

# U-CLUB NEWS



Rogue River Valley University Club

June 2020

*RRVUC is temporarily Closed — and we're missing our friends, Jason's spectacular lunches (and SOUPS!) and Lori's welcoming presence.*

**But we  
can still  
stay in  
touch!**



**Club  
Annual  
Meeting  
POSTPONED**

**Thursday, Jun 4, Noon**

**Login:**

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**[U Club Zoom](#)**

**Meeting ID:**

**881 6097 0106**

**Password:**

**721574**

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# SPOTLIGHT

## Bill Bagley

Bill Bagley grew up in Talent, Oregon and graduated from Phoenix High School in 1967. That makes him about 70 years old and he says he feels just great.

We asked if he had any stories of heroism on the athletic fields. “Not at all. I was on the team. That’s it,” he replied.

It was an era when owning a 1956 Chevy Bel Air with a bench seat was a very nice thing, and he had one. He tricked it out with shag carpet on the bench at the back window and he put some bongo drums there. The original color was turquoise, but he had it repainted to blue green. Life was good.

He went to the Phoenix High Prom, he said, and took his date to the Mon Desir on Hanley Road, fancy restaurant with bright red flocked wallpaper, considered the best place in the Valley in 1967.

Your editors probed to see if he had some embarrassing stories of youthful misbehavior. No luck. “I led a pretty conservative, straight and narrow life,” he said.

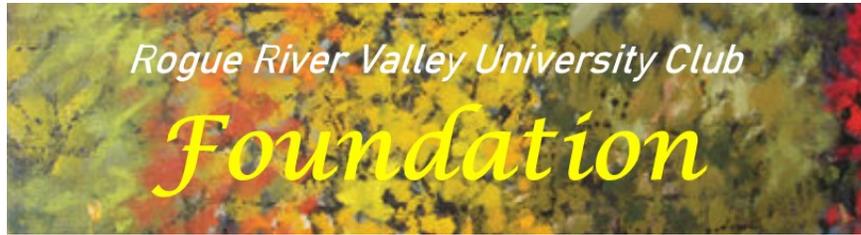
Bill worked at the orchard on Anderson Creek Road founded by his grandfather and operated by his father. He said he did some pruning and picking but mostly he was assigned tractor jobs—the best orchard jobs. The orchard was sixty acres at the time, but Bill wised up about the economics of farming and after his father’s death he and his sister sold the orchard. It is now divided into some small vineyards and homesites.

After high school Bill went directly on to Oregon State University where he studied business with an emphasis on accounting. Going straight to college was typical at the time, since draft deferment required uninterrupted schooling. Then Bill got really lucky, with a draft lottery number of 360.

Bill is known as one of Medford’s most successful accountants. He was a sole practitioner here for 43 years, with a practice oriented to professional clients: dentists, doctors, attorneys.

He retired four years ago.





## **Excerpts from letters from some of last Spring's RRVUC Foundation Scholarship Recipients**

I am extremely grateful for receiving your scholarship which me to pursue my dream to become an immigration attorney. Being a first-generation citizen has given me many obstacles such as financial need. This scholarship it has not only helped me financially but has motivated me to succeed in college. Your organization has pushed me to do my best because you guys believe in me. I hope one day I will be able to give future college students the same opportunity your organization has given me.

**I want to thank you for all your generosity on giving me this scholarship and the opportunity to keep studying. Thanks to you I am the first one in my family assisting college and it is honor.**

I would like to thank you once again for the opportunity to receive this scholarship. It has been a great help in pursuing my educational goals at Portland State University. The scholarship has helped me pay for my books, fees and living expenses as well which has been a great help. I am pursuing a degree in criminal justice and have been loving the classes involving my major. My favorite class so far has been my criminal justice class because, every class I am learning more and more how the mind of criminals work as well as how the criminal justice works in the United States. I've learned which areas need the most help and how our criminal justice system can improve. Coming to college always seemed like a dream to me and, now that I am a college student attending Portland State University, it really does feel like a dream. Living in Portland has been a big move yet, I am loving everything about living in the big city. Once again thank so much for choosing me to receive this wonderful scholarship. I am beyond grateful for this opportunity. Thank you for helping me pursue my educational goals.

**So far, the university has been a great experience. I made the decision to transfer to Southern Oregon University to continue my education and, along the way, changed my major to Healthcare Administration with minors in Business Admin and Psychology. I never thought I would love a school so much as I love SOU. I have been guided through the path of transferring by terrific new people I have met in my classes and by the professors who have shown me kindness by helping me through the transition. Once again, I appreciate your contribution to further my education and I'll forever be grateful. for such generous help.**



*"Let us remember that the University Club has been here since 1910. The culture of the Club may need to change with the times but the tradition and fellowship needs to carry on for future generations."*

— President Jack Salter  
August 2002

Many Members have previously provided for the Club's future in their estate plans and their generosity has helped create the experience you enjoy here.

Please consider helping to strengthen the Club's future by securing a bequest invitation form from [Jerry Jacobson](#) at 541-773-2727. **Your bequest can be made to either the Club or the RRVUC Foundation's Scholarship Fund or its Historic Building Preservation Fund.**



**Do You Know Someone Who Would Like to Join the Club?**

A Personal Membership Application can be  
downloaded at:

[Personal Member Application](#)

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