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A Message from the President

Our Speaker for the February meeting is Nancy Ellen Carlberg who will tell us how to research cemeteries. The subject cemetery research was requested by a majority of members on the speaker survey taken in December and January. And you thought the survey was just something to keep you busy. Information about Nancy Carlberg is elsewhere in the newsletter.

Nancy Carlberg will cover cemetery research in general, but do you know what the state of California has to say about cemeteries? California codes, Health and Safety cover cemetery information starting with code 7000, at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>. You will find extracts of the codes in this newsletter.

Those of you who were at the January meeting should have received our new business card showing the Yucaipa City flower, the Iris, and our website URL. The purpose of the card is to spread the word about our society. Please give a card to people who may or may not be interested in family research. Everyone is interested in learning about their family at some point in their lifetime. There is room on the card to enter your name and contact information.

Karen Morlan and Marg Polich are working on new nametags that may be available at the February meeting. The new nametags will include the Iris and our current website URL. Remember to wear your nametag at every meeting or you will be fined twenty-five cents.

Our Stone Soup at the January meeting was very weak. There was only one ingredient provided by Sherry De Vogel who needs help with Photo Shop 4. Anyone out there who is familiar with Photo Shop 4, please contact Sherry at 951-845-8137 so we can help her.

The Stone Soup kettle is how you the membership can provide guidance to the Board of Directors and help us improve our society. It is also a good place to ask for help; we have members who know family research and other subjects that are willing to help you.

Your society needs your help in several areas. Vacant chairs that need filled are publicity, ways and means, and historian. None of the positions require more than two hours a month, can be done at home, and are important to the operation of the society. Other areas are Library Committee, Obituary program, Show and Tell, and Cemetery survey. The Library Committee will review our books in the Yucaipa Branch Library and establish procedures for in house handling of research material.

The ongoing Obituary program needs members to review microfilm at the branch library, extract important data and enter the information on a form. This requires one or two hours per session. We need a committee to handle the August Show and Tell program. Here is a chance to show how creative you are.

The cemetery survey is an ongoing program that we would like to expand. The annual Desert Lawn Cemetery review is about complete, thanks to Barbara Firestone. Barbara maintains the additions, new burials, on a monthly basis. We would like to survey Sunnyslope Cemetery in Beaumont. Anyone interested in working on Sunnyslope, please let me know.

Remember, this is your society, your genealogical family. If we each work together shouldering a bit of the work, we can improve and maintain a viable society.

See you at the meeting **Saturday February 14th**.

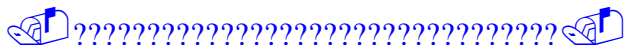
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From Dundonald Kirk Session:

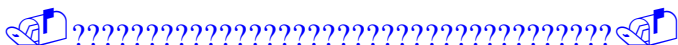
A committee appointed to examine the Register of Baptisms 1836 - 1839. Comment - "a mass of confusion". A very slight inspection of this record convinced the Committee that the entries had not been made with a degree of care proportional to its importance ... The faults observed in these entries may for the sake of brevity be reduced to the following heads.

- 1st Interlineations of which there are 16
- 2nd Corrections of which there are 15
- 3rd Imperfect of which there are 4
- 4th Wrong name of place and person of which there are 3
- 5th Wrong dates of which there are 2

'In one of these cases a child is represented to have been baptised about a week before birth, a circumstance not likely to have occurred.'
(Dundonald, 1839)



**Yucaipa Valley
Genealogical society
Mail Call**



From the Secretary's Desk
February 1, 2009

February is here and my bulbs are up and ready to bloom. Our winter weather has been cold.

I feel so privileged to be the person to go get the mail from the post office as it gives me the chance to read all of the incoming newsletters and publications. Each month I find something that gives me "hope" that looking into that article or on line web page or book may help to break thru that old "Brick Wall".

This month Plymouth County Iowa has information on researching as well as a few "D" names from the WPA Grave Registrations in Plymouth County Iowa.

The 40th Annual Southern California Genealogy Jamboree dates have been changed to Friday through Sunday June 26-28, 2009. This years focus will be British Isles, English Irish, Scottish and Welsh! That hits home for many of us!

For all of us who use Family Tree Maker and love it but wish we knew more about the process please go look!

Randy Seaver; President of the Chula Vista Genealogical Society comprehensive series of reports on the operation and performance of **Family Tree Maker 2008**.
<http://www.geneamusings.com/search?q=%22Using+Family+Tree+Maker%22>

This information from the SCGS newsletter page 8 Winter edition

Sincerely
Karen Morlan, Secretary

Master Mail Call List

End of December 2008- Jan 4 2009

- Membership Dues from Barbara Firestone and address updated
- January 16, 2009- Dues from
- Membership Dues from Patricia Pierce and address updated
- Letter to President Earl Giddings from Bonnie Jacobson
- Newsletter Los Angeles Westside Genealogical Society
- January 4, 2009 to Feb 1, 2009
- Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc. Advertisement
- The Family Gathering January 2009
- Northwest Iowa Genealogical Society January 2009
- California State Genealogical Alliance January-February 2009
- Los Angeles Westside Genealogical Society January 2009

- The Searcher- The Southern California Genealogical Society
- Winter 2009



Good News! Buy your Stater Bros. gift cards and take them home with you!

We're selling *Stater Bros.*

Gift cards at the meeting.

The Society receives a percentage back from Stater's...and everyone needs groceries!



Notice!

Have you seen our new website??

Check it out!

Our new domain name is

www.yvgs.org.

Computer/Genealogy Group

Meets in the Conference Room of Hemet Public Library

3rd Thursday of each Month

10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Free Sessions

Computer Display with Projector on Screen

~Covers many genealogy procedures~

~Many Computer Usage Problems~

Group Representative:

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Family History Center

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Extracts of California codes

Health and Safety that cover cemetery information starting with code 7000. The information below will show the code number and you can read the complete code at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>.

7003. "Cemetery" means either of the following:

(a) Any of the following that is used or intended to be used and dedicated for cemetery purposes:

- (1) A burial park, for earth interments.
 - (2) A mausoleum, for crypt or vault interments.
 - (3) A crematory and columbarium, for cinerary interments.
- (b) A place where six or more human bodies are buried.

7004. "Burial park" means a tract of land for the burial of human remains in the ground.

7005. "Mausoleum" means a structure or building for the entombment of human remains in crypts or vaults.

7007. "columbarium" means a structure, room, or other space in a building or structure containing niches for inurnment of cremated human remains.

7009. "Interment" means the disposition of human remains by entombment or burial in a cemetery or, in the case of cremated remains, by inurnment, placement or burial in a cemetery, or burial at sea

7010.7. "Scattering" means the authorized dispersal of cremated remains at sea, in other areas of the state, or commingling in a defined area within a dedicated cemetery.

7011. "Inurnment" means placing cremated remains in a cremated remains container suitable for placement, burial, or shipment.

7011.2. "Placement" means the placing of a container holding cremated remains in a crypt, vault, or niche.

7054.6. (a) Cremated remains may be removed in a durable container from the place of cremation or interment and kept in the dwelling owned or occupied by the person having the right to control disposition of the remains.

7116. Cremated remains may be scattered in areas where no local prohibition exists, provided that the cremated remains are not distinguishable to the public, are not in a container, and that the person who has control over disposition of the cremated remains has obtained written permission of the property owner or governing agency to scatter on the property.

7012. "Entombment" means the process of placing human remains in a crypt or vault.

7013. "Burial" means the process of placing human remains in a grave.

7023. "Plot owner," "owner," or "lot proprietor," means any person in whose name an interment plot stands of record as owner, in the office of a cemetery authority.

8128. The governing body having control of a public cemetery shall require a register of name, age, birthplace, date of death, and burial of every body interred therein, to be kept by the sexton or other officer. The register shall be open to public inspection.

8129. The public cemeteries of cities, towns, or neighborhoods or of fraternal or beneficial associations or societies shall be enclosed and laid off into plots.

8130. The general management, conduct, and regulation of burials, the disposition of plots, and keeping the plots in order, are under the jurisdiction and control of the city owning the cemetery.

8131. If not owned by a city or by a fraternal or beneficial association or society, public cemeteries are under the jurisdiction and control of the board of supervisors of the county in which they are situated.

7100.1. (a) A decedent, prior to death, may direct, in writing, the disposition of his or her remains and specify funeral goods and services to be provided. Unless there is a statement to the contrary that is signed and dated by the decedent, the directions may not be altered, changed, or otherwise amended in any material way, except as may be required by law, and shall be faithfully carried out upon his or her death, provided both of the following requirements are met: (1) the directions set forth clearly and completely the final wishes of the decedent in sufficient detail so as to preclude any material ambiguity with regard to the instructions; and, (2) arrangements for payment through trusts, insurance, commitments by others, or any other effective and binding means, have been made, so as to preclude the payment of any funds by the survivor or

survivors of the deceased that might otherwise retain the right to control the disposition.

(b) In the event arrangements for only one of either the cost of interment or the cost of the funeral goods and services are made pursuant to this section, the remaining wishes of the decedent shall be carried out only to the extent that the decedent has sufficient assets to do so, unless the person or persons that otherwise have the right to control the disposition and arrange for funeral goods and services agree to assume the cost. All other provisions of the directions shall be carried out.

(c) If the directions are contained in a will, they shall be immediately carried out, regardless of the validity of the will in other respects or of the fact that the will may not be offered for or admitted to probate until a later date.

NEW ENGLAND BOOKS

The books we received from Fredericksburg, Texas, are not being used. For a complete listing of the books, email Earl Giddings at clemgds@gmail.com and ask for FGS book listing.

If you would like to spend some time reviewing the books, call Earl at 909-486-0378 for an appointment



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Bowles and Dan Atherstone offer instruction; all are quite knowledgeable.

Free Classes

Mr. Bowles is a certified genealogist



Resume for Nancy Carlberg

Nancy Ellen Carlberg has been a professional genealogist since 1975, and an amateur researcher since 1965 beginning when she discovered that her brother had muscular dystrophy. While attempting to find out if it showed up anywhere on the family tree, she became addicted to the research.

She worked in Salt Lake City for 2½ years as a professional genealogist for a company and on her own. During this time, she had the opportunity to do research in the records of 25 different countries, in almost as many languages.

This was followed by 2½ years working for Alex Haley, which began just after Roots aired on television. She worked on gathering background material for Roots II, Queen, and a mini-series for television, Palmerstown, USA. During this time period, she traveled over 250,000 miles by air and drove all over the eastern part of the U. S.

For Alex, she tracked down information on a family that came from Ireland, went to Philadelphia, then to Tennessee, and finally to Alabama. By 1840, this was one of the richest families in Alabama. Alex was working on a mini-series that would take the family from 1780 in Ireland, through life in the early

days of Tennessee, through the Civil War and the Reconstruction. Because of his death before it was completed, the actual story as he envisioned it has yet to be completed. He and his wife, Dr. Myron Elizabeth Haley, were sticklers for accuracy in the background information they presented. Nancy spent the time tracking down all of the descendants of the family, locating furniture, the silverware, glassware, china, paintings, and even the family cookbook and the family Bible. In addition, she spent nine weeks in the Library of Congress answering questions such as "What would an Irish washerwoman use to do her laundry in 1790" and "How would you set the table for the Irish gentry in 1780" and "How far apart would you plant a row of cotton in Alabama in 1830". She was able to visit libraries and archives in 18 states tracking down information.

In 1985, she began to write books. She has written over 65 books, listed at the end of this article, plus five family histories. She has 218 books started on her computer. In 1986, she started her own publishing company, Carlberg Press.

She takes tour groups to Salt Lake City and the British Isles. She has been to England 20 times, to Ireland 11 times, to Scotland 12 times, to Wales 13 times, to France once and to Switzerland once. In addition to genealogy, she uses the time overseas to visit thrift shops, herb gardens, and used book stores. In addition to genealogy, her hobbies include collecting information on the Home Front in World War II, collecting general homemaking information, reading British mysteries, needlepoint, and photographing herb gardens.

She is a member of the Anaheim Evening Optimist Club (currently President), the Orange County California Genealogical Society, the British Isles Family History Society- U.S.A. (Past President, Program Vice-President 2009-2010), the Sons and Daughters of the Pearl Harbor Survivors, and the Southern California Writers Association. She has been a Brownie Leader, Cub Scout Camp Program Director, tour guide for high school students, and advisor for the Camp Fire Girls. She has been listed in several different Who's Who volumes, including the 2004 Who's Who.

She has a Master's Degree in Library Science and a California Elementary Teaching Credential.

She feels that genealogy research is very important, especially for young people, because, by finding out how our ancestors actually lived, we will discover that life is getting better rather than worse and that there is not a single ancestor with whom we would trade places. Her advice to genealogists:

- Don't be in a hurry. What you don't finish, someone else will.
- Make sure that it is right. It is better to do five generations correctly, than 20 generations with a lot of errors.
- Have patience. The record you need may not be ready for your use yet.
- Never give up, the answer will be there eventually.

For information on speaking engagements, contact Nancy Ellen Carlberg
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Books By Nancy

Genealogical:

Becoming a Professional Genealogist
Beginning African American Research
Beginning Irish Research
Beginning Overseas Research (general hints)
Beginning Swedish Research
Beginning Scandinavian Research (Sweden, Norway, Denmark)
Beginning English Research
Beginning Scottish Research
British Census Research
Cemetery Research
Census Research
Climbing the Family Tree with Nancy (general talk for beginners)
Courthouse Research
Dealing with the Calendar Change
Differences Between English, Irish, Scottish, and United States Research
Differences in Scandinavian Research
Easy Filing System
Family Secrets and Scandals
Finding Your Colonial Ancestors in England
Getting a Quick Start Up Your Family Tree 30 minutes at a time (Shortcuts to Genealogy)
How to Be a Perfect Genealogist (humorous talk)
How to Survive the Genealogy Bug without Going Broke
Interesting the Young in Genealogy
Jump Start Your Genealogy on the Computer
Land Records
Making Money with Genealogy
Medieval and Royal Research
Mid-Atlantic States
Midwest Research
Migration Routes

*Monumental Inscriptions in the British Isles
Names, Nicknames, and Misspelled Names
New England States
Newspaper Research
No Vital Records? Now What?
Overcoming Dead Ends
Preparing in Advance to Visit a Genealogical
Library
Protecting Your Genealogy
Quaker Research
Revolutionary War Research
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Southern States
Special Collections and Indexes
Teaching Genealogy
Tracing Your Colonial Ancestor
Tracing Your Royal and Medieval Ancestor
Traveling in the British Isles to Find Your Roots
Traveling to England to Find Your Roots
Traveling to Find Your Roots
Traveling to Ireland to Find Your Roots
Using Maps and Gazetteers
Using Periodicals for Colonial Research
Using the 1790-1840 Censuses
Using the Los Angeles Family History Center
Using the Family History Centers
Using the Census Records on Ancestry.com
What I Learned Working for Alex Haley
Writing a Family History*

Non-Genealogical:

*Ecological Living on a Shoestring
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Traveling to the British Isles on a Shoestring
Writing a Non-Fiction Book the Easy Way*

Biographies of Board members

Hospitality—Sue Wolfe

I was born in Pasadena, CA April 16, 1944. My husband and I have 4 children. Twins, Ray and Richard, Brenda and Joe. We now have 7 grandchildren. I love playing with them and spoiling them. I worked raising the four children (PTA, Cub Scout den mother, Girl Scout leader, and we had the neighborhood afternoon playground). We lived for 30 years in Yorba Linda, and moved to Cherry Valley in 2002. My genealogy research started 20 years ago when my Father (Walter Doty) wanted to prove that he was a descendant of Edward Doty of the

Mayflower. I told him, no problem. Little did I know... Three years and lots of research later, I did it. I became a regular at the Laguna Niguel National Archives and the local Family History Center. I had the bug.

Membership— Terry Brown

I was born June 8 1926, in Wichita Kansas to the left handed family of Roy & Vivien (Marcum) Walters. I married Jack Hull Brown in 1949, loved & mothered four children, three sons & one daughter. My family stayed in Wichita until 1958, when Boeing Co., sent us to Caribou, ME. A different world of snow & many months of 40 degrees below zero weather. 1960 brought a dramatic change to El Paso, TX! 1961 we came to Sunnyvale, CA to be with Lockheed. In 1969, we were asked to locate to Redlands. We liked the town & found a home in the southeast hills. In 1971, my marriage dissolved, but I had found many friends here, Sweet Adeline sisters to sing barbershop harmony & my hobbies of painting & gardening. My interest in genealogy started about 10 years ago when I decided to investigate a page written by my grandmother in her diary stating that King George III disowned his daughter because she married a commoner named Wilder. Wilder's daughter married Nathaniel Willard, my third great grandfather! Was I really related to George III? In researching my Willard line, I found a woman who was a WILDER. She guided me to a professional Genealogist who discovered my Willard family records were not possible! In hindsight, I am lucky, since King George III had Porphyria, a disease that causes mental illness! Genealogy has given my life new meaning, new friends & hours of enjoyment. I recommend Genealogy to all. Family lines I am researching: Willard, Marcum, Walters, Brown & Flachman.

Whittier Area Genealogical Society 26th ANNUAL SEMINAR

Presents

Curt B. Witcher

Topics:

- \$ *Doing Effective Genealogical Research in Libraries*
- \$ *Using Periodical Literature for Genealogical Research*
- \$ *Pain in the Access: Getting More from the Internet for Your Genealogy*
- \$ *All That Other Stuff!: Other Census Records Beyond Population Schedules*

Saturday, February 28, 2009

Masonic Lodge, Whittier, California

7604 Greenleaf Ave. at Mar Vista in Whittier



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Curt B. Witcher is the Manager for The Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, the second largest genealogical library in the U.S., and also serves as general curator for that institution's Rare and Fine Book Collection. He is a former president of both the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the National Genealogical Society and is the founding president of the Indiana Genealogical Society. Mr. Witcher is the co-editor of the 1987 through 2008 editions of the *Periodical Source Index (PERSI)*, the largest and most comprehensive subject index to historical and genealogical periodical literature published by the Allen County Public Library Foundation and ProQuest, Inc. He is the recipient of numerous awards and has spoken widely at genealogical conferences across the nation.

For more information: Check the WAGS website at <http://www.cagenweb.com/kr/wags>; call or email Judy Poole, Seminar Director, 909-985-6657 / judypoole@verizon.net or contact Christine Johns, WAGS President, 310-995-8852 / christineljohns@yahoo.com.

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY (Four 1-hour sessions)

<u>Morning</u>		<u>Afternoon</u>	
8:00	Doors open / Registration Browse displays and sales	12:00	Lunch: displays and sales
9:00	Welcome / Introductions	1:00	Door Prizes
9:15	<i>Doing Effective Genealogical Research in Libraries</i>	1:30	<i>Pain in the Access: Getting More for the Internet for Your Genealogy</i>
10:15	Break: Browse displays and sales	2:30	<i>Genealogy</i>
10:45	<i>Using Periodical Literature for Genealogical Research (including PERSI)</i>	3:00	Break: Last chance for sales
		4:00	<i>All That Other Stuff!: Other Census Records Beyond Population Schedules</i>
			Adjournment

- * **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.
- * **There will be displays and sales tables**, including book sales, genealogical items, memory books, WAGS members' pedigree charts, etc.
- * It is **not** permissible to tape the lectures.

* **Please make check** payable to **WAGS**. Mail with the registration form (below) **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 21, 2009** to WAGS Seminar, P.O. Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607-4367. WAGS members may submit their registration at the WAGS General Meeting. **NO REFUNDS**.

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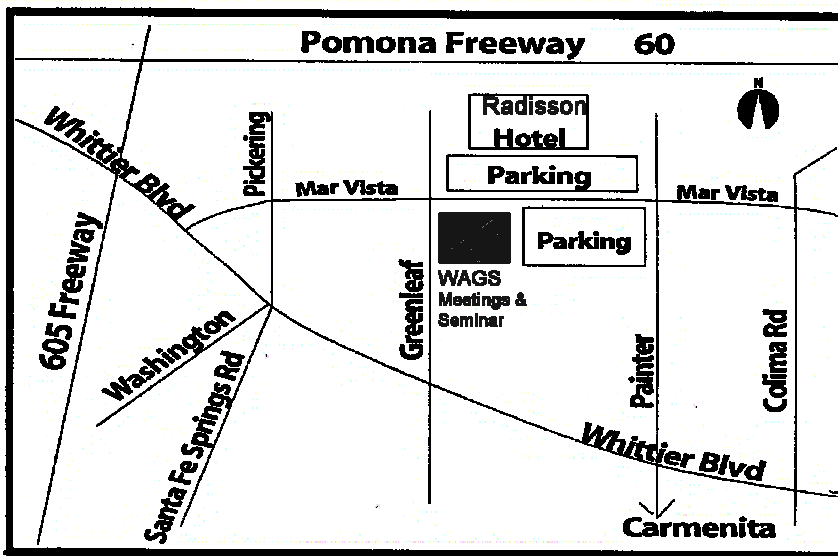
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Total amount enclosed \$ _____

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Check here to reserve handicapped Parking in rear of Lodge _____



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.

California Cemetery Regulations
The Unknown

Dear ----,

I have spent several years looking for family information and have, as of this week, decided that I am a descendent of the family branch called UNKNOWNS.

I find kazillions with the names of my branches but my branches don't seem to attach to any trees in the known world. Therefore, I have concluded that there are four ways in which the UNKNOWNS originated:

1. We were sent to the colonies by the British government in the 1700's to spy. We so excelled in the art of blending in with the flora and fauna that no one knew we were here...even the British lost contact with us.

2. We were dropped off here by one of the space ships that some think visited our planet. Again, we were outstanding in the ability to blend in and so were never noticed. Somewhere down the line someone forgot to tell us that we are from another planet. I think the space ships some people report seeing and being captured by, are our true family and they are looking for us to take us home.

3. Immaculate conception...which explains itself.

4. I really don't exist. I am but a figment of someone's imagination but don't know who that someone is.

I am very frustrated as you can tell. Do you have a section in this area for us UNKNOWNS to apply to families for adoption so that we can attach our tiny branch buds and belong to some tree... any tree?

Written by: Mary Ann Bartlett

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