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Classes and Events

JCGL Classes and Meetings

JCGL Classes and Meetings are held at Jackson County Genealogy Library, 3405 S. Pacific Highway, Medford, OR. Please register in advance when requested.

Tue, Sep 1

Family Tree Maker "PC" User Group, 1:30 – 3:00pm. This informal, casual group meets the first Tuesday of each month as long as interest continues. Each person is encouraged to bring problems or concerns, and as a group we try and resolve these issues. This group is a great way to keep connected and share information, too. Please call (541)512-2340, email reception.JCGL@gmail.com or drop by the library to sign up in advance. Free and Fun!

Tue, Sep 8

Video Night at JCGL, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Two videos this Tuesday: "Using Tax Records for Genealogical Problem Solving" and "The Great War: Researching Your World War I Ancestors." Free. **Note earlier starting time.**

[For August's Video Attendees: Here is the link to the handout that accompanied Cyndi Ingle's talk

on Copy and Paste Genealogy, <http://www.rvgsociety.org/pdf/2015-08-01-INGLE Remedies for Copy Paste Genealogy.pdf>. Here is the link to the PDF file listing genealogy resources on Facebook, <http://www.rvgsociety.org/pdf/genealogy-on-facebook-list-aug-2015.pdf>. Thanks to JCGL librarian Maggi Rackley for providing the latter resource!]

Wed, Sep 9

Family Tree Maker "Mac" User Group, 10:00 to 11:30 am. Barbara MacMillen is the facilitator of this informal group discussing FTM, genealogy, and Mac computers. Please call (541)512-2340, email reception.JCGL@gmail.com, or drop by the library to sign up in advance for this free meeting.

Tue, Sep 15. Third Tuesday Public Program and Brief General Meeting, 1:30 – 3:00 PM.

Refreshments will be served; members and non-members are welcome to attend. Free!

The Public Program in September is a Member Fair during which members share their finds. The theme for this year's member fair is "Just like Nancy Drew -- Solving Mysteries Is What We Do." Our program presenters and topics are:

- Charleen Brown, "The Mystery of the Lost Photo Album."
- Barbara Northrop, "The Hunt for World War II Records."
- Chuck Carlson, "Swedish Family Reunion in Austin."
- Terrie McCoy, "What I Found in Salt Lake City."
- Kora Kari, "Genealogy and Spelling Errors."
- Marilyn Ayres, "Piecing Together Henry's Missing Years."

Tue, Sep 15

German Interest Group, 6:00 – 7:30pm

Join us for the initial meeting of the German Interest Group! If you are interested in research on German speaking regions or trying to discover those missing Germanic ancestors, this interest group is for you. Mary Robsman will facilitate the group. Please register in advance by email: reception.jcgl@gmail.com, by telephone, 541-512-2340, or in person. Free.

Tue, Sep 22

"Deep Roots: The Hooper Dooms Raffle Quilt," 1:30-3:00 by Anne Billeter.

Local quilt maker Gladys Hooper Dooms brought together through her marriage the Hoopers of many Maine generations and the Dooms from the Midwest and Jackson County, Oregon. Raffle tickets for the quilt will be sold beginning September 22. The winning raffle ticket will be drawn on June 28, 2016. Please call (541)512-2340, email reception.JCGL@gmail.com, or drop by the library to sign up in advance for this free talk. Please click the link, [Hooper Dooms Quilt](#), to read more about this program.

Tue, Sep 22

Scandinavian Interest Group, 6:30pm – 8:00pm.

Andrea Patterson & Betty Miller facilitate this group. Get help finding your Scandinavian ancestors. Please call (541)512-2340, email reception.JCGL@gmail.com, or drop by the library to sign up in advance for this free event.

GENEALOGY WEEK

All classes FREE and open to the public! Please call (541)512-2340, [email reception.JCGL@gmail.com](mailto:email_reception.JCGL@gmail.com) or drop by the library to sign up in advance.

Learn more about the history of Genealogy Week in the RVGS News section of this newsletter.

Mon, Sep 28

How to Start Your Genealogy Project, 10:30-11:30. Charleen Brown, RVGS Past President, will cover the basics of ancestor charts, trees, and what to do to get started with your research.

How to Use the Library Effectively, 1:00-2:00 pm. Anne Billeter, JCGL Library Director, will show you what's where at the Jackson County Genealogy Library, hidden treasures & how to use the library's on-line catalog.

Tue, Sep 29

How to Organize Your Genealogy Research, 10:30 – 11:30am. Barbara Northrop, RVGS PR Director, will discuss paper organization. This class will emphasize basic ideas that will give you the ability to choose a system to keep organized.

What's in a Census? 1:00-2:00 pm. Barbara MacMillen, RVGS Grants Coordinator, will show you what information is given in the U.S. Federal Census and how to use that information to further your family search. Topics include what other censuses are available and where to find them.

How to Use the Library Effectively.7:00-8:00 pm. Anne Billeter, JCGL Library Director, will show you what's where at the Jackson County Genealogy Library. (this evening class is a repeat of Monday's 1 pm class.)

Wed, Sep 30

Using the Website Menu at JCGL, 10:30-11:30 am. Barbara Basden, RVGS ePublications Director, will discuss our subscription sites such as Ancestry.com, Fold3, Findmypast, and others.

DNA and genealogy: Autosomal DNA testing, 1:00-2:00 pm. Mike Witzeman joins us from Redding to present: Autosomal DNA testing is the current "craze" as it is offered by *FamilyTreeDNA*, *Ancestry*, and *23 and Me*, and is the most popular test today. Mike will answer questions about Y-DNA and mtDNA after the initial presentation.

Thu, Oct 1

DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution), 10:30-11:30 am. Pam Olsen, DAR local chapter president, will present information on how to use DAR records to build your family tree.

Beginning Your Scandinavian Research, 1:00-2:00. Andrea Patterson, RVGS President, will review basic genealogy skills when approaching research in Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Finland. Suggested websites and what you can take advantage of in our library collection will be presented.

Fri, Oct 2

Getting the Most from My Heritage, 10:30-11:30 am. Barbara Basden, RVGS ePublications director, will discuss My Heritage, a site rich in European records that was recently added to the Website Menu at JCGL.

Where Haven't You Looked? 1:00-2:00 pm. Andrea Patterson, RVGS President, will show you what you already may have and what else may be right under your nose.

Tues, Oct 6

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LOCAL EVENTS

Wed., Sep 2 at Medford Branch Library; Sep 9 at Ashland Branch Library

Native American Women in Jacksonville, 12 – 1pm. Pat Harper will present this free lunchtime lecture. Lectures are co-sponsored by SOHS and JCLS.

OUT OF TOWN

OREGON

Sep 19, Klamath Falls, OR The Klamath Basin Genealogical Society Seminar. KGBS will be celebrating Genealogy Week with a Genealogy Seminar on Saturday, September 19th. It will be an all-day event and for the first time KGBS will be hosting a nationally (actually internationally) known speaker: Cyndi Ingle. Cyndi is the creator, owner and "webmaster" of the award-winning website-- Cyndi's List-- A comprehensive, categorized & cross-referenced list of links that point you to genealogical research sites online. In its first three years, Cyndi's List was three times voted the best genealogy site on the web. It helps millions of visitors worldwide each month and has been featured in the media and diverse publications. It features a categorized index to more than 333,000 online resources. If you are not familiar with Cyndi's List check it out right away: <http://www.cyndislist.com>. [This site is included in the Website Menu at JCGL.] Cyndi, a genealogist for more than 35 years, is a past-member of the board of directors for the National Genealogical Society. She is the author of three books for genealogical research on the Internet titled, Netting Your Ancestors, Cyndi's List, and Planting Your Family Tree Online: How To Create Your Own Family History Web Site. This seminar will be an exciting event that you will not want to miss! Click this [link](#) to access a brochure describing the day and a registration form. The Seminar will be Saturday, September 19th. Registration 8:45-9:15 am; Program 9:15 am-4:00 pm. The location will be Klamath Community College Campus, Building 6. Registration Costs are noted in the brochure. Preregistration is required. We will be providing a lunch for \$10 per person, paid in advance. It is recommended as there are limited choices for eating near the event site. Topics will include: (1) A Guided Tour of Cyndi's List 2.0. (2) Ten Resources I Use Every Day: Miscellaneous Tips for the Online Researcher (3) Pin Your Ancestors Down with Google Maps & Google Earth (4) Evernote for Every Genealogist .

Oct 24-25. Genealogical Forum of Oregon (GFO) Fall Seminar and Workshop. Presenters:

Pamela Boyer Sayre & Richard (Rick) Sayre

Saturday Seminar:

Social Security Sleuthing — Pam

Finding Records of Military Service in Published U.S. Documents — Rick

Using NARA's Finding Aids and Website — Pam

Soldier's Homes — Rick

Sunday Workshop:

GFO Library – Portland, Oregon

Maps! Wonderful Maps!

Learn how to find historical and other maps, interpret symbols and notations, and correlate other information with map data to place an ancestor in time and place.

Details and Registration at www.gfo.org

OTHER STATES

Sep 13-20 Salt Lake City, UT <http://www.augustana.edu/x19446.xml> Join other researchers for six days in the Latter-Day Saints' Family History Library researching family history in Swedish records. The staff of Swedish researchers will provide guidance, and there is the option to attend one or two daily lectures about various Swedish genealogical and historical topics.

Sep 17-19 Syracuse, NY New York State Family History Conference. The New York State Family History Conference will be held in Syracuse, NY. For more information the website is: <http://www.nysfhc.org/index.html>

Sep 18-19, Kearney, NE Midwest Family History Expo
<https://www.familyhistoryexpos.com/viewevent/index/91> Two days of classes packed with research instruction, technology instruction, internet demos, and more.

Sep 21-25 Salt Lake City UT International Society for British Genealogy and Family History: British Institute 2015 <http://www.isbgfh.org/cpage.php?pt=56> The Institute strives to further education about the records and the locations that are important to genealogical research. Classes are intentionally small in order for the participants to experience individual instruction. All classes are held in a Salt Lake City hotel near the Family History Library in the morning, with research at the Family History Library in the afternoons. Instructors are available all afternoon.

Sep 21-26, Salt Lake City, UT Family History Library Retreat: German Research
<https://www.familyhistoryexpos.com/viewevent/index/86> This Retreat will focus on basic sources, strategies, and methodology using resources available through the Family History Library. The words "basic research" do not indicate easy research, they are the important fundamental sources needed to accurately prove a German genealogy.

Oct 17 - 18 Seattle, WA Seattle Genealogical Society 2015 Fall Seminar "The Family History Detective: Finding Solutions to Your Toughest Research Problems", with speaker Dr. Thomas W. Jones, CG, CGL, Co-Editor of National Genealogical Society Quarterly, past APG board member, BCG trustee and president, teacher at BU, IGHR, and SLIG, author of the recently published book Mastering Genealogical Proof. Topics: October 17, 2015 (seminar) - Can a Complex Research Problem Be Solved Solely Online? - Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was (Some Reliable and Others Not Reliable) - Inferential Genealogy: Deducing Ancestors' Identities Indirectly - Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor. October 18, 2015 (special classes) - Developing Research Questions and Hypotheses: Planning an Exhaustive Search - Special Problems: Finding Immigrant and Migrant Origins. Additional information can be found on the Seattle Genealogical Society website: <http://www.seattlegenealogicalsociety.org/content/seminars>

Oct 19-24 Salt Lake City, UT Family History Library Retreat: Proving Family Relationships Using DNA and Resources at the FHL Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah
<https://www.familyhistoryexpos.com/viewevent/index/87> This Retreat will focus on accurately proving a family genealogy using resources available at the Family History Library and using DNA testing results. Class work will include how to set up testing, successful case studies, and projects in progress. Our professionals will assist you at the Family History Library with the collaboration needed to prove a family genealogy using both DNA and source documents.

WEBINARS AND ONLINE VIDEOS

Sep 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 10:00 -10:30am Barefoot Genealogist - Ancestry.com

Check out free online videos and pick up a tip or two from the Barefoot Genealogist. Crista Cowan has been with Ancestry.com since 2004; her interest in family history, however, reaches all the way back to childhood. Send Crista questions for future events at ask@ancestry.com. Find this at: <http://www.livestream.com/ancestry>; these videos also available anytime on YouTube.

Sep 2, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Webinar: Break Down Brick Walls in Eastern European Research - Tips, Tools and Tricks by Lisa Alzo. Through sample case studies, learn about lesser-utilized research tactics, key resources and repositories to find your elusive Eastern European ancestors. Go to: <http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com>; available free for one week after air date.

Sep 5, 10:00 –11:00 am. The Great War: Researching Your World War I Ancestors. Hosted by Southern California Genealogical Society. Presented by Michael L. Strauss. The Great War is being remembered as events unfolded over a hundred years ago. Discover your ancestors who served in this global military conflict as numerous lesser used records are examined. Register online at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9188593747299644674>. **[Will be shown on Tuesday, Sept 8th at JCGL, listed in JCGL Classes and Meetings.]**

Sep 8, 6:00 – 7pm. Using Tax Records for Genealogical Problem Solving - Michael Lacopo. Register at <http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=234>. Although most researchers are aware of tax records, they are seldom utilized and dismissed as boring and insignificant. Tax records can solve MANY genealogical dilemmas and should be a primary records source to utilize, especially in states such as Pennsylvania, Virginia and Kentucky, but nationwide. This lecture will show you how they can help you! **[Will be shown at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, Sept 8th at JCGL, listed above under JCGL Classes and Meetings.]**

Sep 9, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm. Research Your Swedish Ancestors in Living Color Using ArkivDigital Online by Kathy Meade. Learn how to research your Swedish Heritage using ArkivDigital Online, an online service that provides access to newly photographed color images of Swedish historical records. This product demo will familiarize you with the types of records that you will find on ArkivDigital including: the Swedish church books, estate inventories, military records, tax registers, passenger ship manifests, prison records and other types of records. The demo will show the user how to use ArkivDigital Online to view, browse and search within these records. Among the record types that will be shown will include church books, estate inventories, name registers and prison records. Register at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com. Available free for one week after initial air date.

Sep 11, 11:00am – 12:30 pm Technology and Techniques for Differentiating Two People with the Same Name by Geoff Rasmussen. Learn techniques for recording and organizing your research when you're not sure if you've got the right ancestor, or when you find several people with the same name. Get ideas for easily picking up old research and sharing your findings. Geoffrey D. Rasmussen is the father of four budding genealogists. He graduated with a degree in Genealogy and Family History from Brigham Young University. Register at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com. Available free for one week after initial air date.

Sep 16 11:00am – 12:30 pm. Researching Your Dutch Ancestors by Yvette Hoitink. Do you have ancestors from the Netherlands? This webinar introduces you to the most important records and shows you what you can find online, even if you don't know any Dutch. Learn how naming traditions and emigration patterns can help you find your Dutch ancestors. About the presenter: Yvette Hoitink is a genealogist, lecturer and writer in the Netherlands who helps people from all over the world find their Dutch ancestors. Register at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com. Available free for one week after initial air date.

Sep 17, 2:00pm – 3:00pm. Mapping Your Genealogy from A to Z and In-Between by Thomas MacEntee. Maps have been around as long as man needed to remember specific locations. For genealogists, maps are more than just a statement of place: they contain valuable clues for research. Learn the basics of maps and the valuable information they contain for genealogy research. You'll also discover various resources for maps, both online and offline as well as how to incorporate maps in your research. Hosted by Florida State Genealogical Society, register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3449594950117831938>.

Sep 23, 11:00am – 12:30pm Researching Your Ancestors in England and Wales by Kirsty Gray. With increased digitization of genealogical records in England and Wales, documents relating to your ancestors are far more readily available but how are the records structured? Where are they located? And what information can be gleaned from these primary sources? Taking you through the basics by examining record groups including censuses, civil registration, parish registers and probate, Kirsty Gray highlights the online and offline resources available to today's genealogist researching in the last four centuries in England and Wales. Register at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com. Available free for one week after initial air date.

Sep 30, 11:00am – 12:30pm Using Periodicals to Find Your Ancestors by Gena Philibert-Ortega. Periodicals can fill in the pieces between the birth and death of your ancestor. Whether the information is biographical, a transcription, or reporting on an event, periodicals provide rich detail about your ancestor's life. In this lecture we will discuss the types of periodicals that exist and what indexes (JSTOR, PERSI and others) to use to find articles. Register at www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com. Available free for one week after initial air date.

Oct 3, 10am – 11am. Ten Steps to Better Genealogy. Presented by Eric W. Siess, CG. Improve your genealogical skills and results through new tools, habits and learning. Ten simple steps can put you on a path to better research. Hosted by Southern California Genealogical Society, register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2664521657123367938>.

[Rogue Valley Genealogical Society News](#)

WHEN DID GENEALOGY WEEK GET STARTED? Submitted by Barbara Basden

I joined RVGS about ten years ago, but didn't get around to asking about the history of genealogy week until I began putting together this issue of the eNews. I asked Chuck and Colleen Eccleston and learned a little more about it. According to them, RVGS has sponsored some sort of free education program about genealogy since about 1969. That year is pretty darn close to 1966, the year RVGS first started. RVGS' practice of giving away genealogy knowledge once a year has a long-standing history. **Don't miss this year's free classes** for non-members and members alike listed in the first section of this issue of the eNews.

Here's a quote with more info about Genealogy Week from Chuck Eccleston:

Today I went through the Library Genealogy Week file and the Historian Scrapbooks filed in the meeting room. The earliest record I found specifically referring to "Genealogy Week" was a 1982 proclamation by the then Medford Mayor Al Densmore. Several subsequent proclamations were issued by Mayors Lindsey Berryman and Jerry Lausmann.. Then I found a number of records for the 1984 proclamation by the Medford Mayor Lou Hannum and the Oregon Governor Victor Atiyeh. Finally I found a 1969 record of the Society announcing its annual "Genealogy Convention". It appears "Genealogy Week" celebrations have been ongoing the last 33 years since 1982. It was started by the Publicity Chairman to promote public interest in genealogy. In those early days the Society was given prominent press coverage for much of its activities including photographs and articles. The concept of promoting public interest through a special educational event has a longer history of some 46 years. Unfortunately current Jackson County administrative policy does not provide for such "Genealogy Week" proclamations.

---Chuck

SOCIETY EXCHANGE Submitted by Andrea Patterson

Rogue Valley Genealogical Society (RVGS) and Klamath Basin Genealogical Society (KBGS) exchanged programs this year in an effort to better connect Southern Oregon genealogical societies. On May 30th, Scharri Brennan of Klamath Falls presented, "The Why and How of Property Research," for RVGS and Andrea Patterson did the exchange presentation August 13th at the library in Klamath Falls. Also attending the KBGS program was Deborah Shell, a 2nd cousin visiting the Patterson family from Cleveland, Ohio. Andrea and Deb met through an Ancestry message board about 5 years ago and share the same great grandparents.

WELCOME NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS

Charles & Ruth	Beck
Sandy	Burr
Deanna	Copeland
Charles A.	Cowan
Susan K.	Deaton
Barbara	Eshoo
Laura	Freeman
Laura M.	Grosz
Thaddeus	Hodgdon
Susannah	Perillat
Debbe	Spivey
Ron	Stranahan
Emmalisa & Kim	Whalley
Erin	Wolf-Rambo

RVGS SURVEY REPORT Submitted by Andrea Patterson

Surveys continue to be submitted and read by the RVGS Board and we thank all of you who continue your support and offer suggestions. We try to consider each suggestion and opening the library for one day a week (Tuesdays) with extended evening hours is an example of our response. Many who responded to the survey would like public programs offered on a different day than a Tuesday, but just as many seem to like Tuesdays. We are working on more evening programs; Video Nights offered this summer were a success.

We also provide a Suggestion Box at the library and have followed up, as listed below:

1. Purse hooks have been installed in bathroom stalls
2. Squeaky doors have been oiled.
3. Lost items gathered in the library will be announced in the *eNews*.

Again, thanks to all of you for your suggestions.

BUY RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE HOOPER-DOOMS QUILT


On Tuesday, September 22 Anne Billeter will present a talk explaining the family history of the Hooper Dooms Quilt. Nell Mathern, RVGS member and a member of the Jacksonville Museum Quilters group, recently finished the quilting process on this quilt. You can buy raffle tickets for a chance to own this quilt! Click on the following link: <http://www.rvgsociety.org/pdf/HooperDoomsQuilt.pdf> to bring up a picture and description of the quilt along with information about ticket pricing. Purchase your raffle tickets at JCGL.

FRED MEYER REWARDS CARDS

Did you know that you can contribute to RVGS simply by shopping at Fred Meyer? If you have a Fred Meyer Rewards card you can link your account to RVGS so that a portion of your purchase is donated to our organization. (This does NOT reduce your personal savings at Fred Meyer.) Follow the instructions below to link your card to RVGS:

1. Go to fredmeyer.com
2. Right under the search box on the Fred Meyer homepage, click the word **Rewards**, on the pop-up menu, click on **Community Rewards**.
3. If you have not signed in you will need to sign in at this point. If you have not registered your card/created your account, you'll have to do it at this point.
4. On the Community Rewards page, about half-way down the page, click on **Link Your Rewards Card Now**.
5. In the box below, "Enter your organization's number or at least 3 letters of your organization's name and click Search." Type: **Rogue Valley Genealogical Society** OR type **91873**
6. Click the circle in front of our name
7. Click **Enroll**

A WORD FROM YOUR PRESIDENT Submitted by Andrea Patterson

We have had a successful summer at the library! Adding an additional hour to the end of the day, now 10-4 on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday with extended hours of 10-9 PM every Tuesday, has increased research activity and met the needs of many who work. There were 1,363  volunteer hours submitted for July. That is an increase of 399 hours due to the additional open hours approved by the Board. Vern Weaver and Terry Fischer led in volunteer hours with over 100 each. *The FGS Forum Insider Newsletter* Aug 1, 2015 quoted an average volunteer monetary value at \$21.99 per hour. [Source: Independent Sector; value for Oregon State, 2014 http://www.independentsector.org/volunteer_time] Our July volunteer hours would compute to \$29,972!

In July alone we had 327 researchers in our library. User Groups include Computer User Groups for PC's and for MAC's. Interest Groups include Scandinavian, Irish and German Interest Groups with facilitators. In August the Brick Wall Roundtable attracted 10 people getting suggestions as to where to go next! These sessions are offered 5-6 times a year. The next Brick Wall session is Oct. 17 at 10:30 AM at JCGL.

Video Nights were added to Tuesday evenings this summer with Barbara Basden selecting genealogy lectures and these events have been quite successful. A total of 42 attended an evening showing in August. We have added some new subscription websites: *My Heritage* and *Findmypast*. Be sure to check these out. They offer different databases than *Ancestry*. *ArkivDigital*, a Swedish subscription site, was donated to our library on a limited basis and is available on two computers.

Many new volunteers were trained and projects completed by our dedicated volunteers. Committees are busy with fall plans which include the RVGS Public Programs, OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) and of course, Genealogy Week. Be sure to look at all the free classes offered Sept. 28th through October 2nd. The 50th RVGS Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for September 2016 and the planning committee is eager for more participants. Let Andrea know if you are interested in helping, email pechu@charter.net.

Our Treasurer is working tirelessly getting our accounting procedures in a streamlined format which will include access to QuickBooks Online. She now has the support of a new Board Member, Rich Miles,

Finance Director. Barbara Northrop is our new Publicity Director. We are glad to have both Rich and Barbara join our team. We have lost Karen Asche, Vice President, with her family's recent move to Nebraska. She is really missed by our Board and the Quilt Group.

We are updating many bylaws and policies. It is amazing how our society has grown. The Board had a Social Media training recently and our insurance agent will attend the September board meeting to answer any questions. Repairs with any building are essential and we had to have the outside water outlets replaced and a few other minor interior library fixes.

Our mortgage continues to be reduced and our hope is to have it paid off by Sept. of 2016....just one year away. The balance is \$61,977.97. A detailed Treasurer report is always available to the membership. Your help with the mortgage and the Annual Fund Drive is welcomed!

We look forward to seeing you all at the library, at Genealogy Week classes, and at future programs this fall and into 2016.

Andrea

FINANCIAL NEWS: EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS! Submitted by Rich Miles, RVGS Finance Director

Help us **Burn the Mortgage** in 2016! There are two ways you can help, (1) make a donation(s) to the **Leave A Legacy** campaign or (2) join the **5/60 Club** and donate what you can each month, or BOTH! With the help of our members and patrons our mortgage is coming down!

Donations may be dropped off at the library or mailed to 3405 S Pacific Hwy, Medford, OR 97501; or made online at rvgsociety.org.

THANK YOU to ALL of our Leave A Legacy donors thus far in 2015!

Marilyn Ayres, Marilyn Bamford, Michael Benke, Anne Billeter, Diane Brenner, Charleen Brown, Alan Buchta, Wayne Cabler, Linda Carr, Carolyn Craig, Richard Croly, Carita Culmer, Catherine Culver, Pam Dallura, Charles & Colleen Eccleston, Terry Fischer, Ruth Gerety, Beth Gilmore, Linda Hildreth, Monty & Carol Holst, Larry Horton, Horton Family Foundation, Sheila & Roy Kimball, Ben & Susan Law, Linda Lipkind, Barbara & Richard MacMillen, Patsy Marcy, Bruce McGarvey, Nick Mercedes, Susan Milburn, Sally Riehl, Carl Shauger, Jan Stutts, April Thomas, Nancy Vaughn, Evelyn Williams, Jackie Wobbe

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ANNUAL FUND DRIVE

Keep your membership dues low! Your contribution to the Annual Fund allows us to keep our membership dues low as well as assists in covering operating expenses. Any amount you give will help to provide support to RVGS and continue the current level of programming. Donations may be dropped off at the library; mailed to 3405 S Pacific Hwy, Medford, OR 97501; or made online at rvgsociety.org.

THANK YOU to ALL of our Annual Fund Donors thus far in 2015!

Karen Asche, Al & Marilyn Ayres, Gloria Bartlett, Anne Billeter, Leona Blankenship, Ellen Brannick, Pat Brewer, Darlene Brown, Charleen Brown, Jennifer Bryan, Vicki Anne Bryden, Alan Buchta, Mary Ann Byrne, Edith Carlson, William & Marion Collins, Carolyn Craig, Richard Croly, Carita Culmer, PJ D'Allura,

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Jackson County Genealogy Library News

NEW ARRIVAL – Book Review submitted by Mary Robsman

Called from Time into Eternity by Anette Stanley Rardin is a family history featuring individual narratives with photos. Most interesting to me was the way the author organized the back section "References and Notes," that cited interviews and research documents by states, cemeteries, military, etc. as well as the index of names and locations. Advances in technology make insertion of photos within the text and doing an index easy. Check out this local family history (Redding CA) and see possibilities for your family book, call number 929.2 McAhron.

From MOTHER JONES Submitted by RVGS member Vanya Sloan.

Vanya thought you would like to see this page from Mother Jones Magazine.

[Your Family's Genealogical Records May Have Been Digitized by a Prisoner](#)

CHECK OUR BLOG! READ THE MOST RECENT ENEWS ONLINE!

Your newsletter editor posts new tips and resources on the [Between Us Diggers blog](#). Recent posts include a brief but thorough guide to using Google to find your ancestors, recent additions to the Family Search website, Genealogy Cartoons and Jokes, and Irish Parish Records on Findmypast. You can also read current and past issues of the eNews on our blog. The most recent issue is available from the home page of either of our websites (rvgslibrary.org or rvgsociety.org).

JCGL ON SOCIAL MEDIA

JCGL has a presence on social media! Please "like" our Facebook page, Friends of Jackson County Genealogy Library at <http://www.facebook.com/RVGS.JCGL>. We can reach even more people on Facebook if we have more "likes." While you're there check out the recent post by Lisa Louise Cooke with tips on using the Library of Congress in genealogy research.

We would also appreciate more followers on our Twitter feed. Here's the link to RVGSlib on Twitter, <https://twitter.com/RVGSlib>.

We even have a Pinterest page containing pins (pictures with links) related to genealogy, <https://www.pinterest.com/JCGLOregon/genealogy/>

NEW ADDITIONS TO JCGL AUGUST 2015

BIOGRAPHY

920 Bio: *Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1927*

GENEALOGY HOW-TO

929.192 Rot: Rottenberg, Dan. *Finding our fathers; A guidebook to Jewish Genealogy*

FAMILY HISTORIES

- 929.2 Bish: Bish, Joseph Abraham. *Bish History: Special edition for the descendants of Austin Wilkins Bish*
- 929.2 Dodson: Williams, Sherman Mrs. *Dodson (Dotson) family of North Farnham Parish,*

Richmond County, Virginia: A History and Genealogy of their Descendants, Volume 1

- 929.2 Gowdy: Gowdy, Mahlon Myron. *Family history comprising the surnames of Gade – Gadie – Gaudie – Gawdy – Goudy – Goudey – Gowdey – Gauden – Gaudern and the Variant forms from A.D. 800 to 1919. 2 vols*
- 929.2 McAhron: Rardin, Anette Stanley. *Called from time into eternity: The family of Jacob Lewis McAhron and Sarah Elizabeth Coble*
- Circ 929.2 Rogers: Rogers, Will. *Papers of Will Rogers; Volume one; the early years, November 1879-April 1904*
- 929.2 Starnes: Starnes, H. Gerald. *Of them that left a name behind; A History of the Starnes family's first 125 years and beyond in America*
- 929.2 Wilford: Neel, Eurie Pearl Wilford. *Wilford-Williford family treks into America*

MAYFLOWER

- 929.3 M177 Lan: Landis, John T. *Mayflower Descendants and their marriages for two Generations after landing including a short history of the Church of the Pilgrim founders of New England*
- 929.3 P751 RosRoser, Susan E. *Mayflower Deeds & Probates*

INDIANS

- Circ 970.004 I521 Bow: Bowen, John P. *Exiles and Pioneers; Eastern Indians in the Trans-Mississippi West*
- Circ 970.3 I521 Wes: Weslager, Clinton A. *Delaware Indians: a history*

CIVIL WAR

Circ 973.7 M343 Woo: Woodcock, Marcus. *Southern Boy in Blue: The memoir of Marcus Woodcock, 9th Kentucky infantry (USA)*

NEW ENGLAND

- 974 H388 Rid: Ridion, G. T. *Saco Valley settlements and families*
- Circ 974 H388 Ulr: Ulrich, Laurel Thatcher. *Good wives: image and reality in the lives of women in Northern New England, 1650-1750*

MAINE

- 974.1 N298 You: Young, David C. *Abstracts of Death Notices (1833-1852) and Miscellaneous News Articles (1833-1924) from the "Maine Farmer"*
- 974.19 G242 Sta: Stackpole, Everett S. *Old Kittery and her Families*
- 974.195 C721 RecRecords of the First and Second Churches of Berwick, Maine
- 974.195 H388 FolFolsom, George. *History of Saco and Biddeford*
- 974.195 M343 Rem: Remick, Oliver P. *Record of the Services of the Commissioned Officers and Enlisted Men of Kittery and Eliot, Maine who served in the American Revolution*
- 974.195 P273 WilWillis, John Lemuel Murray. *Old Eliot: A reprinting in three books of the sixty historical and genealogical magazines published in Eliot, Maine, between 1897 and 1909*
 - v. 1,
 - v. 2
 - v. 3
- 974.195 T595 RecRecords of the Proprietors of Narraganset Township, No. 1, now Buxton, Maine
- 974.195 V381 VitVital Records of Biddeford, Maine Prior to 1856

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- 974.21 H388 One: *One Hundred & Fiftieth Anniversary of Lancaster, New Hampshire, 1764-1914: The official report of the celebration held in August Nineteen Hundred and fourteen*
- 974.21 H388 Som: Somers, A. N. *History of Lancaster, New Hampshire*
- 974.26 H388 Bre: Brewster, Charles W. v.1 *Rambles about Portsmouth, First Series*
 - v.2 *Rambles about Portsmouth, Second Series*

PENNSYLVANIA

- 974.853 H388 Win: Wing, Conway P. *History of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania*
- 974.877 B352 Bio: *Biographical and Portrait Cyclopedia of Cambria County, Pennsylvania*
- 974.881 B352 Bio: *Biographical and Historical Cyclopedia of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania*
- 974.883 M168 McC: McConnell, J. L. & Wolfe, G. F. *McConnell's map of Greene County, Pennsylvania*

SOUTHERN STATES

975 G242 Cha: Chatham, Anne Bassett Stanley. *Tidewater Families of the New World & their Westward Migrations; Case Studies in Southern States Research, Ancestors of Chatham, Gwyn, Armfield, Gray, Stanley, Walker, Bassett, and Handley families*

KENTUCKY

Circ 976.993 P273 Jou: *Journey into the Past [Graves Co., Kentucky]*
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IOWA

977.776 H388 His: *History of Adams County [Iowa]*

MISSOURI

977.829 H388 His: *History of Boone County, Missouri*

OREGON

- 979.527 S227 Roh: *Ro-Hi-An: [yearbook of Rogue River High School, Rogue River, Or.] Vol. 3, 1930; Vol. 4, 1931*
- 979.541 P751 Bro: Brown, Lloyd. *Genealogical Index to the Clackamas County, Oregon, Probate Records from 1845-1910 inclusive*

MAGAZINES RECENTLY RECEIVED at JCGL

The most recent issue is shelved in the wire rack at the end of the 929.2 book stack
[Partial contents listed]

Colorado Genealogist, v. 76, #2, May 2015

(Circ 978.8 P273 Col)

"Bible Records in the DPL Manuscript Collection: Blough Bible; Gore Family Bible Records"

"New York Civil War Soldiers Who Were Members of the Colorado & Wyoming GAR – Part I

Heir Lines [Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County California], v. 39, #4, Jul 2015

(Circ 979.421 P273 Hei) "Crossing the Plains in 1852: A True Story"

Internet Genealogy, v. 10, #2, June/July 2015

(Circ 929.1 Int)

- "Col. Joseph B. Dorr's Vases" (Civil War; researcher locates a missing heirloom through some persistent online searching)
- "Online Essentials: Four Web-hosting Basics for Family Researchers! (Advice to get started on building your family history website)
- "Bagging a Live One" (connecting with cousins you never knew you had to increase your chances of research success)
- "Genealogy Apps for Your iPhone or Android"
- "The Confederacy's 'Treasury Girls'" (a look at how records of women who worked as treasury clerks during the Civil War are easy to find)
- "Online Safety: Protecting Your Data"
- "Online Resources for Finding World War II Ancestors"
- "How Do You Put Out a Genealogical Wildfire?"
- "Family Tree Builder: Now for Mac!" (review of software produced by MyHeritage)

Redwood Researcher [Humboldt County, CA], v. 48, #1, August 2015

(Circ 979.412 P273 Red)

- "Old Settler' Papers. Number 1. By Alexander Cummings George. From the Trinity Journal." ["I first saw Weaver Basin in the month of December 1859.."]

NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE

SITES AVAILABLE ON JCGL PATRON COMPUTERS

Keep in mind that you can access online records the following subscription sites from the Website Menu on patron computers at JCGL. By the way, Ancestry is very far from having all online collections.

- ***Ancestry.com***
- ***American Ancestors* (primarily New England and New York)**
- ***Findmypast* (British, Australian, Canadian, Welsh, Scottish, and US records)**
- ***Fold3* (military records for all wars in which the US or its colonies participated)**
- ***Genealogy Bank* (newspapers)**
- ***My Heritage* (International records, online family trees)**
- ***Newspapers.com* (newspapers)**
- ***World Vital Records* (US and International records)**

Free sites on the Website Menu on patron computers include *Family Search* and *Heritage Quest* as well as *CyndisList*.

NEW RECORDS ONLINE AT FAMILY SEARCH (This article reprinted from Dick Eastman's Genealogy Blog.) [Can be accessed from the Website Menu on Patron Computers.]

New FamilySearch Collections: Week of August 17, 2015

The following announcement was written by the folks at FamilySearch:

FamilySearch additions to the Colombia, [France](#), [Peru](#), and [Philippines](#) international collections this week including significant digital images for [Colombia Catholic Church Records from 1600 to 2012](#). Significant additions were also made to the [Texas](#) and [Wisconsin](#) marriage collections. Over 7 million searchable records have been added this week. Follow the links below to explore the new content!

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Colombia Catholic Church Records 1600-2012	0	1,002,173	collection
France Finistère Quimper et Léon Diocese Catholic Parish Records 1772-1863	144,443	0	Added images to an existing collection
Illinois Adams County Card Index to Deaths 1877-1990	95,523	96,875	Added images to an existing collection
Peru Lima Civil Registration 1874-1996	862,440	304	Added indexed records and images to an existing collection
Philippines Manila Civil Registration 1899-1984	0	4,088,394	Added images to an existing collection
Philippines Pangasinan Civil Registration 1945-1981	84,935	0	Added indexed records to an existing collection
Texas County Marriage Records 1837-1977	586,960	0	Added indexed records to an existing collection
United States Census 1890	15	0	Added indexed records to an existing collection
United States Obituaries American Historical Society of Germans from Russia 1899-2012	0	4,154	Added images to an existing collection
Wisconsin County Marriages 1836-1911	213,905	0	Added indexed records to an existing collection

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Searchable historical records are made available on FamilySearch.org through the help of thousands of online volunteers worldwide. These volunteers transcribe (or index) information from digital copies of handwritten records to make them easily searchable online. More volunteers are always needed (particularly those who can read foreign languages) to keep pace with the large number of digital images being published weekly online on FamilySearch.org. Learn how you can volunteer to help provide free access to the world's historical genealogical records online at FamilySearch.org/Indexing.



NEW RECORDS AVAILABLE ON FINDMYPAST (This article reprinted from Dick Eastman's Genealogy Blog.) [Can be accessed as a Subscription Site from JCGL patron computers.]

The following announcement was written by the folks at Findmypast:

This week's [Findmypast Friday](#) marks the release of fascinating Probate Calendars containing more than 100 years of English and Welsh wills. Additional birth, marriage and death records have also been added to our collection of Hertfordshire parish records.

Probate Calendars of England & Wales 1858-1959

Containing over 500,000 records, the [Probate Calendars of England & Wales 1858-1959](#) record the details of wills lodged with the National Probate Registry. Until 1858, matters of probate were dealt with by the ecclesiastical courts of the Church of England. After 1858 the civil government took over the settlement of all estates and all wills were now probated through the Principal Probate Registry system. There were 11 district registry offices with 18 sub-district registries located around England and Wales, with the principal office located in First Avenue House, London. The calendars will reveal if your ancestor left a will or was mentioned in one. They may also reveal the size of the estate in question and list the will's executors or administrators. The executors/administrator may have been a bank, solicitor, beneficiary or a family member, providing you with links to other branches of your family tree and new avenues to explore. Once you've found your ancestor in the index you can use the

information listed to request a copy of the will from the National Probate Registry. Each record contains an image of the page containing the entry. The amount of information can vary. Records can include the deceased's name, date of death, their address at death, occupation, marital status, the name of their spouse, the size of their estate, the names of any beneficiaries and their occupations.

Probate Calendars of England & Wales 1858-1959 Browse

You can also [browse the probate calendars of England and Wales](#) to find details of wills lodged with the National Probate Registry between 1858 and 1959. The browse is useful if you are unsure of the spelling of your ancestor's name as you can look through page by page to find possible options. You can search by year, give the first letter of your ancestor's last name and navigate through the books by clicking on the white arrows to the left and right of the screen.

Hertfordshire baptisms

Over 5,000 records from the parishes of Ashwell and Baldock have been added to our collection of [Hertfordshire parish baptisms](#). Baptisms are not exclusive to infants and, although they most usually are new-borns, the names of those found within the baptism records could be of young children or even adults. Baptism records are not the same as birth records and therefore some members of the parish may not be recorded because they were not baptised or not baptised in the parish church. Hertfordshire Baptisms now contains over 826,000 records.

Each record includes a digitised image of the original record book and a transcript for the individual entry. Transcripts list the individual's year and place of Baptism, the names of their parents, and their father's occupation. Images may include additional notes although the amount of additional information documented was up to the wishes of either the parish clerk or reverend.

Hertfordshire marriages

Nearly 2,000 records from the parishes of Hatfield, Northhaw and Royston have been added to our collection of [Hertfordshire parish marriages](#). Each record includes a digitised image of the original record book and a transcript for the individual entry.

Transcripts will list the name of bride and groom, the date of their marriage, their respective ages, and the names of their fathers while images can include considerably more detail. Images may reveal the marital status, occupations, their fathers' occupations, their residence at time of marriage, the names of any witnesses and the officiating Minister. You may even be able to see your ancestors' signatures.

Hertfordshire burials

Nearly 5,000 records, also from the parishes of Ashwell and Baldock, have been added to our collection of [Hertfordshire parish burials](#). Dating as far back as the 1400s, the records will reveal your ancestors burial date, age at death and burial place. The Church of England began keeping registers of baptisms, marriages and burials in 1538. Of the 132 ancient parishes in Hertfordshire, however, only 16 have registers surviving from this date. The majority of the others date from the beginning of Queen Elizabeth's reign in 1558.

Each record includes a digitised image of the original record book and a transcript for the individual entry. Images may reveal additional details such as your ancestor's residence, grave location, notes on the circumstances surrounding their deaths and the name of the Minister who conducted their funeral. Remember to check our dedicated [Findmypast Fridays](#) page every week to keep up to date with the latest new additions.

NOTE: WHEN USING FINDMYPAST AT JCGL, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO SIGN IN TO AN ACCOUNT – INSTEAD USE THE SITE AS A GUEST.

HERE'S A DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS OF THE GENEALOGY BANK SUBSCRIPTION SITE:

- ✓ **Over 6,500 Newspapers 1690–Today**
Explore Newspapers in Small Towns & Big Cities
in All 50 States.
- ✓ **95% Exclusive Newspapers**
Find Family History Records Not Available on
Other Genealogy Websites!
- ✓ **Billions of Genealogy Records**
Search One of the Most Comprehensive U.S.
Newspaper Collections.
- ✓ **215 Million Obituaries**
Locate Deceased Relatives with the Largest
Obituary Archive Online.
- ✓ **U.S. Military Records**
Research Your Ancestry with Records from Every
American War.

ACCESS THE INTERNET ARCHIVE Thomas MacEntee, Geneabloggers Guru and Tech Wiz, recently issued a guide to the Internet Archive. The Internet Archive is a non-profit, Web-based, digital library offering storage of, and access to, digitized materials. These materials include archived websites, books, videos, images, audio files and more. [I promptly downloaded a book from the Archive that I had been wanting for some time.] Here's the link to Thomas's guide, <http://www.rvgsociety.org/pdf/SYLLABUS-Researching-the-Internet-Archive.pdf>



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You can read the past issues of the eNews on our blog. Click the "Read Our Blog" link from either of our

websites, <http://rvgslibrary.org> or <http://rvgsociety.org>.

You can also check on times and dates for classes and events by clicking on the calendar link on the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society website (<http://rvgsociety.org>).

RVGS also publishes a quarterly genealogical periodical, *The Rogue Digger*. If you are an RVGS member you will receive a copy of the *The Rogue Digger* by email each quarter. Current and past issues can be found online on the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Website under the [News](#) heading.

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