

VISTA ROYALE COMPUTER CLUB
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Members:

Vicky Getz opened the first meeting of the 2021 season via Zoom since we are unable to have in-person meetings and are still banned from using our Lab in Pine Arbor Clubhouse. She had sent all members an email with a link and instructions on how to join in at the correct time. We had 17 members who attended and participated; one from Sweden and 1 from Ohio. It was great seeing all the participants. Here are her notes and links if you want to see her slideshow or check out a good YouTube video tutorial.

Our topic of the day was using some of the ZOOM controls.

The slide show can be found at
<http://getzweb.net/vista/Zoom.pdf>

How did I set my background to show me in outer space?

On the zoom client, click the little settings cog, and select Background and Filters

How can I HOST my own meeting?

You need to be a registered user.

A free account lets you HOST a meeting for up to 100 people for up to 40 minutes, we have opted for a monthly Pro account which costs the club \$14.99 per month and lets us get past that 40-minute time limit and gives us the ability to record a meeting to the cloud, cancel-able at any time. A year-round subscription is less expensive per month, but we don't do year-round meetings.

The next level, lets you host 300 people, for 19.99 per month.

YouTube Tutorial Video: HOW TO USE ZOOM - How to Host/Attend a Meeting [for Beginners]

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HbYHaNvCw9M>

President Mike Johnson thanked Vicky Getz for researching and implementing the paid version of Zoom, the new online meeting app that has swept the world in the past 9 months. He had no announcements for the moment.

Secretary Sandy McKenny wanted the members who were interested in Genealogy to check out the free Webinars from www.familytreewebinars.com. You have to register and if you happen to miss the live broadcast, the recordings are available for about a week. If you do not have a paid annual membership for Legacy sessions, you will not be able to see or download the handout/syllabus; so be prepared to take notes on anything

you want to remember. You can also use the 'snipping' tool or take screen shots of the presentation.

She also suggested that you sign up for the Free sessions at www.Rootstech.org for the annual convention, 'RootsTech Connect' in Salt Lake City which is totally virtual this year. Sign up or Register to reserve your spot now as apparently ALL 200+ sessions are free. They will let you know when you can sign up for the individual classes or presentations. It runs for 3 days, Feb 25-27, 2021 [Thursday, Fri & Sat]. It is run by Family Search International which is the largest genealogy organization in the world. It is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven organization sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In the past in-person fees, travel and hotel/meal costs were quite an expense..... this is your chance to experience it FREE. The schedules for 2022 to 2025 are already set for certain dates if you are interested in a trip; the London England RootsTech has been postponed to November 5-7 of 2021.

Here you will find the keynote speakers' bios: <https://www.rootstech.org/?lang=eng> This event will have a combination of both live-stream content and content that will be available on demand. So, if you have to step away from the computer for a bit, no worries. All of the content will be available to you to enjoy on your own time and this is the current archive of past sessions: <https://www.rootstech.org/video-archive?lang=eng>

They are still working on the full conference schedule for RootsTech Connect. When it's available, you'll be able to view it on their website and start planning which classes you want to see. When their website is live, you'll have the ability to add certain classes to your individual "playlist" and get the syllabus for each. You can also add the conference to your own calendar now <https://www.rootstech.org/frequently-asked-questions?lang=eng#Classes> Select short sessions will be available to download and you can download a free mobile app.

Next week with be Vicky Getz with 'Streaming' and how to do it and what you will need. A timely topic for all of us that are sick of regular TV and/or commercials. Put it on your calendar!

She wanted you to know that the Vista Royale Association Board of Directors is looking for a civic minded volunteer to moderate their Zoom sessions. If you are interested, contact a board member. Also let us know if you have a request for a certain subject this winter and we will try to do it or find someone else.

See you on Zoom next Thursday for 'Streaming', 9:30 am; watch for the email with the link to join.

Sandy McKenny, sec

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