President’s Message

Happy New Year!
As we begin 2018 it gives us the opportunity to look back on the past year’s accomplishments.

A successful Butterfly Event and a Safety Fair were highlights attracting many families to our Historic 1913 Barn. The milkweed planted during the Butterfly Event has enticed many Monarch Butterflies to lay eggs. We have seen many caterpillars and Monarchs as a result. It is a sight to see.

We hosted the Congress of History and shared in the Santee Tree Lighting with the community. Our Annual Christmas Party and Open House saw Santa Claus and the animals from 4-H as we began our Christmas season.

In the New Year, we are anticipating projects to be completed by two Eagle Scouts and work on several projects thanks to the County Supervisors Community Enhancement Grant. We also plan to distribute educational materials to the Santee School 3rd Grade teachers to enhance their learning about local history.

We have a small core of wonderful volunteers to enable all these accomplishments and to ensure successful monthly events.

We invite everyone to see how they can help preserve the history of Santee and to come join us at the Barn.

We continue to pray for peace in the world and rain on our fields.
TWO-HEADED GOAT BORN WEDNESDAY ON RANCH AT Santee

- Santee is offering the newest curious exhibit of animal nature in the form of a double-headed kid, goat species. O. Blatt is the owner, and records the birth as of Wednesday.
- The mother, a milch goat, and kid are said to be doing fine, as also is another kid, born at the same time. Indeed, the freak double-headed kid is a twin, a male, and while he has not got horns as yet, ought to develop into a formidable butting machine.
- His two heads are one as good as the other, to all appearance. Both have the standard number of ears and eyes, and operate on their own initiative. Now two days old, it is expected that the kid will continue to live.
Every year our Annual Christmas Party and Open House gets bigger and better. This year we had over 260 guests. Several times the line for Santa Claus was out the door! Thank you for everyone that made this event an outstanding success. A special thanks goes out to the Sagebrush 4-H Club for bringing their animals out and adding to the festive atmosphere.
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**Upcoming Events**

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**River Kids Discovery Days**  
March 10th, 2018

This is a day of nature, fun, & learning for kids!

On March 10th, please join us for a free celebration of the San Diego River featuring nature fun for youth and their families! Families and groups from across the County can take part in service projects and outdoor education opportunities, giving kids a leading role in protecting our natural resources and creating green spaces for the community.
Cynthia Whitney, CPA is a certified public accountant (CPA) serving individuals, small to mid-sized businesses, banks, and non-profit organizations in the Greater San Diego Area.

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Most important at this time of year is her tax preparation services. She strives to help clients obtain the most beneficial tax position through the use of effective tax planning. Cynthia provide tax preparation and accounting services to a wide variety of individual and business entities from the couple purchasing their first home and making investment decisions to partnerships and closely held corporations, among others. Her expert tax planning services include advice on how to structure and time personal and business transactions in order to minimize the tax consequences.

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Remember -
Our membership year is
January 1 to December 31.

Join or Renew Your Membership
Genealogy Corner

How to find a woman’s maiden name

Finding the maiden names of your ancestors can be so difficult. But there are some places where you may find the answer.

**Marriage Records.** --- This is not only the marriage certificate, but the marriage license and the newspaper article announcing the engagement. In order to find these records, you need to know the spouses name, the marriage location, or where the bride was living, and the approximate marriage date.

**Census Records**. --- Check every census year available for your female ancestor up until the year she died. Sometimes a couple lived with the wife’s parents or brother. Families living nearby can also be relatives.

**Land records** --- Land was really important and often passed down from father to daughter. Look at deeds for the men in the family that include the phrases “et ux” meaning “and wife” or “et al” meaning “and others”. Also look for deeds selling the land to someone for a dollar or small amount of money. The ones selling the land could be the parents or relatives of your female ancestor. Witnesses to a widow selling land could be her relatives.

**Probate Records and Wills** --- If you think you know who your female relatives’ parents are, look for probate records and wills. Surnames of female children and the names of their spouses are often listed.

**Death Records** --- If there is a death certificate, it should have her maiden name listed. But be careful. Determine who gave the information on the death certificate. Many times it is someone that was not intimately familiar with the person that died. In that instance, the maiden name supplied may not be accurate. Look at the death certificates of her children. Sometimes it may list the mother’s maiden name. Once again, be cognizant of who supplied the information for the death certificate.
Newspapers --- If you know where they lived, there may be birth announcements, engagement announcements, marriage accounts, or obituaries. If you can't find anything for the woman, perhaps you can find mention of a brother or sister, mother or father, or child.

Cemetery or Burial Records --- Sometimes Tombstones include the maiden name or the woman is buried near her ancestors. Check at the cemetery office and see what records they have. Funeral home records could also give you some information.

Pension Records and Military Service Records – Was her spouse or children in the military. These records often include family member’s names. The family members could have filed for a pension. These records sometimes have a marriage certificate attached.

Churches --- Church records will often have the names of both parents on a baptismal certificate. Marriage records will usually have the bride’s maiden name.

Children’s Names--- Is there a common middle name for her children. Parents often give their children the mother’s maiden name for a middle name. Some birth certificates give the maiden name of the mother.

Children’s Birth Certificates—— In many areas, the mother’s maiden name is recorded along with the father’s full name and the child’s name.

Family Bibles—— A family bible can be a treasure trove of information. Many families recorded births, deaths and weddings in their bibles.
Fill out the requested information and mail it with your check to:

Santee, CA 92072
PO Box 710636
The Santee Historical Society

Please select your membership level:

- $15.00 Business with over 50 employees
- $50 Small Business
- $40 Family
- $20 Student or Senior 65 and above
- $25 Individual
- $25 Individual

Additional statements and information about membership and support for the committee can be found on the website. Contact information and payment details are also provided on the website.