

RVGS-JCGL eNews January 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

Tuesday, January 8, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Family Tree Maker Interest Group for PC and MAC users.

Free to members, \$5 for non-members; register in advance.

Wednesday, January 9, 1:30-3:00 p.m., German Interest Group

Free for members, \$5 for non-members; register in advance.

Thursday, January 10, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Irish Interest Group

Free for members, \$5 for non-members; register in advance.

Saturday, January 12, 10:30-12:30 p.m., “How to Start Your Genealogy Project”

Denise Salthouse will teach this class with step by step instructions on how to begin your Genealogy Project. This is a free class; register in advance.

Monday, January 14, 9:30-12 p.m., Board Meeting

Members are welcome. Free to all.

Monday, January 14, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Advanced DNA Interest Group

Free for members, \$5 for non-members; register in advance.

Tuesday, January 15, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Public Program and Member Meeting “Be Talented”

Rod Medinger from the Talent Historical Society and Museum will share with us the history of Talent and of the Talent Museum. We might also hear about those Talent Tomatoes. Free to all.

Wednesday, January 16, 10:30-12:30 p.m., Genetic Genealogy Interest Group

Free for members, \$5 for non-members; register in advance.

Saturday, January 19, 10:30-12:30 p.m., Brick Wall Round-table

This roundtable will be facilitated by Ruth Wade and Ann Baracker to help break through those brick walls we all have. Free to all; register in advance.

Tuesday, January 22, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Quilt and Genealogy Talk, “Table Rock and Native American Life” Tom Smith (Native American) will talk about activities of daily Native American life and share his collection of native artifacts. Free to all.

Thursday, January 24, 10:30-1:30 p.m., “Oral History Class and Workshop”

Learn best practices to conduct a good oral history with Maureen Flanagan Battistella. She has conducted more than 250 video interviews for the Stories of Southern Oregon project at the Southern Oregon Digital Archives <http://soda.sou.edu/stories>. \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members; register in advance.

Monday, January 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Beginning DNA Class Series “Gedmatch”

Loretta Cushman will teach this class on how to use “Gedmatch” when doing DNA research. \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members; register in advance.

OPEN REGISTRATION BEGINS 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 R V G S 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.

Save These Dates

New to Genealogy? FREE CLASS “Beginning Your Genealogy Project,” Saturday, January 12, 2019
Not sure how to start? What forms to use? What subscription websites to search (and how)? Come Saturday, January 12 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. to jumpstart your genealogy project. Bring what you already know and what you want to find out!

“Be Talented” FREE PROGRAM on Tuesday, January 15, 2019

At our January 15 public program and membership meeting, Rod Medinger, Board President of the Talent Historical Society will share the history, current status and future plans of their hometown museum in Talent where artifacts, local family histories, and historical archives are kept. Their mission is to research and preserve the history of the Talent area in Southern Oregon. Join us at 1:30, January 15th to hear Ron. He may even tell us a bit about their famous tomatoes.

FREE “BRICK WALL ROUNDTABLE” on Saturday, January 19, 2019

Are you stuck? What is your question? Where have you looked? Bring your brick wall and join the brainstorming for possible solutions for your own and others’ brick walls, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., January 19.

“Table Rock and Native American Life” FREE PROGRAM on Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Native American Tom Smith will share his collection of authentic artifacts and will talk about activities of Native American life, accompanied by the pictorial “Table Rock quilt” and three fabric panels depicting Native American life.

“Oral History Workshop” CLASS on Thursday, January 3, 2019

Maureen Battistella, story collector for “Stories of Southern Oregon” will share her techniques and provide practice for interviewing family members. Learn how to gather oral history, an important part of your genealogy information gathering, from 10:30 – 1:30 on Thursday, January 3. \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members.

“GEDMATCH” CLASS on Monday, January 28, 2019

What is GEDMATCH? Should you upload your raw DNA to GEDMATCH? What are the benefits and drawbacks? How do you do it? Lorita Cushman will teach this class in the Beginning DNA class series from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 28. \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members.

“Ancestry DNA: Pick the Plums” CLASS on Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Donna Rae Hays will help those who tested their DNA with Ancestry DNA learn what to do with the data Ancestry provides. What’s useful (and what’s not so useful) and how to understand what you are seeing. 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5. \$10 for members, \$10 for non-members.



Salt Lake City Here We Come!

RVGS members are now finalizing their plans to research at the amazing SLC Family History Library this coming March 3 to 10, 2019. There are still a few dedicated rooms available at the conveniently located Plaza Hotel for our attending members. Now is the time to reserve your room, just call the hotel at 1-800-366-3684.

Be sure to ask for your discounted 2019 RV Genealogical Society rate when you call.

Make your reservations directly with the Plaza Hotel before February 1, 2019 to qualify for the special rate. This discount will be honored even if you stay less than the entire week.

Great News! It looks like we have enough people going to Salt Lake to be able to take advantage of the free seminar offered through the Plaza. The list of topic choices will be emailed to all those listed in the trip binder at the library by December 15. All those attending should review and send their top three seminar choices to abaracker@gmail.com before January 1.

For Further Information: Add your name & contact info to the Salt Lake City Trip Binder at the Library Front Desk or contact Ann Baracker at 541-261-4874 or abaracker@gmail.com. Remember to make your flight and room reservations directly with the hotel and airline of your choice.



LOCAL HISTORY HAPPENINGS

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

Land surveyor, Roger Roberts, will present the lecture “Discovering Abandoned Cemeteries: Locating Unmarked Graves,” Wednesday, January 2 at the Medford Library, 205 South Central Avenue; and Wednesday, January 9 at the Ashland Library, 410 Siskiyou Boulevard from 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.

Explore the “Secrets & Mysteries of the Beekman Bank” on January 3, 4 and 5 when Historic Jacksonville, Inc. opens the oldest financial institution in the Pacific Northwest for evening candlelight tours. Regional historian Ben Truwe pursues lost secrets in 45-minute tours beginning at 7, 8, and 9 p.m. Bring a flashlight to make your own discoveries! Admission is \$5 per person. Reservations required; limited to 12 persons. Call 541-245-3650 or email info@historicjacksonville.org.

On Sunday, January 13, Northwest Troubadour David Gordon returns for another season of “Pioneer History in Story & Song.” Kicking off the 4-concert series is “A Stephen Foster Encore – Back by Popular Demand!” These 1:30 and 3 p.m. performances are in the Jacksonville Library’s Naversen Room. Admission is \$5. Reservations are required to info@historicjacksonville.org or 541-245-3650.



ROGUE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Welcome 2019 RVGS Officers

Our 2019 RVGS Officers were unanimously elected at the November 20 membership meeting and were installed at the December 15 membership meeting, which took place during our annual volunteer recognition Holiday Luncheon. The [November eNews](#) has brief biographical information about: President, Karen Asche; Vice President, Charlotte Wirfs; Secretary, Loretta Barker; Treasurer, Barbara Shrewsberry; Trustee, Julie Goodwine.

The Holiday Luncheon was an opportunity to thank and celebrate our **101** volunteers, who perform a myriad of tasks that keep our Jackson County Genealogy Library open 41 hours a week, our Society flourishing, and our 831 members busy with research, interest groups, classes, programs, and the upcoming April Blaine Bettinger DNA Workshop and Seminar.

NOTE: RVGS members have the exclusive opportunity to register for the Seminar ONLY until January 7, when registration will open to the general public!



Karen Asche | Charlotte Wirfs | Barbara Shrewsberry | Julie Goodwine | Loretta Barker

New Members

Welcome to newest members, those who have joined since the October newsletter, and thank you to membership coordinator, Terry Fischer and membership director, Marie Fulbright, Dawn Woods, Pat Pfremmer, Sherry Griffin.

Surplus Books for Sale to Benefit RVGS

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.

Lord Mayor's Court of London depositions relating to Americans 1641-1736 by PW Coldham \$15.00

Genealogical Notes on the Founding of New England by Ernest Flagg \$24.00

Memoirs of an American Lady with sketches of manners and scenery in America, as they existed previous to the Revolution. 2 vols. Originally published 1808; 1970 reprint \$36.00

Plantagenet Ancestry of Seventeenth-Century Colonists by David Faris \$26.00

Ancestral Roots of certain Americans who came to America before 1700 by FL Weis \$36.00

Ancestry's Guide to Research: Case Studies in American Genealogy by J Cerny & A Eakle \$3.00

Genealogical Evidence by Noel C. Stevenson \$21.00

Family History Made Easy by Loretto Dennis Suzcs \$3.00

Ancestral Trails: The Complete Guide to British Genealogy and Family History by MD Herber \$3.00

Index to American Genealogies Originally published 1900; 1979 reprint, 5th ed. \$15.00

Handbook for Genealogical Correspondence. Rev ed 1974 \$3.00

City of San Bernardino, 1854-1985 by Martha Gaines Stoebe \$15.00

Index to the 1871 Census of Ontario: Brant \$9.00

Tracing Your Roots: Locating your ancestors at home and abroad by Meg Wheeler \$2.50

Genealogical Gazetteer of England by Frank Smith \$9.00

Colonial New York: A History by Michael Kammen \$3.00

Your English Ancestry: A Guide for North Americans by Sherry Irvine \$4.00

Origins of some Anglo-Norman Families by Lewis C. Loyd \$6.00

The Magna Charta Sureties, 1215 by Frederick Lewis Weis \$6.00

Feudal England: Historical Studies on the Eleventh and Twelfth Centuries by JH Round \$12.00

Annals of Lincoln County, North Carolina by William L. Sherrill. c.1937. 1998 reprint. \$27.00

South Carolina Genealogical Research by George K. Schweitzer \$3.50

Contributions of the Genealogies of the First Settlers of the Patent and City of Schenectady from 1682 to 1800 by Jonathan Pearson. c. 1873. 1982 reprint. \$11.00

A New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland by Brian Mitchell 11.00

A History of Jefferson County in the State of New York by FB Hough. c. 1854. 1992 reprint. \$32.00

Massachusetts Genealogical Research by George K. Schweitzer \$6.50

Mayflower Families through Five Generations, vol. 6: Stephen Hopkins \$200.00

John Howland of the Mayflower, vol. 1: the First Five Generations by EP White \$260.00
John Howland of the Mayflower, vol. 2: Documented Descendants by EP White \$360.00
Annals of Southwest Virginia, 2 vols. by Lewis Preston Summers \$53.00
The Meriwethers and their Connections by Nelson Heath Meriwether \$135.00
American Ancestors and Cousins of the Princess of Wales by Gary Boyd Roberts \$12.00
Connecticut Sources for Family Historians and Genealogists by Kip Sperry \$5.50
Rhode Island Sources for Family Historians and Genealogists by Kip Sperry \$11.00
Early Virginia Immigrants, 1623-1666 by George Cabell Greer Reduced to 4 pages on 1. \$10.00
New Hampshire Genealogical Record, vol. 1 & 2, 1903-1905. \$11.00
New Hampshire Genealogical Record, vol. 3 & 4, 1905-1907. \$11.00
New Hampshire Genealogical Record, vol. 5 & 6, 1908-1909. \$16.00
New Hampshire Genealogical Record, vol. 7, 1910 and Combined Index to All Volumes. \$15.00
Nova Scotia Immigrants to 1867 by Leonard H. Smith Jr. and Norma H. Smith, 2 vols. \$60.00

JACKSON COUNTY GENEALOGY LIBRARY NEWS

Magazines Recently Received

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

974 G242 NEHGS

New England Historical and Genealogical Register, v. 172, Whole number 688, Fall 2018. William Godfrey (MA, NH); George Harris (MA); John Bentley; Overton; Joseph Mason (MA); Joel S Thrall (VT, Quebec; OH, TX); and index to subjects and persons in volume 172.

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American Ancestors, New England Historic Genealogical Society, v.

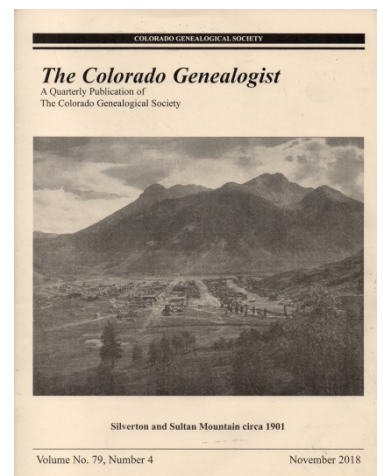
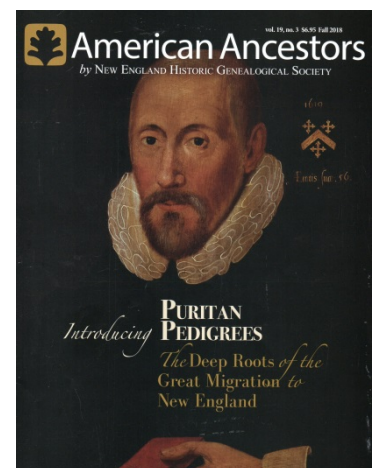
19(3), Fall 2018. Puritan pedigrees, Shakers (NY), Hamilton letters, Genetics, New manuscripts (Revolutionary War papers), and Divorce, annulment and separation in 17th-century New York.

Circ 978.8 P273 Col

Colorado genealogist, Colorado Genealogical Society, v. 79 (4), November 2018. Bible records in the Denver Public Library Manuscript Collection: William and Margaret Armstrong family, Grosnickel/Grossnickle family, St. Clair and Eliza--- Meadows family, Sill/Greene family. Annual index of surnames.

Circ 979.421 P273 Hei

Heir Lines, Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County, CA. v. 43(1), October 2018. DNA connections; reproductions of historical newspaper clippings.





NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR LIBRARY

Thanks to our two hard-working catalogers, Sharon Freeburne and Diane Brenner, we added more than 100 books to the JCGL collection in November – too many to list in the eNews.

[Click here to view the complete list of new books added in December](#), which includes lots of books about Rhea County, Tennessee (976.8834) and San Bernardino County, California (979.495.) Five new issues of the *Siskiyou County [California] Pioneer*, the annual publication of the Siskiyou County Historical Society, provide valuable history about the county in California just south of our Jackson County, Oregon border. Our pioneers and ancestors not only didn't restrict themselves to a single county – often they spent significant time in neighboring states!

