

CVGS RESEARCH GROUP NOTES – 12 October 2022

by Randy Seaver

A) Upcoming CVGS Events

- 1) CVGS Education Chair Meeting – Tuesday, 18 October, 1 p.m. at Bonita-Sunnyside Library in Bonita CA (4375 Bonita Rd). In-person meeting hosted by Susi Pentico. No Zoom coverage. Register at <https://chulavistagenealogysociety.wildapricot.org/event-4993871>.
- 2) CVGS DNA Interest Group Meeting – Wednesday, 19 October, 12 noon PDT on Zoom. Hosted and moderated by Randy Seaver. Please register at <https://chulavistagenealogysociety.wildapricot.org/event-4993823>. Zoom links will be sent to registrants on Sunday and Tuesday before event.
- 3) CVGS General Meeting – Wednesday, 26 October, 12 noon PDT on Zoom. Hosted by Randy Seaver and Karen Smith. Speaker is Mary Kircher Roddy on “*Time Will Tell - Using Timelines to Understand Your Ancestors.*” Please register at <https://chulavistagenealogysociety.wildapricot.org/event-4993856>. Zoom links will be sent to registrants on Sunday and Tuesday before event.
- 4) CVGS Newsletter published and sent to Members on Monday, 10 October. This issue was edited by Assistant Editor Pam Buchan. It is not available yet on the CVGS website.

B) Recent Genealogy News

- 1) [Coming Attractions - Ancestry.com New/Updated Collections for October 2022.](#) Ancestry provided their October planned release schedule of new and updated collections for each month.
- 2) [“Who Do You Think You Are?” Reboot In Limbo At NBC After One Season.](#) You can watch the nine 2022 season episodes for free at <https://www.nbc.com/who-do-you-think-you-are>.
- 3) [WikiTree \(a free collaborative family tree\) Announced a FREE Genealogy Symposium and “WikiTree Day” on 4-5 November 2022.](#) You don’t need to register but there are benefits to registration. The program for 4 November is at https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:WikiTree_Symposium_Schedule and the program for 5 November is at https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:WikiTree_Day_Schedule.
- 4) Registration for RootsTech 2023 (2-4 March 2023) is now open. It will be Online (free) and In-Person (in Salt Lake City, \$98 registration) – see <https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/rootstech-2023-virtual-in-person>.
- 5) The RootsTech 2019 to 2022 videos are online for free at <https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/search?f.language=en-US&f.conferenceYear=2019&p.index=0&p.pageCount=10>. You can use the “Search” box at the top of the page to select a topic. You can use the “Year” filter for a specific year. You can use the “Speaker” filter to find a specific speaker’s content.

C) Randy's Work

- 1) I had a query from David, a WikiTree contributor, asking "Is it still possible to locate the Martin Carringer farm?" I wrote ["Rabbit Holes With Randy - Where Was the Martin Carringer \(1758-1835\) Farm?"](#) in response. Martin Carringer (1758-1835), a Revolutionary War soldier, is one of my 4th great-grandfathers, who settled in Perry Township, Mercer County, Pennsylvania in about 1796. I had a Donation Land map from about 1820, county plat maps from 1860 and 1873 that show the probable location of the farm. Using Martin's will and my extensive family tree database, I was able to identify the Carringer names on the plat maps. The maps in the blog post are from published books. The 1873 plat map is in the Ancestry collection of ["U.S. Indexed County Land Ownership Maps, 1860-1918."](#)
- 2) Almost all of my important paper files have been digitized and organized. I spent a fair amount of time one week in September on my genealogy digital file maintenance and wrote about it in ["Rabbit Holes With Randy - Genealogy File Maintenance."](#) I have most of my ancestral family files stored in "surname > family folders" and try to use a standard file naming scheme. I have separate folders for documents, photographs, and reports (e.g., book pages, periodical pages, web pages, etc.) in the "surname > family file" folders. When I've collected a general set of records for a surname, I put them in the Surname file folder (e.g. Seaver > Seaver Obituaries).
- 3) My genealogy blog is at <https://www.geneamusings.com>. I write a weekly blog for "Best of the Genea-Blogs" where I choose, and link to, the "best" (IMHO) genealogy-related blog posts for the previous week. The most recent one is at https://w*.geneamusings.com/2022/10/best-of-genea-blogs-2-to-8-october-2022.html.

D) Useful Genealogy Blog Posts:

- 1) ["Who Are My Parents Anyway?"](#) by Frank Jatzek on [SidetrackedGen](#).
- 2) [The Top Genealogy Websites for Your German Family History Research](#) by Diane Henriks on [Know Who Wears The Genes In Your Family](#).
- 3) [Looking Ahead to 1960 US Census Release in 2032](#) by Marian B. Wood on [Climbing My Family Tree](#).
- 4) [Why was Old Man Jacob Dobkins' Will Fraudulently Secreted, Concealed and Destroyed? – 52 Ancestors #375](#) by Roberta Estes on [DNAeXplained - Genetic Genealogy](#).
- 5) [The Genealogy Research Process : Improve Your Family History Research](#) by Jennifer Dondero on [The Occasional Genealogist](#).
- 6) [Reconstructing the Past: The National Personnel Record Center Fire of 1973](#) by Michael Strauss on [Fold3 Blog](#).
- 7) [16 ways to find your ancestors' town of origin](#) by Lisa Louise Cooke on [Lisa Louise Cooke](#).
- 8) [Stop Following the Herd!](#) by Ken McKinlay on [Family Tree Knots](#).

- 9) **[United States Free Online Genealogy Research Toolkits](#)** by Kenneth Marks on **[The Ancestor Hunt](#)**.
- 10) **[Tracing a British Seaman in the Royal Navy before 1853](#)** by Judith Batchelor on **[Genealogy Jude](#)**.
- 11) **[It's Complicated!](#)** by Eileen Lyon on **[Myricopia](#)**.