

VISTA ROYALE COMPUTER CLUB

January 16, 2020

President Mike Johnson opened the meeting with an announcement: The Carboni Fund Raiser for Easter Basket Fund on Jan 26th. This buys school supplies & an outfit for appx 65 kids in the 2 homeless shelters. The posters for the golf & lunch, golf, just lunch are on the Lab Bulletin board and Sandy McKenny has tickets. Donations also accepted. A really good cause.

We had a good turn out with 38 members and guests.

Microsoft ended its support of Windows 7 Tuesday..... seriously think of updating your machine, having ACT update it or bite the bullet and consider buying a new Windows 10 machine in the near future.

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/what-is-your-companys-windows-7-exit-strategy/?ftag=TRE-03-10aaa6b&bhid=25485049837243529309182873051293>

Here's how you can still get a free Windows 10 upgrade

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Note: a couple of members have scanned over 500 slides this past week on our new film/slide scanner. Grace Rousseau did over 300 in one evening and found it really easy to work.

New Books in the Computer Club Library:

iOS 13 Guide, Rudderham, Tom

iPhone Guide, Rudderham, Tom

iPhone 11/11 Pro, & iPhone 11 Pro Max User Guide: A Beginner to Expert Guide to Master the new iPhone 11, iPhone 11 Pro, and iPhone 11 Pro Max in 5 hours!, Harting, Douglas A.

Samsung Galaxy Note 10 & Note 10 Plus Picture Guide: A Beginner's detailed manual on Getting the Best User Experience from your Samsung Note 10 and 10 plus Phone, Wakes, Tee

Samsung Galaxy S10, S10 Plus & S10e Made Simple!: A Visual and Detailed Guide to Using Your Device Like a Pro!, Pharm Ibrahim

Don't forget to stop in and pay your dues..... still \$20 cash-bring your badge. The cut-off date is February 1 when start using only the 2020 mail list.

Mike introduced our speaker Melinde Lutz Byrne who has a very interesting career. She & her husband now live at Vista during the winter and we hope to see more of her in the future

About

Melinde has been a genealogist since 1976. Trained as an anthropologist and archivist, she began publishing in 1979. She was elected one of the fifty Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists in 1993 (www.fasg.org) and was its President. In 1984 she joined a four member team to conduct forensic genealogical research. In 1992 she worked with geneticists compiling umbilical mtDNA lineages.

In 1995 Melinde joined a five-year publishing project to produce The Great Migration Begins and subsequent The Great Migration volumes. Recent publications have appeared in the Hofstra Law Review (habeas corpus) and The New England Quarterly (colonial African freedom). She co-authored editorials in the National Genealogical Society Quarterly.

She has been a guest on NPR Talk of the Nation and spotlighted on CBS, NBC, and PBS and has been quoted in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, AARP, SWE, and Newsweek. Recently lectured on African names, on a Jane Doe found in 1971, burial ground discoveries, holocaust research, and DNA evidence used to identify samples for law enforcement. Currently researching a book on Miriam Perlstein, a reader on a TV miniseries screenplay "Top Secret Rosies," and advocating for public records access.

<https://www.iheart.com/podcast/263-the-genealogy-profes-27754086/>

We enjoyed a riveting presentation of some of her discoveries and stories. She had anecdotes about an adoption, a Holocaust family and the women who worked for the government during the war and how she helped identify them. She showed DNAPainter.com website and discussed the DNA companies and their histories and policies. We are hoping that she will come back again. We used up all of our time in the kitchen as she was still answering questions. Look for her involvement in a couple of screenplays and a book coming up.

Next week will be Jurgen Schwanitz from ACT Computers with their newest toy [tech term] that is a new 3-D printing machine. This is the machine that is revolutionizing body parts, prostheses and spare obscure parts. The 30th of January will be Craig Laubental presenting a program on Pandora and the club will be giving away a Win10 laptop to a member.

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