



## Rogue Valley Genealogical Society

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### CLASSES AND EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

All events are via Zoom unless noted otherwise.

#### **Wednesday, September 7, 10:30 AM - Noon, CLASS: Local History and Genealogy Research at the Library of Congress**

In this class, Candice Buchanan will present highlights of collections, services, and resources available at the Library of Congress that may assist researchers interested in conducting genealogy research.

Cost: Members \$10, Non-Members \$20.

#### **Thursday, September 8, 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Genealogy Newbies Interest Group**

Barbara Northrop facilitates this interest group which is broken into two parts. The first half of the group starts with a topical discussion and the second half is open to questions. For the month of September, they will be looking at land records including deeds, patents, and homesteads, and how valuable they are in your research.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Friday, September 9, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Irish Interest Group**

Barbara Halvorsen facilitates this interest group concentrating on Irish history, culture, and researching Irish ancestors. The group meets the second Friday of the month.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Monday, September 12, 09:30 AM - Noon, RVGS Board Meeting (in person at library)**

All members are welcome. Come to library side door and ring doorbell.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Monday, September 12, 2:00 - 3:30 PM, Colonial America Interest Group**

Jeanne Hoadley will focus on the original 13 colonies in this interest group. Join her and bring your stories and research experiences. The group meets the second Monday of the month.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Tuesday, September 13, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Family Tree Maker Interest Group**

This group is facilitated by Barbara MacMillen. Come with any questions about using "Family Tree Maker" software. They meet the second Tuesday of the month.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Wednesday, September 14, 10:30 AM - Noon, Genetic Genealogy Interest Group**

Barbara Halvorsen facilitates this interest group for everyone interested in genetic genealogy. They meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

Cost: Free to all.

#### **Tuesday, September 20, 1:30 - 3 PM, Program and Member Meeting: A Ten-Year Celebration!**

Ten years ago, RVGS purchased what was at that time a Mexican restaurant and renovated into the current Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Library. Come help us celebrate 10 years in our wonderful home. You don't want to miss this one as we have a big surprise in honor of our anniversary!

**GENEALOGY WEEK – ALL classes are FREE**

**Saturday, September 17, and Monday, September 19 through Friday, September 23**

**Saturday, September 17, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Introduction to Genealogy**

**Monday, September 19, 10:30 AM – Noon, Introduction to Genealogy (repeated)**

Anne Billeter will provide an introduction to Genealogy for beginners; how to start, forms to use, documentation to seek, helpful clues, FamilySearch.org and subscription websites, online library catalogs, and why deduction is important.

**Monday, September 19, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Organizing Your Paper Files**

Barbara Northrop will discuss various methods to organize your paper files to save time and keep you organized.

**Tuesday, September 20, 10:30 AM - Noon, Using NewspaperArchive.com**

Kim Thurman will be reviewing the subscription website NewspaperArchive.com and demonstrate how to use the site effectively to find your ancestors. If you are an RVGS member, you will have at-home access to this site.

**Tuesday, September 20, 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Newspaper Research**

Barbara Northrop will discuss newspaper resources to enrich your research and fill gaps in your ancestors' timelines.

**Wednesday, September 21, 10:30 AM - Noon, Researching Your Ancestors in FamilySearch.org**

Rich Miles will teach strategies, tips, and tricks for researching your ancestors using FamilySearch.org.

**Wednesday, September 21, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Your Genealogy Toolbox**

Katie Hauge will provide information on various research logs and timelines; resources for handy "cheat" sheets; and helpful "tools" to track your ancestors and why!

**Thursday, September 22, 10:30 AM - Noon, Busting Down Your Brick Wall**

Andrea Patterson will help with tips to break through those brick walls. Did your family disappear between census years? Time to change tactics by reviewing old records and applying new strategies such as resetting goals, broadening searches, and looking for original records to help bust those brick walls.

**Thursday, September 22, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Organizing Your Digital Files**

Rich Miles will demonstrate ways to keep all your digital records organized for easy access. Focus is on Windows computers, but the concepts apply to Apple as well.

**Thursday, September 22, 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Digging into the US Censuses**

Barbara Northrop will explore tips and tricks for researching in the 1790-1950 federal censuses, with an update on the 1950 census.

**Friday, September 23, 10:30 AM - Noon, What Does That Mean? Genealogy Jargon**

Pat Jenkins and Barbara Halvorsen will explain what the unusual words found in genealogy research mean.

**Friday, September 23, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Researching Your Ancestors in Ancestry.com**

Rich Miles will teach strategies, tips, and tricks for researching your ancestors using Ancestry.com. RVGS members can utilize the Ancestry Library Edition at the RVGS Library at no extra cost.