

## Library Director's Report by Anne Billeter

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### LIBRARY and LIBRARIANS

- Due to the coronavirus the Library remained closed the month of January.
- Use of the options to check out circulating library items continues to be minimal, as does the use of Look Up requests. Most are a result of one-on-one conversations or emails.

### SHELVING and the LIBRARY COLLECTION

- The Book Committee (Marilyn Ayres, Chloe Sternola, and Anne Billeter) continues to meet using Zoom.
- The Medford branch of the Jackson County Library District delivered the microfilm of the Oregonian (1/1/1964-12/31/2008) in 31 boxes and Kim recruited volunteers who picked up and delivered 3 lateral microfilm cabinets. The volunteers also moved our existing microfilm cabinet from Terry Fischer's office to the location in the Library adjacent to the Oregonian microfilm cabinets.
- The Book Committee has reviewed microfiche from the Barbara Freshwater estate and approved storing it in boxes that will fit in the bottom drawers of the Oregonian microfilm cabinets, which were empty. This means some of our microfiche will be in numbered binders and some will be in numbered boxes.
- 5 large boxes of quality genealogy books were donated. These will add some great resources to the Library collection and add some more books to sell.

### BOOK SALES

- Allan and Leah Cotton continue selling our surplus books on Amazon. Allan reported the net profit for January was \$36.99.
- Bob Korth is preparing to sell our non-Amazon-eligible surplus books on eBay.

### MY HERITAGE USAGE STATISTICS

| Month          | Searches | Pages | Records | Sessions |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|----------|
| 2020 January   | 631      | 1400  | 448     | 60       |
| 2020 February  | 475      | 1051  | 341     | 50       |
| 2020 March *   | 202      | 402   | 112     | 20       |
| 2020 April **  | 511      | 800   | 302     | 37       |
| 2020 May       | 894      | 1982  | 603     | 84       |
| 2020 June      | 461      | 898   | 209     | 49       |
| 2020 July      | 756      | 1537  | 421     | 53       |
| 2020 August    | 421      | 837   | 219     | 58       |
| 2020 September | 545      | 936   | 272     | 53       |
| 2020 October   | 342      | 808   | 284     | 53       |
| 2020 November  | 345      | 1164  | 494     | 57       |
| 2020 December  | 272      | 1242  | 575     | 47       |
| 2021 January   | 217      | 779   | 235     | 42       |

\*JCGL only open 2 weeks

\*\* JCGL closed; My Heritage made subscription available from home for RVGS members; report from My Heritage was dated 5/5/2020