf Ave.....Whittier, CA



**DIRECTIONS:** From the 605 freeway: exit at Whittier Blvd., go east, then left on Mar Vista street. From the 5 freeway: exit Carmenita Road, go straight north (the name changes from Carmenita Road to Painter Ave.) then west on Mar Vista. **Free parking** in Radisson Hotel garage. Reserved handicapped parking is behind the Masonic Lodge.

### REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ -- \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

### DONATIONS

Pre-registration.....	\$32.00	\$ _____
Registration after Jan. 22nd and at-the-door.....	\$37.00	\$ _____
Student registration (with photo ID).....	\$27.00	\$ _____
Lunch reservations by Jan. 22nd.....	\$ 8.00	\$ _____

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Check here to reserve handicapped parking in rear of Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

"Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the charts the lines that were empty would sure break your heart.  
The pedigree chart was laid out with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas would know who or where.  
As searcher I nestled all snug in my bed while visions of ancestors danced through my head.  
Others sound asleep both upstairs and down all in nightcaps and ankle length gowns...  
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I jumped from my bed to see what was the matter.  
Much to my wonderment there did appear good old St Nicholas with a grin to each ear.  
His bulk was tremendous, his eyes full of glee. He laughed as he picked up the sad pedigree.  
He shouted and roared and ripped it to bits while I swallowed my heart and went into fits.  
"Dash it all, dash it all," I heard him then say, "This clutter and mess is just in my way."  
He said not a word as he started his job. He sat down at once and his pencil did jog.  
A new pedigree he filled out in two winks, giving names, dates, and places and all missing links.  
Clear back to Adam, and down to the last... For ageless was he, having served in the past.  
I thought, "Oh, how wonderful it would all be if he did for others what he did for me!!"  
As he finished and blotted the ink not quite dry, a sadness came over me and then I did cry!  
He gave me the details and seemed to have fun, but now all my ancestor chasing was done!!!  
He bounced out the window and I heard him say, "For others I'll do the same any old day,  
Just tell them my number and be good and kind," But then, a sure thought came into my mind...  
Nobody wants ancestors that fast and so good. I'll let everyone else do the job just as they should.

*(by Dora Mills - Ash Tree Echo Jan 1983)*



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