

RVGS-JCGL eNews – November 2019



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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;
- Stop by the library: Mon-Sat 10am-4pm, and Tuesdays until 9pm.

Event prices:

- Public Programs - **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.



Special Notices

-The Library will be CLOSED Nov. 27TH – 30TH FOR THANKSGIVING.

-German Interest Group: No meeting in November. But we'll see you November 6th at the Researching German Immigration class!

please note

-JCGL will be EXTRA BUSY Friday Nov 8th & 15th, from 11:00 AM to Noon

Heads up members! Each year in the Fall term, RVGS offers a course through OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) at JCGL. This year the “Introduction to Genealogy” course meets Friday mornings at JCGL for six weeks, *and* during the last two classes on November 8 and 15, the students will be using the JCGL computers for hands-on learning from 11 a.m. to noon. Several computers will be reserved for RVGS members who happen to come in to research during that time period, but the library will NOT be its usual semi-quiet self during that hour.

-Tutorial Tuesdays

Tutorial Tuesdays will pause for the dark winter months. Look for them to resume in the spring.



Classes, Interest Groups, & Programs

[Please register in advance.](#)

Monday, November 4th, 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Board Retreat

Wednesday, Nov 6th, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, CLASS: “Researching German Immigration: Why, How, and Where are the Records?” by Mary Robsman

What were the reasons people from the Germanic countries decided to emigrate? How and where did they travel? What records, from the 1600's on, can be found today---and where? Members \$10, Non-members \$20.

Monday, Nov 11th, 9:30 – Noon, Board Meeting, - Members welcome!

Monday, Nov 11th, 1:00 – 3:00 PM, Advanced DNA Interest Group. Facilitator: Lorita Cushman

Tuesday, Nov 12th, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Family Tree Maker Interest Group. Facilitator: Dave Hodson

Wednesday, Nov 13th, 10:30 – 12:30 PM, CLASS: “BLM Website for Genealogy”

Lisa Rice is an archaeologist from BLM and in this class she will discuss how to use this website and how it can help genealogists find land that belonged to their ancestors. Members \$10, Non-members \$20.

Thursday, Nov 14th, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Irish Interest Group. Facilitator: Bruce McGarvey

Tuesday, Nov 19th, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Program and General Membership Meeting

“Member Fair Affair: Out of the Box; Finding Success Through Uncommon Research Approaches.” Several RVGS members will share their research stories with us: a searching break-through, a new family discovered, etc. **Free to all.**

Wednesday, Nov 20th, 10:30 - 12:00 PM, Genetic Genealogy Interest Group. Facilitators: Donna Rae Hays, Sherri Zucker, and Wendy Purslow.

Monday, Nov 25th, 1:00 – 3:00 PM, Beginning DNA CLASS Series “X-DNA Inheritance Chart” by Lorita Cushman. Learn the importance of matching someone on the X-chromosome and how to make an X-DNA inheritance chart. \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members.

Tuesday, Nov 26th, 1:30 - 2:30 PM, Quilt and Genealogy Talk “Creating Medford” by Pat Harper. Phipps, Broback, Mingus and Beekman donated the land that became Medford. Pat Harper will explain the role of the railroad, the motivation of the founders, and the early growth of the city. **Free to all.**

Events

Now till Dec 6th: Toys for Tots

A Toys for Tots donation box is now available at JCGL. RVGS has participated for a number of years in this Marine Corps Reserve annual project to collect NEW UNWRAPPED toys to donate to local children. The box will be at JCGL until Friday, Dec. 6.

LOCAL HISTORY HAPPENINGS

by Dorothy Cotton

Is something missing from this section? If so, please let Dorothy Cotton know! You can email her directly at dorothy@mind.net

Tuesday, Nov 5th: 7pm – First Tuesdays Pub Talk, “The 60’s Come to Southern Oregon”

Ben Truwe, Local Historian, Southern Oregon Historical Society volunteer, takes you on a journey back in time to 1960s Southern Oregon. Ben will share film footage taken in the late 1960s in Jackson County, capturing the arrival of the counterculture, students protesting the Vietnam War, and Rogue Valley police and National Guard preparation for rioting that, thankfully, never came. Also shown will be some of the last footage ever taken of Bobby Kennedy, taken during his 1968 visit to Medford.

Wednesday, Nov 6th: 12PM - 1PM in Medford Library, and on Nov 13th in Ashland Library, Windows in Time - The Bounty of the Land: Southern Oregon Agriculture, 1850-1920

Larry Mullaly will present “The Bounty of The Land: Southern Oregon Agriculture, 1850-1920.” The illustrated talk explores the geographic and economic conditions that enabled Southern Oregon farming to thrive as early as the 1850s and eventually enter the international market. It contrasts the culture of the Valley’s older ranching and mixed-use farms with the orchard industry.

Tuesday, Nov 26th: 6:30PM: Talent Historical Society/Museum,” Short Stories of the Holidays and a Short History of Thanksgiving.” Jan Wright and others will relate stories of the Holidays and Thanksgiving. **Free for all.**

**GOTTA RUN!
GOTTA HIDE!**



**It's
turkey
Time**

see Ya!

Thursday, Nov 28th – HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Thanksgiving has been celebrated on the last Thursday of the month since the time of Abraham Lincoln. As 1941 ended, Roosevelt made the final permanent change, as he signed a bill making Thanksgiving Day fall on the fourth Thursday of November, regardless of whether it is the last Thursday of the month or not.

Saturday, Nov 30th: 11AM to 3PM: Wreath Making at Hanley Farm

Make your wreath using all-natural materials clipped from the trees and bushes that grace the farm. Wreath making kits that include all you need to make your wreath will be available for only \$15 for non-SOHS Members, and \$10 for SOHS Members. The kits include grapevine base, choice of greens and berries, and wire and clippers, and there will be some ribbon available. If you haven't made a wreath before, there will be volunteers to help you and give wreath-making advice. There will be children's activities, and Santa accepted our invitation to visit Hanley Farm again this year. Children will definitely want to spend some time with Santa, whispering their holiday secrets in his ear. *Great photo opportunity, yes?*



ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS

New Members

Welcome to our newest members: Cheryl Antony, Gwen Davies, Tom & Susan Moulder, Elizabeth Powers, Julie Freeman, Susan Carothers, Anne Zauner, Ivan Baker, Diane Bruno, Linda Harris, Marlyn Barrick and Ruth J. Devore!



Volunteers Needed

Saturday, Nov 30th: 10AM – 5PM. & Sunday Dec. 1st, 10AM – 4PM. Railroad Show
RVGS will have a booth displaying a couple of our quilts plus handing out brochures and family group sheets. Volunteers are needed to assist in the booth on Sunday Dec. 1; two shifts are available 9:45AM – 12:30PM and 12noon – 2:30PM. If interested, please contact Ruth Wade at 541-535-4279 or RVGS at 541-512-2340. Come have fun at the Railroad Show!



Spring Seminar on Immigration

Are You Ready?!! Member registration begins this month for our Spring Seminar on "IMMIGRATION: THEY CAME IN SHIPS." On April 17 & 18, 2020, Dr. John Philip Colletta will help us find the Towns of Origin of our ancestors in the "old country," Discover the REAL Stories of Our Immigrant Ancestors, learn how and where to find the Passenger Lists and Naturalization Records and what we can glean from them. Sign up soon, as seating is limited this year. [Click here for the registration form.](#)

Holiday Gifts that keep on giving - available at JCGL

RVGS MEMBERSHIP

\$30 for one year, \$45 for two in a household for one year

\$500 for Lifetime Membership

\$5000 for Life Benefactor Membership

GUEST PASS PACKET

\$5 for a day pass at JCGL

\$10 for three day passes (a \$15 value.) Bring your family or friends for a Research Day.

GIFT CERTIFICATE

\$15 for one hour of RESEARCH

\$15 for one hour of MENTORING

\$15 for one hour of SCANNING documents or photos.

Our scanner can scan larger-size items!

\$15 for one hour of PHOTO RESTORATION, repair & enhance.

\$10 for a class for members, \$20 for a class for nonmembers.



TICKET TO WORKSHOP:

Immigration to America, Colonial Times to WWII by Dr. John Philip Colletta

April 17, 2020, 1:30-3:30 pm, at JCGL

\$35 for Workshop for RVGS member, \$45 for Workshop for nonmember

TICKET TO ALL-DAY SEMINAR: ***They Came in Ships*** by Dr. John Philip Colletta

April 18, 2020, 9:00 am-4:00 pm, at JCGL

\$50 for Seminar for RVGS member, \$60 for Seminar for nonmember

GENEALOGY BOOKS (on display marked BOOKS FOR SALE)

Prices are individually marked.

FAMILY ANCESTRY CHARTS

\$4 for a 15-generation chart

\$4 for a 12-generation chart

\$2 for a decorative *Our Family Tree*

PIONEER AND EARLY SETTLER CERTIFICATES if descended from a Jackson County pioneer or early settler

\$10 for each certificate

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE "GIANT DAHLIA" QUILT

\$1 EACH; 6 FOR \$5; 30 FOR \$20. Winner will be drawn June 23, 2020.

SILENT AUCTION (on display at JCGL)

Collectibles: Department 56 *Snow Village* houses. Bids close December 14, 2019.

FAMILY NAMES COLLAGE (suitable for framing)

Black-and-white or color. Styles vary. Prices begin at \$15.

Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Presents Our 6th Annual Member Fair Affair



PROGRAM: Out of the Box! Finding Success Through Uncommon Research Approaches on Tuesday November 19, 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

Take the fall chill off with a FAIR! Our Public Program and General Membership Meeting will feature our annual **Member Fair Affair**. Six of our members will share their heartwarming harvests of Genealogy adventures and discoveries to surprise and encourage us. Come join the fun and have some cake. **Free to everyone.**



RVGS Family History Library Research Trip Update - March 22 to March 29, 2020

Join your friends and fellow genealogists for our annual trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Research your family on the Five Floors of Treasures at the library with the help of the well-informed staff. Spend the day and evening researching, if you can bear to skip the city sights. The library is open for a total of 69 hours while we are there. We will be staying at the Plaza Hotel, within easy walking distance to the library. Plan to join us for our no host dinner at one of SLC's wonderful restaurants. Enjoy great food and fine friends. We have several new researchers going and old hands ready to make the trip fun and productive.

Members who went on previous RVGS research trips had this to say:

"My trip to the LDS genealogy library in Salt Lake was one of the best experiences I have had. The amount of research material available, the classes, and the helpful people at the library made it a fantastic trip. I found my great-great grandmother's family in a book detailing the farms of the Norwegian village she was born in. This was possible only because of the knowledgeable staff on hand who knew the farm book was on the library shelf. The library has people from all over the world who can help with specific nationality or religious researches. They really know their stuff!"

"I was at the library early and stayed late each day...it paid off. I found my 2x-great aunt's 1865 Philadelphia birth record in the undigitized microfilm collection. The city's birth records were not online at that time."

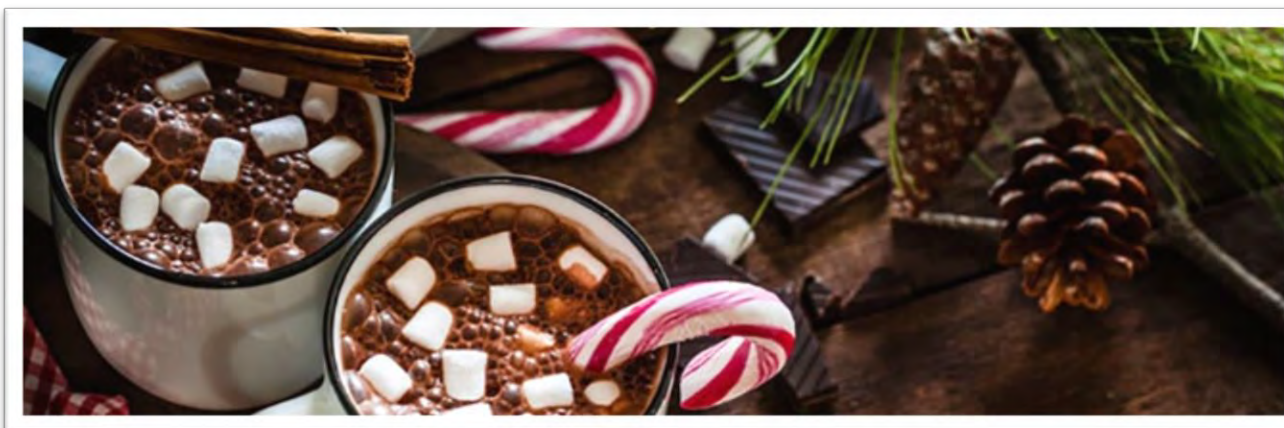
Be sure to ask for your discounted 2020 Rogue Valley Genealogical Society rate when you book your room at the Plaza Hotel. The discount will be honored even if you choose to stay less than the entire week.

Call 541-512-2340 or stop by the library to add your name to our participants' Salt Lake City Trip binder. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Baracker at abaracker@gmail.com.

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY NEWS

Volunteer Librarians Needed

Learn more about the Genealogy Library's hidden treasures by volunteering to be a librarian. No experience necessary. Training will be provided. There are three hour (9:45 AM – 1:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:15 PM) and six hour shifts available (9:45 AM – 4:15 PM), plus five hour Tuesday evening shifts (4:00 PM – 9:00 PM) Contact Library Director Anne Billeter at annebilleteroregon@gmail.com for additional information.



Thank You to all our Volunteers!

The Rogue Valley Genealogical Society would like to say "**Thank You**" to our dedicated volunteers for their many contributions to our Society's ongoing success. Please attend our complimentary **Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon** this coming December 14th, starting at noon.

This year we would like our volunteers to join the fun and share special memories or traditions from their Holidays Past. We are asking that our volunteers drop off a photo or family holiday item to share with fellow society members by our RSVP deadline, December 3. Be sure to mark your name on the back or bottom so we can get it back to you at the end of the luncheon. No memory is insignificant. A photo of you and your siblings with Macy's Santa tells a story. Have you ever spent Christmas in Hawaii or skiing at Lake Tahoe? Break out the surfing Santa. Do you set out a special nutcracker handed down from your grandparents? This annual luncheon is a time to share those fun items and times.

Volunteers – Please **RSVP** whether you will be attending or not by emailing reception.jcgl@gmail.com, calling our library at [541-512-2340](tel:541-512-2340), or signing up on the clipboard at the library front desk no later than December 3rd. We also will need to know if you will be bringing a guest and their name. We have many honored guests and volunteers to celebrate and our space is limited to 85 so all volunteers should contact the library as soon as possible.

We hope to see all our volunteers at the annual luncheon. It has been another terrific year!

Volunteer Profile

by Terrie McCoy, Volunteer Director

This month our featured volunteer is **Marie Fulbright**. She joined RVGS in 2002 when the library was on Houston Street in Phoenix and became a librarian in 2004. Marie is one of the many volunteers recruited by Chuck Eccleston. She remembers that her mom was an early RVGS member when the society and library were in a garage in Medford!

Marie's family has lived in Ashland for generations, going back to early pioneers in the 1850's. There was a family homestead close to where South Stage and Hwy 99 come together. Every year she would come from Southern California where she grew up, to "Grandma's" in Ashland for the whole summer.



After that she went to Texas where she worked as a supervisor in a shop where theme restaurant uniforms were made. She oversaw production, fabric, inventory, and people. She met her husband Bryan and eventually they moved to Ashland to be near her parents.

Even with strong family history here in the Rogue Valley, she really became interested in genealogy in Junior High when they were studying the Civil War and she started wondering why, where and how. Finding her grandparents buried in Jacksonville has led to very successful family research.

Among the many things she has done as a volunteer for RVGS, Marie worked as a librarian for 11 years, Public Relations with no budget and no experience, Project Manager, Board Trustee in 2013, and finally becoming Membership Director in 2014.

When we moved into our current library, Marie painted the walls, did needed touch ups, and painted the trim on the new supply closet. Her favorite activity to volunteer for at the library is INVENTORY, a time when the library is closed, and teams of people work together to verify that each book is on the shelves (and discover new and interesting subjects to look at later).

Marie has decided to retire from the Membership duties she's been doing and hopes to resume her librarian duties later. We will miss her at the board meetings but it is nice to know that she will still be around!



New Records Added to our Subscription Websites

Ancestry

- Illinois, Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield Sacramental Records, 1835-1975
- Denmark, Church Records, 1812-1918 (in Danish), 1,292,617 records
- Oschersleben, Germany, Marriages, 1874-1935; Births, 1874-1905; Deaths, 1874-1985
- Pembrokeshire, Wales, Electoral Registers, 1740-1978
- Wisconsin, Employment Records, 1903-1988



Find My Past

- Pennsylvania Cemetery and Burial Records: 276,000 records from the Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- New Jersey Vital Records: 356,000 records from the Historical Society of Pennsylvania
- Scotland Mental Health Institutions Registers & Admissions 1808-1883 (over 63,000 additional records)
- Scotland Will and Testament Indexes, 1481-1807: 164,000 commissariat court wills.
- Westmorland County, England: 39,000 Baptisms, 22,000 Marriages, and 9,000 Burials
- London, England: Greater London Burial Index: 45,000 new records back to 1399.

The OREGON INDEX is now ONLINE!

After more than a decade of hard work, the Oregon Index is now **online!**

Go to:

https://digital.osl.state.or.us/islandora/object/osl%3Aor_index

The **Oregon Index** was compiled by State Library staff and volunteers starting in the early 20th century and continuing to 1987. The organization of the digitized cards reflects the physical drawers in the State Library building with over 700,000 hand-typed index cards with citations to articles published in Portland and Salem newspapers, magazines, book chapters, and more.

There is also a “guide” for questions such as “What is the Oregon Index? How do I interpret the info on the Cards? How do I search it? I found an article or book citation, now what do I do?”

The actual cards were created between 1913 and 1987.

Newspaper indexing covers from roughly 1900 to 1987 and book indexing covers people and topics from the beginning of Oregon history, such as early travelers on the Oregon Trail. Topics cover events and issues important to Oregon history and state government.



New Additions to JCGL for November 2019

New Books Added in October

65 books were added to JCGL, including 15 family histories (929.2), 16 Pennsylvania (974.8), 6 Kentucky (976.9), 3 Ohio (977.1) and 3 about colonial Ontario, Canada (971.3) Of interest if you have a railroad ancestor: *Directory of the Grand Lodge and subordinate lodges of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, May 1946* (970 D372 Bro). [Click here](#) for the complete list.

Magazines Recently Received

In the Newsletter rack:

Southern Oregon Historical Society Quarterly Summer 2019: Various travel topics [History of I-5, Hanley Road, Oregon's Green Book.]

Fall 2019: Women on the (WWII) home front, POW's in the pear harvest, Alice Applegate Sargent.



New Periodicals

929.05 Genealogist v.33 (1), Spring 2019

The Genealogist, American Society of Genealogists

Agatha, wife of Edward Atheling (Kiev); Sicilian ancestry; Ethnic origin of actor John Malkovich; Godfrey Spruill of VA and NC; Descendants of Sampson Rodda and his wife Ann (Tonkin) Leggo of Cornwall; and James Nute of NH.

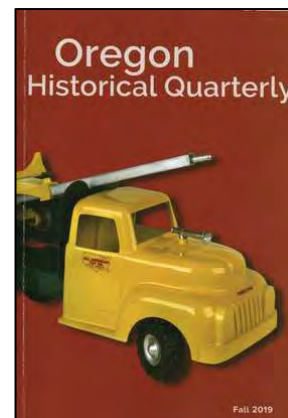
929.05 Genealogist v.33(2), Fall 2019

John and William Baldwin of Bucks county, PA; Resolving a non-paternity event (Pruett/Spalding of Martin county IN); more Siciliana; Lincoln D Chamberlain migrations; Thomas and Mary Tinkham Tripp (MA); Littlefield-Eaton families (NH, ME); more Godfrey Spruill (VA, NC); and index to volume 33.

979.5 P273 OHQ v.120 (3), Fall 2019

Oregon Historical Quarterly

Frontier circuit rider James O Rayner and land laws of early Oregon, History of cricket in Oregon, and Oral history of All American Toy Company (Salem).



979.549 P273 Bul v.69 (1) September 2019

The Bulletin: Quarterly Magazine of the Genealogical Forum of Oregon.

Twin sisters Blanche Estella Fry/Wells Esgate and Bertha Luella Fry/Wells Costello; Minnie Tannler; Joe 'Josie' Birdsong Darden; The unusual middle name 'Gueriot' in a family; Narcisse DeMarais; and profile of author Joseph Lee Boyle. There are always fascinating articles in the *Bulletin*, with great examples of the process of solving family mysteries.

More Surplus Books for Sale

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



Rock Art in Arizona: A Component of the Arizona Historic Preservation Plan by J. Homer Thiel. 1995. **\$60.00**

Kennedy Family History by Linda Holmes. 1986. **\$4.00**

Highlanders: A History of the Scottish Clans. By Fitzroy Maclean. 1995. **\$3.00**

Ireland: An Illustrated History. By John Ranelagh. 1981. **\$3.00**

Mother Cumberland: Tracing Your Ancestors in South-Central Pennsylvania. By Raymond M. Bell. 1989. **\$6.50** (two copies of *Mother Cumberland*)

Boy of Appalachia: 1900-1910. By J. Lewis Schanbacher. 1973. **\$9.00**

Pennsylvania Line: A Research Guide to Pennsylvania Genealogy and Local History. 4th ed. 1990. **\$15.00**

Heartwood by Rick Steber. 1992. **\$3.00**

Julia and Friend's "Golden" Scrapbook. By Mrs. Stan (Thomasine) Smith. 1992. **\$11.00**
[Josephine County]

Scottish Clans and their Tartans. Pocket edition, date unknown. **\$4.00**

Medford City Directory, Fall 1949. **\$25.00**

Early Missourians and Kin, volume 1. By Roy Burgess, 1984. **\$39.00**

Early Missourians and Kin, volume 2. By Roy Burgess, 1987. **\$39.00**

Who's Who in America 2007, 3 volumes. **\$90.00**

Who's Who in America 1998, 2 volumes. **\$3.00**

Free Digitized Newspapers

In addition to the Library of Congress' excellent and extensive collection of digitized newspapers, [Chronicling America](#), there is an online list with hyperlinks, by state and Canadian province, of other FREE digitized newspapers:

https://www.theancestorhunt.com/newspaper-research-links.html#.Xa_ss-hKjmZ

Many thanks to Ben Truwe and Dorothy Cotton for bringing this site to our attention. (Did you know Halfway, Oregon has digitized newspapers!)

New Recycle & Fund-Raising Program Coming Soon!

- by Nancy Roberts, Bottle Drop Give Program Coordinator for RVGS

I am excited and happy to be sharing this news! This new program is called **Bottle Drop Give** and offers all of us an additional opportunity to bring funds into the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society and Library.

When you become a part of this program, you will receive a BottleDrop Blue Bag that is labeled with a unique barcode sticker specific to our organization. The Blue Bags are the only bags that will be allowed in this program. You will deposit containers, **that have been**



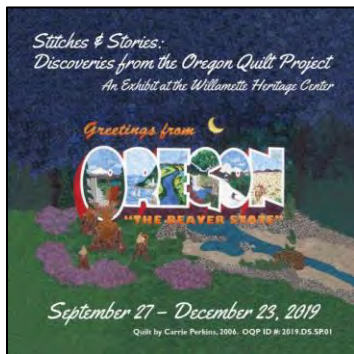
purchased in Oregon only, in this special bag. Knowingly returning containers purchased outside Oregon may be punishable by a \$250 fine! The deposit containers can be a mix of plastic, metal and glass; **rinsed and clean please**. If the containers are dirty

and sticky, the redemption center may terminate our account.

The empty Blue Bags will only be available at the Jackson County Genealogy Library and once filled (keep under the allowed 20 lbs.), can be returned to the library. You may also return the filled bags directly to the Bottle Drop Redemption Center. With either option you must still pick up another empty & labeled Blue Bag at the library and start again! We want to provide an easy and convenient process for you to pick up your Blue Bags and return your deposit containers.

Behind the scenes, the Blue Bags will be delivered to the Bottle Drop Redemption Center in Medford. An account has been established with the Redemption Center. After the bags are dropped off, the label is scanned, and funds are credited directly into our fundraising account! This processing and crediting to our account will generally occur within seven days. The labeled Blue Bags will be available at the library beginning **November 4, 2019**.

A big **“thank you”** to **Rich Miles** for bringing this concept to the Board and to the Board for approving this. Let’s all make this a great, long lasting fundraiser!



Local Quilts Honored in Salem

Two local quilts are on display in Salem at the prestigious “Stitches and Stories: Discoveries from the Oregon Quilt Project” show at the Willamette Heritage Center from September 27 through December 23. Karen Hanken’s “Everyday Barns and Family Farms” and Sue Waldron’s “Nine-Eleven Memorial” were two of 27 quilts selected as the culmination of the 10-year state-wide Oregon Quilt Project to document quilts and quiltmakers in Oregon.

In October 2018, RVGS volunteers facilitated a joint effort with visiting Oregon Quilt Project team members in a marathon two-day effort which documented 59 southern Oregon quilts.

Early in 2013 the Jacksonville Museum Quilters donated twelve quilts to the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society (RVGS.) That June the first Quilt Advisory Committee meeting considered their charge: to develop ways to share and display the quilts. “Quilts and Genealogy Talks” are now presented regularly, sharing the stories of these and other quilts, the quilt-makers, and associated genealogical history. Quilt Documentation Days have studied, described, and documented over 70 locally owned quilts and their makers.

Information about the documented quilts is retained by JCGL and shared with the national Quilt Index database in Michigan. The next Quilt Documentation Day is Tuesday, October 22, 2019. The next Quilts and Genealogy Talk, "Creating Medford," presented by Pat Harper, is Tuesday, November 26 at 1:30.

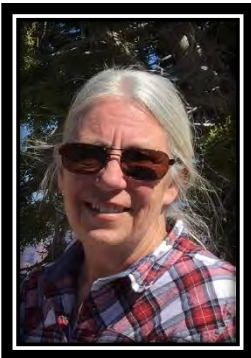
Quilts are made for a purpose, whether it is utilitarian or decorative, for a special occasion or a community event, as a gift to another or to oneself. Each quilt tells a story all its own. We hope you will find time in the next couple of months to visit the special exhibit in Salem.

Nominations for 2020 Officers

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Marilyn Ayres, Katie Hauge, Chloe Sternola and James Williams, has been hard at work preparing a full slate of Officers for 2020. The nominations were presented to the Board of Directors and the membership in October. **Elections will be held on November 19 at the General Membership Meeting.**

The nominees are:

- Katie Hauge for President,
- Kim Thurman for Vice President,
- Loretta Barker for Secretary,
- Barbara Shrewsbury for Treasurer, *and*
- Charlotte Wirfs for Trustee.



Katie Hauge joined RVGS in 2015. After attending a few classes and programs, she asked for a volunteer form and has been busy ever since. She is a Librarian and committee member for Education, Quilt Advisory and Publicity. Katie loves to help with projects! She is currently scanning her great grandfather's account book from the lumber camp at Mount Hood in 1887-89. Katie was an administrative assistant for 30 years in California before retiring and moving to Jacksonville. Her other interests are sewing, gardening, walking, and loving her pets and seven grandchildren.



Kim Thurman joined RVGS in 2010 and is a Librarian. She started her own family research in the late 1990s. After spending much of her free time doing genealogical research for friends, Kim decided to shift her career path and completed the Boston University Genealogical Research Certificate Program in May. Her long-term plan is to become a Certified Genealogist. Kim has research experience in the Midwestern U.S., Norway, and in genetic genealogy. While her family history is not in this geographical area, she has found the U.S. and international resources at JCGL quite helpful. Kim's other interests are music and the fiber arts. She currently plays saxophone with three community bands and likes to knit, spin and weave when she has spare time.

Loretta Barker and Barbara Shrewsberry have agreed to continue serving as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, for another year. **Charlotte Wirfs** asked to return to the Board as Trustee.



A big “*thank you*” to the Nominating Committee for their efforts and to these nominees who are willing and able to serve as RVGS Officers in 2020!