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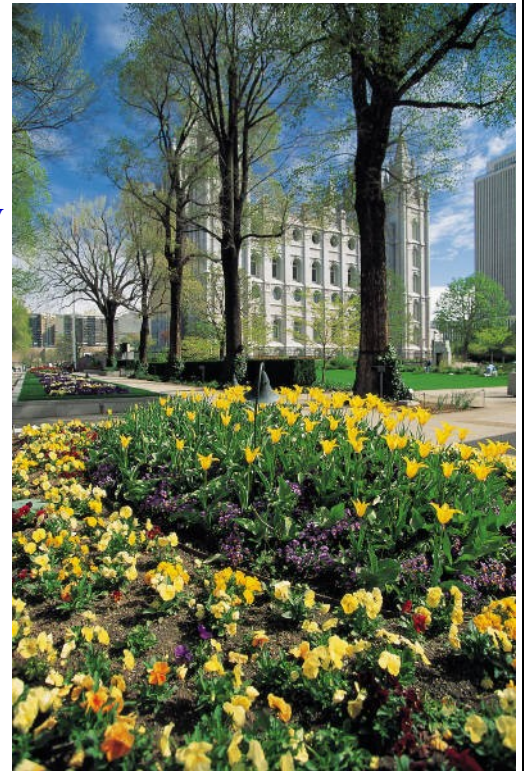
## COME WITH US TO SALT LAKE CITY!



**The 2012 RVGS-Raindance bus trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City is scheduled for Monday April 9 through Monday April 16 and seats are still available!** We will spend Monday in Winnemucca and will arrive in Salt Lake City around 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday. We will have Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and a full day on Saturday for research. We will leave on Sunday morning and spend Sunday night in Winnemucca, arriving back in Medford on Monday afternoon.

Rhonda at Raindance has the itinerary ready. The fare includes all baggage handling and although the modern and comfortable bus has its own bathroom, the trip includes frequent stops along the way to stretch or to grab a cup of coffee.

We will stay at the Salt Lake Plaza Best Western Hotel, which is just a few steps from the Family History Library and adjacent to Temple Square. The free downtown light-rail (TRAX) runs right by the hotel's front door and connects you to many of SLC's best attractions. **NOW FOR THE REALLY GOOD NEWS:** The cost of this trip will be \$749 per person for double occupancy if 20 or more participate. Single occupancy will be approximately \$300 more. The price will be adjusted if fewer than 20 sign up. Be sure to call Rhonda at 541-479-8217 to reserve your spot and sign up on the list at the JCGL or call 541-512-2340 and provide your email address so that we can keep you informed about the full itinerary. There will be a pre-trip-meeting at the JCGL to help you plan ahead and use your research time wisely—see the calendar of events. **Visit the largest genealogical library in the world and discover more about your roots!**



**Have you changed your address or phone number or email address lately? Please be sure to call 541-512-2340 or email [info@rvgslibrary.org](mailto:info@rvgslibrary.org) and let us know. We want to make sure that you are getting all of our mailings and eNews!**

*Between Us Diggers* is the Membership Newsletter of the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society, Inc.

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## WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

**Fran Wolfe**  
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**Shandra Bateman**  
**Mary K. Viscounty**  
**Joy M. Durrett**  
**Margaret Rackley**  
**Robert Seibert**  
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**Buffy Pollock**  
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**Sara Weber**  
**Terrie Kirkpatrick**  
**Charles Dodge**  
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**Mary A. Thorpe**  
**Jan Turley**  
**Merith Perry**  
**P. M. Monroe**  
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**James & Marilyn Hamm**  
**Randy Miltier**  
**Regina Munoz**  
**Jim Scheffel**  
**Dennis Bolsinga**

## CLASSES & EVENTS

### MARCH

**Saturday, March 3, 2012 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon**

#### **Identifying Old Photos**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR  
Description: A 40-minute PowerPoint presentation from the website of Gary Clark showing how to find clues to the dating of pre-1900 photos. Learn how to identify photo borders, clothing, medals, hair styles, stamps and much more. Bring your photos and we will help each other for the remainder of the class. Members only, free class.

**Saturday, March 10, 2012 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

#### **How to Use Library Resources**

Where: Jackson County Library, Medford, Reference Desk

**Mysteries in Our Backyard Series:** Julie Drengson, reference librarian, will show us how to find resources at the Medford Branch and how to use newspaper microfilm as a research tool. Time will be available to answer questions about your mystery. Free to members and non-members. No reservations needed.

**Saturday March 10, 2012 and Sunday March 11, 2012**

#### **SOACC Antique Show**

SOACC Antique Show at the National Guard Armory-Two days of great antique shopping. RVGS will have a booth to promote the Society and Genealogy Library.

**Wednesday, March 14, 2012 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

#### **PAF Workshop (Part 1 of 3)**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR  
Description: Bob Pocan and Carolyn Beron give a hands-on workshop to learn how to enter your genealogy information into a simple, free software program, Personal Ancestor File or PAF. Great for beginning genealogists. Class limited to 7 people. Price for each class is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Saturday, March 17, 2012 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

#### **Clues and Solutions from After-life Sources**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR  
Description: Karen Ashe will show you how to consult probate and estate records early in your research process and how to examine other sources created after your ancestor's death. Bring a will or other post-death document to discuss. The class will look for clues and you may find solutions to your genealogical problems. Price is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Tuesday, March 20, 2012 1:30 p.m. –3:30 p.m.****Genealogy Program and General Meeting**

Where: OEA/Uniserv Building, 2495 S. Pacific Hwy

Description: Daniel Owens of Forget Me Not Productions will teach us how to prepare and save old photos and videos for generations to come. Hear recommendations for scanning, transferring, and storing in safe environments. This session is free and open to members and non-members.

**Wednesday, March 21, 2012 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.****PAF Workshop (Part 2 of 3)**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Bob Pocan and Carolyn Beron give a hands-on workshop to learn how to enter your genealogy information into a simple, free software program, Personal Ancestor File or PAF. Great for beginning genealogists. Class limited to 7 people. Price for each class is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Saturday, March 24, 2012 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
Across the Pond, 1700s-1800s**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Ready to cross the pond in search of your English ancestry? Ruth Gerety will teach basic research on how to begin and what to expect from county records. Please bring information that may be helpful as you depart for unfamiliar shores. Class size limited to 10. Price is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Monday, March 26, 2012 1:00 pm****Salt Lake City Pre-Trip Meeting**

Where: Jackson County Genealogical Library, 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Salt Lake City Pre-Trip meeting to go over what you can accomplish when you go to the world's largest genealogy library.

**Wednesday, March 28, 2012 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.****PAF Workshop (Part 3 of 3)**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Bob Pocan and Carolyn Beron give a hands-on workshop to learn how to enter your genealogy information into a simple, free software program, Personal Ancestor File or PAF. Great for beginning genealogists. Class limited to 7 people. Price for each class is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Tuesday, March 27, 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.****Diggin' in the Dark: Genealogy After Hours**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Join the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society volunteers for a free, full evening of family history fun. No previous genealogy experience is necessary. Bring your known family information, a USB flash drive for saving what we find and your supper. Please register by phone 541-512-2340 or in person at Jackson County Genealogy Library, 95 Houston Road, Phoenix, Oregon.

**APRIL****Saturday, April 7, 2012 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.****Starting your Genealogy Project from Scratch**

Where: JCGL 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Charleen Brown will teach the basic information needed to get you started on your family tree. The class is designed for the true beginner who wants to learn how to start a genealogy project. Save time by organizing what you already know by filling out an Ancestor Chart before going on the computer. Learn what types of documents will be useful in helping you trace your family. Put the fun in fundamentals of genealogy. The information you learn along the way will help you succeed in compiling a commendable family history. This is a free class for those just beginning their genealogy project.

**Monday, April 9, 2012 Through April 16, 2011****Salt Lake City Research Trip**

Description: RVGS annual bus trip to Salt Lake City for a week-long genealogy research extravaganza. You are invited to join the group. Register with Raindance at (541) 479-8217. Limited seating; make your reservation NOW! For more information and a full itinerary of events contact the library or check our website. See page 1 for more information.

**Tuesday April 17, 2012 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.****Genealogy Program and General Meeting**

Where: OEA/Uniserv Building located at 2495 S. Pacific Hwy. Medford, OR

Description: Barbara Basden, Andrea Patterson, Melinda Henningfield and Connie Miller will talk about their trip to the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy in January. The Institute has been providing top-notch genealogical education for fifteen years. SLIG is dedicated to providing a forum for the best genealogical educators in the field to present their knowledge to avid family historians. Barbara Basden will also talk about her experience while at the RootsTech Conference. Free and open to members and non-members.

**Saturday, April 21, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.****Bend Genealogical Society Spring Seminar****Dick Eastman of Eastman's Online Genealogical Newsletter**

Where: Bend Golf and Country Club, 61045 Country Club Dr., Bend, OR 97702

Description: See flyer and form on Page 9. Price is \$80; \$70 in advance (before April 13)

**Saturday, April 21, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.****How to Use Cemetery Sources**

Where: Jacksonville Cemetery.

**Mysteries in Our Backyard Series:** Many pieces of information about a person or situation can be found in cemetery records that includes the gravesites themselves. Dirk Siedlecki will help us learn what we can from a visit to a cemetery. Free to members and non-members. No reservation necessary.

**Friday, April 27, 2012 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.****Finding the Treasures in the Genealogy Library**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Library Director Anne Billeter will show you

what's where in the library, the library's hidden treasures, and how to use the library's online catalog.

Price is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Saturday, April 28, 2012 10:30a.m. - 12:00 noon****Brick Wall Roundtable**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Charleen Brown will lead a round table discussion to help you find ways to find that elusive ancestor.

Bring your question, e.g., "Who were my ancestor's parents?" and the list of the sources you have used to try to solve your problem. This class is free to members and non-members.

**MAY****Saturday, May 5, 2012 1:00 p.m. to 3 p.m.****The Do's and Don'ts of Genealogy**

Where: Jackson County Genealogy Library 95 Houston Rd., Phoenix, OR

Description: Betty Miller will teach you all the things you wished someone had told you in the beginning to make your research easier and more accurate. Fifty points to help you start off on the right track for successful genealogy research. Price is \$10.00 for Members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call 541-512-2340 for reservations.

**Tuesday, May 15, 2012 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.****Susan LeBlanc, guest lecturer**

Where: OEA/Uniserv Building located at 2495 S. Pacific Hwy. Medford, OR

Description: Rogue Valley Genealogical Society presents two classes before the monthly genealogy program and meeting. Susan LeBlanc will lecture on *Understanding Emigration & Immigration* 9:30-10:30 and on *German Ancestry Explained* at 11:30-12:30. Price is \$20.00 per class. See page 7 to learn more about Susan LeBlanc.

**Tuesday May 15, 2012 1:30pm - 3:30pm****Genealogy Program and General Meeting****Susan LeBlanc—The Best Kept Secret: World Vital Records on the Internet**

Where: OEA/Uniserv Building located at 2495 S. Pacific Hwy. Medford, OR

Description: Susan LeBlanc will present on the above topic. See page 7 for more information about Susan LeBlanc. This session is free and open to members and non-members.



## 2011 RVGS ANNUAL REPORT

In November 2011, the RVGS Board members participated in a Retreat to review the 5-year

**Goals and to plan strategies for 2012. The evaluation follows:**

**Goal # 1 Develop and implement a marketing plan to improve the professional image of RVGS in Jackson County.**

- Established a calendar of classes, events and programs for 2012
- Evaluated activities classes, events and programs for 2010 and determined they were successful and should continue
- Participated in a Seminar co-sponsored with Josephine County Genealogy Society
- Determined through comments in the community that we are viewed favorably throughout Jackson County, often being cited as an example of how an all-volunteer organization should operate

**Goal #2 Expand Library services for volunteer staff and patrons.**

- Continued mentoring, librarian training and the use of technology
- Conducted a 5-week series of genealogy classes through the Olli program.
- Offered the same series of classes for members
- Provided an after-hours time once per month for Librarians to research

**Goal # 3 Develop an annual and long range financial plan sufficient to achieve future financial stability.**

- Facilities Planning Committee evaluated several available properties for possible purchase
- Online research requests continue to supply a healthy income annually. For 2011 the total was \$4,395.88.

**Goal # 4 Expand membership through recruitment and retention.**

- Since the current process is working well, it was recommended that all procedures should be continued.
- Added several Life Memberships bringing the total to 9
- A study has shown that membership has been growing by 10 % per year.

**Goal # 5 Develop a plan to enhance the collection through technology to add value to our services, increase efficiency and effectiveness, and provide compatible technology services that support our mission, are cost-justified, easy to use and support.**

- Completed and uploaded to our website a computerized card catalog database through hundreds of hours of volunteer work
- Expanded our website by adding databases that are free as well as items that can be ordered online.
- Upgraded method of payment to include PayPal and the ability to send requested items digitally
- Use file-sharing service called Dropbox that allows others to access current projects and provides back-up for our databases
- Created additional back-up by increasing number of external hard drives

- Continued to keep our technology equipment current

**# 6 Provide professional and functional facilities that support our goals for volunteer staff and patrons.**

- Monthly updates to the board by the Maintenance Director
- Hired a custodial service to help maintain the cleanliness of our facility

**Goal # 7 Annually evaluate circumstances and capabilities and adjust management and operations to assure ability to meet established strategic goals.**

- Board Retreat in November to evaluate and adjust long-range goals



## NEW HOME FOR JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY?



After an extensive building search for the past 3 years, negotiations have been successful for RVGS to purchase this building for the Jackson County Genealogy Library at 3405 S. Pacific Hwy., Medford, OR. An Inspection Team consisting of Co-chairs, Al Beron and Chuck Eccleston, board members; Bob Siebert, architect and member; Otis Blankenship and Jack Patterson, members; have been making the “due diligence” inspections to finalize the purchase.

The building is approximately 5500 sq.ft. and has 60 parking spaces. We have member investors willing to provide a private loan with reasonable terms. We also have a potential buyer for our building, which will pay down the loan. Watch for the final decision and details in the next eNews. **YOUR DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND MAKE THIS POSSIBLE!!**

## PATRON COMPUTER UPDATES

The patron computers at the Jackson County Genealogy Library have been updated to include features that we hope will make them more useful to our members. First, we have changed our browser to Firefox in place of Internet Explorer. Firefox is faster and more trouble-free. Second, we have added additional links on the Bookmarks toolbar. Previously we had the Family History Library Favorites that provide links to literally thousands of websites for specific geographic areas. To them we have added a link to the Google Home Page so that you can readily access the Google Toolbar. We also added a link to Mocavo, a search engine designed for genealogists to help you find surnames and geographical areas. Third, you now have access to several genealogy programs on the desktop to help you build your family tree. Look for links to Legacy, RootsMagic, Paf 5.2, and MyHeritage. Let us know if you would like more features added in the future.



# Society Member Outreach

## 1940 Society Newsletter Article

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### Rogue Valley Genealogy Society Joins the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project

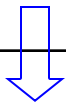
**Rogue Valley Genealogy Society** has joined forces with genealogy societies and organizations around the country as part of the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project. The initiative aims to publish a free, online searchable name index of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census after images of the census are released to the public in April 2012. This online index will be free forever, offering family history researchers a rich genealogical data set for their ongoing use. Three leading genealogy organizations, Archives.com, FamilySearch International, and findmypast.com, launched the initiative at the end of last year, and the project is already engaging volunteers to help provide this invaluable resource to family historians around the world as soon as possible.

The index created by the project will allow the public to easily search every person found in the census and view digital images of the original census pages where he or she is listed. The highly anticipated 1940 U.S. Census is expected to be the most popular U.S. record collection released to date.

"The 1940 Census is attractive to both new and experienced researchers because most people in the United States can remember a relative that was living in 1940. It will do more to connect living memory with historical records and families than any other collection previously made available," said David Rencher, Chief Genealogical Officer for FamilySearch.

The 1940 U.S. Census Community Project is also receiving support from leading societal organizations like the Federation of Genealogical Societies, National Genealogical Society, and Ohio Genealogical Society, as well as other societies around the United States.

Go to [www.the1940census.com/society](http://www.the1940census.com/society) and register to participate with our society. Simply select **Rogue Valley Genealogy Society** on the profile screen when creating your account. Every new person indexing with our society gets us closer to milestones that qualify us for incentives provided by the sponsors of the project, so sign up today!



**Susan LeBlanc Biographical Information:** Susan LeBlanc is an Accredited Genealogist. She is a 2005 graduate of BYU- BGS/BA; focus in family history. 1985 BYU - AA in Spanish; research and translation skills. Susan began researching her family history over thirty-five years ago. She is a native of Portland, Oregon. For the past 13 years she has volunteered in the LDS Family History Center in Milwaukie, Oregon. She graduated from Brigham Young University in 2005 with a Bachelor of General Studies degree with a focus in Family History and in 1985 with an Associates of Arts degree in Spanish. She also received the BYU certificate for research in North America. In her work, she has gained extensive experience in using the LDS Family History Library and working in online databases. Working to create accurate and complete family histories is one of her specialties. She enjoys helping others research, lecturing, teaching classes and translation work in Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish. In 2010 she became an Accredited Genealogist through ICAPGen.



## RENTING MICROFORMS FROM THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

JCGL is an Affiliate Library with the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, the largest genealogy library in the world.

RVGS members may rent microfilm and microfiche from the Family History Library. Here's how:

- ⇒ Go to <http://www.familysearch.org>
- ⇒ Create an account if you haven't created one previously.
- ⇒ Search the Family History Catalog for item numbers of microforms that you want to order.
- ⇒ Go to <http://www.familysearch.org/films>
- ⇒ Indicate the type of rental you prefer—e.g., short-term microfilm rental—by selecting your choice from the drop-down list.
- ⇒ Indicate the film or fiche number that you want to order.
- ⇒ You must pay the rental fee online, by credit card or Paypal.
- ⇒ Designate Jackson County Genealogy Library as your Family History Center if it isn't already chosen for you.
- ⇒ You will receive emails notifying you that the order has been shipped, has been received, and 7 days before it is due back.
- ⇒ The microform will be sent to JCGL, where you may view it on our microfilm/fiche reader/printer and make prints for \$.25 per page.

Rental prices increased, effective 15 February 2012, and are as follows:

Short-term Film Loan	\$7.50 (for a 90 day loan, which includes shipping time)
Short-term Film Loan Extension	\$7.50 (for a 60 day extension)
Extended Film Loan	\$18.75 (for an indefinite long-term period, i.e., semi-permanent)
Microfiche Loan	\$4.75 (for an indefinite long-term period, i.e., semi-permanent)



## THE BGS SPRING SEMINAR IS COMING UP!

The Bend Genealogical Society is excited to announce our 2012 Spring Seminar, featuring Dick Eastman, founder and editor of "Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter." This nationally acclaimed genealogy resource has been on the web since 1996 at: [blog.eogn.com](http://blog.eogn.com).

The Spring Seminar events will include a social evening with Dick on Friday, April 20th, and an all-day seminar on Saturday, April 21st. The attached information sheet gives the full details, including the seminar topics. Registration is required, and the fee includes all events, meals and materials.

NOTE: Early registration ends April 13th. Registration fees increase after that date (see attached registration form).

We hope you can join us for this exciting and informative event! All questions about the Seminar should be sent via e-mail to: [bgs@bendbroadband.com](mailto:bgs@bendbroadband.com); or call BGS at (541) 317-9553.



### Bend Genealogical Society

#### 2012 Spring Seminar

Featuring  
**Dick Eastman**  
Founder and Editor



#### Dick is coming to Bend for an exciting genealogy seminar!

Dick has worked in the computer industry for more than 40 years in hardware, software and managerial positions. He combined his computer expertise with his love of genealogy and by the early 1970s, Dick kept his first genealogy database on 80-column punch cards. He built his first home computer in 1980.

Dick will be presenting on four topics at the 2012 Spring Seminar:

- The ORGANIZED Genealogist – Learn how to hone your organization skills
- CLOUDY with a chance of Genealogy – Learn about Cloud computing
- MOCAVO – Internet search engine comparison: Moccavo vs. Google
- CONSERVATION – Keeping up with technology

**SATURDAY – April 21, 2012 <> 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**  
At the Bend Golf & Country Club

See costs on the Registration Form – Seating is limited – Register Today!

Call BGS at (541) 317-9553 to request a Registration Form

Or find it at the BGS web site: [www.orgenweb.org/describes/bend-gs](http://www.orgenweb.org/describes/bend-gs)

### Friday Evening Social!

### Bend Genealogical Society

#### 2012 Spring Seminar

Featuring Dick Eastman

April 20-21, Bend

#### REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ BGS Member ☐ Non-member

#### Lunch Choices (select one per person):

- ☐ COBB SALAD – Herbed breast of chicken, blue cheese, tomato, bacon, chopped egg and avocado.
- ☐ ORIENTAL CHICKEN SALAD – Soba noodles, scallops, mandarin oranges, Napa cabbage seasonal blend with sesame dressing.
- ☐ TUSCAN TUNA SALAD – Lemon-tuna salad on organic greens with olives, pepperoncini, tomatoes and balsamic vinaigrette.

Send payment and completed form to:  
Bend Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 8254  
Bend, OR 97708-8254

#### QUESTIONS?

- E-mail: [bgs@bendbroadband.com](mailto:bgs@bendbroadband.com) OR Phone: (541) 317-9553

Early Registration by April 13!



### Bend Genealogical Society

#### 2012 Spring Seminar

Featuring Dick Eastman  
Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

Friday and Saturday – April 20-21, 2012

Williamson Hall, Fri. Evening, April 20

2200 NE Highway 20, Bend, OR 97701

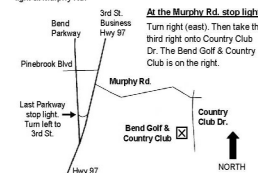
Williamson Hall is the recreation building for Rock Arbor Villa Mobile Home Park. It is behind the Chevron Station & Jake's Diner on the north side of Hwy 20. Seminar registrants only.

#### Seminar Location on April 21



Bend Golf & Country Club  
61045 Country Club Dr.  
Bend, OR 97702

**From the North:** Proceed south on the Parkway to the Hwy 97 Business/3rd St. Exit (the last stop light before the Parkway rejoins Hwy 97). Turn left. Proceed north on 3rd St. to the stop light at Murphy Rd.



**From the South:** When traveling north on Hwy 97, do NOT get on the Parkway. Take the Business 97 exit onto 3rd St. Proceed north to the stop light at Murphy Rd.

#### SEMINAR EVENTS

"Meet Dick" on  
FRIDAY EVENING  
April 20  
At Williamson Hall

5:00 – 7:00 PM

- Meet Dick, enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and stimulating genealogy conversations.

Spring Seminar  
SATURDAY, April 21  
At Bend Golf & Country Club

8:30 AM

- Check in and enjoy a continental breakfast.

9:00 AM – Seminar Begins

- Morning sessions

LUNCH

- Afternoon sessions

4:00 PM – Seminar Ends

The cost of registration includes all events, meals & Seminar materials.

All events for registrants only.

#### QUESTIONS?

Call or e-mail BGS

(541) 317-9553

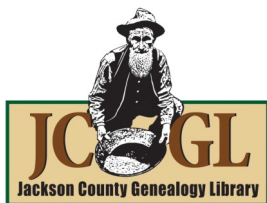
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Open to all!

## ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

BENEFITTING JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY

# License Plate Frames



Purchase a License Plate Frame and help support the  
Jackson County Genealogy New Building Fund

\$15.00 each or 2 for \$25.00

### HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ Fits most standard license plates
- ♦ Easy to install
- ♦ Great advertising for the library
- ♦ Let people know you are a supporter



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**GENERAL MEETING**

The third Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.  
(Except July, Aug., and Dec.)

Usual location:

OEA Uniserv Building  
2495 S. Pacific Highway  
Medford

**MEMBERSHIP**

**Annual dues are \$30 for an individual and \$15 for each additional member of the same household. This includes library checkout privileges.**

**LIBRARY HOURS**

**Monday - Saturday  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

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**Directions to the Library**

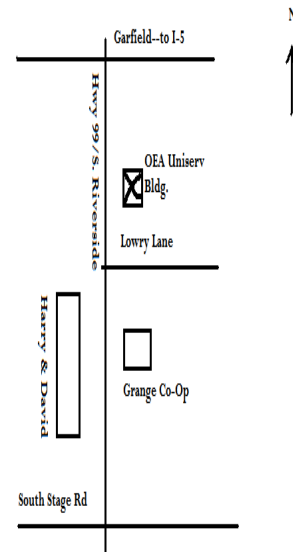
Enter Phoenix from I-5 or Hwy 99 and drive South on Hwy 99; Turn right on 4th, and continue until crossing the railroad tracks. Jackson County Genealogy Library is on the left.



**Directions to the  
OEA Uniserv Building  
2495 South Pacific Hwy**

**From Medford (north):** drive south on Hwy 99. Turn left at the light on Lowry Lane. The building is on your left.

**From Ashland (south):** drive north on Hwy 99. Turn right at the light on Lowry Lane. The building is on your left.

**ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**Annual Membership:** \$30 for an individual and \$15 for each additional household member

**Life Membership:** \$500 for an individual (\$200 is tax deductible)

**Life Benefactor Membership:** \$5,000 for an individual (\$4,700 is tax deductible)

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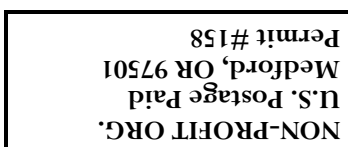
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### March

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| 12 | Monday  | Regular Board of Directors Meeting, 9:30 a.m., RVGS Library                                                                                   |
| 20 | Tuesday | General Membership Meeting, 1:30 p.m. OEA Uniserv Bldg. , <i>Daniel Owens, Forget Me Not Productions, on Preparing and Saving Old Photos.</i> |

### April

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| 9  | Monday  | Regular Board of Directors Meeting, 9:30 a.m., RVGS Library                                                                                                                                                              |
| 17 | Tuesday | General Membership Meeting, 1:30 p.m. OEA Uniserv Bldg. , <i>Barbara Basden, Andrea Patterson, Melinda Henningfield and Connie Miller will talk about their trip to the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy in January.</i> |

### May

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| 14 | Monday  | Regular Board of Directors Meeting, 9:30 a.m., RVGS Library                                                                                               |
| 15 | Tuesday | General Membership Meeting, 1:30 p.m. OEA Uniserv Bldg. , <i>Guest speaker Susan LeBlanc on The Best Kept Secret: World Vital Records on the Internet</i> |

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