

SEMINAR REGISTRATION

SEMINAR Sept. 27 8:30-4 at INN at the COMMONS 200 N. Riverside Ave., Medford, OR

SEMINAR: Pick up seminar materials at 8:30 AM., Seminar begins at 9:15. Judy Russell will present four lectures:

*AM: "Don't Forget the Ladies" — A Genealogist's Guide to Women and the Law
"Beyond X and Y" — The Promise and Pitfalls of Autosomal DNA Testing*

NOON

BUFFET LUNCH

PM: "No Person Shall ... Gallop Horses In the Streets" — Using Court Records to Tell the Story of Our Ancestors' Lives

"Dowered or Bound Out" — Records of Widows and Orphans

- Lecture descriptions are on the next page
- Please note: All registrations for the Seminar are closed by Sept. 10, 2016 (date postmarked or received)
- Cancellation Policy: Refund requests must be received in writing by Sept. 1st. No Refunds after Sept. 1st.

Make your checks payable to: Rogue Valley Genealogical Society and mail your completed registration form and check to: Rogue Valley Genealogical Society, 3405 S. Pacific Hwy., Medford, OR 97501. Please print legibly. Registration(s) & meal ID confirmations will be given by email (or in-house receipt).

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Early Bird Registration: (Postmarked and/or received by Aug. 10th, 2016)

SEMINAR, Sept. 27th 8:30-4:00 (\$75 per person, includes buffet lunch & syllabus)

Number Attending _____ Total \$ _____

Regular Registration: (Postmarked and/or received by Sept. 10th, 2016)

SEMINAR, Sept. 27th 8:30-4:00 (\$85 per person, includes buffet lunch & syllabus)

Number Attending _____ Total \$ _____

Buffet Lunch is Larks Soup and Salad buffet, bread, ice tea or lemonade and freshly baked cookies and brownies.

Receipt# _____

Cash/check total \$ _____

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ABOUT OUR SPEAKER



Judy Russell is a Certified Genealogist and Certified Genealogical Lecturer with a law degree. She is a lecturer, educator and writer who provides expert guidance through the murky territory where genealogy, history and law come together. She has a bachelor's degree in journalism with a political science minor from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and a law degree from Rutgers School of Law-Newark. She has worked as a newspaper reporter, trade association writer, legal investigator, defense attorney, federal prosecutor, law editor, and, for more than 20 years, has been an adjunct member of the faculty at the Rutgers Law School. She's a member of Association of Professional Genealogists and numerous other national, state and local genealogical societies. Her ground-breaking blog on issues affecting genealogy and the law, DNA testing, copyright and more can be found at <http://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog>. She is an excellent speaker.

Don't miss this! Specialties:

Genealogy and the law
Research methodology
DNA for genealogy

AM Classes

"Don't Forget the Ladies" - A Genealogist's Guide to Women and the Law In

early America, women were all too often the people who just weren't there: not in the records, not in the censuses, not on juries, not in the voting booth. The common law relegated women to "protected" — second-class — status and understanding how they were treated under the law provides clues to finding their identities today.

"Beyond X and Y" -- The Promise and Pitfalls of Autosomal DNA Testing

Autosomal DNA testing is the new kid on the block. Learn more about this exciting addition to the toolkit of 21st century genealogists. What's in it for you, and how can you make the most of this test?

PM Classes

"No Person Shall ... Gallop Horses in the Streets" -- Using Court Records to tell the Story of our Ancestors' Lives

Early court records give color and meaning to the lives and times of our ancestors. County courts often functioned as both judiciary and legislature, and appeals courts published fact-filled opinions. While the records often establish relationships to help build a family tree, they offer so much richness and depth to help tell a family's story.

"Dowered or Bound Out" -- Records of Widows and Orphans

Widows and orphans have always had a special place in the law. But it's not always the place that 21st century researchers might expect. An orphan in the early days wasn't a child whose parents had died, but rather a child whose father had died. The law didn't care much about the mother. She was just the widow, entitled to her dower rights and generally not much more. Learn more of the way the law treated widows and orphans, and what the records may tell us about them.