

eNEWS NOVEMBER 2016

The monthly eNewsletter (eNews) for the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society (RVGS) and Jackson County Genealogy Library (JCGL) has three sections:

- (1) Classes and Events both at the library and elsewhere
- (2) RVGS News of member and society activities, and
- (3) JCGL News about our book collection and internet resources.

CLASSES AND EVENTS, NOVEMBER 2016

Jackson County Genealogy Library

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1:30-3 p.m. Family Tree Maker Group for PC Users. This group meets to discuss current topics and share research when using the Family Tree Maker software. Open to all. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

No November meeting. Irish Interest Group.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 3:30 - 5 p.m. German Interest Group. Mary Robsman facilitates this group. Join us to discuss German research, travel and history. Open to all. Free for members, \$5.00 for non-members. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library: reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 10-11:30 a.m. Family Tree Maker for MAC Users. Barbara MacMillen facilitates this group. Meet and discuss current topics and share research when using the FTM software. Open to all. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

Monday, November 14, 9:30-noon. Board Meeting.

Monday, November 14, 1-3 p.m. DNA Interest Group, Advanced. Lorita Cushman facilitates this interest group for people who had their DNA tested or who are somewhat knowledgeable about DNA and using the results of test. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

Tuesday, November 15, 1:30. General Membership Meeting and Program for the Public. Election of RVGS officers for next year. This month's program *Disaster Preparedness* will be presented by Paul Robinson. He will discuss Disaster Preparedness for yourself and ideas for safeguarding your genealogical materials. Free.





Tuesday, November 22, 1:30. Quilts and Genealogy Program. Pat Harper presents *Historic Jacksonville*. What quirk of history preserved Jacksonville's historic character? What tales are told in the 20 scenes depicted on this bicentennial quilt? Please join us and learn how these quilts are connected to genealogy. Free.

November 24, 25, 26 and 27. RVGS Library is closed.

Monday, Nov. 28. 1-3 p.m. DNA Interest Group, Beginner. Lorita Cushman facilitates this interest group for those who have not yet had their DNA tested or who are awaiting results and are interested in learning more about this fascinating subject. Free for members, \$5 for non-members. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

A Peek into December:

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10:30-12. Family Tree Maker Software, Introduction.Charleen Brown will present information on the Family Tree Maker software program. This class is free for everyone. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

Monday, December 5, 9:30 a.m. Board Meeting. Tuesday, December 6, 1:30-3 p.m. FTM Group for PC Users. Thursday, December 8, 1:30-3 p.m. Irish Interest Group.

Saturday, December 10, RVGS Library is closed.

Our VOLUNTEER HOLIDAY LUNCHEON is coming soon on Saturday, December 10th when RVGS honors all those who volunteer their valuable time for Rogue Valley Genealogical Society and Jackson County Genealogy Library as librarians, project workers, officers, directors and many other volunteer positions. The Luncheon is also the December membership meeting. The 2017 officers will be inducted. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. Volunteer Holiday Party, noon-3 pm. To register, call the library at 541-512-2340, stop by, or email the library at reception.JCGL@gmail.com.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON RAFFLE

Volunteer Luncheon, Saturday, Dec. 10^{th,} 12:00
Raffle \$\$\$ supports part of the Holiday Luncheon expenses.
Bring your dollars: \$1.00 each ticket/ \$5.00 for 6 tickets.
YOU COULD WIN

(1) ANCESTRY DNA KIT.....VALUE \$80
(2) FLIP PAL PORTABLE SCANNER.....VALUE \$140.
Raffle dates are November 23 to December 10 at noon.
Write name and phone # on ticket.
You need not be present to win.

DO YOU HAVE A QUILT AND STORY TO SHARE?

In February 2016 we held the first ever JCGL Quilt Sharing program. Six members shared the story of a quilt each had inherited or made, telling briefly of their research into the quiltmaker or into the design. The quilts, quiltmakers, and stories were amazing, varied, and beautiful. We would like to invite members to share a quilt and story again this year. Each presentation is a maximum of 10 minutes and all 6 quilts will be displayed. Deadline to propose your quilt and story is January 7, 2017. The selected presenters will be notified by January 14. The Quilt Sharing program will be held on Tuesday, February 28, at 1:30 p.m.

SILENT AUCTION: HEIRLOOM QUILT TOPS AND BLOCKS Now to November 22, 1:25 pm. Jackson County Genealogy Library



Items from the 1930s or earlier, hand-made and machine-pieced, and some 1890s fabrics are up for bids. All 21 quilt tops and blocks are on display. Come take a look. Each item has a clipboard for bids on the long tables.

Thanks to Barbara MacMillen for climbing the ladder to display the items.

A GENEALOGY GIFT

Lorita Cushman during her class at JCGL gave us this idea:

At the local Medford Family History Center located at 2900 Juanipero Way, Medford, Oregon, you can print for FREE a 7-generation colored 11 x 17 fan chart. Great for framing and giving as Christmas gifts. You can print from Family Search or even from your own software which allows you to print a fan chart.

The Center's hours are:

Sunday: 3pm - 8pmMonday: 10am - 1pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10am - 9pm

Friday: 10am - 1pmSaturday: 10am - 12pm

It will be closed November 20-27 and again December 17 for two weeks.

Go east on Barnett, turn right on Murphy Rd., go straight until the road tees into Juanipero Way. You will be looking at the church. Take a left, then quick right into the parking lot. Toward the end you will see a door. Just walk in, sign in and ask for help printing your fan chart.

Local Events

Windows in Time: "Earthquakes in the Valley," Speaker: Eric Dittmer.

Wednesday, November 2, 12 noon. Medford Public Library. Wednesday, November 9, 12 noon. Ashland Public Library.

Oregon Classes and Events

Grants Pass Genealogy Society

Tuesday, November 8, !:30 pm. The November Grants Pass Genealogical Society Meeting will be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,1696 Williams Hwy in Grants Pass. Nominations to elect 2017 officers will be accepted at this meeting. All members wishing to run for an office are encouraged to submit their names for the ballot. Only members can vote. The election takes place before the scheduled program.

The November program on *Fold 3*, a useful "fee-based" computer program, will be presented by Celeste Guillory. *Fold3* provides convenient access to US military records, including the stories, photos, and personal documents of the men and women who served in the US military. Learn how using this program will enhance your family history



research and help you to find military records at NARA (National Archives and Records Administration.) *Fold3* is a "feebased" program available for free at the Family History Center and the Jackson County Genealogy Library in Medford.

RVGS NEWS

NEW MEMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Ned Wilson Betty E. Dean

Diana K. Wadley & Mica Conaway Stephanie Dellabone Susan Riehlman Adele Woodward

Melinda Fuhrer Sharon Coffman & Scott Hess Breann Boerner Dorothy "Jeanie" Saint Germain

Lisa Gragg Scott Traina
Michael P. Allen Betty A. Hewitt

Kelly Frakes & Bob Fraser Rea L. & Joseph Snyder

NEW MEMBERS FOR OCTOBER

Richard Goff
Ervin & Jan Darling
Sharron L. Morgan
Sharon Smith
Marie Starling
Shirley Stuelpnagel
Karen Horn

Margaret Clark-Mayfield
Cheryl Henderson
Kathleen Apple
Chris Flores
Jill D. Miller
Merry Haydon
Christine Pearson

Kent & Colleen Patrick-Riley David Paul Widuo

Leslie Devlin

RETURNING MEMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Kathleen L. Simonsen P. J. Monroe Susan O'Connell Kathie Ordal Marsha Markham Sue Acuff

RETURNING MEMBERS FOR OCTOBER

Judith Kurinsky Joan Long

Barbara Davidson

RVGS FINANCIAL NEWS

2017 Budget

The 2017 budget has been approved by the Board of Directors and general membership at their respective meetings in October. The budget for next year shows an increase in expenses as we have budgeted for the development of a new website. The board has contracted with Project A in Ashland for the design of a website that can be easily maintained by volunteers. Once the site is designed, volunteers will move existing content to the new site before it is launched. The new website will be a responsive, dynamic website that will greatly increase and improve both design and functionality for RVGS patrons. The new website will reconfigure existing indexes into robust searchable, sortable databases that can be filtered for greater accessibility and research. A Google search engine will be integrated into the site as well as PayPal cart functionality. The site will be responsive to the many platforms that users access to-

day including smart phones, pads, laptops, and desktops, making research on our site available to people on the go and in the field. The new site will be integrated with Project A's content management system, Site-in-a-Box, which will allow RVGS to manage the entire site without paying for a webmaster. Web tools such as calendar, news, form builder, page builder, links, staff, etc. will provide greater flexibility in posting content and allow RVGS to consolidate current functions into one program. Stay tuned for more information on this exciting development!

Annual Fund Drive

Now that the mortgage is paid off, we can once again focus on programs, services, and facility improvements. Any and all donations are appreciated to keep our library and programs running smoothly.

Your generous and faithful participation in our Society is vital. Contributions can be made in two ways.

- 1) Go to www.rvgsociety.org/Donate.html to make a donation online or click on the "Donate Now" link on our Facebook page.
- 2) Drop off a donation at the library at 3405 S. Pacific Hwy, Medford.

All donations are tax deductible as RVGS is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, #93-0684590. If you take Required Minimum Distributions, you can donate all or any part of the distribution directly; send your request to the administrator of your fund. In addition, if you donate a matching amount to the Oregon Cultural Trust, you can receive a tax credit for the ENTIRE amount of your donation (maximum \$1,000 for couple; \$500 single). Just go to www.culturaltrust.org/donate for more details.

As an all-volunteer organization, all donations are put into the operation and improvement of the library. No funds are received from any government sources. It is because of YOU that the library has grown to be the largest genealogical library between Portland and Sacramento. I hope you will consider making a generous donation to the RVGS Annual Fund this year.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR 2016 ANNUAL FUND DRIVE DONORS THUS FAR!

Katherine Alsing, Vernon & Marti Arnold, Al and Marilyn Ayres, Colista Bailey, Roberta Becker, Robb Beckett, Arthur Bigelow, Anne Billeter, Stephen Bosbach, RE & Donna Brewer, Patricia Brewer, Glen Briggs, Warren & Charleen Brown, Bill & Marion Collins, Sheila Couey, Carolyn Craig, Julie Drengson, Chuck & Colleen Eccleston, John & Lorraine Ferrell, Sharon Freeburne, Marie Fulbright, Norbert Leiberg, Rich Miles, Ginger Montes, Janet Gleaves, Janet Gregory, Dorothea Hatch, Robert Hawk, Gene & Charlotte Henry, Monty & Carol Holst, Horton Family Foundation, Larry & Ann Horton, Thomas Hunt, Barbara Jarvis, Jackson & Caroline Jones, Florence Kemp, Sheila Kimball, Mary Lynn Lucas, Barbara & Dick MacMillen, James Maize Jr., Judy Mallchok, Barbara Middaugh, Sharan Newman, Dennis Patterson, Jack & Andrea Patterson, Charlotte Redfield, Shirley Rhodes, Richard Ritchie, Roger & Nancy Roberts, David Rodkey, Deanna Russell, Anita Seulean, Shalom Spendthrift Thrust, Barbara Shrewsberry, Vanya Sloan, J. Stevens, John & Janie Stewart, Dorothy Throne, Kim Thurman, Linda Turner, Ron & Jackie Wagner, William Walker, Muriel Williams

JCGL NEWS

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY VERTICAL FILE COLLECTION

What are the Vertical Files? This is a 40 year collection of family-donated research, pedigree charts, journals, original copies of pension, Bible, land, marriage, birth & death records of individuals. These records are not limited to Oregon, but the majority of files have an ancestor connected to Oregon. County, City and regions of Oregon have files containing brochures, church information, school records & early histories. We have all found valuable "treasures" in miscellaneous files in archives and libraries. At the library search the index for surnames, US counties and local records. HINT! The index is in a notebook on top of the Vertical File Cabinets.



NEW ADDITIONS TO JCGL, OCTOBER 2016

GENEALOGY HOW TO

Circ 929.1 Por

Porter, Pamela Boyer

Online Roots: How to discover Your Family's History and Heritage with the power of the Internet

FAMILY GENEALOGIES

929.2 Clotfelter 929.2 Good

McDonald, Maurean Latsha, Christiana Boyer Scattered Leaves: Clotfelter (Gladfelder) - Adam Good family history

Hope & Allied Lines

929.2 Glattfelder

Record of Casper Glattfelder, of Glattfelden, Canton Zurich, Switzerland, Immigrant 1743 and of his descendants

WALES

942.9 B352 Mau 942.9 H388 Mei Maund, Kari Meisel, Janet

Welsh Kings: Warriors, Warlords and Princes Barons of the Welsh Frontier: the Corbet,

Pantulf, and Fitz Warin families, 1066-1272

942.9 H388 Jon Jones, Morris Charles

Feudal Barons of Powys

INDIANS OF NORTH AMERICA

 970.004 B352 Bon
 970.004 J597 Cat

 Bonfanti, Leo
 Catlin, George

Biographies and Legends of the New England North American Indians

Indians, volumes 1-4

CANADA

Circ 971 H388 III

Illustrated History of Canada

VIRGINIA

975.5275 M177 Got Gott, John K.

Fauquier County, Virginia Marriage Bonds: 1759-1854 and Marriage Returns: 1785-1848

975.5295 H388 Dod Dodge, George W.

Images of America: Arlington National

Cemetery

ARKANSAS

976.713 H388 His History of Benton County, Arkansas

OHIO

977.169 C242 Pow Powell, Esther Weygandt Tombstone Inscriptions & Family Records of Jefferson County, Ohio

ILLINOIS

977.382 C242 Mon
Montgomery County Illinois, Cemetery
Location Maps

977.387 H388 Kae Kaegy, Kevin John Images of America: Greenville and Bond County [Illinois]

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Prairie Farmer's Reliable Directory of Farmers and Breeders, Montgomery County, Illinois

MAGAZINES RECENTLY RECEIVED

The most recent issue is shelved in the wire rack at the end of the 929.2 book stack

Distant Trails, Sweet Home Genealogical Society, October 2016. (Newsletter Rack)

The Genealogist, American Society of Genealogists, v30, #2, Fall 2016. (929.05 Gen)

- * "Quaker John^A Starr of Atrium and Cavan, Ireland, and His Five Sons Who Sailed to Pennsylvania." Eminent Quaker genealogist Gilbert Cope is cited.
- * "Iberian Royal Lines." Documentation established connections from Peru to Spain.

The Heritage Newsletter. Linn Genealogical Society, v30, #08, October 2016. (Circ 979.535 P273 Her)

National Genealogical Society Quarterly, NGS, v104, #3, September 2016. (Circ 929.05 NGSQ) Why we document the way we do is the focus of this issue.

- * "Frontier Research Strategies— Weaving a Web to Snare a Birth Family: John Watts (ca. 1749-ca 1822)."
- * "The Dubious Identity of Mary 'Dubois': The Danger of Relying on Derivative Records."

The NEHG Register, New England Historic Genealogical Society, v170, #679, Summer 2016.

(974 G242 NEHGS)

Although your family names are not named directly in these articles, your brick wall problems for New England might be found. This issue includes Irish, English and Jewish origins.

Oregon Historical Quarterly, OHS, v117, #3, Fall 2016. (Circ 979.5 P273 OHQ)

* "The National Historical Preservation Act at Fifty." How a wide-ranging federalstate partnership made its mark on Oregon.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Found recently serendipitously by RVGS member and librarian Maggi Rackley at <u>Historic Oregon Newspapers</u>:

Leonid Finkelstein changed his name to Fink. He is proprietor of the Fink photographic studio in Portland. When he became naturalized yesterday he said: "Citizenship to you Americans seems very natural, but such a privilege fills the hearts of us foreigners with joy and appreciation. I personally feel like a little child, weary and abused by cruel parents, who has suddenly been adopted by a kind and rich uncle. I feel as though, at last, I have found a home, where the strong walls of peace and happiness are joined together around me and the strong

arm of the most just and the best government of the world is around me. Mere words of gratitude cannot express the honor I feel and my thanks for the privilege given me to become a citizen of the United States."

--Morning Oregonian. (Portland, Or.) December 16, 1921, p. 9

GENERAL ELECTION DAY November 8, Tuesday,

By 8 pm exercise your right to vote. Support local history. Mark YES on 15-164.

OTHER REMINDERS

The deadline for submitting items for the eNews is the 20th of each month. Send items to: eNews@rvgslibrary.org. Longer articles of genealogical interest, such as "how-to" and successful (or unsuccessful) genealogical research stories are welcome for the quarterly "Rogue Digger" and should be submitted by January 15, Apr 15, July 15 or October 15 to: caradavisjacobson@gmail.com.

PLEASE GIVE US FEEDBACK

If you have comments or suggestions about the revised eNews (beginning with the October 2016 issue), please email the eNews editor at: enews@rvgslibrary.org Do you like the shorter length? Miss a feature? Wish we would include something not in the newsletter? Let us know!