

RVGS-JCGL eNews March 2019



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CLASSES & EVENTS

JCGL Classes & Events

Registering in advance is requested for all events except public programs and Board meetings. To register in advance for classes and events:

- email: reception.JCGL@gmail.com
- telephone: 541-512-2340
- or stop by the library Mon-Sat, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., and Tuesdays until 9 p.m.

Event prices:

- Public Programs are FREE to all
- Interest Groups, FREE to members; \$5-day use fee for non-members
- Classes and seminars are priced as listed with the description

Classes and Events

Monday, March 11, 9:30-12 p.m., Board Meeting. Members are welcome. Free to all

Monday, March 11, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Advanced DNA Interest Group

Tuesday, March 12, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Family Tree Maker Interest Group

Wednesday, March 13, 1:30-3:00 p.m., German Interest Group

Thursday, March 14, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Irish Interest Group

Tuesday, March 19, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Public Program and Member Meeting

“Gathering Grandpa’s Family.” Donna Rae Hays will present the story of how she reunited descendants of her grandfather’s brothers and sisters through the use of DNA testing. She will show the joys of discovering and rebuilding family connections. Free to All.

Wednesday, March 20, 10:30-12:30 p.m. Genetic Genealogy Interest Group

Monday, March 25, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Beginning DNA Class Series “Color Clustering Plus” with Lorita Cushman on what color clustering is and how to do it. Plus she will share tools she has developed to enhance color clustering. \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members. Register in advance.

Tuesday, March 26, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Quilt and Genealogy Talk, “Dora Scheidecker, Master Quilter,” presented by Sue Waldron. Organizer of Jacksonville Museum Quilters and founder of the Mountain Stars Quilters’ Guild, Dora created unique quilts featuring Jackson County historical events. Free to all.

Thursday, March 28, 10:30-12:30 p.m., “Finding Your New York State Ancestor, pre-1900.”

In this class, Karen Asche and Cara Davis-Jacobson will provide an outline of essential New York State history for researchers, an overview of the types of records that will help you the most in this challenging-to-research state and where to find them, as well as a couple of case studies.

\$10 for members, \$20 for non-members. Register in advance.

Starting in April: Tutorial Tuesdays, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

April 2. “Using maps in your family history research”

April 9. “Newspaper strategies”

April 16. “Genealogical jargon defined”

April 23. “Common mistakes in Genealogy”

April 30. “Finding Probate records”



OPEN REGISTRATION BEGAN Jan. 7, 2019

Don't Miss Out! Spring Workshop & Seminar April 19th & 20th

Blaine Bettinger, PhD., J.D. "The Genetic Genealogist"

Why should you attend this workshop and seminar? DNA is the newest genealogical "tool" to discover family, find your ethnic origins and learn what everyone is talking about! Rogue Valley Genealogical Society continues to offer well known and respected lecture speakers and you can read about DNA's best at our website www.rvgslibrary.org.

Click the link under his picture for his credentials. Then, complete the registration form, and send with your event fee to RVGS at 3405 So. Pacific Hwy., Medford, OR 97501 to ensure your place.

The venue is the Smullin Center at 2825 E. Barnett Rd., Medford, OR. 97501. Jackson County Genealogy Library is open 6 days a week and DNA Interest group times are available on our website calendar www.rvgsociety.org.

Workshop and Seminar location in 2019 is the Smullin Center, 2825 E. Barnett Rd, Medford, Oregon 97501. For more information please contact the library at 541-512-2340 or Seminar Chair, Andrea Patterson 541-779-3759. Hope to see you there.

Local Chambers of Commerce

RVGS is a member of three local Chambers of Commerce: Phoenix, Ashland, and Medford. Each provides us with publicity opportunities, including on their websites. In addition, each has a "Greeters" group which meets monthly (Phoenix) or weekly (Ashland and Medford) in a different member business. We host each group annually, and by happenstance two of them met at the Genealogy Library in February.

While most of the Greeters are full-time (or more) business owners or employees, with busy lives and commitments which don't give them time to pursue genealogy research, they interact with members of the public and their own family members...any one of whom is a potential future member of the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society. Many of the Ashland Greeters were visiting us for the first time, and as is so often the case, had no idea what riches can be found in JCGL, and the many opportunities we provide. Our DNA theme this year and our upcoming DNA Seminar on April 20 by Blaine Bettinger were of special interest. The Phoenix Greeters appreciate our involvement and spread the word about our programs and services as well. We will host the Medford Greeters in August.



LOCAL HISTORY HAPPENINGS

Is something missing from this section? Let Dorothy Cotton know: dorothy@mind.net

March 1st and 2nd. "Secrets and Mysteries of the Beekman Bank," with Ben Truwe.
At 6 p.m, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.; reservations required to 541-245-3650; admission is \$5,

Meet at the Beekman Bank, 110 W. California St. Jacksonville

Wednesday, March 6 at 12 noon Medford Library, Wednesday, March 13, 12 noon at Ashland Library. Windows in Time. "Fire and Flood; Disasters in the Rogue Valley," by Ron Brown. Free to all.

Tuesday, March 12, 7:00 p.m., "Where Past meets Present; The Amazing Stories of Southern Oregon," by Dennis Powers. Phoenix Museum. Free to all.

March 26, 6:30 PM, Tuesday Evening at the Museum
The History of the Hooker Oak by Debra Moon. Talent Historical Society. Free to all.

ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Ester Olsen Smith MacFayden's Eight Point Star Blocks

The 2019 RVGS Raffle Quilt

The 2019 RVGS Raffle Quilt is a gorgeous lavender and cream eight point star quilt started in the 1930s and finished by RVGS Quilt Committee member, Lynn Ransford. Tickets are available at the RVGS front desk, \$1 each, 6 for \$5 and 30 for \$20, with the drawing planned for June 25, 2019.

In January 2016, Ester Olsen Smith MacFayden's great-grandson donated a bin box filled with quilt tops to the Jackson County Genealogy Library. The tops were everyday examples of needlework from the 1930s and 1940s. The library's Quilt Committee members hypothesize that Ester may have ordered the quilt patterns from the newspaper, complete with all the fabric needed! That kind of newspaper offering was widely available in the 1930s.

The Society conducted a silent auction in 2016 and Lynn Ransford, Quilt Committee member, won the lavender and white Eight Point Star blocks and finished the quilt. Lynn donated the completed quilt back to the Society for the 2019 quilt raffle. Thank you, Lynn!



New Members

Thank you to membership coordinator, Terry Fischer and membership director, Marie Fulbright, and welcome to our newest members: Hugh Anderson, Diane Augustine, Lisa Baier, Jim Ballinger,

Suzanne Christensen, Kathy Dunham, Jayne Garland, Gregg Kitik, Cynthia & Karen Kunz, Marilyn Lockhart, Ron & Stella Medinger, Tussein Neilson, Adrienne Pueschel, Ralph Ramey, Betty Schaffer, Diane Schaffer, Jolie Suzanne, Derek Wild, Jeff Wyatt and Courtney Young.

Surplus Books for Sale to Benefit RVGS

The Surplus Book Sale continues as more books are added monthly. Most are donations of books already in the collection. Some are discards. Each book is priced separately at less than the current list price on selected Internet sites. Books priced at \$1.00 are not listed. Check the Book Sale Bookcase for the newest offerings.

- Mayflower and Her Passengers* by Caleb H. Johnson \$24.00
Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, vol. 16, part 2, John Alden \$47.00
Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, vol. 18, part 3, Richard Warren's children Abigail, Nathaniel and Joseph Only \$37.00
Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, vol. 19, Thomas Rogers \$49.00
Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, vol. 20, part 1, Henry Samson \$56.00
Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, vol. 21, John Billington \$75.00
American & British Genealogy & Heraldry, A Selected List of Books by P. William Filby 2nd ed \$3.50
Bibliography of American County Histories by P. William Filby \$6.00
1787 Census of Virginia, Shenandoah County (aka Personal Property Tax Lists for 1787) \$7.00
Locating Your Immigrant Ancestor by James C. and Lilla Lee Neagles \$3.50
Index to Genealogical Periodicals by Donald Lines Jacobus c.1981 \$6.50
Searching for Your Ancestors: The How and Why of Genealogy by G. Doane & J. Bell \$6.00
Genealogical Research, Methods and Sources by The American Society of Genealogists \$6.00
Royal Descents of 500 Immigrants to the American Colonies or the United States by G. Roberts \$30.00
Original Lists of Persons of Quality...1600-1700 by John Camden Hotten \$22.00
American Wills and Administrations in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1610-1857
by Peter Wilson Coldham \$15.00
Book of Names: Especially Relating to the Early Palatines and the First Settlers of the Mohawk Valley by Lou D. MacWethy \$30.00
Vital Statistics from Chittenango, New York Newspapers, 1831-1854 by Clara Metcalf Houck \$15.00
Historical Data Relating to Counties, Cities and Towns I Massachusetts by Kevin White c.1966 \$9.00
A History of Muhlenberg County [Kentucky] by Otto A. Rothert \$9.00
Genealogy in Ontario: Searching the Records 3d ed. by Brenda Dougall Merriman \$11.00
Early Marriages from Newspapers Published in Central New York by William M. Beauchamp \$11.00
Immigrants to the Middle Colonies [Ship Passenger Lists] \$9.00
Pilgrim Migration: Immigrants to Plymouth Colony 1620-1633 by Robert Charles Anderson \$25.00
Before the King's Daughters: The 'Filles a Marier,' 1634-1662 by Peter J. Gagne \$90.00
King's Daughters and Founding Mothers: The Filles du Roi, 1663-1673 vol. 1 by Peter Gagne \$90.00
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A Practical Guide to Dating Systems for Genealogists by Kenneth L. Smith \$7.50
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Ancestry of Emily Jane Angell, 1844-1910 by Dean Crawford Smith \$60.00
Genealogical Research in England and Wales, v. 2 by Smith & Gardner c.1959 \$2.00
Genealogical Research in England and Wales, v. 3 by Smith & Gardner c.1964 \$5.00
Bishops Transcripts and Marriage Licenses Bonds and Allegation by Gibson 2d ed c. 1982 \$11.00
Ecclesiastical Courts, their Officials and their Records by Colin R. Chapman \$8.00
Probate Jurisdictions: Where to Look for Wills by Jeremy Gibson 4th ed [British] \$3.50
Jamestowne Ancestors 1607--1699 by Virginia Lee Hutcheson Davis \$18.00
Directory of Massachusetts Place Names, Current and Obsolete by Charlotte Pease Davis \$12.00
Search for the Passengers of the Mary & John 1630, v. 5, Gallop-Greenway by Burton Spear \$39.00
Compendium of Early Mohawk Valley Families, 2 vols. by Maryly B. Penrose \$100.00
Compendium of Early Mohawk Valley Families, v. 2, by Maryly B. Penrose \$40.00
The Great Migration: Immigrants to New England 1634-1635, v. 7, T-Y by Robert Anderson \$48.00
In Search of Scottish Ancestry by Gerald Hamilton-Edwards \$3.00

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY NEWS

Librarians Needed

JCGL is open 41 hours each week. What does this mean? The Library is used; the hours are convenient and easy to remember: 10 to 4 six days a week, Monday through Saturday, PLUS Tuesday nights until 9 p.m.

How do we do this? Only thanks to the efforts, energy, and willingness of librarian volunteers. Right now we have a shortage of librarians, with some specific shifts in need of a regular commitment. We ask for 2 shifts per month, if at all possible. Responsibilities include the Reception Desk (greeting library users, writing receipts for membership dues, fees, and donations) AND helping people use the library effectively: the library collection and its online catalog, the six subscription websites (American Ancestors, Ancestry, FindMyPast, Fold3, HistoryGeo, and MyHeritage), genealogy websites, how to research their genealogy, etc.

Some of the available shifts are:

Monday afternoons, 1-4

1st Tuesday evenings, 4-9 pm

1st Wednesdays, 10-4

1st Thursdays, 10-4

3rd Saturday, 10-4

4th Saturday, 10-1

full day shifts can be split into 2 shifts: 10-1 and 1-4

Why do this? You learn new genealogy research resources; you meet fun people; you have a regular time when you MIGHT get to work on your own genealogy!

Interested? Contact Library Director Anne Billeter: annebilleteroregon@gmail.com or 541-944-3802

New Photo Scanning Service

Do you have old photographs you would like digitized? Bring them to JCGL and our volunteers will do it for you!

- Cost: \$15/hour;
- All photos must be in a container or envelope;
- Drop your photos off at the library and fill out a Photo Scanning Service Request Form;
- Include a thumb drive for your digitized content, or one may be purchased at the library for \$10;
- You will be contacted when your photos are done and told the amount you owe;
- Payment is due upon picking up your photos at the library.

Magazines Recently Received

The most recent issue is shelved at the end of the 929.2 stacks

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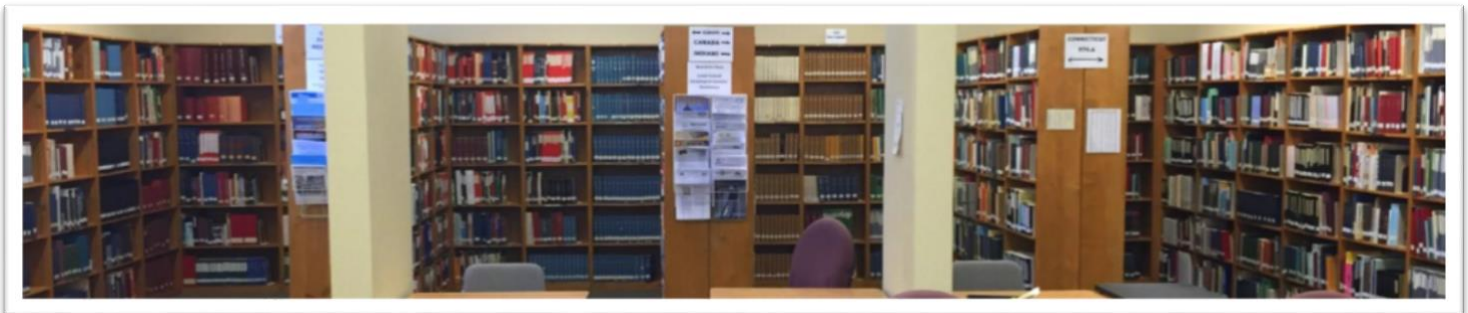
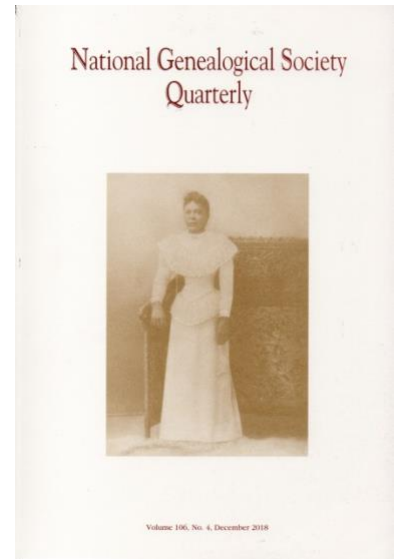
American Spirit, Daughters of the American Revolution, Jan/Feb 2019.

Presidential libraries, Doctor's riot of 1788, Woodberry Forest School, Lockkeepers house (Washington, DC), and Rescuing heirlooms from disaster.

Circ 929.05 NGSQ

National Genealogical Society Quarterly, v.106 (4), December 2018.

Kennedy-Burns family of South Carolina and New York (2017 winner, Family History Writing context); Sanner family; Ralph Cleworth (England); DNA identification; and annual index.



NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR LIBRARY

[Click Here](#) for New Books Added in February 2019

73 books were added to the Genealogy Library in February thanks to the efforts of catalogers Sharon Freeburne and Diane Brenner. Books range from emigration from Ireland (325) to a military bonanza, including the 4 volume Pension Roll of 1835 and books on World War II research (355.125) recommended by Barbara Northrop during her recent class, to a fair number of books about Ireland (Irish Interest Group take note!) to New York (the class is coming March 28!) to a scattering of books about various other states. In other words, something for many researchers!