

# Gena and Jean Genealogy Journeys® Podcasts



## Have you been listening?

Check the accompanying resources on the blog posts at [genaandjean.blogspot.com](http://genaandjean.blogspot.com)

Here is what we've done; . . . listen any time; free thru the end of June (the full selection is available at [genjourneys.podbean.com](http://genjourneys.podbean.com)):

Number	Date - 2016	Topic
1	10 January	Introduction to Social History Podcasts
2	24 January	Pens and Penmanship
3	14 February	Courtship
4	28 February	White House Occupations & Occupants
5	13 March	Irish Immigration
6	27 March	Refrigeration
7	10 April	Ocean Travel
8	24 April	Advertising
9	8 May	Mother's Day!
10	22 May	World War II and Women
11	5 June	Underwear
12	19 June	Fishing
13	17 July	Colonial Life
14	24 July	Pioneer Day
15	14 August	Photography Over the Ages
16	28 August	Picnics, Picnicking, and Labor Day
17	17 September	Newspapers (in honor of Newspaper Carriers' Day)
18	25 September	The Harvest
19	9 October	Fire Fighting (recognizing Nat'l Fire Fighters' Memorial Weekend)
20	23 October	Door to Door Begging
21	13 November	The Donner Party (170 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)
22	8 January 2017	Stephen Foster Memorial Day
23	22 January	Laundry – Then & Now
24	12 February	History of the US Post Office (Thank a Mail Carrier Day)
25	26 February	Black History Month & the Underground Railroad
26	12 March	Cereal Day
27	26 March	Women's Month – The Working Woman
28	9 April	Diseases & Their Treatments
29	23 April	Plumber Day – Indoor & Outdoor
30	14 May	National Bike Month
31	28 May	National Buy a Musical Instrument Day
32	11 June	National Sewing Machine Day & the Singer Company
33	25 June	Fathers' Day Tribute Stories from Listeners

Read the blogs and other materials at [genaandjean.blogspot.com](http://genaandjean.blogspot.com); subscribe to podcasts at [genjourneys.podbean.com](http://genjourneys.podbean.com) (or follow the link from the blog). \$20/year.

To suggest a topic, please email us at [genjourneys@gmail.com](mailto:genjourneys@gmail.com)

## OUR LISTENERS REACT:

### *The Podcasts in general*

"I love social history. I just never had a name for it before I started listening to the Gena and Jean podcasts." (Cynthia)

"I have just listened to the Gena/Jean podcasts . . . I very much enjoyed the banter between the two commentators. It was very evident that they had done a lot of research for the presentations. I learned a lot about each of the subjects they were discussing. The personal experiences made the topics more relatable for me." (Jackie)

". . . Jean and Gena's podcasts . . . leave me thinking about how the topics relate to my own family history, reminding me of things I haven't thought about for years – my father's fountain pen, my Kodak Instamatic with the fancy flash attachment, and, yes, my first bra-shopping trip." (Cyndy)

"The topics are delightfully varied and Jean and Gena 'feed' off each other perfectly! The depth of knowledge these women have is impressive. Fun to listen to, as well as [being] informative." (Rita)

"I Love listening to Gena and Jean Podcasts. The best thing is the various Podcasts help my genealogical research become more family history oriented. As I listen to Gena & Jean speak on various topics like Fishing to Photography . . . What comes to the surface are new ideas to add to my family history . . . Gena and Jean Podcasts are a fun and entertaining way to learn. Reminds me of listening to the radio at night under the covers when visiting my grandmother." (Sandy)

"I like listening to the podcasts while I do my ironing. (Yes I still do that. Often on Tuesdays.) Social history podcasts and housework are a perfect match." (Mrs. R.)

### *About Penmanship #2*

"This subject is dear to my heart, because, as a child, I LOVED pens and writing. I always got good grades in penmanship, and to this day, love a fine pen . . . I loved fountain pens, and like Jean, used Sheaffer pens and Skrip ink. I never liked ballpoint pens, and by junior high, refused to use them . . . Thanks for the interesting podcast! You two always fill your discussions with interesting tidbits and fascinating stories!" (Stef)

### *About Underwear #11*

"What an interesting and entertaining program! Gives me a whole different way of trying to imagine women's lives back then . . . Thanks for another great podcast!" (Sheri)

"Hilarious!" (Debbie)

### *About Photography #15*

"Jean Wilcox Hibben and Gena Philibert-Ortega, longtime friends with a witty repartee, have started a new podcast . . . which I highly recommend. I recently listened to episode #15 . . . and was reminded of my own family photography stories . . . Listen to this new podcast for an informative look at times past." (Jamie)

### *About Newspapers #17*

"Jean and Gena's podcasts are so informative. They are well-organized, with references, links to databases, finding aids, and articles. I had occasion to listen to Podcast #17 . . . and really appreciated it when the presenters did not go over basic newspaper information such as obituaries. Instead the women talked about things such as the classifieds, the legal notices and advertisements . . . All-in-all a great learning, and entertaining, experience." (Dottie)

### *About the Harvest #18*

"Listening to the Gena/Jean podcasts is like having a conversation with two friends – two friends who are really smart about an interesting topic and share what they know in a breezy, entertaining way. The 'Harvest' podcast, for example, is full of information about everything from farm equipment to pickling and much more. Check it out." (Marilyn)

"I listened to the Harvest Podcast this afternoon and found that Gena and Jean gave me some 'food for thought' about my farming ancestors . . . What a hard life they lived in those days! Thank you for such an interesting presentation and insight on some of the challenges my ancestors had to face." (R. Duckworth)

"When our country was founded . . . it is estimated that 95% of the population was engaged in farming. Today, less than 3% of the American population is so engaged . . . Jean and Gena brought to life the hard work of these folks. Using a combination of conversation-like presentation and songs, they described in marvelous detail the long hours, implements used at various periods, and the vagaries of weather and insects that were the lot of our ancestors." (Mary Anne)

"That was a fun podcast to listen to. I have many farmers in my family. The conversation was so good I wanted to jump in and share my own stories! You inspired my mind to . . . thinking of things I need to include in family stories . . . Now I will think of the farmers in a different way. I am going to listen to more right now. Thank you, gals!" (Diane)

### *About the Post Office #24*

"I learned from your postal service podcast how most people disregard salutations when writing emails . . . I like all of your podcasts! I learn so much." (Jean P.)