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Lexington Fire Department uses cutting edge technology

During the May Tech Night at CKCS, Major Joe Madden of the Lexington Fire Department is expected to discuss the department's fire and EMS vehicles and to acquaint our members with how the fire department does its job. We can expect a behind the scene look at the technology they use to provide Lexington with top notch service when disaster strikes.

All this occurs on May 11 starting promptly at 7 p.m.

Major Madden will talk about the department's mobile data and the software (FATPOT) they use. He will explain how FATPOT tracks automatic vehicle locations (AVL) and generates computer aided dispatch recommendations. He plans to share information about their remarkable radio system and recent upgrades.

Major Madden reports that changes are on the way and we can expect to learn what's scheduled on the horizon for the fire department and in addition we may hear some of the department's long range plans.

As a bonus, he plans to have with him (if available) a Mobile Command Post for us to see firsthand. Weather permitting, the evening will conclude with a tour of that Mobile Command Post.

Join us for this exclusive look into the Lexington Fayette County Fire Department. Guests are encouraged to attend.

The program will conclude with a drawing of a member's name for the "directors' prize". That member has to be present to win a free six-month extension of their membership in CKCS.

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Major Madden

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President's Comments

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CKCS Publicity Event



It's spring and that means it's time for baseball. Join us at the Legends' Ballpark on May 24 when the Legends play the Hagertown Suns at 2:05 p.m. Central Kentucky Computer Society will be the "Featured Community Organization". CKCS members will be hosting a table in the concourse at the stadium to pass out information about the Computer Society and the upcoming classes. One member will also participate in an on-field pre-game interview and an on-air interview over the radio network that will be broadcast throughout the stadium during one of the innings. Tickets can be obtained from the Legends' box office prior to that day for \$9 and \$10 on the day of the event.

Bring a Friend to CKCS

May promises to be a good month for great weather. It's a good time for you to bring your friends to visit CKCS. It could be to attend one of the many Special Interest Groups, where guests are always welcome, or just drop by and give them a tour of the office and classroom. From the Computer Mystery Workshop during the first week of the month to the Digital Photo SIG at the end of the month, there are nine events open to the public. Dr. Fix-it is the one perk for members only. Check the listing at the end of the newsletter for dates and times.

June Picnic

Everyone is invited to the picnic in June. This is a great event for all the members to get together and enjoy some good food and good times. It's also the annual meeting where the membership elects the board of directors for the following year. It is scheduled for Monday, June 8, at 6 p.m. It's not too early to put it on your calendar. Specific details will be in the June newsletter.

Adventures in Photography

The new photography class that started in this Spring Session had a beautiful day for a photo trip to Waveland Museum. Pictured are a few of the students and instructors.



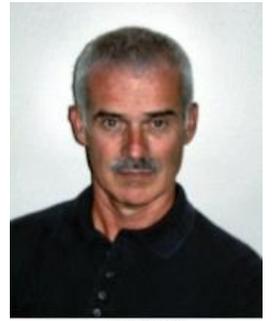
Boone Baldwin (Instructor) left, Kathy Davis, Becky Bonhaus, and Becky Brothers



Top row: Dorothea Schultz, Maria Han, Larry Cox (instructor) Larry Neuzel (instructor) Front row: Chris Hillenmeyer, and Jan Landers-Lyman



The Drones are coming... The Drones are coming....



Joe Dietz
Digital Photography
SIG Leader

What is all this noise about drones? What are they? What do they do? And what can they do? Join us at CKCS for the Digital Photography SIG on May 26, 2015, and you can learn more about drones.



Drones are capable of taking pictures and they may have GPS so they can record both an image and a location. One of the other offices in our building is called Compu-Tech Solutions. Jaime Simpson will show us some of the latest technology in drone-ware (my word – no idea what Webster would say). Jaime will talk to us about a variety of things such as:

- Types of multirotor copters.
- Types of cameras used.
- What is FPV? (First Person View)
- Safety concerns.
- Where do I start when purchasing a drone?
- Training
- What does the FAA think about all of this? New rulings from the FAA
- And finally (weather permitting) will give us a demo of the new YUNEEC Q500 Typhoon Aerial and Ground imaging solution.



The May photo contest will be on “leading lines”.

Leading lines refer to a composition technique whereby the viewer's eye is attracted to **lines** that lead directly to the principle subject in the image. Check out your photos or go out and take some new shots. Submit your photos to joedietz@aol.com no later than May 25, 2015. 



April winners of Digital Photography contest

Category: Rivers and Streams



First place -

**Kevin
MacNaughton**

Second Place -

Janet Cartmell



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News to use

Computer Mystery Workshop

Bob Brown announced that his Computer Mystery Workshop will not meet in May.

Not all SIGs are broadcast

Since February, CKCS has been streaming (broadcasting) some special interest group meetings on the Internet. All are available to be broadcast, but that decision is now being left up to the individual SIG leader. Of course, it is best that members attend SIG meetings in person, as that allows one to be involved in the discussion. Obviously, one gets more from any meeting that they attend.

But for those that are traveling or for any reason are unable to attend in person due to a conflict, an illness, or inclement weather, that is where streaming pays off.

When a SIG is in process, you can quickly learn if the broadcast is in process by simply clicking on the link to the CKCS camera <https://www.dropcam.com/p/g5PGQK> to see if a camera has been activated for a particular SIG.

If you are watching at home, we ask that you send an email to CKCSLex@gmail.com to let us know you are watching. Your comments and suggestions are welcome. Generally those emails are not viewed until after the broadcast has ended.

Two events are most always broadcast. They are the Tech Night program and Joe Isaac's Windows SIG.

New keys

During the last week of April, the locks to the CKCS doors were rekeyed and copies have been made for distribution to all key CKCS members who teach classes or lead our SIGs. This was originally done when we moved to this location on Moore Drive more than 14 years ago on September 1, 2002. Unfortunately, many of the keys issued are with individuals who no longer teach and some are not even living in the state, yet may still have keys. The rekeying process solves this problem. Board of directors member Mike Seiler is in charge of this changeover and distribution.



Well known CKCS member dies

Wayne Bell, 88, was a loyal attendee of the Windows SIG and rarely missed a session. He always arrived early and took the front left seat, ready to ask questions and contribute comments to enhance class discussion. He was fascinated with technology and would build computers for himself and others. Wayne died on Thursday, April 23.

Wayne was a prominent Lexington sports announcer working at WLEX-TV during the 1960s and '70s. He also did some news and weather and even sold advertisements at times. He did a weekly interview with then UK coach Adolph Rupp and told many interesting stories about those experiences. He left broadcast TV in the late '60s to become technical manager at Kentucky Educational Television (KET). He helped train Nick Clooney (the veteran broadcaster and father of actor George Clooney) in learning Nick's first radio job.



When Nick Clooney's sister Rosemary Clooney, came to Maysville in 1953 for a movie premiere, the announcer for the event was Bell. He was the father of Miss Kentucky 1978, Marcia Malone Bell. More than once when there was an opportunity at a SIG, he would brag about his grandchildren, particularly Laura Bell Bundy, the famous Broadway and music star.

Wayne will be missed at CKCS and future SIG meetings. 

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April Tech Night was all about domain names

Paul Stackhouse, a longtime member of CKCS, presented how to register a domain name for last month's Tech Night. Members of the audience got a chance to ask questions about getting a domain name and other web services, as well as a variety of computer questions.

Paul has held several offices with CKCS: president, vice-president, treasurer and director. His history goes back 30 years with the organization. Currently he is senior developer with Wilmore Computer Associates and Database Developer for Dominion Cross-sell.



Paul walked through the steps to acquire a domain name. He explained the basics of a machine name / Domain / extension. It was amazing to see the sheer volume of extensions that are available and their range of costs. We are all familiar with .com, .org, and .net, but did you realize there are .rocks, .guru, .attorney and hundreds more? New extensions are being added all the time.

He also talked about the other features that companies like GoDaddy will offer in addition to the registering of a domain name. They reduce the first year cost of a domain name and make their money on these other items. These included services such as Web Building, Web Hosting and adding an email. Some of these features have a monthly subscription cost while the domain name is a yearly cost.

Although no one in the audience was currently interested in registering a domain name, they walked away with the knowledge of how to do it and some of the tricks of getting what they want at the cost they want. 

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TECH TALK

By Joe Isaac

Windows SIG Leader

COOKIES!

NO, NOT THOSE COOKIES



THESE COOKIES



Computer cookies are good – they make life easier

A normal computer cookie is a small piece of data sent from a website and stored on your browser (Internet Explorer, Google, etc.) while the user is browsing that website. Every time the user loads the website, the browser sends the cookie back to the server to notify the website of the user's previous activity. They don't take up much space.

The main purpose of a cookie is to identify users and possibly prepare customized Web pages or to save site login information for you.

They make surfing more seamless and help websites operate more profitably and with greater efficiency. They record which pages are viewed and how long the visitor stays.

Cookies may store passwords, credit card numbers, addresses, etc. and are used by web servers to know whether the user is logged in or not, and with which account the user logged in for example, your bank or stock brokerage account.

Cookies were designed to be a reliable mechanism for websites to remember information (such as items in a shopping cart) or to record the user's browsing activity (including clicking particular buttons, logging in, or recording which pages were visited by the user as far back as months or years ago).

In you want, Wikipedia has more detailed information about cookies:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HTTP_cookie



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The future now? Apple's new MacBook

A single USB-Type C port is the only connection – requiring adapter



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



“The most important thing about the new MacBook isn’t necessarily what it is now, but what it represents. This is the future.”
— *Mashable*, April 9

“It feels like it came from the future, and didn’t bring its ecosystem with it. With its single USB-C port for both charging and peripherals, it’s unlike any Mac previously made. It’s the smallest, lightest Mac laptop ever, offers a Retina display, and yet it boasts all-day battery life. Using it alone will be a pleasure, but trying to plug it in to all your existing technology will be a pain.”
— *Macworld*, April 9

“From the moment I took it out of the box, Apple’s new MacBook looked and felt like an iPad.”
— *Associated Press*, April 12

“Reviewers praise the new MacBook’s design, keyboard and trackpad. But its battery life is so-so, and its inclusion of only a single USB-C port forces users to make some compromises.”
— *Christian Science Monitor*, April 10

“It’s not as flashy a release as the much-anticipated Apple Watch, but the new MacBook is a boundary-pushing notebook for Apple.”
— *Bloomberg*, April 9

“How crazy light is it? Under two pounds. So light, you go through a momentary panic every time you leave a restaurant with your bag, because you assume you’ve left your laptop behind. No, it’s in there; you just can’t feel it.”
— *David Pogue – Yahoo Tech review*, April 9

- [Engadget: MacBook Review – Apple reinvents the laptop again](#)
- [Associated Press: Review – New MacBook brings iPad’s minimalism to laptop](#)
- [Macworld: Review – The new 12-inch MacBook is a laptop without an ecosystem](#)
- [Bloomberg: Review – Apple’s Ultra-Thin New MacBook](#)
- [David Pogue: Yahoo tech review](#)
- [Mashable: The MacBook Review](#)

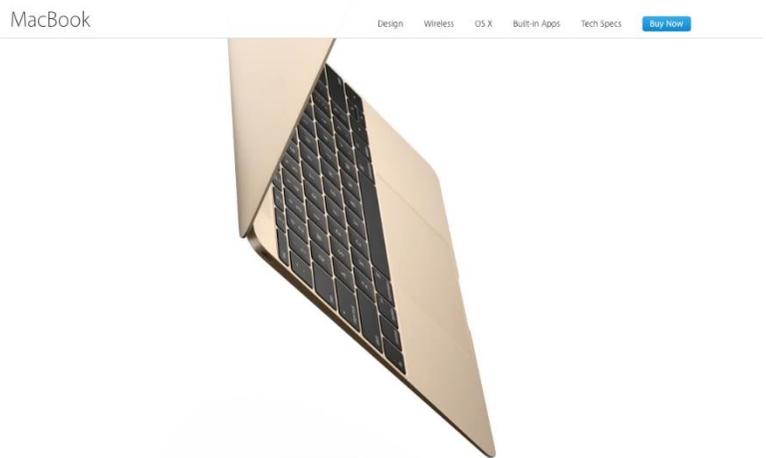
Pushing boundaries, the future of laptops, impossibly thin, and incredibly light. In a nutshell, that’s an apt description of Apple’s newest MacBook.

The newest laptop might just represent the future of all laptops because of several different features:

- **Weight:** It weighs only two pounds – it’s just half a pound heavier than the very first iPad – and substantially thinner according to *Mashable*.



- **Width:** Very, very thin. David Pogue of *Yahoo! Tech* says the new MacBook is “crazy thin...thin enough to make the MacBook Air look like a fatso.”
- **Lack of connectors:** *One single port* known as USB–C provides power, connections for USB devices such as hard drives, external monitors and projectors, flash drives, and more. If you have the right adapter (sometimes called a dongle), all of these devices can be used simultaneously. Pogue explains that “USB Type C was created by a consortium of Google, Apple, and other companies.” What’s different about the new MacBook is the lack of additional connectors. You’ll find one tiny USB–C connector on the left–hand side of this laptop. It’s probably a sure bet that nearly every other laptop maker will eventually adopt this stance. As mentioned above, you can still connect all of your devices to your Mac, but you need an adapter to do so. Otherwise, you cannot connect your hard drive, let’s say, to your MacBook while it’s plugged into an electrical outlet. Got it?
- **Keyboard:** It’s new. This is not your grandfather’s, or even your dad’s MacBook. To quote *Mashable*: “This is a full–size keyboard but it has a few new tricks. The first is that there is a new butterfly mechanism underneath the keys. This means that there’s less travel when pressing down on keys that what you would find with a typical scissor mechanism. Apple designed this to feel precise and consistent. Even though the keys are incredibly close to the frame – the travel is virtually nonexistent – it was still important that you feel like you’re typing.” In addition, *Mashable* says the keys are bigger. “Apple made the keys 17 percent larger than standard MacBook keys.”
- **Trackpad:** For the first time, an Apple trackpad is pressure sensitive, according to David Pogue. He says, “This is a big deal, a whole new user–interface element. Pressing down harder makes you fast–forward faster in a QuickTime movie, or zoom in Maps.” *Mashable* notes the technology is called “Force Trackpad.” *Mashable* says that Apple already has “the best trackpads in the business. Force Touch just makes them that much better.” Software developers will be able to build Force Trackpad into their apps, and you can adjust the touch and pressure controls or turn off Force Trackpad altogether if you choose. *The Christian Science Monitor* notes: “Reviewers also found the MacBook’s glass trackpad satisfying to use, although many wrote that its more subtle click feel took a day or two to get used to.”
- **Retina Display:** If you’ve used a Mac (or an iPad) with this kind of resolution, you don’t want to go back to standard fare. The new 12–inch MacBook has a screen resolution of 2,304 x 1,440, which is equivalent to 226 pixels per inch (ppi). Despite this top–notch screen, the new MacBook uses 30 percent less power than either the MacBook Air or



MacBook Pro. Christina Warren writes in Mashable, “as someone who as grown addicted to high-res displays, having such crisp visuals on a notebook this small is fantastic. In fact, I’m not sure how I’m going to return to my 13-inch MacBook Air.”

- **Speed:** Intel’s Core M Processor was designed to be energy efficient and cool. It achieves both goals according to reviews. But as Jason Snell writes in Macworld, “It’s not designed to be fast, and by the standards of all of Apple’s other current laptops, it’s not. It’s not fast by the standards of last year’s models. Or those of the year before. I pulled out every laptop in my house dating back four years and the base model MacBook is slower than all of them—though to be fair, my four-year-old MacBook Air is the top-of-the-line model. Still, it’s not a stretch to say that the MacBook is bringing 2010 performance to 2015.”

Snell adds that he’s not sure the MacBook speed (or lack thereof) matters to most users. He never found the new MacBook to be sluggish.

What about battery life? Apple uses the phrase “add day battery life” to describe the MacBook’s ability. Snell tried to go as long as possible without charging the laptop and he “was continually surprised at how little the MacBook was draining its battery.”

To sum up, the new MacBook is a gorgeous machine, according to Snell. He says the Retina display is excellent and he absolutely loves the Force Touch trackpad.

If you use plenty of USB devices—both flash and external hard drives, Thunderbolt hard drives or displays, or if you need the fastest processor or 16GB of RAM, you should consider the MacBook Pro and not the MacBook.

Snell sums it up this way (and his summary is one of the best I’ve read): *“This is the future of Apple’s thin and light laptop line, as well as a warning that we’re about to enter a transition period for devices as Apple begins to embrace USB-C. And ultimately that’s the trade-off here: To get the cutting edge technology, you’ve got to deal with the incompatibilities and limitations that go with it. People who are willing to deal with the pains in order to get their hands on a product like this, you know who you are. It’s waiting for you. The rest of the world will catch up, in time.”*

Apple replaces iPhoto with Photos for OS X

Back in 2002, Apple released what was then an excellent tool for the so-called casual photographer. iPhoto was designed to help the average Mac user organize dozens of photos folks were beginning to accumulate with digital cameras.

Over time, as more and more people started using smartphones to snap many more photos, iPhoto became overwhelmed.

Scrolling through dozens and dozens of photos stored in iPhoto can be a frustrating experience. It’s slow.





The Mac pizza wheel, indicating that the computer's processor is doing all it can, is a common occurrence.

Now Apple has replaced iPhoto with Photos, a free download when you install the latest version of the Mac operating system called Yosemite.

Photos is faster, it offers more features, and it looks and acts a lot like the version of Photos for iOS, which is used on iPads, iPhones and iPod touch devices.

Here's what Walt Mossberg says in his review of Photos: "I've been testing the new Photos app on two different Macs, and I consider it a big improvement over iPhoto. It's faster, easier to use, and has a more modern feel."

He adds, "Apple had three main goals in designing the replacement for iPhoto: Greater speed, less clutter and somewhat more sophisticated editing. In my opinion, it achieved all three."

As TechCrunch notes, Photos is designed to work with Apple's iCloud Photo Library. "...You'll have access to the same photos, albums, and shared collections whether you're browsing on your Mac, on your iPhone, on your iPad, or soon, even on your Apple Watch. Enabling iCloud Photo Library is not necessary to use Photos, but it's clearly something Photos was designed for, and it really helps the new software shine."

If you're making the transition from iPhoto (or Aperture) to Photos, check out Apple's Support page: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT204655>

More Photos articles

- [Recode: Walt Mossberg reviews Photos, Apple's replacement for iPhoto](#)
- [TechCrunch: Photos for OS X Review](#)



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New Members and Renewals

During the period from 3/26/2015 to 4/25/2015

We welcome the following new members who joined CKCS during this reporting period:

Charles E. Clayton
Retia Walker

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

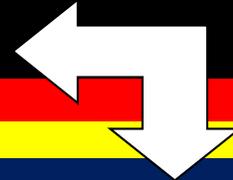
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Information furnished by CKCS Board of Directors member Ben Rice 

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Not a member ? We invite you to join CKCS

Here is how: It is simple as 1 – 2 – 3



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(if that doesn't work, go to www.ckcs.org and click on JOIN NOW) -- **or**

2

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

3

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Office hours Monday through Friday, 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

We need you and will welcome you as a full-fledged member
Members are eligible to attend all Special Interest Group sessions
Members receive a discount on all classes, workshops and seminars

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May 2015 CKCS SIG Schedule

Larry Trivette prepared this SIG calendar for this newsletter

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04 May	05 May	06 May	07 May	08 May	09 May
	1:30 PM <u>Word Processing</u> LARRY TRIVETTE	No meeting this month Mystery Workshop BOB BROWN	9:00 AM Photo Coffee 7:00 PM Board of Directors		
11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	16 May
7:00 PM Tech Night How Computers are used with the Lexington Fire Department.	7:00 PM <u>Windows 7-8.1-10</u> JOE ISAAC		9:00 AM Photo Coffee 7:00 PM <u>Mac & iPad</u> KURT JEFFERSON		
18 May	19 May	20 May	21 May	22 May	23 May
			9:00 AM Photo Coffee 7:00 PM <u>Microsoft Access</u> STUART ZAHALKA		
25 May	26 May	27 May	28 May	29 May	30 May
7:00 PM Database GARLAND SMITH	7:00 PM <u>Digital Photography</u> JOE DIETZ		9:00 AM Photo Coffee 7:00 PM <u>Unix / Linux</u> LEWIS GARDNER		

This Month's Best Videos / Shows

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A Memorial Day thought – Movie with Grandpa

http://www.youtube.com/v/AqYLr_LfhLo?version=3&hl=en_US&rel=0

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Photographer hunkers down after photographing a male elk

<http://m.koreus.com/video/wapiti-vs-photographe.html>

Furnished by Harvey Shackelford

Black box generated view of the plane landing in the Hudson River Amazing

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Furnished by Jerry Hubble

Young man finds a piano in a hardware store – think of Jerry Lee Lewis

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10202576675049432>

Furnished by Boone Baldwin and Mike Seiler

Listen to this Catcerto (A cat plays the piano)

<http://www.coolystone.com/media/11934/CATcerto.-ORIGINAL-PERFORMANCE.-Mindaugas-Piecaitis.-Nora-The-Piano-Cat/#.VTRMU-I0yCg>

Furnished by D Stans

Military Wisdom (Declassified military secrets)

<http://www.doyletics.com/tidbits/militaryadvice.pdf>

Furnished by Harvey Shackelford

Amazing unusual jobs – a power line worker on a wire

<http://biggeekdad.com/2015/03/like-a-bird-on-a-wire/>

Furnished by D Stans

Two classics – one car and its collector

https://www.youtube.com/embed/qxCpK1W_Gjw?feature=player_embedded

Furnished by Carl Peter

Digital wizardry

<https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=942813405763875>

Furnished by Michael Fournier

QF-16 first unmanned flight

<http://video.boeing.com/services/player/bcpid1173939806001?bckey=AQ~~%2cAAAAukPAIqE~%2coAVq1qtdRjwBrIkHYj2MSytJiEK9s5fy&bclid=0&bctid=2684464741001>

Furnished by Jerry Markussen

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A Few Funny Pages / useful information

Priest and the Pilot

A priest dies and is waiting in line at the Pearly Gates. Ahead of him is a guy who's dressed in sunglasses, a loud shirt, leather jacket, and jeans. Saint Peter addresses this cool guy, 'Who are you, so that I may know whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven?'

The guy replies, 'I'm Bruce, retired airline pilot from Toronto.'

Saint Peter consults his list. He smiles and says to the pilot, 'Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom.' The pilot goes into Heaven with his robe and staff.

Next, it's the priest's turn. He stands erect and booms out, 'I am Father Bob, pastor of Saint Mary's for the last 43 years.'

Saint Peter consults his list. He says to the priest, 'Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom.'

'Just a minute,' says the good father. 'That man was a pilot and he gets a silken robe and golden staff and I get only cotton and wood. How can this be?'

'Up here – we go by results,' says Saint Peter. 'When you preached – people slept. When he flew, people prayed.'

Furnished by Carl Peter

Interesting scientific discovery

Researchers for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority found over 200 dead crows near greater Boston recently, and there was concern that they may have died from Avian flu. A bird pathologist examined the remains of all the crows, and, to everyone's relief, confirmed the problem was definitely NOT Avian flu. The cause of death appeared to be vehicular impacts.

However, during the detailed analysis it was noted that varying colors of paints appeared on the bird's beaks and claws. By analyzing these paint residues it was determined that 98 percent of the crows had been killed by impact with trucks, while only 2 percent were killed by an impact with a car.

MTA then hired an ornithological behaviorist to determine if there was a cause for the disproportionate percentages of truck kills versus car kills. He very quickly concluded the cause: When crows eat road kill, they always have a look-out crow in a nearby tree to warn of impending danger. They discovered that while all the lookout crows could shout "Cah", not a single one could shout "Truck."

Furnished by Sarah Auvenshine



Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many.

- I just took a leaflet out of my mailbox, informing me that I can have sex at 73. I'm so happy, because I live at number 71. So it's not too far to walk home afterwards and it's the same side of the street. I don't even have to cross the road!
- Answering machine message, "I am not available right now, but thank you for caring enough to call. I am making some changes in my life. Please leave a message after the beep. If I do not return your call, you are one of the changes."
- My wife and I had words, but I didn't get to use mine.
- Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses.
- Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting.
- The irony of life is that, by the time you're old enough to know your way around, you're not going anywhere.
- God made man before woman so as to give him time to think of an answer for her first question.
- I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.
- Every morning is the dawn of a new error.

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Taxes

A visitor from Holland was chatting with his American friend and was jokingly explaining about the red, white and blue in the Netherlands flag.

"Our flag symbolizes our taxes," he said. "We get red when we talk about them, white when we get our tax bill, and blue after we pay them."

"That's the same with us," the American said, "only we see stars, too"

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Twelve trivial and odd WWII facts

Col D. G. Swinford, USMC (Retired) and a history buff offered a dozen bits of history his research uncovered about World War II.

1. The first German serviceman killed in WW II was killed by the Japanese (China , 1937), The first American serviceman killed was killed by the Russians (Finland 1940); The highest ranking American killed was Lt Gen Lesley McNair, killed by the US Army Air Corps.



2. The youngest US serviceman was 12 year old: Calvin Graham, USN. He was wounded and given a Dishonorable Discharge for lying about his age. His benefits were later restored by act of Congress.
3. At the time of Pearl Harbor , the top US Navy command was called CINCUS (pronounced 'sink us'); The shoulder patch of the US Army's 45th Infantry division was the swastika. Hitler's private train was named 'Amerika.' All three were soon changed for PR purposes.
4. More US servicemen died in the Air Corps than the Marine Corps. While completing the required 30 missions, an airman's chance of being killed was 71%.
5. Generally speaking, there was no such thing as an average fighter pilot. You were either an ace or a target. For instance, Japanese ace Hiroyoshi Nishizawa shot down over 80 planes. He died while a passenger on a cargo plane.
6. It was a common practice on fighter planes to load every 5th round with a tracer round to aid in aiming. This was a big mistake. Tracers had different ballistics so (at long range) if your tracers were hitting the target 80% of your rounds were missing. Worse yet tracers instantly told your enemy he was under fire and from which direction. Worst of all was the practice of loading a string of tracers at the end of the belt to tell you that you were out of ammo. This was definitely not something you wanted to tell the enemy. Units that stopped using tracers saw their success rate nearly double and their loss rate go down.
7. When allied armies reached the Rhine, the first thing men did was pee in it. This was pretty universal from the lowest private to Winston Churchill (who made a big show of it) and Gen. Patton (who had himself photographed in the act).
8. German ME-264 bombers were capable of bombing New York City, but they decided it wasn't worth the effort.
9. German submarine U-120 was sunk by a malfunctioning toilet.
10. Among the first 'Germans' captured at Normandy were several Koreans. They had been forced to fight for the Japanese Army until they were captured by the Russians and forced to fight for the Russian Army until they were captured by the Germans and forced to fight for the German Army until they were captured by the US Army.
11. Following a massive naval bombardment, 35,000 United States and Canadian troops stormed ashore at Kiska, in the Aleutian Islands. 21 troops were killed in the assault on the island. It could have been worse if there had actually been any Japanese on the island.
12. The last marine killed in WW2 was killed by a can of spam. He was on the ground as a POW in Japan when rescue flights dropping food and supplies came over, the package came apart in the air and a stray can of spam hit and killed him.

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CKCS List of Special Interest Groups

Each month the Central Kentucky Computer Society offers nine Special Interest Groups (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.

SPECIAL NOTE; Always check the “Monthly Schedule” and the “Newsletter” link on the CKCS home page for any schedule change www.ckcs.org

COMPUTER MYSTERY SIG

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

Meeting topics will be about Internet websites, 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

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.

DATABASE SIG

**Meets monthly on the fourth Monday at 7 p.m. –
Leader Garland Smith**

MICROSOFT ACCESS SIG

**Meets monthly on the third Thursday at 7 p.m. –
Leader Stuart Zahalka**

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY SIG

**Meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 7 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.

WINDOWS SIG

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

The Windows SIG or Workshop for Windows 7, 8.1, and 10 meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.. Topics covered may be: Windows, Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Windows Live Mail, Windows Live Photo Gallery, Control Panel, System Restore, Defrag, Desktop, Taskbar, Disk Cleanup, etc. To see which topic will be covered next go to <http://joescomputertips.blogspot.com/>
To see a year’s worth of email Tips and Reviews go to: <http://www.ckcs.org/joetips.pdf>

DR. FIXIT SIG

**Meets monthly on the first Saturday at 10 a.m. –
Leaders: Bob Brown, Ben Rice, Harry Ellison, 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.

WORD PROCESSING SIG

**Meets monthly on the first Tuesday at 1:30 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.

MAC AND IPAD SIG

**Meets monthly on the second Thursday at 7 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

UNIX / LINUX SIG

**Meets monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7 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. 

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