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### Annual Picnic includes the annual CKCS election

Monday, June 10, at 6:00 pm

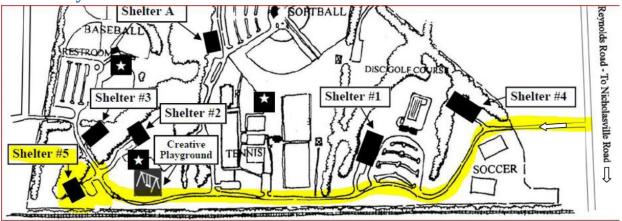
CKCS Annual Picnic will be held June 10<sup>th</sup> at Shillito Park, Shelter #5. During this picnic two important things will occur:

- We will hold the election for the Board of Directors-see the current nominations and candidates bios on pages 3 and 4 of this newsletter.
- There will be great food as we have some fabulous cooks in the group.

CKCS will furnish fried chicken and soft drinks. Members are asked to bring a salad, vegetable, dessert, etc. to go with the chicken. Also, if you have a lawn chair, please bring it just in case we need extra chairs at the shelter. Yes, guests are welcome!

<u>PLEASE RSVP (as soon as possible)</u>. Call the CKCS office (859-373-1000) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., any weekday. In order to judge how much chicken we need to buy, the office supervisor will ask you how many will be in your party and of those, how many are children.

### Here are your directions to shelter #5



Shelter #5 in Shillito Park at 300 W. Reynolds Road

# See what is in your newsletter this month

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#### **OFFICERS**

Tenure end June 30, 2013

President: Brooke Thomas Vice-President: Mike Seiler Treasurer: Jim McCormick Secretary: Larry Trivette

#### **DIRECTORS**

Tenure end June 30, 2014
Boone Baldwin
Jan Landers-Lyman
Darlene Mosley
Ben Rice
Jimmy Stevens

Tenure end June 30, 2013

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Joe Dietz
Larry Mitchum
Debbie Settles
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## Election of new CKCS Officers and Directors to take place at the annual June Picnic and Business meeting

#### By Jan Landers-Lyman

The CKCS Nominations Committee consisting of Boone Baldwin, Ben Rice, Jimmy Stevens, Darlene Mosley and chaired by Jan Landers-Lyman produced a slate of officers and directors for this election. At the CKCS annual picnic, set for June 10 at Shillito Park, Shelter #5, members will be asked to vote to fill the four officer positions; president, vice president, secretary and treasurer one-year terms. Additionally, five director positions will be elected for two-year terms.

Any current member in good standing may place his/her name in nomination or may nominate another current member for any office or position in this election. To nominate a member for any of these positions before ballots are printed, you should email the committee chair at <a href="mailto:janlanderslyman@aol.com">janlanderslyman@aol.com</a> or call the CKCS office during normal office hours at (859) 373-1000. Leave your name and contact information and the office supervisor will get the information to the nominations committee.

Nominations for officer and director positions may also be made from the floor at the picnic and write-in spaces will be on the printed ballot so members may vote for last minute nominees. The election will be by secret ballot.

Following is the current list of candidates for officers and directors with a short description of each:

#### **President**

**Brooke Thomas:** Brooke has been a member since 2008, past president and board member, Coordinator for the CKCS Project Face Lift and is an instructor for the DVD and Movie Maker classes. She started taking classes with Digital Imaging and has never looked back. In her work life, she was a statewide manager for the adoption and foster care programs for Kentucky. She volunteers as an ESL teacher at Operation Read and with Altrusa International.



#### Vice President

Mike Seiler: Mike has been a member since 1993. He maintains all the CKCS computers, one of three members helping with the Dr. Fixit SIG, past president and vice president. Mike has taught Computer Basics, Internet/Email, Beyond Basics, Beginning Word Processing, and the Short Course for Computer Basics. He also works as an office supervisor each week.



### Secretary

**Larry Trivette**: Larry has been a member since 2000. He is past secretary, board member, leads the Word Processing SIG, and works as an office supervisor each week. He has taught Beyond Basics, Internet/Email, Microsoft Word, Excel, and various other classes. Larry is interested in genealogy.





### **Treasurer**

**Jim McCormick**: Jim has been a member since the early 90's. He has served as treasurer and president several times and as an office supervisor. Jim is currently employed with the Jockey Club working with the Consulting Group. He enjoys being a part of a group that tries to make computers fun for everyone.



### Directors (5)

**Bob Brown**: Bob has been a member since 1988 and has served as president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, board member, and numerous other positions. He started his computer career in the mid-60s at UK and has been involved ever since. He was an electrical engineer working for several companies around the country and as a software engineer and manager for Texas Instruments in Versailles.



<u>Joe Dietz</u>: Joe has been a member since retiring from the US Army Reserves in 1996. He has served on the board of directors, and is an instructor for the Beginning and Advance Digital Imaging classes and Point and Shoot classes. He also conducts various Photography Seminars and leads the Photography Special Interest Group (SIG). He is a volunteer at the Arboretum and enjoys gardening and his bonsai collection.



**Larry Mitchum:** Larry has been a member since 1993. He has served as president, vice president, program director and board member for many years. He is responsible for The LISTSERV message that goes out each week informing members of upcoming events. His interests are videography, photography, music and genealogy.



<u>Debbie Settles</u>: Debbie, a member since 2007, is the resident iPad and iPhone instructor conducting classes and seminars and has been a Board Member since 2011. She is a retired Fayette County teacher with thirty-one years of experience. She is pleased to be a part of CKCS where learning and sharing are available to anyone who walks through the door.



<u>Julie Steanson:</u> Julie has been a member since 1993, a current board member, and works as an office supervisor each week. She also volunteers at Action Elder Outreach, Singletary Center for the Arts and enjoys reading and participating in book clubs. She retired from UK in 2005 and has been avoiding the sunrise since then.





### **President's Comments**

By Brooke Thomas, CKCS President

### **Computers for Refugees**

CKCS has been working with Charlie Zehnder on his project to help provide used computers to Kentucky Refugees Ministry (KRM) for refugees settling in Lexington. When computers are given to CKCS, the hard drives are erased and given to Charlie. He then works to get them in working order by installing the appropriate operating system, security software, Open Office and insuring that all the components work together. These are then donated to KRM for clients and their children who are arriving in America.



Recently this endeavor was enhanced by Freddy Peralta at Ky Trade Computer Services who donated 10 computers to KRM in CKCS's name. Monitors were also needed and these have been provided by Ky Trade and donations through CKCS.

If you would like to be a part of this joint community service and have equipment to donate, Charlie is accepting computers that are less than 10 years old with Windows XP or later versions. Monitors should be at least VGA. For keyboards and mice, it would be nice if they have scroll wheels. Laptops are also welcome. Please don't bring in older equipment as someone in the office will just have to take it to the recycle center. You might call or e-mail before you bring something into the office to see if it is needed. Since Charlie has limited space, he can only handle so much equipment at one time.

#### Classes Start this Month

Be sure to check out the schedule of classes that begin mid June. At our <u>www.CKCS.org</u> home page you can locate the finalized schedule and keep up with any updates. The class calendar is in the list on the left side of that home page.

#### **Directors' Prize**

The Directors' prize is a free extension to one's membership. The length of the extension is dependent on how many months go by until it is awarded. It starts at three months and the length increases every month that a member isn't present to claim the prize. Last month, Arritta M. Morris' name was selected, but she was not present. For June, the length of the extension increases to 6 months!



### **Digital Photography Special Interest Group**

### At CKCS on June 25, 2013

### **Composition Continues**

On April 1, 2013, CKCS members Boone Baldwin, Larry Neuzel, and Joe Dietz gave a two-hour

presentation/discussion on "Photography Composition". After a quick lunch from Orlando's, the group headed out to Keeneland where they walked the grounds discussing different ways to get the best photos. They explored the grounds, the track, and the buildings and of course, visited the horses in their stalls while taking lots of pictures. On a beautiful Keeneland day, the group spent a couple of hours practicing what they discussed in the morning. At the June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 **Digital Photography Special Interest Group**, the attendees will have submitted their images in select categories for discussion. Join us to talk more about composition.



Dorothea Scholz, Larry Neuzel, Carolyn Nichols, Brooke Thomas, Joe Dietz, Boone Baldwin, Jan Landers-Lyman, Rebecca Brothers, Sheri Seckman, Joe Clancy, Pennie Redmond

### **June Photo Contest Category**

The photo contest for June will be on **Bridges**. Kentucky has some wonderful bridges across the



state, from ancient covered wooden bridges, to rock buttress bridges to single lane bridges to the first suspension bridge ever build. Submit your images to <a href="mailto:joedietz@aol.com">joedietz@aol.com</a> no later than June 24, 2013

**Hendricks Suspension Bridge** 



### **May photo contest winner of First Place**



Category: Animals

Raccoon at Cumberland Falls State Park

Photographer: Maria Han



### Do you use INSIGHTBB for your Email? Now what?

By Bob Brown, member CKCS Board of Directors

What is going to happen as Time Warner takes over from Insight?

Many CKCS members and their friends and family are Insight Communications customers for Internet service, cable television and/or landline telephone service.

Insight has been bought by Time Warner – a much larger company with many more customers. You are probably aware that the corporate name changing has already started. Service trucks are being repainted and advertising is beginning to show the new name.

But what is going to happen with your services?

First, you will begin paying bills to a new company. But, you don't have to change immediately – they will still accept payments to Insight for several months. If you use a bank billpay system, you will have to see that the payee's name and other details gets changed from Insight to Time Warner. It is possible that your bank will do this for you, but it is still up to you to verify that it is correct.

Second, the phone numbers you call for various services may change but the old numbers will continue working for a while. Check to see when these will change.

Third, if you are an Internet customer, your email address will need to be changed. Actually you will need to create a completely new email address.

Time Warner wants you to set up an email account with them at twc.com but you may choose to go with Gmail or Yahoo or one of the "web-based" email services. This is your decision to make but the time is drawing near when you must decide something.

Of course, whatever you choose, you will need to notify all your friends and family about your new email address. (Don't worry, the spammers will figure this out on their own – you may even have peace and quiet for a few weeks until they find you.)

Time Warner has published that any email sent to your old address will be forwarded to your new address for one year. This might be the case only if you create a twc.com address – check to make sure.

Fourth, if you are an Insightbb Internet customer, will your Internet service change?

Probably not, but this is a good time to figure out exactly what you are paying for and whether it is worth it. You may wish to make some changes. This likely will be an easy time to do it.

- Fifth, if you are an Insight cable television customer there have been some statements that only minor changes are going to be made. Be careful and make sure you approve of any changes. Of course, Time Warner will be very helpful signing you up for more expensive services.
- Sixth, if you are an Insight telephone customer your service will continue without interruption. Time Warner has stated that you will need to update any answering service options and messages. And there will be opportunities to add or remove other services.
- Finally, your transition from Insight to Time Warner should not be difficult if you plan ahead and be ready to meet any deadlines by thinking about your choices beforehand.
- By the way, whenever and whatever you do change your email address to, be sure to notify CKCS of that change. To do this, just send a note to <a href="mailto:Ben.Rice@ckcs.org">Ben.Rice@ckcs.org</a>.

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# Not a member ? We invite you to join CKCS.

Here is how: It is simple as 1 - 2 - 3 (If now a member – be sure to renew.)

1

Click on this link <a href="http://www.ckcs.org/join/">http://www.ckcs.org/join/</a> and fill out the form (if that doesn't work, go to <a href="http://www.ckcs.org">www.ckcs.org</a> and click on JOIN NOW) - - Or

2

Call (859) 373-1000 and a friendly office supervisor will be glad to help you - - Or

3

Stop by the CKCS Resource Center at 160 Moore Drive, Lexington 40503 Office hours Monday through Friday, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M....

### SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS

Here is your chance. Sign up for a class right away.

Just call the CKCS office for the details. (859) 373-1000.

Classes are filled on a first come, first serve basis.

### **CKCS SUMMER 2013 CLASS SCHEDULE**

Time/Location	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10 am - Noon Class Room		Beg. Dig. Imaging Jun 18 - Jul 23 Joe Dietz Janet Cartmell		Beyond Basics Jun 20 - Aug 1 Myra Engle	
11 am - 1 pm SIG Room	Beginning iPad Jun 17 - Jul 22 Debbie Settles		Beginning iPhone Jun 19 - Jul 24 Debbie Settles		
1 - 3 pm Class Room		Adv. Dig. Imaging & Independent Work Jun 18 - Jul 23 Joe Dietz			
6:30 - 8:30 pm Class Room			Excel Spreadsheets Jun 19 - Jul 24 Larry Trivette		



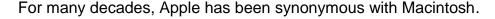
### Mac & iPad Article

### Slate.com: Apple's Next Big Thing Is Not a Watch or TV Writer Predicts iPad Will Surpass iPhone as Apple's Biggest Seller



### By Kurt Jefferson, SIG Leader and Instructor for Mac & iPad topics

"If this trend continues, the iPad will eclipse the iPhone as the company's best–selling product by 2015, if not sooner. After that, our picture of Apple will change. It will be the world's biggest tablet company, one that also dabbles in iPhones and Macs." —Farhad Manjoo, Slate.com; April 24, 2013



Millions of Mac users, from Lexington to London and from Somerset to Sydney, boot up their computers daily to complete a variety of tasks. As I've mentioned before in this column, I use my Mac more than my car. That isn't about to change anytime soon.

To millions of others, the California company that brought us the Mac is synonymous with the iPhone. That smartphone is Apple's biggest seller and it can be found everywhere. The iPhone is not only Apple's hottest product. Slate.com says the iPhone is the *most profitable product in the world*.

Then where does Apple's fast–selling tablet fit into the picture?

The iPad is about to take center stage and will soon outsell every other Apple product says Slate.com's Farhad Manjoo: "In an earnings report released yesterday (April 23, 2013), Apple said that it sold 19 million iPads during the first three months of the year. That's an increase of 65 percent from the same quarter last year. By comparison, the company sold 37 million iPhones, about 7 percent more than the previous year."

Manjoo predicts Apple's tablet computer will outsell every other Apple product in three short years, if not sooner.

How can he be so sure? Because, Manjoo says, Apple is following the path it used to sell the iPod. "In that business—unlike in the phone market—Apple began by creating a category–defining product and then constantly expanded its lineup to cover every price point and usage scenario: The original iPod was followed by the iPod Mini, the Nano, the Shuffle, and the Touch. Apple didn't make much money on some of those very cheap models, but it was willing to sacrifice profits because it had another trick up its sleeve: consumer lock—in. Because you stored your music in—and even purchased it from—iTunes, once you entered the iPod ecosystem, you had little incentive to leave…"

So what about the iPad? "It's the same story with the iPad," claims Manjoo.

"Over the last three years, Apple diversified its tablet lineup: The company now sells a 9.7-inch high-definition tablet for \$499, a non-high-def 9.7-inch model for \$399, and the \$329 iPad Mini. Yes, that's still not dirt cheap—you can buy one of Amazon's Kindle tablets for \$159, and Google's Nexus 7 sells for \$199. Indeed, the iPad's sales do seem to have been hit by these very cheap rivals. According to



the research firm IDC, Apple claimed 44 percent of the tablet market in the last quarter of 2012, down from 52 percent during the same time in 2011. IDC predicts that in 2013, Apple will account for 46 percent of the tablet market, while a slew of cheap Android tablets will account for 48 percent of sales." Okay. Fair enough.

The story is much deeper than this, the Slate.com writer says. Focus on *profits*.

"But it's important to note that those rivals are selling their devices at cost—neither Amazon nor Google makes any profit on sub-\$200 tablets. This is a testament to the iPad's imperviousness to competition: The iPad's year-over-year sales surged by 65 percent—and its market share dipped only slightly—when it was pitted against rivals that weren't making any money on their devices."

Then Manjoo asks why are people willing to spend \$329 on an iPad when they can get an Android tablet for \$200?

He says it's not because the iPad is more attractive or powerful.

"The iPad is more useful—because its App Store is packed with an order of magnitude more apps than you'll find for any other tablet."

According to Manjoo, Apple says it has 350,000 apps in its App Store made explicitly for the iPad. In contrast, Manjoo says, "Google has never disclosed the number of tablet-specific Android apps, but anyone who's ever perused the Play store knows the number is tiny. This is a crucial advantage, because unlike for a phone, a tablet is pretty useless without great apps."

By introducing the less expensive iPad Mini, the Slate.com writer says, "Apple has lowered its overall profitability, one of the factors dragging down its stock price. But, as in the iPod business, the shortterm profit loss will help solidify long-term dominance. Here is the lock-in story again: Apple is certain that people who jump on the iPad bandwagon today will stick with it for life. Even if your iPad Mini purchase doesn't help Apple's bottom line very much, you'll buy lots and lots of apps for your device. Then, when the time comes to buy a new tablet, you'll have little incentive to switch to Android and have to buy all new apps."

He concludes, "It's very likely that Apple's next big thing is already out there. The iPad is going to be huge. Just watch."

### No Mac/iPad SIG Meetings in June or July

Again this year, I'll be teaching at aviation camp so the June and July meetings of the Mac/iPad SIG (special interest group) are cancelled. The group normally meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7 P.M. We'll resume the SIG meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M.

### Apple Expected To Release New OS X and iOS Versions in June

June should be a very busy month for Apple as the company is expected to release new versions of the operating system running on its Macs (OS X) as well as the operating system running on its iPhones, iPads, and iPod touches (iOS).

### News to use

### The June Computer Mystery Workshop will cover two topics

The next episode of Computer Mystery Workshop will be on Wednesday, June 5, at 1:30 p.m.

Workshop leader Bob Brown says the first topic will be Google Glass.

You probably have seen or heard about Google Glass, a pair of glasses with a computer display added. This is an experimental product that is now being tested by specially invited people around the world. Google has announced that a consumer product will be available in 2014.

Google Glass has an approximately ½ inch square display mounted just above the right eye and about an inch in front. You can look at the display by just lifting your gaze upward a small amount. If you are walking down a street, you can use Google maps to determine where you are and which turns to make. You can take photos with voice commands and send the photos to your Internet photo storage site.

It is assumed that there will be many more "apps" created that enhance the use of the glasses in many unexpected ways.

During this workshop, we will look at the specifications for the product, watch some videos of people who have used them and speculate on what may be coming.

**The second topic will be Pro XPN**. This is a service that allows you to browse the Internet privately with no one able to monitor your data or know your location.

Pro XPN provides a software package for your computer which helps you do Internet browsing through an encrypted connection to a server that then retrieves desired Internet pages and sends them back to your computer. This prevents spy software or other listeners from seeing your data packets to or from your computer and they cannot get your IP address which can be translated to your location.

We will look at this service which has a free version and several levels of pay service.

Also, we will have time for discussions and speculation about the future of these and other products.

Bring your laptop if you wish to follow along.

### **Update Your E-Mail Address**

Beginning June 10 with the change from Insight Communications to Time Warner Cable, customers with Insight e-mail addresses will have a new e-mail address. When you update with Time Warner, please notify CKCS of your new address by sending an email to <a href="mailto:Ben.Rice@ckcs.org">Ben.Rice@ckcs.org</a>.



# TECH TALK

By Joe Isaac Windows SIG Leader

### **Google Voice Search**



This is Google Voice Search you talk and it talks back.

This is a fun thing to do – I love it.

While downloading Google Chrome

https://www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/

click on, make it your default browser,

then click on: https://www.google.com/webhp?hl=en

(Save this web site, so you may access Google Voice Search, at the top, in the address bar, left click and drag the icon in front of the https to the Desktop.)

Now put your cursor on the microphone, left click and start talking. It will bring up the web site. If you are lucky it will even talk back.

This is really fun, I will never type a web site again.

I just asked the following questions and it talked back and showed web pages. I did this on my Windows 7 Desktop, and my Windows 8 laptop.

First question: who is Kentucky's basketball coach?

Female voice answer: John Calipari is the head coach of the

Kentucky Wildcats men's basketball.

It also brought up this web page: (See top of next page)



### John Calipari

Kentucky Wildcats men's basketball, Head coach

Feedback / More info

#### Kentucky Wildcats men's basketball - Wikipedia, the fr...

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kentucky\_Wildcats\_men's\_basketball \* Jump to John Calipari (2009-present) - ) [edit]. On April 1, 2009, John Calipari replaced Billy Gillispie as the Wildcats head coach. To begin his tenure at the ...

List of Kentucky Wildcats ... - 2012-13 Kentucky Wildcats ... - 1996-97 - 2006-07

#### List of Kentucky Wildcats men's basketball head coac...

en.wikipedia.org/.../List\_of\_Kentucky\_Wildcats\_men's\_basketball\_head... \* The following is a list of Kentucky Wildcats men's basketball head coaches.

#### Men's Basketball Coaching Staff - University of Kentu...

www.ukathletics.com/sports/m-baskbl/spec-rel/m-baskbl-coaches.html > The Kentucky Wildcats Official Athletic Site, partner of CBSSports.com College Network. ... Men's Basketball Coaching Staff ... Head Coach John Calipari ...

### John Calipari

Basketball Coach

John Calipari is an American basketball coach. Since April 2009, he has been the men's head coach at the University of

Kentucky. He is also currently the head coach of the Dominican Republic national basketball team. Wikipedia

Born: February 10, 1959 (age 54), Moon

Nationality: American Spouse: Ellen Calipari

Team: Kentucky Wildcats men's

basketball

Children: Megan Rae Calipari, Erin Sue Calipari, Bradley Vincent Calipari

Education: Clarion University of Pennsylvania, University of North Carolina

at Wilmington

#### People also search for







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Second question: how old is he?

Female voice answer: John Calipari is 54 years old.

### 54 years (February 10, 1959)

John Calipari, Age

Feedback / More info

It also brought up the web page (shown on the following page):



### John Calipari - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John Calipari \*

John Calipari (born February 10, 1959) is an American basketball coach. Since April 2009, he has been the men's head coach at the University of Kentucky.

Biography - The Calipari Coaching Tree - Controversies - NBA players coached

### Why Exactly Do Rick Pitino And John Calipari Hate Ea...

deadspin.com/.../why-exactly-do-rick-pitino-and-john-calipari-hate-each... ▼
Mar 31, 2012 – According to Pitino, the story begins when he first met (and befriended) Calipari as a camp counselor. "When John Calipari was a 17-year-old, ...

### John Calipari Bio - Kentucky Wildcats Official Athletic ...

www.ukathletics.com/sports/m-baskbl/mtt/calipari john00.html \*

Kentucky head coach **John Calipari** reached the mountaintop in his third year in .... The 53-year-**old** lettered two years at North Carolina-Wilmington before ...

Most Laptops have a built-in mike. Desktop owners have to buy a microphone.

If Chrome is already your Default Browser, you must update it to use Google Voice Search. Click on the 3 bars at the top Right, scroll down and click on About Google Chrome, and it will update.



### A four-member Best Buy team visited CKCS last month

At the May 13 Tech Night presentation at the CKCS, Whitney Perkins led a four-member Best Buy team that exhibited some of the latest cameras, tablets, smart phones and the newest Microsoft computer. Team members are pictured as they talked about their special items of interest.



Best Buy's Apple representative **Chris Zoni** linked an Apple iPad to the CKCS TV to demonstrate some of its capabilities. He also bought an iPad mini to give the audience a comparison.





Whitney Perkins showcased a couple of cameras Best Buy offers – the white Samsung featured a 21 optical zoom lens and an unusually large viewing screen the size of the entire back of the camera (see image at left)



She also brought a Sony NEX5 camera with interchangeable lenses with several from which to choose. Both cameras are capable of 16 Megapixels exposures.

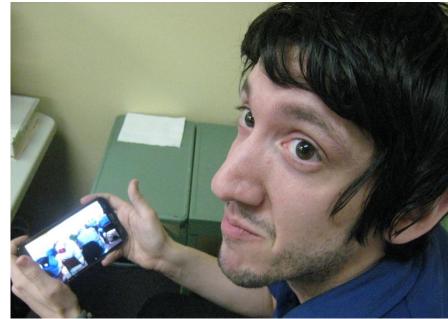


On CKCS Tech Night in May, **Markus** McDonnell demonstrated the new Microsoft Surface Pro computer, which has an excellent battery life between charging; 8 hours of constant use or 2-3 days in a standby mode. The surface unit has an onscreen keyboard but one model has an attachable keyboard pad. A



standard keyboard is available for both models. The Surface unit is about 3 pounds heavier than an apple iPad, but it is a full-fledged computer and a substitute for the laptop. Two models are offered. The Surface RT has 2GB ram and 32 or 64 GB storage. The Pro version comes with 4 GB of Ram and 64 or 128 GB or storage. Both models use the Windows 8 operating system and the RT model, which costs less, comes with the latest Microsoft Office program installed as part of the purchase price. For many people this will be a substitute for the laptop only with portability that makes it more convenient to use.

Best Buy's **James Lovato** talked about several smart phones including the latest Samsung Galaxy Android phone he holds in this photo. James also displayed a "Broadband card" sometimes called a mobile hotspot (not shown) which, with a subscription through your phone service provider, can give the owner wireless Internet access wherever they go, even while on the road.



CKCS









you close the session.



We can fix many computer problems over the Internet. With your permission, we connect to your computer. You initiate the call. You control and close the session. Please call us for complete details.



### KyTrade Computer Services



www.kytrade.com 859-225-1700



Located at 373 Virginia Ave., Lexington, KY 40504

KENTUCKY TRADE IS A CORPORATE PARTNER OF CKCS

### "A setback for women in technology"?

#### By Bob Brown

We recently had an embarrassing situation happen at CKCS that eventually will happen to nearly everyone that messes around with computers.

One day, I got a phone call at home from Delores Cavens (Tuesday morning office manager) that an iPad class was having trouble with the overhead projector.

Not having an immediate solution, I asked to speak with the instructor, Debbie Settles.

Debbie said she had connected her iPad to the projector just like she had in many classes before but that the projector did not display the iPad screen. She and her assistants, Janet Cartmell and Jeannine Essig, had double checked everything without success. She told me what the projector did display which was a good clue to explain the problem, but I did not recognize it.

So I decided I needed to drive to CKCS and see this for myself. That takes about 15-20 minutes from where I live.

When I got there I rechecked all the connections – still no picture. Then I started verifying power cords. Yep – there was a power cord plugged into a power strip that was turned off. This power strip is one that is "never" turned off. But, somehow, on this day it was off. Turning it on solved the problem.

Immediately Debbie and Janet and Jeannine were totally embarrassed that they had not seen this. One even said that this was a setback for women in technology. In my state of embarrassment I let that comment pass unchallenged.

I want to say that this is not an embarrassment for women anymore than men. After a long career as an electrical engineer, I admit that some form of power failure has probably been the number one mistake that I have ever dealt with and it gets me again every few weeks.

But, I want to call attention to the list of people who were working hard for CKCS that day: Delores, Debbie, Janet, and Jeannine.

All women, great women, smart women.

My embarrassment is that I did not speak out at that moment and say thank you for all you do for CKCS.

And don't worry about it - the electrons always win.



### **New members and Renewals**

During the period from 4/27/2013 to 5/26/2013

We welcome the following new members

Judith T Harmon Monica Hayes Carol Norman Germaine O'Connell

We thank the following members who renewed their memberships during this reporting period.

Shirley E & Steve Cornwell
Paul E Davidson
Cyril J Ernest
Charles E Gudgell
Robert & Anne Hackett
Tom Han
Tom Herndon
Linda Hess
J A Jones
Sigrid Kunev
Jerry V Markussen
Mary Mu
John Pettus
Janet E Powell

Information furnished by CKCS Board of Directors member Ben Rice



### THIS MONTH'S BEST VIDEOS / SHOWS

INSTRUCTIONS: The best way to view these shows: Viewers should highlight, copy and paste the links into a new tab of their Internet browser rather than clicking the links directly in the PDF newsletter. This will allow the newsletter to remain open while the link opens and plays in another tab window. Using this system, when returning to the newsletter, the viewer doesn't have to wait each time until the large PDF newsletter file reloads.

### Command Performance 30 years ago

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n6mbW-jMtrY&sns=em

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### C America in color 1939 to 1943 (photos)

http://extras.denverpost.com/archive/captured.asp

Furnished by Ted Mellinger

### Shadow Theatre (Britain's got talent)

http://www.flixxy.com/britains-got-talent-shadow-theatre-group-attraction.htm

Furnished by Carl Peter

### Kids first reactions to foods

http://gma.yahoo.com/blogs/abc-blogs/kids-hilarious-first-reactions-food-caught-camera-214221287.html?vp=1

Furnished by Jerry Markussen

Near death, Close Calls (When your time has not yet arrived)

http://www.snotr.com/video/9428/Near Death amp Close Calls

Furnished by Carl Peter

### Just when you think you have seen everything

http://www.youtube.com/watch\_popup?v=uFxnBrO9n7o&sns=em

Furnished by Carl Peter

### Pilot lands plane without its wheels

http://www.youtube.com/watch\_popup?v=sbV58eY0MyM

Furnished by Brent McVean

### David Copperfield - Soaring with eagles

http://www.youtube.com/embed/wChk5nY3Kzg

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### **A FEW FUNNY PAGES**



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### I never knew this!

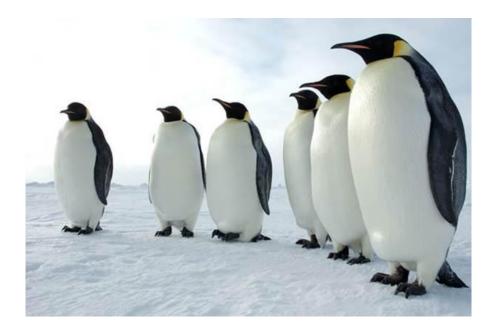
Did you ever wonder why there are no dead penguins on the ice in Antarctica? Where do they go?

Wonder no more!!!

It is a known fact that the penguin is a very ritualistic bird which lives an extremely ordered and complex life. The penguin is very committed to its family and will mate for life, as well as maintain a form of compassionate contact with its offspring throughout its life.

If a penguin is found dead on the ice surface, other members of the family and social circle have been known to dig holes in the ice, using their vestigial wings and beaks, until the hole is deep enough for the dead bird to be rolled into, and buried.

The male penguins then gather in a circle around the fresh grave and sing:



"Freeze a jolly good fellow."

"Freeze a jolly good fellow."

Then they kick him in the ice hole. \*

Surely you didn't believe that I knew anything about penguins, did you?

It's so easy to fool OLD people.

I am sorry, an urge came over me that made me do it!

Oh, quit whining. I fell for it, too.

Furnished by Bruce Klobeke / modified by John Heaton\*

### Fifty interesting facts about the human body

The human body is a treasure trove of mysteries, one that still confounds doctors and scientists about the details of its working. It's not an overstatement to say that every part of your body is a miracle. Here are fifty facts about your body, some of which will leave you stunned... or...

- 1. It's possible for your body to survive without a surprisingly large fraction of its internal organs. Even if you lose your stomach, your spleen, 75% of your liver, 80% of your intestines, one kidney, one lung, and virtually every organ from your pelvic and groin area, you wouldn't be very healthy, but you would live.
- 2. During your lifetime, you will produce enough saliva to fill two swimming pools. Actually, saliva is more important than you realize. If your saliva cannot dissolve something, you cannot taste it.
- 3. The largest cell in the human body is the female egg and the smallest is the male sperm. The egg is actually the only cell in the body that is visible by the naked eye.

- 4. The strongest muscle in the human body is the tongue and the hardest bone is the jawbone.
- 5. Human feet have 52 bones, accounting for one quarter of all the human body's bones.
- 6. Feet have 500,000 sweat glands and can produce more than a pint of sweat a day.
- 7. The acid in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve razor blades. The reason it doesn't eat away at your stomach is that the cells of your stomach wall renew themselves so frequently that you get a new stomach lining every three to four days.
- 8. The human lungs contain approximately 2,400 kilometers (1,500 mi) of airways and 300 to 500 million hollow cavities, having a total surface area of about 70 square meters, roughly the same area as one side of a tennis court. Furthermore, if all of the capillaries that surround the lung cavities were unwound and laid end to end, they would extend for about 992 kilometers. Also, your left lung is smaller than your right lung to make room for your heart.
- 9. Sneezes regularly exceed 100 mph, while coughs clock in at about 60 mph.
- 10. Your body gives off enough heat in 30 minutes to bring half a gallon of water to a boil.
- 11. Your body has enough iron in it to make a nail three inches long.
- 12. Earwax production is necessary for good ear health. It protects the delicate inner ear from bacteria, fungus, dirt and even insects. It also cleans and lubricates the ear canal.
- 13. Everyone has a unique smell, except for identical twins, who smell the same.
- 14. Your teeth start growing six months before you are born. This is why one out of every 2,000 newborn infants has a tooth when they are born.
- 15. A baby's head is one-quarter of its total length, but by the age of 25 will only be one-eighth of its total length. This is because people's heads grow at a much slower rate than the rest of their bodies.
- 16. Babies are born with 300 bones, but by adulthood the number is reduced to 206. Some of the bones, like skull bones, get fused into each other, bringing down the total number.
- 17. It's not possible to tickle yourself. This is because when you attempt to tickle yourself you are totally aware of the exact time and manner in which the tickling will occur, unlike when someone else tickles you.
- 18. Less than one third of the human race has 20-20 vision. This means that two out of three people cannot see perfectly.
- 19. Your nose can remember 50,000 different scents. But if you are a woman, you are a better smeller than men, and will remain a better smeller throughout your life.
- 20. The human body is estimated to have 60,000 miles of blood vessels.

- 21. The three things pregnant women dream most of during their first trimester are frogs, worms and potted plants. Scientists have no idea why this is so, but attribute it to the growing imbalance of hormones in the body during pregnancy.
- 22. The life span of a human hair is three to seven years on average. Every day the average person loses 60-100 strands of hair. But don't worry, you must lose over 50% of your scalp hairs before it is apparent to anyone.
- 23. The human brain cell can hold five times as much information as an encyclopedia. Your brain uses 20% of the oxygen that enters your bloodstream, and is itself made up of 80% water. Though it interprets pain signals from the rest of the body, the brain itself cannot feel pain.
- 24. The tooth is the only part of the human body that can't repair itself.
- 25. Your eyes are always the same size from birth but your nose and ears never stop growing.
- 26. By 60 years of age, 60% of men and 40% of women will snore.
- 27. We are about 1 cm taller in the morning than in the evening, because during normal activities during the day, the cartilage in our knees and other areas slowly compress.
- 28. The brain operates on the same amount of power as 10-watt light bulb, even while you are sleeping. In fact, the brain is much more active at night than during the day.
- 29. Nerve impulses to and from the brain travel as fast as 170 miles per hour. Neurons continue to grow throughout human life. Information travels at different speeds within different types of neurons.
- 30. It is a fact that people who dream more often and more vividly, on an average have a higher Intelligence Quotient.
- 31. The fastest growing nail is on the middle finger.
- 32. Facial hair grows faster than any other hair on the body. This is true for men as well as women.
- 33. There are as many hairs per square inch on your body as a chimpanzee.
- 34. A human fetus acquires fingerprints at the age of three months.
- 35. By the age of 60, most people will have lost about half their taste buds.
- 36. About 32 million bacteria call every inch of your skin home. But don't worry, a majority of these are harmless or even helpful bacteria.
- 37. The colder the room you sleep in, the higher the chances are that you'll have a bad dream.
- 38. Human lips have a reddish color because of the great concentration of tiny capillaries just below the skin.
- 39. Three hundred million cells die in the human body every minute.

- 40. Like fingerprints, every individual has an unique tongue print that can be used for identification.
- 41. A human head remains conscious for about 15 to 20 seconds after it has been decapitated.
- 42. It takes 17 muscles to smile and 43 to frown.
- 43. Humans can make do longer without food than sleep. Provided there is water, the average human could survive a month to two months without food depending on their body fat and other factors. Sleep deprived people, however, start experiencing radical personality and psychological changes after only a few sleepless days. The longest recorded time anyone has ever gone without sleep is 11 days, at the end of which the experimenter was awake, but stumbled over words, hallucinated and frequently forgot what he was doing.
- 44. The most common blood type in the world is Type O. The rarest blood type, A-H or Bombay blood, due to the location of its discovery, has been found in less than hundred people since it was discovered.
- 45. Every human spent about half an hour after being conceived, as a single cell. Shortly afterward, the cells begin rapidly dividing and begin forming the components of a tiny embryo.
- 46. Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than left-handed people do. This is largely due to the fact that a majority of the machines and tools we use on a daily basis are designed for those who are right handed, making them somewhat dangerous for lefties to use and resulting in thousands of accidents and deaths each year.
- 47. Your ears secrete more earwax when you are afraid than when you aren't.
- 48. Koalas and primates are the only animals with unique fingerprints.
- 49. Humans are the only animals to produce emotional tears.
- 50. The human heart creates enough pressure to squirt blood 30 feet in the air.

**Furnished by Gene Wheeler** 



### **CKCS Special Interest Groups**

Each month the Central Kentucky Computer Society offers 9 SIGs which may be attended by members and their guests. Below is a summary of what takes place at each SIG. Information is provided by the SIG leader. Visitors are cordially invited to become active CKCS members. Starting times of SIGS are as indicated in the listing.

NOTE; Always check the "Monthly Schedule" and the "Newsletter" link on the CKCS home page for any schedule change <a href="https://www.ckcs.org">www.ckcs.org</a>

### DATABASE SIG

Meets monthly on the fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. - Leader Garland Smith

### DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY SIG

Meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. – Leader Joe Dietz

The Digital Photography Special Interest Group is a forum to provide and share information about digital imaging. The SIG frequently has guest speakers to cover a wide range of topics that are related to digital imaging. Some of our past topics have been on digital archiving (AKA Backup), getting the best out of your point and shoot camera, effective lighting when taking pictures, restoring old photos and many others. The goal of this SIG is to help attendees to better understand digital imaging, learning how to get the best out of their cameras and how to improve their images with digital imaging software such as Corel's Paint Shop Pro, Photoshop CS/Elements, Gimp or other program. Each meeting starts with a photo contest with a variety of different categories.

### DR. FIXIT SIG

Meets monthly on the first Saturday at 10:00 a.m. – Leaders: Bob Brown, Ben Rice James Osborne and Mike Seiler.

CKCS members are eligible to bring in sick computers for evaluation. Our 'experts' will diagnose the problem and if possible make simple repairs. All you need to bring is the CPU. Our leaders will use a mouse and monitor on hand. This is a free service for members only. One may join in membership to avail themselves of this special service.

#### MAC AND IPAD SIG

Meets monthly on the second Thursday at 7:00 p.m. – Leader Kurt Jefferson

The Mac and iPad SIG tackles issues to help make both Apple's Mac computers and its iPad tablet easier to use and more enjoyable. We deal with a variety of topics ranging from Mac OS X (pronounced "10") to iOS, the operating system running Apple's iPad. We share tips at every meeting and provide insights to empower users to get more out of their Macs and their iPads. Users are encouraged to bring their Mac laptops and iPad tablets to experience first hand the tips provided at each meeting. Whether you're a beginner to the Mac or iPad, of you've been using both devices for several years, you'll walk away with plenty of tips, tricks, and advice to make your computing experience more enjoyable.

### MICROSOFT ACCESS SIG

Meets monthly on the third Thursday at 7:00 p.m.- Leader Stuart Zahalka

### **MYSTERY SIG**

Meets monthly on the first Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. – Leader Bob Brown

Meeting topics will be about Internet web sites, operating system tips and tricks, application software, new hardware devices or any other ideas from the world of personal computers. At each meeting, two or three things are presented that you might want to do with your computer but may not know exactly how.

### WINDOWS SIG

Meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. – Leader Joe Isaac

The Windows SIG for Windows 7, 8, Vista and XP, this SIG or workshop meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m...

Topics covered may be: Windows 7, Windows Live Mail, Internet Explorer, Windows Media Player, System Restore, Defrag, Desktop, Taskbar, Windows Live Photo Gallery, Windows Live Movie Maker, Basics, Files and Folders, Control Panel, YouTube, Disk Cleanup, etc. To see which topic will be covered next go to: <a href="http://joescomputertips.blogspot.com/">http://joescomputertips.blogspot.com/</a>
To see a year's worth of email Tips and Reviews go to: <a href="http://www.ckcs.org/joetips.pdf">http://www.ckcs.org/joetips.pdf</a>

### WORD PROCESSING SIG

Meets monthly on the first Tuesday. There are usually two sessions that day, the first at 1:30 p.m. and the second at 7:00 p.m. – Leader Larry Trivette

The Word Processing SIG starts with questions from classmates where the SIG leader and all attending help provide solutions and answers. In fact, many of the topics presented during each session come from questions received by email during the month. Topics are presented so that new as well as advanced computer users will benefit by attending. This workshop uses several Microsoft Word versions during the SIG.

### **UNIX / LINUX SIG**

Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7:00 p.m. – Leader Lewis Gardner

The Linux SIG handles a wide range of technical topics. Linux is based on Unix which is the granddaddy of modern networking. We spend a considerable amount of time on servers, networks, routers, access points and general network configuration. These operating systems are at the heart of many devices in our increasingly connected world. Come out and we will try to get your questions answered, your problems troubleshot or devices configured.

### Mac Column by Kurt Jefferson CONTINUED

The announcements are expected during the Worldwide Developers Conference (WWDC) held June 10–14 in San Francisco. The conference will offer more than 100 sessions for folks who develop software for the Mac and iOS devices. This annual conference is so popular, that tickets for this year's event sold out in two minutes. Reports have indicated the new version of iOS will offer a "flattened" look and provide an entirely new look for Apple's native apps.

### Survey: iPad Best Tablet When Measuring Customer Satisfaction

So Says 2013 U.S. Tablet Satisfaction Study by J.D. Power and Associates

If you don't currently own a computer tablet, chances are good you might buy one. Which one should you buy?

A new study by J.D. Power and Associates can't answer that question for you, but it shines the spotlight on tablet users' opinions.

The 2013 U.S. Tablet Satisfaction Study quizzed 1,857 tablet owners in February of this year to learn how they felt about their tablets.

Based on a 1,000-point scale, here's how various tablet manufacturers scored:

Apple: 836 Amazon: 829 Samsung: 822 Asus: 818 Acer: 784

It's no secret that Apple's iPad is the best–selling tablet computer. This study shows that many tablet owners also believe that, overall, the iPad is better than competing tablets.

Apple and Amazon were the only two tablet makers to score higher than the industry average score of 828. The study looked at tablet owners who have owned their tablet for a year or less. J.D. Power uses five key factors to evaluate satisfaction:

- Performance (the most important factor)
- Ease of operation
- Styling and design
- Features
- Cost

The study also examined the behavior of tablet owners. It revealed that:

- 51 percent share their device with at least one other person
- Sharing appears to be connected to greater overall tablet satisfaction
- Tablets beat out smartphones for viewing the Web; tablet owners who also have smartphones spend 36 percent more time Web browsing on tablets than their phones

### Switching to the Mac—It's Happening More Than You Know

Whether it's because of displeasure with Microsoft's latest operating system or because of the so-called "halo effect," more computer users are making the switch to Mac.

In February, Sam Glover wrote in the *Lawyerist* blog, "After years of using Windows, I recently did what I regularly advise others to do: I bought a Mac. So far, it's been great, and to my surprise, relatively painless. I have had to solve a few problems, but none particularly difficult." **Glover's blog:** 

http://tinyurl.com/bx22hpz

One of the highest profile switchers was Eric Knorr, who writes the Modernizing IT column for *InfoWorld*. In March of 2012, Knorr made his intentions public: "After 22 years of using Windows for work, I'm opting for a Mac instead. All it took was a long look at Windows 8 Consumer Preview..."

Knorr's announcement:

http://tinyurl.com/7f3x9ks

In March, Dave Winer wrote a blog describing his personal experience of switching to a Mac. He wrote, "Back to 2005, the first thing I noticed about the white Mac laptop, that aside from being a really nice computer, there was no malware."

### Winer's blog entry:

http://tinyurl.com/bdjsuhh

In 2008, David Alison wrote a blog, "Why Switching to the Mac was the right move for me." He says, "It's now four months later and I look forward to the cool things I can do with my Macs. I have learned a lot in a relatively short period of time but I have so much that I'm looking forward to mastering..."

Alison's blog:

http://tinyurl.com/3uzsky

Long–time Windows user, Chris Pirillo, wrote this in his *50 Reasons to Switch from Microsoft Windows to Apple's Mac OS X* article: "Microsoft does some amazing things–very amazing things. My choice, however, for a primary desktop operating system is no longer Windows–it's Mac OS X." **Pirillo's piece:** 

http://tinyurl.com/d2r554

In January 2011, Eric Griffith wrote *How to Switch From a PC to a Mac* for the PCMag.com web site. Griffith begins, "They finally wore you down. Your friends' and co—workers' tales of the Mac OS—an operating system with such elegance that anyone could master it, so safe that viruses barely exist, and with powers and abilities far beyond those of, well, Windows—have convinced you to switch." **Griffith's column:** 

http://tinyurl.com/4gqaojt

In 2011, Apple's CFO Peter Oppenheimer said that 50% of consumers buying Macs at Apple retail stores are classified as "new to Mac." Earlier, Apple has said that 40 percent of new Mac buyers were switchers—meaning they had switched from a Windows computer.

### **TidBits: Adobe Customers Not Pleased by Company's Decisions**

If you're a long—time user of Adobe's Photoshop or its other line of software products, you'll want to read a recent TidBits article about Adobe's decision to eliminate boxed software and replace it with subscriptions:

### TidBits: Creative Cloud Complaints Darken Adobe's View of the Future — <a href="http://tidbits.com/article/13765">http://tidbits.com/article/13765</a>

The article makes several important points:

- Adobe is phasing out boxed copies of Creative Suite 6. TidBits points out that "the product itself will remain available for purchase and upgrade via electronic software distribution indefinitely, with bug fixes and security updates as necessary."
- Creative Cloud may save you money when compared to buying a fresh full retail copy of Creative Suite 6, "it's not such a great deal for those upgrading from nearly any previous version of the suite," says TidBits.
- "Adobe could provide more to loyal customers than just a discount for a single year. In the past Adobe rewarded customer loyalty with "cheap" upgrades. You'd spend a small fortune on the initial purchase, but the subsequent upgrades would be only a fraction of that price. Now, it works in reverse: thanks to that first-year discount, Creative Cloud is "cheap" upfront, but will grow in cost over time," according to TidBits.
- What about choice? Not so fast says TidBits. "Of course, loyalty discounts wouldn't solve one of the main issues with Creative Cloud pricing: the \$19.99 per month (for a year commitment) pricing ensures you cannot pick and choose which apps you want."
- TidBits puts its finger on what might be the single most problematic issue with Adobe's decision: "Regardless of costs, the other problem with Creative Cloud is that once you've hopped onto the Adobe train, there's no getting off. Sure, you can cancel your subscription at any time, but as soon as you do, you lose the capability to edit or even open any of the files that exist in Adobe's proprietary formats. You must keep paying if you want to open and work with your files, even if they are hosted on your local machine. If your files live in Adobe's cloud, you'll have 90 days to download copies, and although your account won't be deleted, it will drop to the 2 GB free level."

The article adds that Adobe could address this last problem in part by providing a free viewer for all of its proprietary formats such as Adobe offers Adobe Reader for free and Microsoft provides free viewers for its Office file formats. The app wouldn't allow the user to edit the Adobe files, but at least he or she could look into his or her own files to view the actual contents.

Finally, Creative Cloud requires an Internet connection to validate a user's subscription every 30 days. Suppose you have ongoing Internet problems where you live, or you spend part of the year in a Florida townhouse, which has dodgy Internet service. Or, suppose you cancel your home Internet service to save money and rely on the WiFi at McDonald's, Panera Bread, or Starbucks.

Internet service in America is not anywhere near the top of the pack. There are spots in every state where Internet service is out of the price range of residents, or it's not even available via satellite.

TidBits concludes, "Going subscription—only for a package like Creative Suite is a bold move. We doubt that Adobe would even be attempting such a transition if not for the hegemony it has built in the creative world over the years. When it comes to professional design and publishing, it's Adobe or

nothing. But Creative Cloud is still a huge bet, one that could enable Adobe to rake in more money per user than ever before. Or perhaps users will revolt, paving the way for fresh competition in the creative space. More likely is the middle ground, where Adobe will continue to sell Creative Suite 6 packages quietly, while tweaking Creative Cloud's terms to assuage critics.

If you're among those critics, don't just vent in our comments, let Adobe know how you feel! There's a petition up at change.org with nearly 16,000 signatures as of this writing. Of course, it's also worth expressing your opinions directly, with the Adobe Creative Cloud forum and the Creative Cloud Twitter account being good places to start."



### Mac Users: Can You Drop Adobe and Switch to Acorn or Pixelmator?

The answer to the question posed in the headline is simple: It depends upon how you use Photoshop or other Adobe products to complete your work.

TidBits poses the question — Can You Replace Photoshop With Pixelmator? http://tidbits.com/article/13775

Meanwhile, in May, my most—used graphics program, Acorn, released an updated version. It was available for the great price of \$30 through the Mac App Store or the

Acorn developer's web site through all of last month.

Acorn has gotten a 4 ½ star review from *Macworld:* http://tinyurl.com/bo6m5n4

**Writer Lex Friedman sums up his review:** "Acorn is a very, very good image editor, and has become a part of my daily workflow for *Macworld*, along with my photo editor of choice when we're going to print some digital shots. Acorn 4 makes marked improvements to the app's feature set and usability alike. The new filter options and layout are excellent additions. The app's permanent residence in my Dock is a testament to its powerful editing options and its impressive ease of use."

Pixelmator has been awarded 4 stars by About.com: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/accd5sf">http://tinyurl.com/accd5sf</a>

**Tom Nelson tells why this graphics program is a stand—out:** "Pixelmator stands out from other image editors, not only for its budget—friendly price — a mere \$59 — but also because of its strengths, including ease of use, a wide variety of tools and capabilities, and the ability to use a Mac's graphics card to whiz through complex edits."

### Study: Android's Malware and Piracy Problems are Growing

Smartphones running the Google Android operating system are facing ever-increasing problems with malware according to research by F–Secure Labs. The study reveals that the reason Android fares

poorly when it comes to malware is because most users are running an outdated version of the operating system on their phones.

Compare that to iOS and Windows phones, which are essentially threat–free. (iOS is the operating system running on Apple's iPhones and its iPad tablets.)

A Trojan Horse designed for Android called Steis, distributed fake emails, claiming to be from the Internal Revenue Service. The malware stole sensitive information from the phones and then made phone calls to premium numbers.

The malware problem on Android phones has reached a level "approaching the relative level of compromised Windows systems," according to F-secure research. Sean Sullivan, a security advisor at F-Secure, says, "I'll put it this way: Until now, I haven't worried about my mother with her Android because she's not into apps. Now I have reason to worry because with cases like Steis, Android malware is also being distributed via spam, and my mother checks her email from her phone."

Reports indicate that Google has improved security in newer versions of Android, but earlier versions of the operating system prior to v4 still dominate.

# Report: Tablet Sales Surpass Combined Sales of Laptop and Desktop in U.K. What's occurring "across the pond" in the United Kingdom, might be a good reflection of what's occurring right here in the U.S. It would appear predictions by the late Steve Jobs and current Apple CEO, Tim Cook, are "spot on" as the Brits would say.

Research firm IDC has just released a new study of computer buying habits in the United Kingdom. It reveals, for the first time, that shipments of computer tablets outpaced the combined shipment of both laptop and desktop computers in the first three months of this year. Both Jobs and Cook predicted that many consumers and businesses would eventually discover that they could perform most everyday computing duties by using lighter devices such as the iPad and Apple's Mac Air laptops.

In the U.K., IDC says a total of 2.8 million tablets were shipped in the first quarter, compared to 2.3 million PCs in the same period. That's an increase in tablet computer sales of 188 percent over the same period last year. IDC reports in the U.K., laptop sales fell 20 percent while sales of desktop machines dropped six percent.

IDC says the top three tablet sellers are Apple, Samsung and Amazon.

# Pentagon Gives Thumbs Up To Use Apple Devices on its Network Previously, Military Preferred Blackberry devices to protect sensitive data Bloomberg is reporting that military leaders at the Pentagon have given their approval to Apple devices running iOS 6 to connect to its secure network. Bloomberg says the decision may lead to a three—war battle for supremacy among Apple, Blackberry, and Samsung. In the past, the Pentagon has heavily relied on Blackberry devices.

The Defense Department, according to Bloomberg, has more than 600,000 mobile devices. That includes 470,000 Blackberrys, 41,000 Apple devices, and 8,700 products running Google's Android operating system.

The military has said it wants employees to be able to use commercial products on its networks. The military intends to create a military mobile apps store and hire an outside company to create a network that could allow as many as eight—million devices.

### iPads Saving U.S. Air Force \$50 Million Over Ten Year Period

Ditching paper flight manuals is saving the U.S. Air Force huge amounts of money, according to news reports. The Street reports that the Air Force will buy 18,000 iPads to replace 90 pounds of paper per aircraft. The tablet will also replace the need for every crewmember to carry a 30–to–40 pound pile of paper manuals, according to Air Force Major Brian Moritz.

As The Street noted, "Apple iPads may be commonplace in homes and offices, but the popular tablet is now a key weapon in the U.S. Air Force's battle for efficiency."

The Street notes that weight savings varies among aircraft. iPads will cut 250 pounds from a four-person C17, and up to 490 pounds in a C-5 with a ten-person crew.

In a related item, American Airlines reported that it was able to save \$1 million in fuel costs by replacing paper manuals with iPads. In addition, the tablet has cut the number of pilots reporting back injuries from carrying heavy paper manuals.

### Easily Share Files Between Your Devices With an App Called Instashare

Let's say you've got a Pages word processing document that you desperately need to transfer from your Mac to your iPad. Here's where an app called Instashare shines. It allows you to transfer a file from one iOS device to another or to a Mac.

Most folks email the file to themselves or use a cloud service such as Dropbox, SugarSync or iCloud. Another option is to file sync by hooking up your iPad, let's say, using the USB cable to your Mac and iTunes. Or you might try using Apple's Camera Connection Kit.

Instashare for iOS works like AirDrop for your mobile devices. It allows you to transfer files using WiFi or Bluetooth. Instashare for iOS is free but has ads. To remove those ads, you need to make an in app purchase of 99¢.

Instashare for OS X is currently in beta and allows you to send files to and from your Mac and your iOS devices. Instashare for OS X is free.

Instashare for Android and Windows are currently being developed. View a video review here: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2R0Gu2oYriw">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2R0Gu2oYriw</a>

The Instashare web site is here: http://instashareapp.com/

### **Access Files on Remote Computers and External Hard Drives**

I regularly copy files to an external hard drive, which is connected to an Apple Airport Extreme Base Station. The Base Station provides WiFi Internet service so that I can connect iOS devices or laptop to the Internet.

But the hard drive is my central storage space. You might call it an electronic "closet," where I store

all kinds of files.

Suppose that I want to copy a file from the external hard drive to the iPad. As you know, there's no way to physically connect the two. The iPad has no USB connector.

This is where an iOS app called FileBrowser saves the day. It allows you to easily connect to that external hard drive and get to your files stored there.

FileBrowser is \$5 through the App Store. Dropbox, Box.net and SkyDrive are also supported. You can learn more about FileBrowser here: http://tinyurl.com/bmloyc2

### A Tale of Missed Opportunities: Intel and the iPhone

Intel Didn't Jump At the Chance to Build Processors to Run Apple's iPhones Look inside your Mac. If it's a fairly modern machine, you'll see that an Intel chip powers the computer. Look inside your iPhone and you won't find an Intel processor.

That's because Intel decided against making processors for one of the best–selling electronic gadgets of all time. Intel's former CEO, Paul Otellini, tells *The Atlantic* that Apple approached his company when Apple was in the early stages of developing the iPhone.

"We ended up not winning it or passing on it, depending on how you want to view it. And the world would have been a lot different if we'd done it," Otellini told *The Atlantic* in a story published May 16. "The thing you have to remember is that this was before the iPhone was introduced and no one knew what the iPhone would do."

Otellini says Apple wanted a specific chip to run its phones and Apple management told Intel that it would only pay a certain price for it and nothing more. The price was below Intel's cost and Otellini says he couldn't see his company recouping its costs in volume sales so Intel rejected the proposal.

In hindsight, Otellini says, the forecasted cost of the chip was incorrect and the volume was 100x what anyone had predicted.

Most mobile devices, including Apple's iPhone, are powered by ARM, and are made by Apple, Samsung, Qualcomm and Nvidia. Intel is rapidly improving its low–power x86–based Atom chip. Some smartphones are using Intel's chip, but those are primarily sold overseas.

About the missed opportunity, Otellini told The Atlantic: "The lesson I took away from that was, while we like to speak with data around here, so many times in my career I've ended up making decisions with my gut, and I should have followed my gut," Otellini said. "My gut told me to say yes."

Read The Atlantic article: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/agzzaqt">http://tinyurl.com/agzzaqt</a>



### 'Crazy Ants' Invading Texas, Ruining Electronics



It reads like a bizarre script from one of Hollywood's "B" movies, but it's no movie script. A team of researchers from the University of Texas at Austin has confirmed that America's fire ant population is being pushed away by 'crazy ants' that love the interior of electronic devices, including computers.

These so—called 'Raspberry Crazy Ants' are able to live in just about any container and as they move, they interfere with other ant populations.

The Chron, the online version of the *Houston Chronicle*, quotes UT research assistant Edward Lebrun: "They nest in electronics and create short circuits, as they create a contact bridge between two points when they get electrocuted they release an alarm pheromone. The other ants are attracted to the chemicals that other ants give off," he says. Then, he adds, an even larger nest is created when more ants arrive.

Pest control worker Tom Raspberry first discovered the ants in 2002. Therefore, the ants were initially called 'Raspberry Crazy Ants' after him.

Lebrun told the Chron that there's not much you can do if you spot the ants except call pest control. The 'crazy ants' don't eat poison bait and no other ant population currently keeps the 'crazy ants' in check. The ant's scientific name is *Nylanderia fulva*.



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### **CKCS June 2013 SIG Schedule**

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7:00 PM Database GARLAND SMITH	7:00 PM Digital Photography JOE DIETZ Click here for topic		9:00 AM Photo Coffee Clicks SIG LARRY COX & Friends		10:00 AM- NOON  Dr Fixit  BOB BROWN - BEN RICE - MIKE SEILER - JAMEOSBORNE Bring in your problem PC and we'll try to help
03 Jun	04 Jun	05 Jun	06 Jun	07 Jun	08 Jun
	1:30 PM & 7:00 PM Word Processing LARRY TRIVETT Click here for topic	1:30 PM Mystery Workshop BOB BROWN	9:00 AM Photo Coffee Clicks SIG LARRY COX/ Friends 7:00 PM Board of Directors		
10 Jun	11 Jun	12 Jun	13 Jun	14 Jun	15 Jun
7:00 PM Tech Night TBA	7:00 PM Windows 8 - 7 Vista & XP JOE ISAAC Click here for topic		9:00 AM Photo Coffee Clicks SIG LARRY COX & Friends  7:00 PM Mac & iPad KURT JEFFERSON No meeting this month		
17 Jun	18 Jun	19 Jun	20 Jun	21 Jun	22 Jun
			9:00 AM Photo Coffee Clicks SIG LARRY COX & Friends  7:00 PM Microsoft Access STUART ZAHALKA		
24 Jun	25 Jun	26 Jun	27 Jun	28 Jun	29 Jun
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