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Contribute Your Knowledge of Jefferson County History to the Oregon Encyclopedia

Contribute your knowledge of local history and culture to The Oregon Encyclopedia (The OE), an online resource of the state's significant people, places, events, and institutions available to anyone with access to the World Wide Web at <http://www.oregonencyclopedia.org>. The Oregon Encyclopedia is a partnership between Portland State University (PSU), the Oregon Historical Society (OHS), and the Oregon Council of Teachers of English (OCTE). Join us for:

**A Meeting Presented by The Oregon Encyclopedia and The Jefferson County Library
Wednesday, May 9, 2012**

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Jefferson County Library, Rodriguez Annex; 241 SE 7th Street, Madras, OR 97741

Free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

The meeting will include a presentation by Jefferson County Library District staff about the local historical resources available at their library that support the research and writing of local history. Learn about the history of the county seat war between the towns of Culver and Madras in the early twentieth century with a presentation by Jerry Ramsey, historian and writer for The OE. Mr. Ramsey will lead a discussion on local history and how to write an Oregon Encyclopedia entry. Bill Lang, OE Executive Editor, will work with participants to identify central Oregon topics that should be included in the Encyclopedia.

This meeting is supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the Oregon State Library. This event is co-sponsored by the Jefferson County Library District.

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