SUNDAY SCHOOL OAK

LANDMARK NUMBER: 13

KNOWN AS: Sunday School Oak

PHYSICAL ADDRESS: None

LOCATION: 4510 Foothill Road, east of Santa Monica Road, Carpinteria Valley (the former Eden Vista Ranch, then the O.N. Cadwell Ranch)

TYPE OF SITE: Oak tree

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 77-244

LANDMARK DATE: May 16, 1977

DESIGNATION OBTAINED BY: Application for Designation as County Historical Landmark submitted by Mary Chace, Curator Historical Society, Carpinteria

PAST OWNERS: Pomona’s Retreat
              Eden Vista
              Montvalmar Ranch
              O.N. Cadwell Ranch

CURRENT OWNER: Unable to determine
DESCRIPTION:
At the time of designation, the property where the tree is located belonged to Arthur D. and Harriet N. Jones, the former O.N. Cadwell Ranch. In 1868, there was no Methodist Church for the settlers. The Cadwells invited their neighbors to attend Sunday school under a large oak on their ranch. Services were held first under this tree then in the Carpinteria schoolhouse on Santa Monica Road until the Methodist Church was built in 1872.¹

RESOURCES:
Application for Designation as County Historical Landmark

Mrs. Guy Stockton, “Oak Served as Church; Giant Tree Still Standing; Carpinteria Folk Attended” (newspaper and date unknown)

¹ Nomination application and Mrs. Guy Stockton newspaper article
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE
HISTORICAL "SUNDAY SCHOOL OAK"
TREE LOCATED IN CARPINTERIA VALLEY,
NORTH OF FOOTHILL ROAD, IS AN
HISTORICAL LANDMARK WORTHY OF
PROTECTION UNDER ORDINANCE NO.
1716, AND DESIGNATING THE "SUNDAY"
SCHOOL OAK" TREE AS HISTORICAL
LANDMARK NO. 13.

WHEREAS, the historical "Sunday School Oak" tree,
located on Parcel 22, Book 3, Page 03 of Santa Barbara Assessor's
Maps, being approximately 132 feet north of Foothill Road,
between the Carpinteria High School and Santa Monica Road,
Carpinteria Valley, County of Santa Barbara, and located
adjacent to a private road on the former O.N. Cadwell property,
now owned by Arthur D. and Harriet N. Jones, has an historic
interest in the Carpinteria Valley to the general public as a
landmark in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 1977, the Santa Barbara County
Historical Landmark Advisory Committee declared the "Sunday School
Oak" tree to be an historical landmark pursuant to the provisions
of Ordinance No. 1716 of the County of Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa
Barbara deems the "Sunday School Oak" tree to be worthy of pro-
tection and preservation as such historical landmark;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Supervisors, having duly set a public
hearing for May 16, 1977, has heard all interested parties and
has closed said public hearing.

2. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares the "Sunday
School Oak" tree to be Historical Landmark No. 13, pursuant to
Ordinance No. 1716 of the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Santa Barbara, State of California this _16th_ day
of May, 1977, by the following vote:

AYES: David M. Yager, Robert E. Kallman, William
E. Wallace, Robert L. Hadlind, Harrell
Fletcher

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

HARRELL FLETCHER
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
HOWARD C. MENZEL, COUNTY CLERK

By IRENE GILBERT (SEAL)
Deputy Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

I, HOWARD C. MENZEL, County Clerk-Recorder and ex-officio
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in and for the County of
Santa Barbara, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true
and correct copy of the original now remaining on file and of
record in my office.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the Seal of said Board to be affixed this
21 day of May 1977

HOWARD C. MENZEL, County Clerk-Recorder

By Irene Gilbert, Deputy Clerk