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COMING EVENTS

1. Saturday October 11, 2008 1:00 P.M.
Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society
meeting held at Yucaipa Branch
library.

Speaker: Donald Beld

**Topic: "Perthina Bailey's Secret
and Other Civil War Stories"**

Come Join Us!

**2. Tuesday, October 14, 2008, 10:30
A.M. in the Hemet Public Library
Conference Room.**

**Topic: Vital Records – (Births,
Marriages, Deaths) Where are they
found?**

**3. Tuesday, October 28, 2008, 10:30
A.M. in the Hemet Public Library.**

**Topic: Ancestry.com- How to use the
World's Largest Public Database**

**4. Sunday, October 26, 2008, 7:00 P.M.
at Redlands Stake Center High Council
Room, 5th and Wabash.**

Speaker: Sterling Quinn

**Topic: "Using Internet maps to
Research Family History"**

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Lester Moore was a Wells Fargo Co. station agent for Naco, Arizona, in the cowboy days of the 1880's. He's buried in the Boot Hill Cemetery in Tombstone, Arizona: Here lies Lester Moore Four slugs from a .44 No Les No More.

New Year's Resolutions by Maureen Taylor

Editor's note: Each month, we have been reading Maureen's resolutions. October is especially important, since she writes about gift ideas for Christmas...

October it's time to start planning those family history related holiday gifts. Craft, hobby and scrapbook stores begin thinking about the winter holidays in the summer. Here's an interesting tidbit -- those stories that appear in December magazines are written in July.

Below are some do-it-yourself holiday ideas that even the most "arts & craft-challenged" of us can handle.

Printed Family Trees

Here's a quick and easy one. Most genealogical software programs have the capability to print out family trees in a number of formats, and possibly different fonts and colors. Some will even allow you to include photographs of individuals. Even if you don't have the software, downloadable pedigree charts can be printed and information handwritten. Printed on fancy paper, (or even plain paper decorated with stamps, drawings, clip-art, etc.), these family trees can be framed and given as heirloom gifts for families to treasure and hand down to future generations.

In addition, Ancestry.com Online Family Tree Users can create a professional family tree to keep as an heirloom and put their family history on display. Using the information in their Online Family Tree, they simply need to choose from a variety of backgrounds, sizes, styles, and frames, and Ancestry.com will mount and frame your Heirloom Family Tree.

Mini-Bios

During the holiday season, many of us receive or send newsletters with our holiday cards that chronicle family life over the past year. These are great for documenting the present for future family historians (be sure to include copies in your family history files!), but why not take it a step further and also chronicle the life of one of your ancestors. It doesn't have to be an epic, but can include information that may not be common knowledge to the non-genealogists in your family. Stories you have unearthed, transcriptions of newspaper clippings, historical background information relating to the times or area in which he or she lived, vitals, etc. can all be weaved together to make an interesting addition to the traditional holiday missives. If you are still looking for information on an individual, include that as well, making it a kind of mystery. Who knows, maybe someone on your holiday list can help you solve the mystery!

Ornaments

Frames containing photos of family members or ancestors can be modified to make beautiful ornaments. In fact, a few years ago, my mother found little pewter-looking frames with chains on top in a gift shop. In them she put pictures of family members and

they are now beautiful additions to our Christmas tree—in essence making it our "family tree."

Decorative Boxes

When I was younger, one of our family's favorite crafts was decoupage. At one time, we each created special boxes to hold our keepsakes. We glued copies of pictures, magazine cut-outs, drawings, and other pictures to the boxes and painted over them with decoupage glue (a kind of varnish that leaves a protective glossy coat on the images—available in craft stores). We can make special family history boxes in much the same way, possibly with a pedigree chart surrounded by scanned copies of photos of ancestors and family members, ancestral homes, family gatherings, or anything that holds meaning for your family.

Quilts and Pillows

Nowadays it is fairly easy to get photos transferred to fabric, which can then be used to create gifts. This means your great-grandparents wedding photo transferred to cloth can now be sewn into a quilt, or made into a pillow with relative ease. Iron-on or T-shirt transfers are available at many office supply or craft stores, and copy services may even do it for you using a photograph and the fabric you supply. In addition, some craft and fabric stores sell printer fabric (cotton with a removable paper backing) that allows inkjet printers to print out the fabric photos for this type of project.

Calendars and Cards

Use family photos and pedigree charts to create calendars for family members. Many photo development companies offer this service as well as the ability to create photo holiday greeting cards.

The Shops @ MyFamily.com can also help with calendars that can be created quickly and easily using photos posted to your MyFamily.com site. (www.ancestry.com/rd/redir.asp?sourceid=831&targetid=3353)

Recipe Books

A few years ago, my mother-in-law put together a booklet of her family recipes and gave one to each of her children. It is my husband's favorite cookbook and was put together very simply. Hers was bound at the local copy shop, but report covers, three-ring binders,

and other binders could also be used, and can be found easily at office supply stores. Recipes can include photos of family cooks, relationship charts, recipe origins, and family stories. This is a great way to preserve those treasured family recipes that have been handed down for generations.

With a little effort you can make your gifts heirlooms that can be treasured for generations.

In a cemetery in Hartscombe, England



"On the 22nd of June
~ Jonathan Fiddle ~
went out of tune."



"Here lies my wife
here let her lie
now she has peace
and so do I!"

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.

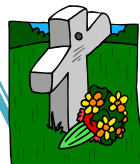
Free Sessions

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Problems~



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On the grave of Ezekial Aikle
in East Dalhousie Cemetery, Nova Scotia:
*Here lies
Ezekial Aikle
Age 102
The Good Die Young.*

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.



**In a Georgia cemetery:
"I told you I was sick!"**



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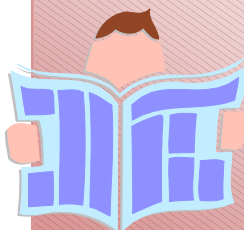
Obituaries are where people are just dying for you to read about them.
(What a grave situation!)

I'm sorry—I couldn't help myself!

Yucaipa Valley Genealogy Speakers

For the rest of the Year:
October 11—Don Beld

Topic: "Perthina Bailey's
Secret and Other
Civil War Stories"



November 8—Dee
Chapman

Topic: "Digital
Scrap booking"

December 13—Earl R. Giddings

Topic: "Surveying and
photographing cemeteries"



*Please remember to bring your old cell phones
and your used computer printer ink cartridges to
the next meeting. Our society will receive cash
back for recycling these items.*



Classes for 2008

Redlands-Yucaipa
Multi-Stake Family History Center
All Classes Sunday evening 7:00p.m.
Redlands Stake Center High Council Room
5th and Wabash in Redlands

October 26—Topic: "Using Internet maps to
Research Family History"

Speaker: Sterling Quinn

November 23—Topic: "Church Records"

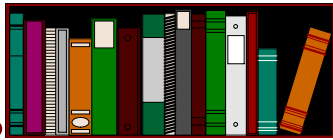
Speaker: Shawn Price



On a grave from the 1880's
in Nantucket, Massachusetts:

Under the sod and under the trees
lies the body of Jonathan Pease.
He is not here, there's only the pod:
Pease shelled out and went to God.

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*The Web Committee encourages all members to be
involved in the production of the web page.*

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importance: do not copy parts of or all of any other web
page or document without the owner's written
permission.*

*Send text documents in Word, (preferred format)
Word Perfect, or Notepad.*

Send photos in .jpg.

*If timing is a factor, send for arrival at least 3 weeks
ahead of due date.*

*Send by email to Earl at clemgds@gmail.com or CD by
mail or deliver to Earl R. Giddings, 35451 Wildwood
Canyon Road, Yucaipa, CA 92399-5124.*



**On a grave at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond,
Virginia**

"MARGARET DANIELS"

**"She always said
her feet were killing her,
But nobody believed her!"**



***Thank you Karen Morlan and Sue
Wolfe for the delicious refreshments for
the September meeting. The October
meeting refreshments will be provided by
Marg Polich and Pauline Brigham.***

Sue Wolfe, Hospitality



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Classes in Computer usage for Beginners

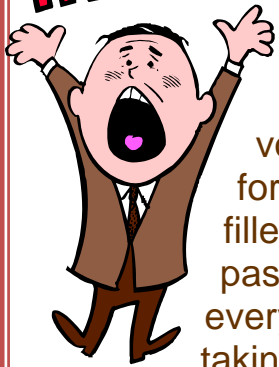
Microsoft Excel
Microsoft Power Point

These are offered on a Sign up Basis, 7 people to a class. You sign up at the Reference Desk and leave your telephone number. When a class is filled, you will be called and told which days to come. They will be hands-on with laptop computers available. Larry Bowles, Leticia Bowles and Dan Atherstone offer instruction; all are quite knowledgeable.

Free Classes

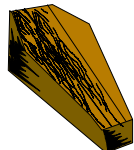
Mr. Bowles is a certified genealogist

HELP!



This month, the nominating committee is making telephone calls to fill vacancies, and to ask for volunteers to take board jobs for 2009. Many people have filled these positions in the past, and our society needs everyone. Please consider taking a position on the board, as we all would like to keep this society going. Without your help, the Yucaipa Valley Genealogical Society cannot continue into next year.

Present your family and friends with their eulogies now - they won't be able to hear how much you love them and appreciate them from inside the coffin. ~Anonymous



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!



In a Silver City, Nevada, cemetery:

*Here lays Butch,
We planted him raw.
He was quick on the trigger,
But slow on the draw.*



Terry Brown



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Here lies the body of Mary Jones
 Who died through eating cherry stones
 Her name was **Smith** not Mary Jones
 But Smith don't rhyme with cherry stones



"BEETHOVEN'S NINTH"



A tourist in Vienna is going through a graveyard and all of a sudden he hears some music. No one is around, so he starts searching for the source.

He finally locates the origin and finds it is coming from a grave with a headstone that reads: Ludwig Van Beethoven, 1770-1827. Then he realizes that the music is the Ninth Symphony and it is being played backward! Puzzled, he leaves the graveyard and persuades a friend to return with him.



By the time they arrive back at the grave, the music has changed. This time it is the Seventh Symphony, but like the previous piece, it is being played

backward. Curious, the men agree to consult a music scholar.

When they return with the expert, the Fifth Symphony is playing, again backward. The expert notices that the symphonies are being played in the reverse order in which they were composed, the 9th, then the 7th, then the 5th.



By the next day the word has spread and a throng has gathered around the grave. They are all listening to the Second Symphony being played backward. Just then the graveyard's caretaker ambles up to the group. Someone in the crowd asks him if he has an explanation for the music.

"Don't you get it?" the caretaker said.
 "He's decomposing!"

Family History Center

Located at 5th and Wabash in Redlands

Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday

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

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

Friday - Saturday

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

FHC Telephone Number: 909.794.3844

Ancestry Novemberfest



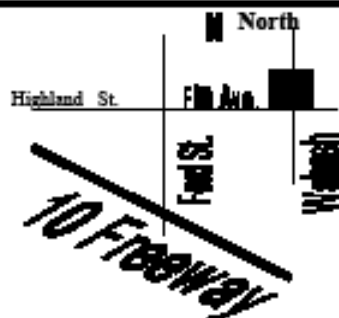
A Family History Seminar
Saturday, November 1st, 2008
9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Registration 8:30-9:00 a.m.
350 Wabash Ave. Redlands, CA



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Classes and speakers subject to change

Keynote Speaker					
Barbara Renick: The Magic of Family History					
Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5
9:35 To 10:30	Creative Census Searching Barbara Renick	Civil War Research: The Union Army Jean Wilcox Hibben	Digital Scrapbooking Dee Chapman	Exploring PAF Dianna Rounds	Google Tools for Genealogy Jill Homes
10:35 To 11:30	East European Genealogy Barbara Renick	Not your Grandma's Genealogy Jean Wilcox Hibben	Photo Preservation and Restoring Jean Pickard	Revolutionary War Ancestors Shawn Price	Online Resources at the FHC Annette Spaulding
11:35 To 12:30	Citing Sources for Beginners Barbara Renick	County Websites Jean Wilcox Hibben	Using Photoshop for your Family Photos Jean Pickard	The A.K. Smiley Library Lorraine Estelle	New FamilySearch Annette Spaulding



This Seminar is Free!
No reservations needed!
**Contact Dianna Rounds for
 information 909-797-6605**

There Comes a time

My undertaking was slow in search of the past.
With only a two names I feared it wouldn't last.
One day out of the blue all the facts fell into place.
Dates matched names, now it was easy to trace.
Pieces fell into place, I was making great stride,
Great aunts and uncles even siblings coincide.
I had page after page without even one error.
My lineage was accurate, I recorded it with care.
When it was finished my heart sunk with despair.
I was hoping for leaders and heroes, I really did care.
Great grandpa was an outlaw, his father was insane.
All had black pasts that disgraced the family name.
The tree full of skeletons of highwayman and crooks.
Their faces on wanted posters instead of in books.
Rather than recording my history in the old family Bible,
I broke out my chain saw so not to be libel.

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