

Resources for Hair on Fire: A Heartwarming & Humorous Christmas Memoir

Chapter 5

Lyrics to *the First Verse* “O Come All Ye Faithful”:

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of angels:

Refrain

O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Latin Lyrics to the First Verse (“Adeste Fideles”):

Adeste Fideles
Laeti triumphantes
Venite, venite in Bethlehem
Natum videte
Regem Angelorum

Refrain

Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus,
Dominum¹

¹ <https://www.liveabout.com/adeste-fideles-english-and-latin-lyrics-2701295>

Chapter 15

Listen to Evie’s “Come on Ring Those Bells”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ygzvcy2B9jw>

Chapter 17

Plastercraft explained

<https://www.plastercraft.com/#:~:text=Plastercrafts%20are%20similar%20to%20ceramics,easy%20water%20based%20acrylic%20paints>

Chapter 19

<https://www.vox.com/2015/12/25/10661878/12-days-of-christmas-explained>
<https://www.catholic.org/advent/advent.php?id=2>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Fe11OIMiz8>
http://www.chiff.com/home_life/holiday/christmas/12-days-lyrics.htm
<https://www.newmexico.org/nmmagazine/articles/post/12dayschristmas-79060/>

Chapter 23

<https://tastesbetterfromscratch.com/mexican-tamales/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gkQh3UUjezs>
<http://www.tortillasandhoney.com/2012/04/biscochitos-new-mexicos-official-state.html>
<https://www.pastiansbakery.com/biscochitos>
<https://www.muydelish.com/sweet-empanadas/>
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Chapter 30

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/epiphany>

Chapter 31

<https://episcopalchurch.org/files/bi010613half.pdf>
<https://episcopalchurch.org/library/glossary/epiphany>
<https://www.whychristmas.com/story/wisemen>
<https://www.hopeepiscopal.org/>

Chapter 33

However, it's pronounced differently here in the United States and Mexico than in Spain:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8iA5tNhLT-M>

And here's how Merry Christmas in Spanish is pronounced in Spain:
<https://youtu.be/7wWnoutO7bg>

Here's how to say Merry Christmas in Italian:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UjJ6r8QoRvE>

And how to say Merry Christmas in Portugal:
<https://youtu.be/tX7NfFRj258>

And how to say Merry Christmas in the PhillipinesÑ
https://youtu.be/aT_57ZK1sXk

This holiday trip ignited my interest in languages, so I'd like to end with a wonderful video showing how to say Merry Christmas in several languages:

<https://youtu.be/fAF0o9ls598>

Appendix A

Popcorn Balls Recipe

Elaine Kennedy

- 1 1/2 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. Karo syrup
- 1/2 c. water
- 1 stick oleo
- 1 tsp. salt
- Vanilla

Cook until it forms a soft ball in cold water. Add vanilla (and food coloring). Pour over popped corn. Wet hand (with cold water) and form balls.¹

¹ Folsom Garden Club. *Garden of Recipes*, (1972): 69.

Some of my Christmas Favorites

Christmas Readings:

- *A Christmas Carol*, Charles Dickens
- *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, Barbara Robinson
- *The Gift of the Magic*, O. Henry
- *Skipping Christmas*, John Grisham
- *“Twas the Night Before Christmas,”* Clement C. Moore
- *“Papa Noel,”* Floyd Beard - Audio
- *The Christmas Train*, David Baldacci
- *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, Theodor “Dr. Seuss” Geisel

Christmas Movies:

- *White Christmas*
- *Holiday Inn*
- *Miracle on 34th Street*
- *It’s a Wonderful Life*
- *A Christmas Carol*
- *Christmas in Connecticut*
- *A Christmas Story*
- *The Bishop’s Wife*
- *The Polar Express*
- *Dr. Seuss’s The Grinch*
- *A Charlie Brown Christmas*
- *Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer*
- *Love Actually*
- *Home Alone*
- *National Lampoon Christmas Vacation*
- *The Santa Clause*
- *The Man Who Invented Christmas*
- *Elf*

About the Author

Larada Horner-Miller is an award-winning poet, essayist, blogger and accomplished multi-genre author who holds a bachelor's degree in English, with a minor in Spanish and a master of education degree in Integrating Technology into the Classroom. She is the accomplished author of five award-winning biographies, historical fiction, memoir, and poetry works plus three self-published cookbooks.



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Her sixth book, *Coronavirus Reflections: Bitter or Better?*, is available in paperback and four e-book formats. This book became a #1 best-seller in five e-book categories on Amazon and won the 2022 New Mexico/Arizona Book Award for the Mind, Body and Spirit category.

Larada offers the reader the opportunity to look back at 2020 and the global pandemic through her prose and poetry through reading, then reflecting and responding. She addresses all the emotions she felt during this overwhelming time and leads the reader through to a self-access: bitter or better?

Her fifth book is the authorized biography of world-renown square dance caller Marshall “Flip” Flippo. *Just Another Square Dance Caller: Authorized Biography of Marshall Flippo* is available now in hardback, paperback and four e-book formats. *Just Another Square Dance Caller* won two awards: Book Excellence Awards Finalist and Silver award for eLit. Book Awards.

Another book of hers, *A Time to Grow Up: A Daughter's Grief Memoir* has won many awards including being a 2018 Book Excellence Awards Finalist in the Memoir category at the New Mexico-Arizona Book Awards and a 2018 Independent Press Distinguished Favorites Award in the Memoir category. Horner-Miller has also been a past national presenter at the Women Writing the West Conference and is currently the creator of Memoir Workshops for others who want to share their family's legacies through words.

Larada and her husband, Lin, enjoy being nestled in the mountains above Albuquerque, New Mexico, near the village of Tijeras. When not writing books, this passionate, energetic, and enthusiastic woman loves to spend time kicking up her heels at square dancing gatherings, traveling, knitting, and reading.

As co-manager of her family's southeastern Colorado ranch, she enjoys spending time exploring her family's historic ranch and reminiscing with her brother and his children about their mom and dad.

Larada also enjoys her twenty-year-old cat, Jesse, a silver-tip Siamese. He has feline diabetes, so she has to give him insulin twice a day. She rescued him in 2009, so she's enjoyed him for fourteen years. Her mom said he was one of God's angels because he came to Larada during a difficult time in her life.

To learn more, visit <https://laradasbooks.com/>

Also by Larada Horner'Miller

Other Books:

- *This Tumbleweed Landed*
- *When Will Papa Get Home?*
- *Let Me Tell You a Story*
- *A Time to Grow Up: A Daughter's Grief Memoir*
- *Just Another Square Dance Caller: Authorized Biography of Marshall Flippo*
- *Coronavirus Reflections: Bitter or Better?*

Enjoy my books in poetry and prose from my childhood, a story I fictionalized, how my granddad put our ranch together during the depression, losing my parents, the one and only Marshall Flippo and my reaction to the coronavirus pandemic!

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Audiobook:

- *Let Me Tell You a Story*

Cookbook Series

- *From Grannie's Kitchen - Pies, Cakes & Christmas Candy, Volume 1*
- *From Grannie's Kitchen - Beverages, Cookies, Meats, Vegetables, Mis. & Records of a Rancher's Wife, Volume 2*
- *From Grannie's Kitchen - Casseroles, Mexican Dishes, Relish, Sandwiches, Salads & Desserts, Volume 3*

Future Books by Larada Horner-Miller

- Four Poetry Book Series - Poetry
- I Said Yes! You Can Too!: How I Learned to Write a Biography - Writing Help
- Eyewitness to Healing: How One Life Changed So Many - Novel