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Are You Prepared for Fire Season?

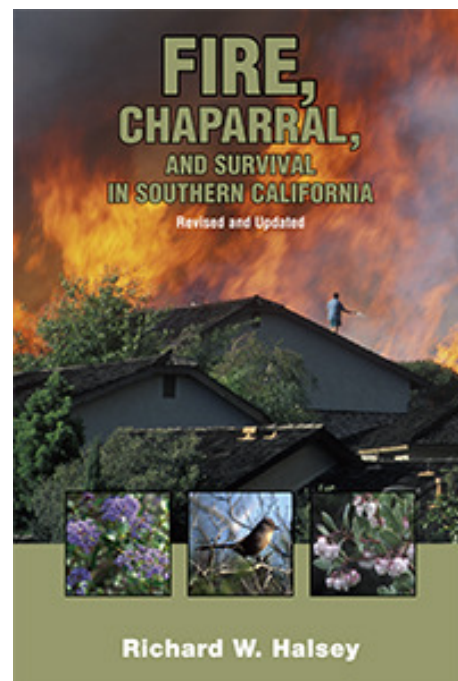
October is a notoriously fiery month in California. Here are two books essential for fire education and safety.

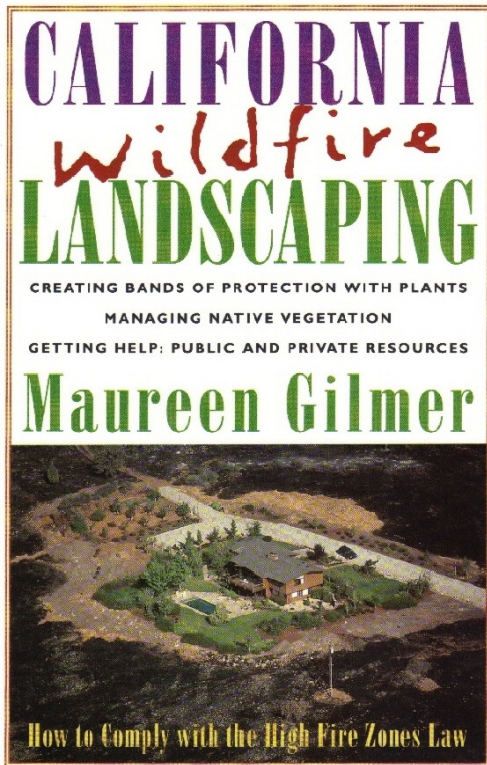
[Fire, Chaparral, and Survival in Southern California](#)

By Richard W. Halsey

This is the second edition of Halsey's book, updated through the fires of October 2007. It weaves together crucial elements of fire behavior, land management, and knowledge of the natural environment to help Californians better protect their families, and form vital connections with their surroundings. The book also describes how frequent fires are beginning to destroy California's most extensive native ecosystem, the chaparral.

Understanding the chaparral's relationship to fire and drought will help save lives, reduce the number of communities threatened by wildfire, and preserve the natural landscapes that make California such a special place.





[California Wildfire Landscaping](#)

By Maureen Gilmer

- Creating Bands of Protection with Plants
- Managing Native Vegetation
- Getting Help: Public and Private Resources

Endorsed by the California Department of Forestry and the National Commission on Wildfire Disasters, *California Wildfire Landscaping* attends to the potential hazards of owning a home in fire-prone California. Though wildfire is a dangerous and unpredictable problem, opportunities for fire-prevention do exist, and Gilmer's book illustrates how to take full advantage of every opportunity available in the hope that it will save your home. *California Wildfire Landscaping* promotes a holistic approach to home site fire-prevention, supplying information regarding native vegetation management, ornamental plants, erosion control, emergency water supply, and re-vegetation in one handbook. Written in language that is reader-friendly, this is a book accessible, and beneficial, to all California homeowners.

Spotlight on History

Coming in November: *Jesse James' Secret* by John O'Melveny Woods & Ronald J. Pastore

Check out what advance copy readers on LibraryThing.com had to say about Jesse James' Secret:

Texicanwife: *I found this book engaging. I simply could not put it down from the first page to the last! I'm not sure what held me spell-bound... the chance to know more about Jesse James', who has held me spell-bound since a kid... or the chance to learn there really was a cover-up of sorts regarding Jesse James!*

Hermit: *This book is entertaining to read and is actually a memoir of Ron Pastore as he moves from being a finical analysis to follow*

[Jesse James' Secret](#)

By Ronald J. Pastore and John O'Melveny Woods

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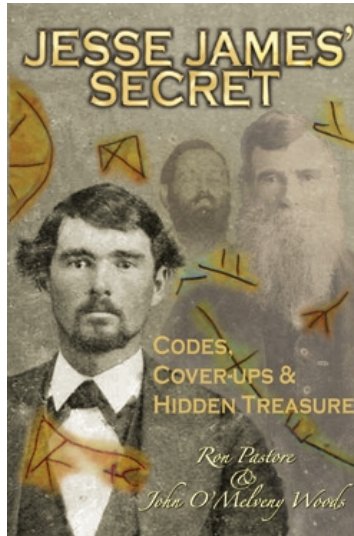
his passion.

O6Wingert: *A la Da Vinci Code, Jesse James' Secret* is a conspiracy theory that Jesse James had hidden treasure buried in various parts of the U.S. and planned on retrieving it.

Kurvanas: *This is an interesting book. It is one of the new breed of pseudodocumentary-style althistory fictional conspiracy adventures*

Mramos: *I found this book a fun and entertaining to read. If we can believe what we read the author has proven that the first History channel documentary of Jesse James and the second one that the author was suppose to consult on were full with errors and faulty logic.*

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Historical Researcher Ron Pastore's journey to uncover the truth regarding the outlaw Jesse James. Secret societies, hidden codes, and a conspiracy that fooled the world are

brought to light. This book was the basis of a highly rated History Channel series: "Jesse James' Hidden Treasure". Co-author and successful screenwriter John O'Melveny Woods is also the author of the YA fiction adventure Return to Treasure Island.

Upcoming Events

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October 2010

Thursday, October 21, 2010, 7pm, FREE & Open to the Public

Kelly Mayhew and other contributors to [Mamas and Papas](#), the latest anthology from City Works Press, will be reading excerpts from the book at the Upstart Crow Bookstore and Coffeehouse in Seaport Village as part of the "Third Thursday" author series. (Upstart Crow - 835 C West Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 232-4855).

Friday, October 22, 2010, 3-5 pm, FREE & Open to the Public

Join author Joan Brady at The Old Town Gift Co. in Old Town San Diego State Historic Park where she'll be signing copies of her book, [The Ghost of Mt. Soledad](#). (2754 Calhoun Street San Diego, CA 92110 (619) 252-8282).

November 2010

Monday, November 1, 2010, 7:30 pm, FREE & Open to the Public

Winner of the 2010 San Diego Book Awards "Best Travel Book," Bette Blaydes Pegas will present a slide show illustrating her "vivid, inspirational" memoir: [Chasing a Dream in the Galápagos: A Personal Evolution](#). Her journey recounts her sensory experiences while maneuvering across rocks crowded with leathery black marine iguanas following the paths of giant tortoises and standing among honking female blue-footed boobies and their whistling suitors. (Distant Land Traveler's Store 56 S. Raymond Ave Pasadena, CA 91105 (800) 310-3220).

Saturday, November 6, 2010, 9:30 am-3:00pm, National Authors Day

Come listen to San Diego authors talk about writing and their books on National Authors Day at the Oceanside Public Library. This years focus is on children, mystery, and romance. Don't miss Terry Kraszewski, author of [Surf Angel](#), talking about her book at 1:20 pm. (Oceanside Public Library Civic Center Library Community Rooms 330 North Coast Highway, Oceanside).

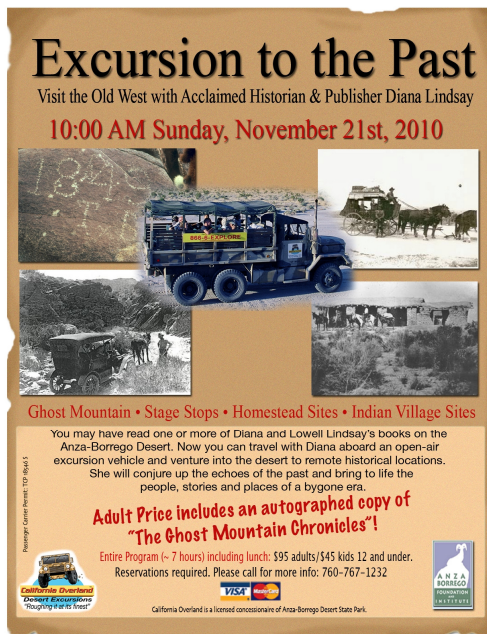
Wednesday, November 17, 2010 5 pm FREE and Open to the Public

Author Garret Burke will be at Pages bookstore sharing his three new Quarterama books celebrating the state and national parks quarters. Along with the [hard cover edition](#), there is a [pocket change edition](#) and an [album](#) for collecting the upcoming National Parks quarters. (Pages - 904 Manhattan Ave, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 (310) 318-0900).

Sunday, November 21, 2010, 10 am, Excursion to the Past!

Diana Lindsay, President of Sunbelt Publications and author of [Jackpot Trail](#) and [Marshal South and the Ghost Mountain Chronicles](#), is giving a historical tour of the Anza Borrego Desert through California Overland Tours. Don't miss this chance to learn about the stories, people, and places of a bygone era. All participants will receive an autographed copy of [Marshal South and the Ghost Mountain Chronicles](#).

For tickets and information, visit [California Overland Tours](#)



Excursion to the Past
Visit the Old West with Acclaimed Historian & Publisher Diana Lindsay
10:00 AM Sunday, November 21st, 2010

Ghost Mountain • Stage Stops • Homestead Sites • Indian Village Sites

You may have read one or more of Diana and Lowell Lindsay's books on the Anza-Borrego Desert. Now you can travel with Diana aboard an open-air excursion vehicle and venture into the desert to remote historical locations. She will conjure up the echoes of the past and bring to life the people, stories and places of a bygone era.

Adult Price includes an autographed copy of "The Ghost Mountain Chronicles"!

Entire Program (~ 7 hours) including lunch: \$95 adults/\$45 kids 12 and under. Reservations required. Please call for more info: 760-767-1232

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Save The Date!

Sunbelt's Annual Holiday Party: Thursday, December
2nd, 2010, 7pm.

A once yearly opportunity for great reads, great eats, and most importantly great discounts. Presentations will include a discussion by Diana Lindsay on the Galleta Meadows Sky Art: The Metal Sculptures of Borrego Valley – A Journey through Time, Inspired by Science, History, Nature, and Whim. Further presentations to be determined. (Loc: Sunbelt Publications – 1256 Fayette Street, El Cajon, CA 92020 (800) 626-6579).

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