Two new tech gadgets coming on Tech Night

For the CKCS Tech Night on August 10, two of our key members will roll out a couple of new tech gadgets which you just might want to add to your must have list. The program starts at 7 p.m.

Jim McCormick is going to introduce us to his personal assistant, Alexa.
She can talk about the weather, maybe play some music or read a book if requested.

Alexa might keep him up on the latest sports scores or maybe traffic conditions. How about adjusting the lights, or perhaps reordering items from Amazon? Those are just a few of the tasks one might request of a personal assistant.

Alexa is the cloud based voice service connected to **Echo** – Amazon's newest must have. It's a "smart" speaker. Just say her name from across the room and she is ready to respond. Why would you be interested? Because you can have a personal assistant without a salary.
This demo will likely cause you to add to your holiday wish list.

Bob Brown will demonstrate one of his favorite toys, Google ChromeCast.
He will show you how easy it is to watch your favorite entertainment or app from your phone, tablet or laptop on your TV. If you like Netflix or YouTube, you will love this streaming device. This tech gadget is an economical way to enhance your home entertainment. You might just want to head to a nearby store to get one.

CKCS is kicking-off a membership campaign this month, so bring a friend or family member and get a one-month extension to your membership. If your guest joins by buying a membership, you will get to attend a workshop of your choice free-of-charge. Workshop topics are still under development and will be announced later in the month.   **CKCS**

See what is in your newsletter this month

Click on your topic of interest

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President's Comments

By Brooke Thomas
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Membership / Publicity Committee

Debby Giannini, Chairperson of the Membership/Publicity Committee, is leading the charge to get more members. August is the beginning of the CKCS Membership Campaign. We would like to see membership up to 320 by year's end. Last month our count was 289. Quite a decline from our average of 315 over the last few years. This is a trend that has to be turned around.

The current Publicity Committee is working on this about face. They have developed a plan to encourage members to bring family and friends to CKCS. Each CKCS member who brings a person to a CKCS event or gets them to sign up for a class will be rewarded with an extra month on his / her membership. Each CKCS member who gets someone to buy a membership will get to attend a workshop free of charge. We are hoping that these incentives will bring more people in to see what we are all about.

In addition to these efforts, committee members have instituted additional measures to get the word out. Janet Cartmell, the Class Schedule Coordinator, has nailed down the class calendar early in order to get the schedule included in the community newspapers and monthly organizational newsletters. If you know of an organization that has a newsletter and would include an article about CKCS classes, please let the committee know at CKCSlex@gmail.com.

The members of the committee will continue publishing and distributing the class brochures, announcing classes and SIG's in the Lexington Herald-Leader, setting up photo exhibits in the Lexington Senior Citizen's Center, and publicizing classes in the CKCS Newsletter. Several instructors will be speaking to community groups giving them a demonstration of what we teach. Car magnets will be designed and available for members to display on their cars.

The CKCS / Membership Publicity Committee
From left, Mike Seiler, Carolyn Nichols, Debby Giannini (Committee Chair), Nancy Bowling, Joe Dietz, and Janet Cartmell. Committee members not in picture: Larry Neuzel, Bob Brown, Boone Baldwin and Brooke Thomas

Think about how you can help. Maybe it's a contact you have with an organization that would like a speaker or maybe you have experience in publicity and could give us ideas and contacts. If everyone pitches in we will be able to meet our recruitment goal!

Office Supervisor Vacation

The office supervisors will be taking a vacation the last two weeks of August (August 17-28). Just because they won't be in the office does not mean that everything is canceled during these two weeks. There are a few classes and SIGs that will be continuing throughout August so check the calendar or with the instructor or SIG leader.

Like us on Facebook

Check out our Facebook page. This is a way to keep up to date on the happenings at CKCS. We post pictures and schedules. Don't miss out on the latest happenings!   **CKCS**

Watch live streaming of selected SIG (workshop) sessions

Since February, CKCS has offered members and guests an opportunity to view selected workshops, (SIGs) over the Internet. This is intended to help those unable to attend in person a particular SIG of interest. Of course, much is to be gained by attending in person, because class participation with the instructor and other members is possible, but not possible over the Internet.

You are encouraged to create an icon on your desktop to link you to the CKCS ceiling-mounted camera. Here is how you do that.
1. Open your web browser and COPY this link into the address bar.
   www.dropcam.com/p/g5PGQK (if you type – it must be exactly as shown)
2. You will likely get a black square stating THIS CAMERA IS MISSING IN ACTION. That is because the camera is not turned on at that time.
3. In the upper corner of the address bar will be a symbol like a lock or maybe an e
4. Click on that symbol and drag it to your desktop. It likely will say LIVE NOT FOUND – NEST Right click on those words and rename it to CKCS CAMERA
5. That is all there is to it.
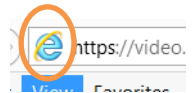
Then next time you are unable to attend in person a workshop of interest just click on your desktop icon and once the camera is turned on, you may watch the projector screen LIVE. Adjust your sound accordingly.

While watching, you are encouraged to send an email to ckcslex@gmail.com – include a message with your name. Let us know you are watching and add any comment or suggestion you want.

Not all workshops are broadcast live. That is the decision of the workshop leader.   **CKCS**

Time to uninstall Adobe Flash on your Mac?
Engineers scramble to patch vulnerabilities in the software

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

Kurt Jefferson

"The Flash plug–in is notorious for being riddled with security flaws and other shortcomings. Yet it's also one of the most popular pieces of software on the planet. What will it take to kill it?" — *TechCentral* in *Why Adobe Flash Must Die, July 20, 2015*

"Things have gotten worse lately as we've learned even more about how insecure Flash can be." — *USA Today* in *How to bid Farewell to Flash*, July 20, 2015

"Adobe Flash has come under fire yet again with the discovery of three new security holes that – if left unpatched – pose a big risk to your computer. In response, Mozilla earlier this week blocked Flash by default in its Firefox browser, one day after Facebook's security chief called for Adobe to kill Flash once and for all. Security firms such as Trend Micro recommended disabling Flash." — *Standard Examiner* in *The Case for Disabling Adobe Flash*, July 16, 2015

In one single week in mid–July, engineers with Adobe scrambled to patch 20 separate vulnerabilities in the company's Flash software.

It got to the point where security experts were urging desktop and laptop computer users to remove Flash from their machines.

AppleInsider wrote, "Flash has become such an information security nightmare that Facebook's Chief Security Office called on Adobe to sunset the platform as soon as possible and ask browser vendors to forcibly kill it off."

AppleInsider provided instructions on how to remove the Adobe Flash plug–in from Macs and even provided a link for the uninstaller.

Britain's Daily Mail wrote, "Leaked documents have revealed the program has a serious vulnerability that lets hackers take over anyone's computer."

The folks at Mozilla went so far as to block every version of Adobe's Flash Player from running in its very popular Firefox browser on Macs, Windows, and Linux systems.

> "Adobe Flash is a software platform that runs video, animation, and games inside of Web pages. Flash was born at the dawn of the Web in 1996 and quickly became the standard for Web video, especially after a little startup called YouTube began using it in 2005. But now it's largely obsolete, as most Web sites and apps use different technologies for the same purpose." — Yahoo Tech July 15, 2015

"All versions of Adobe's Flash Player plugin are currently deactivated by default, until Adobe releases an updated version to address known critical security issues," Mozilla wrote on its support page.

The message Firefox and Google Chrome users recently got when their browsers blocked the Adobe Flash plug–in.

This plugin has security vulnerabilities. Activate Adobe Flash.

These are some of the very reasons that the late Steve Jobs announced more than five years ago that Adobe Flash would not run on Apple's iPad, iPhone, or iPod touch mobile devices.
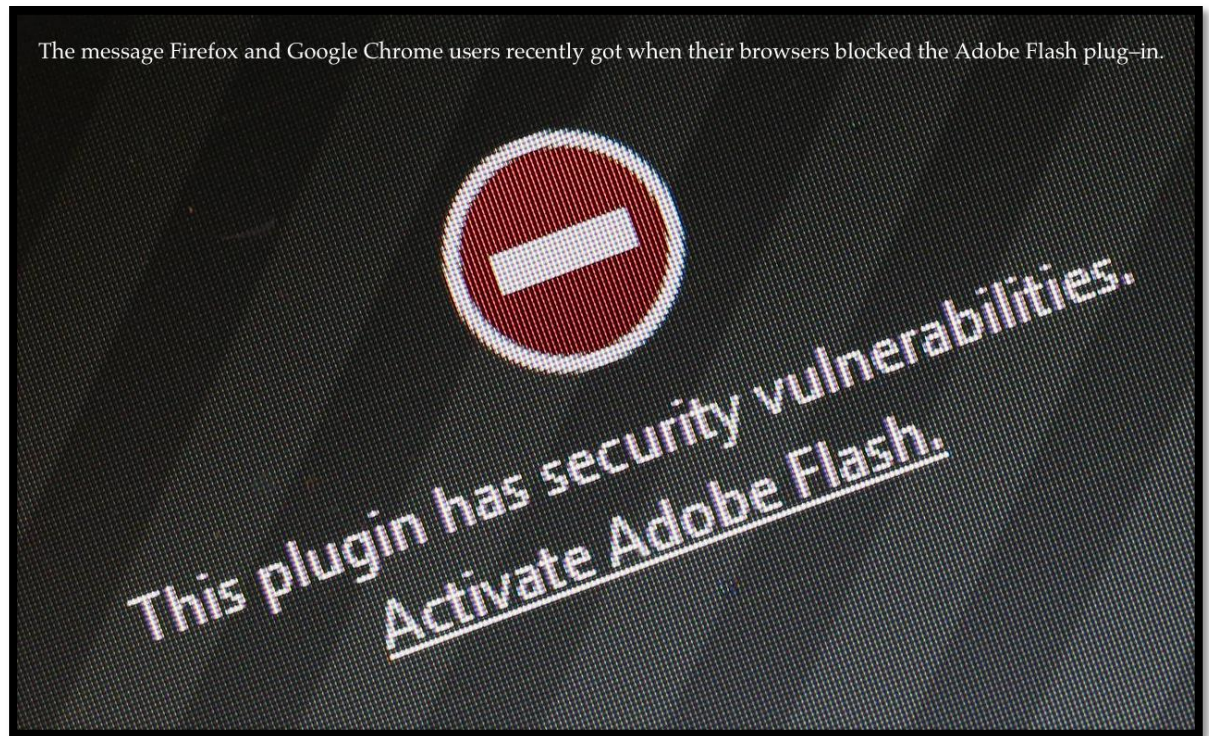
In part, he wrote, "Symantec recently highlighted Flash for having one of the worst security records in 2009. We also know first-hand that Flash is the number one reason Macs crash. We have been working with Adobe to fix these problems, but they have persisted for years now. We don't want to reduce the reliability and security of our iPhones, iPods, and iPads by adding Flash."

Instead, Apple's mobile devices use HTML 5, which is built into every modern browser and doesn't require a plug–in.

Macworld's Glenn Fleishman wrote, "What would we lose if we lost Flash? At this point, not much. Jobs was slightly ahead of his time, as he was with all things. But the Internet of 2015 can go Flash–free overnight–in fact, it mostly has already." He concludes, "No one will mourn Flash. It's already dead."

Brian Krebs wrote in his popular "Krebs on Security" blog, "If you were on the fence about removing or disabling Flash altogether, now would be a great time to reconsider. I recently blogged about my experience doing just that, and found I didn't miss the program much at all after a month without it." He adds, "In almost 30 days, I only ran into just two instances where I encountered a site hosting a video that I absolutely needed to watch and that required Flash ➔

July Tech Night moved to the CKCS parking lot

The weather all day on July 13 had been mostly gloomy with rain off and on. However, it cleared up and dried out just in time for an outside Tech Night presentation all about drones. First, Jaime Simpson, the owner of Compu-Tech Solutions, began with a discussion in the workshop room about the nuisances of the use of drones and the regulations under which they may be used. After a question session, the group moved outside to see the drone fly above the CKCS parking lot.

Members watched as Jaime used a sophisticated remote control which has a TV screen which monitors the high-tech drone camera and a built in GPS which can automatically bring it back to a position near the remote in case it gets out of sight of the operator.

The pictures on this page were taken during the flight.

The drone kept the full attention of all members and may have resulted in a few strained necks.

The view from the drone's camera was recorded on an SD card and after the flight, the group returned to the workshop room to view the drones 'camera- eye view' of the flight .

The amazing thing is that the movie the drone takes is so stable (almost looks like it was on a tripod) even though the drone often automatically sways adjusting for wind currents.

You may view two versions of the actual drone flight, thanks to the work of two of our talented members.
Mike Sieler took the 12 minute long version of the drone camera video and edited it into four segments (about four minutes total). Click here: http://1drv.ms/1GGuTv2 . This view will only be available until July 31. These videos take several seconds to 'load' so be patient.
Bob Brown put eight minutes of the flight on YouTube, divided into two segments; click here for that view: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTzuaNtHSE41GyV28EGZtyQ. The FAA limits drone flights to a maximum of 400 feet. In the FLIGHT 2 video, the drone climbed to an estimated 100 feet for a view of traffic on Nicholasville Road and many parked autos on the Don Jacob's lot. **CKCS**

TECH TALK

By Joe Isaac
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If you like Windows 7, you'll LOVE Windows 10

The familiar Windows Desktop is back, only better.

These are **my** Windows 10 screens. I have been using Windows 10 Beta since October 1, 2014. Most of us will receive the **Windows 10 Home** version. **Your** Windows 10 Desktop will look like this only it will have **your icons** on the Windows Desktop and **your icons** in the Taskbar. It will be very familiar to you and so user friendly.

In the Taskbar you will have 2 or 3 new icons which will make computing must faster and easier. 1. On the bottom left is a microphone icon. Click on it and type in the Search Box or ask Cortana a question. The next icon is called Task View and will show Apps that are open.
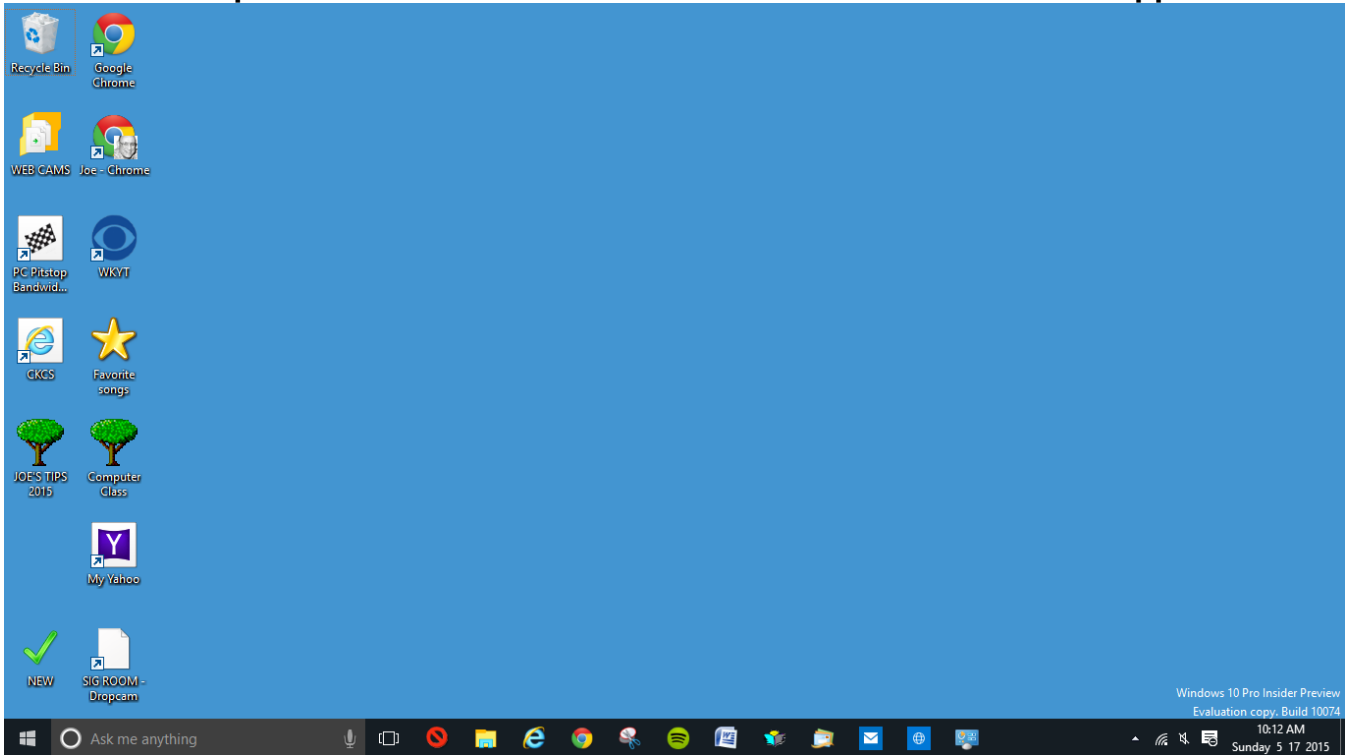
Windows 10 has a Desktop Screen, just like Windows 7 – only better. Windows 10 can boot straight to the desktop.

Internet Explorer is taking a backseat to a new Web browser **EDGE, which is faster than a speeding bullet.** You can talk to Microsoft's Siri-like **Cortana voice** assistant and she talks back. If you ask her, "Who is your daddy?" she may answer, "Bill Gates".

This is **Windows 10 Start Screen.** It has a list of your most used apps, most visited folders and recently added software. If this list is not there, click on the 4 lines at the top left.

Bottom left, click on the four lines or All apps and you will see all your apps in a single list. Right click an App and select Pin to Taskbar, Pin to Start.
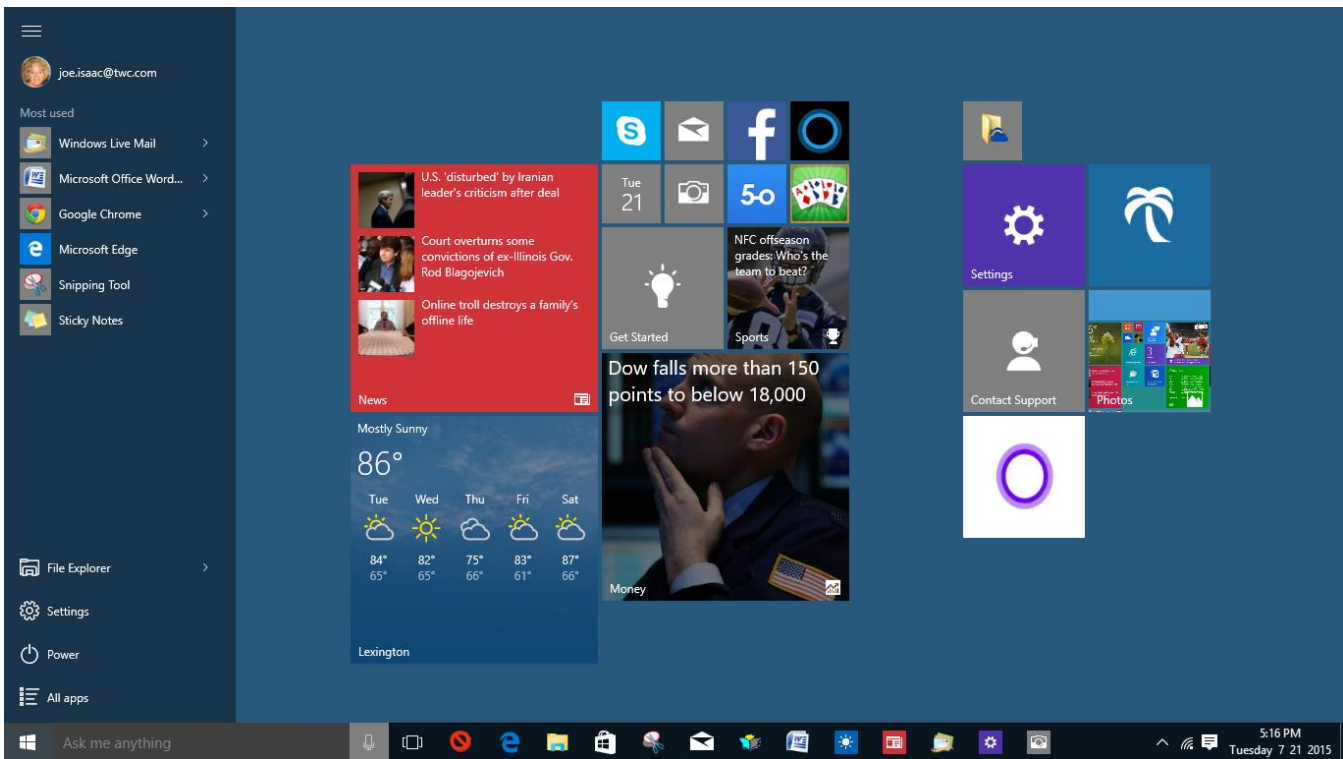
To toggle between the Windows Desktop Screen and the Start Screen, hit the Window key on the Keyboard or left click the Start button on the left side of the Taskbar. You might notice that both screens have the Taskbar.

You can still use your old programs like Windows Live Mail, Photo Gallery, Quicken, Word, and so on just like always.

Microsoft will automatically send out the latest fixes and updates to users throughout the month and not just on Tuesdays.

When you first download Windows 10, do a Windows update.

Windows 10 will receive security fixes for ten years.

Great videos of the brand new Windows 10

https://www.youtube.com/watch?t=17&v=Wwc5jKc-EgE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3ZLphVaxkg

Windows 10 Q&A
http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/windows-10-faq?ocid=Reserve_r_Confirmation_mod2_faq

Any questions please email joeisaac@twc.com or call 299-6464. CKCS

Attend Joe Issac's Window's SIG

On Tuesday, August 11, at 7 p.m.

For the latest information about the just released

WINDOWS 10

News to use

Word SIG plan for August 4

Jerry Heaton will again be leading the Word SIG on this month's first Tuesday, August 4. Just like last month, there will be two sessions, the first at 1:30 p.m. on August 4 and a repeat at 7 p.m. that evening. The regular SIG leader, Larry Trivette, will return for the September SIG.

As was done last month, attendees are invited to bring questions on word processing and other computer topics for discussion during class. Topics to be covered this month include the best way to back up your data, creating personal calling cards, inserting pictures in Word documents, or into emails, tips on using the Word auto-correct feature, a way to solve word processing problems and a lot more. Should a member have a particular topic or problem that they would like us to cover, we will try to add those to this presentation if you provide advance notice of your topic of interest. Just send it to jerheat@gmail.com at your earliest opportunity.

You are invited – Tuesday, August 4, at 1:30 and/or 7 p.m. Please attend and bring a friend.

Both sessions will be streamed on the Internet so they can be watched at home. This link will access the CKCS camera: www.dropcam.com/p/g5PGQK. It is suggested you put this link with an icon on your destop, so it will be readily available for other broadcasts. While watching, you are asked to let us know by sending an email to ckcslex@gmail.com – just state you are watching and add any comments you have about the session.

Two classes INDEPENDENT/ADVANCED PAINT SHOP PRO

Just scheduled are two more six-week "*Independent/Advanced Paint Shop Pro"* classes. These classes are for folks that have projects they wish to work on with help from the instructor or other students. Projects may be creating a book, restoring old photos, scanning projects, creating greeting cards, etc. – limited only by your imagination. The first will begin on **Tuesday, August 4, from 1-3 p.m.** The second will begin **Wednesday, August 5, from 10 a.m. to noon**.

The signup sheets are ready. Call CKCS at 373-1000 or drop by. To reserve a seat you must have paid. These classes often fill up. Cost is $60 for non-members and $48 for members.

A SEPTEMBER CLASS. One other photography class is already scheduled for September. It is "*Photography: Improving your Camera Skills".* Boone Baldwin, Larry Neuzel and Eugene Potter will be the instructors. The class begins on September 21. More details next month.

Last call for lost and found items at CKCS

Last month we mentioned that in the past couple of years, we have accumulated several jackets, a sweater, and recently an umbrella – all left on the coat rack on the back of the bookcase located next to the CKCS entrance door. Any item not claimed by August 15 will be disposed of or donated to an organization like Goodwill or some such company. The clock is counting down! CKCS

Adventures in Photography Class Exhibit

The students and instructors of the *Adventures in Photography* class finished their class by printing and framing one of their photos taken during a field trip.

During the six-week class the students alternated between learning photographic techniques in a classroom setting and practicing the discussed techniques in the field at sites such as Waveland Museum, the Arboretum, and Thoroughbred Park

The photos are on exhibit at the Senior Citizens' Center on Alumni Drive.

Photos on exhibit by: Marion Rasmussan, (instructor) Kathy Davis, Jan Landers-Lyman, Carolyn Nichols, Nancy Bonhaus, Becky Brothers, Brooke Thomas, and Larry Cox (instructor),


Larry Neuzel spearheaded the hanging of the photos for the exhibit

Digital Imaging SIG

NO Digital Photography Special Interest Group for August

Joe Dietz
Digital Photography
SIG Leader
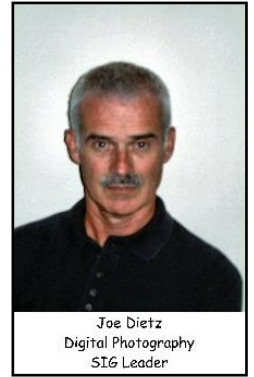
CKCS offices will be closed for two weeks in August (August 17-29) to allow our hard working staffers a well-deserved break. I will be taking a break as well.

That being said, we already have selected a photo contest category for August and that will occur; however, the contest will be held in conjunction with the September meeting. The category for August is "**Shakertown**".
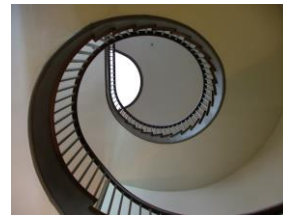
Most of us have been there several times and have taken lots of pictures. Scan through them and find a perfect one to submit. Or head down there, take some more and have a good Shaker meal while there.

Search your archives for a good shot you have filed away or get out and take some new pictures. Submit your entries to joedietz@aol.com no later than August 24. Photographs received by this date will be considered at the September meeting. (September meeting category is "**Motion**"…be thinking of that also.

See you at CKCS in September if not before.

Annual CKCS Hall of Fame Photography Contest

Each July, the Digital Photography SIG sponsors a Hall of Fame photo contest. This year, 16 CKCS members submitted 46 photos in the categories of BLACK AND WHITE; EMOTIONS / EXPRESSIONS; and URBAN ARCHITECTURE / ANGLES. The judging was done by those in attendance. They were asked to select a first place photo in each category and the one photo they considered Best of Show.

Joe Dietz awarded a certificate to winners for First, Second and Third place in each category and for the photo considered the Best of Show.

The winning photos are shown on the next page.

Central Kentucky Computer Society 2015 Annual Hall-of-Fame

Black & White 1st Place and Best of Show
Jan Landers-Lyman

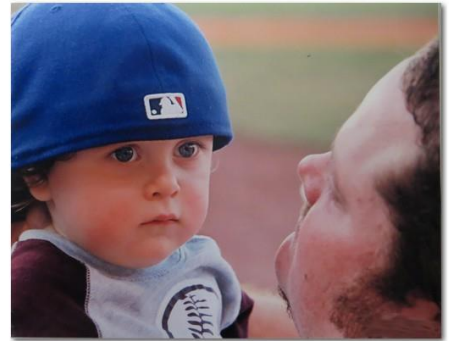Black & White tie for 2nd Nancy Bonhaus

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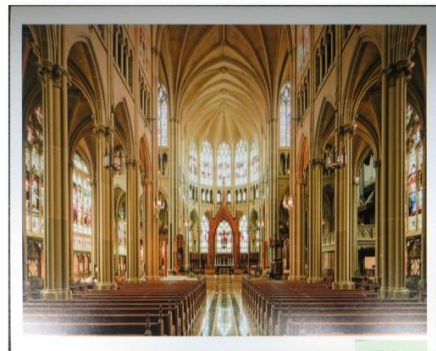Redmond

Emotions 1st Place Jan Landers-Lyman

Emotions 2nd place Kevin MacNaughton

Emotions 3rd Place Jay Hopkins

Urban Architecture 1st place tie Kevin
MacNaughton

Urban Architecture 1st place tie Nancy
Bonhaus

Urban Architecture 3rd place - Kathy
Davis

2015-07-28

Backup! Backup! Always backup!

By Jerry Heaton

About two weeks ago, I chose to download to my Lexington computer a program from the Internet that I have used before on another computer I own in another city. As is my custom, I always try to be careful to study the source to be sure I am downloading only the program I want and not an attached program I do not want. Although I was careful, I managed to download a malware called **RANSOMWARE**.

This is embarrassing to admit because I sort of consider myself an experienced computer user and not one to make a mistake like that. After all, I have been working with computers for at least 30 years. (I had to do a bit of research to confirm it has actually been at least 30 years.)
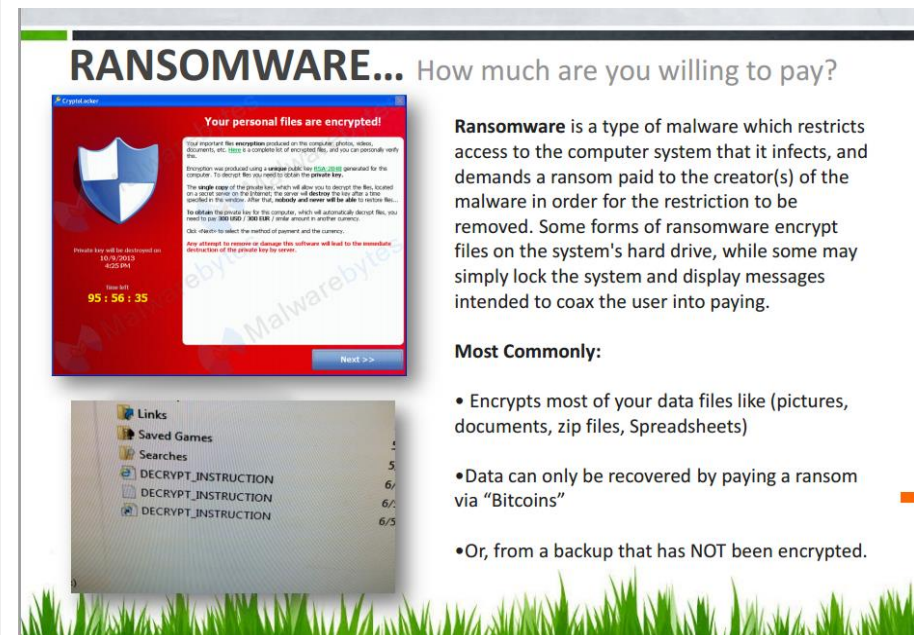
My first thought was that I might be in real trouble because from the earliest days I have used my computer to do and to track my banking, plus I have hundreds of files I used to teach word processing and also six years of issues of the CKCS monthly newsletter I have produced for online.

Ransomware is a malware program that takes over your computer and encrypts every file therein (all documents, all pictures, spreadsheets, financial stuff, etc.) so you can't open or access them. When I realized what was happening, I tried unsuccessfully to stop that download but I was too late so that became mistake No.1.

In my case I got a blue screen. The blue screen kept me from accessing anything and suggested that I should call a number for Microsoft to get assistance. I did that – that was mistake No. 2. The woman I spoke with I am confident had no relationship with Microsoft but was part of the team working with the creators of the ransomware program. She explained that the files could not be unlocked – there was no solution and I needed to call another number she provided where they would be able to 'unlock' the files providing I send a check – (no credit cards). She said she thought the charge was either $249 or maybe she said $299, I don't recall which. Anyway, I had no intention of calling that second number.

This is a reproduction of a slide used by Joey Police and Craig Mayfield during a December 2014 Tech Night presentation on the subject of Antivirus and Malware.

Even in the earliest days of my computer experience, everyone learned quickly the importance of backing up computer data

because back then, computers would often just 'crash' with no good reason at all, and whatever you were working on would be lost.

Now-a-days the importance of backing up your data is not so much for crashes but because of the evil 'hackers' out there that are out to steal your data and damage your computer with a virus or worse. Sometimes, just to show that they can do it. The backup program I have used for several years, which I strongly recommend, is **ACRONIS TRUE IMAGE**.

The bright side of this story, I didn't have to pay money to anyone. Why? BECAUSE USING ACRONIS, I HAD A COMPLETE BACKUP OF ALL MY FILES, INCLUDING THE PROGRAMS. I backup to a portable hard drive which I store safely in a fireproof file box.

Not being totally familiar with how to use the restore feature of Acronis worked, I went to KyTrade and Freddy spent some time with me to simply restore my 'C' drive using my Acronis backup. I learned Kentucky Trade uses Acronis all the time. I thought I had to reformat the drive first, but found that was not necessary. So it was basically simple and we were successful in restoring my files. There was one problem – my last backup I had was almost 60 days old (that was mistake No. 3) but my hat is off to Freddy as he was able to capture separately even those recent 'encrypted' files, so actually I lost nothing.

Freddy did offer a suggestion which I liked. He suggested that I install a second hard drive on my computer and schedule Acronis to do <u>automatic backups</u> every week on Mondays and also do a complete backup once a month on the first day of each month – all in the background. I accepted his suggestion so I now have a new alternate drive (one terabyte) just for that purpose. Yes, that alternate drive is in the computer and could be affected just like the main drive if attacked again but perhaps not. If that alternate drive is not involved in an attack those backups would likely be more current, since backups are done on a regular basis and automatically.

Regardless, using my Acronis, I still periodically do a separate backup on the portable drive I store in the fireproof file box. That fireproof box travels with me when I am out of town for any length of time to use a computer I have in another city.

So I had a favorable outcome – but ONLY because I had a full backup. It would have been nice if it had been a more recent backup.

The moral of this story is BACKUP YOUR COMPUTER REGULARLY. If you don't own a copy of Acronis, my recommendation is get one and use it. At KyTrade, the latest 2015 version of Acronis sells for about $45 for one PC (one license) and $95 for three licenses. If you show your CKCS membership card, you get a 5 percent discount. JUST DO IT! BACKUP, BACKUP, ALWAYS BACKUP!
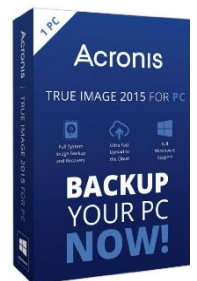
   A FOOTNOTE: In my research for this article, to determine how long I had been working with computers, I ran across the fact that in 1990 I purchased a laptop that operated at a laughably slow speed, it had just a 48 MB hard drive and very little ram compared to those available today. That laptop was identified as a Compaq LTE286. I don't know what LTE stood for but it certainly did not mean light because that unit must have weighed 7 or 8 pounds – it seemed a lot more than that – and worse, I paid right at $4,000 for it, (that is $7,300 in 2015 dollars). I remember that several years later I tried to sell it for almost nothing and could not even find a taker. I ended up throwing it into the trash – it didn't even get a chance to become a good doorstop! CKCS Return to contents page

Preview copy of the Fall Class Schedule

This is an advance notice of the CKCS fall classes most of which will start in September. The office supervisors will be able to enroll you for one of these classes any time after August 1. Cost for members is only $48, for non-members the cost is $60. Complete details plus a course description about each subject to be taught will be included in the September CKCS newsletter.

CKCS Fall 2015 Class Schedule					
Call 859-373-1000 for class signups and further information.					
Time/Location	**Monday**	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
10 am - Noon Class Room	**Word Processing** Sept 28 - Nov 2 Larry Trivette	**Beginning Digital Imaging: PaintShop Pro** Sept 29 - Nov 3 Joe Dietz Janet Cartmell	**Adv. & Indep. Digital Imaging: PaintShop Pro** Sept 30 - Nov 4 Joe Dietz	**Computer Basics** Oct 1 - Nov 12 No class Oct 15 Myra Engle	**No Friday Classes**
10 am - Noon SIG Room			**Beginning iPad** Sept 30 - Nov 4 Brooke Thomas Lilly Crawley Jeannine Essig Janet Cartmell		
Afternoon Class Room	**1 - 3 pm** **Windows 10** Oct 12 - Nov 16 Mike Seiler Harry Ellison	**1 - 3 pm** **Adv. & Indep. Digital Imaging:** **PaintShop Pro** Sept 29 - Nov 3 Joe Dietz	**1 - 3 pm**	**1 - 3 pm** **File Management** (4 wks) Oct 1 - Oct 29 No class Oct 15 Myra Engle	
1 - 3 pm SIG Room	**Photography: Improving Your Camera Skills** Sept 21 - Nov 2 Boone Baldwin Larry Neuzel Eugene Potter		**Beginning iPhone** Sept 30 - Nov 4 Brooke Thomas Joe Dietz Nancy Bowling		CKCS

New Members and Renewals

During the period from 6/25/2015 to 7/24/2015

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

No new members

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

Darrell W. Doty
Tony & Nancy Goetz
Charles E. Gudgell
Lael F. Heflin
Robert B Johnson
Tom Lillich
John Pettus
Ann Riddle
Dottie Van Winkle
Bernie Vonderheide

Information furnished by CKCS Board of Directors member Ben Rice   CKCS

Not a member ?
We invite you to join CKCS

Here is how: It is simple as 1 – 2 – 3
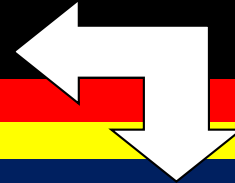
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Click on this link http://www.ckcs.org/join/ and fill out the form

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

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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.

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

August 2015 CKCS SIG Schedule

Larry Trivette prepared the SIG calendar for this newsletter
Print this page for your refrigerator or bulletin board

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Jul	**28 Jul**	**29 Jul**	**30 Jul**	**31 Jul**	**01 Aug**
7:00 PM **Database** GARLAND SMITH	7:00 PM **Digital Photography** JOE DIETZ		9:00 AM **Photo Coffee**		10:00 AM - NOON **Dr. Fixit** BOB BROWN - BEN RICE - MIKE SEILER - HARRY ELLISON - JAMES OSBORNE Bring in your problem PC and we'll try to help.
03 Aug	**04 Aug**	**05 Aug**	**06 Aug**	**07 Aug**	**08 Aug**
	1:30 PM & 7 PM **Word Processing** LARRY TRIVETTE Guest SIG Leader	1:30 PM **Mystery Workshop** BOB BROWN No Meeting this Month	9:00 AM **Photo Coffee** 7:00 PM **Board of Directors**		
10 Aug	**11 Aug**	**12 Aug**	**13 Aug**	**14 Aug**	**15 Aug**
7:00 PM **Tech Night** Amazon Echo	7:00 PM **Windows 7 – 8.1 – 10** JOE ISAAC		9:00 AM **Photo Coffee** 7:00 PM **Mac & iPad** KURT JEFFERSON		
17 Aug	**18 Aug**	**19 Aug**	**20 Aug**	**21 Aug**	**22 Aug**
			9:00 AM **Photo Coffee** 7:00 PM **Microsoft Access** STUART ZAHALKA		
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This Month's Best Videos / Shows

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If you use INTERNET EXPLORER, we recommend you copy and paste the links below into a new search bar rather than clicking the links below. This will allow the newsletter to remain open in the background while you view the video. Using this system, you should not have to go through several steps to get back to this page.

REMEMBER Enjoy these videos full screen by clicking on the symbol in the bottom right corner of your video. Clicking that same symbol returns to the minimized screen

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That's a moron

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l-w-mWhIWEM

Furnished by D. Sans

Ellen: The Vatican'

www.youtube.com/embed/VIPTdtEvr40?rel=0

Furnished by Carl Peter

Life's lesson . . .Never give up

http://safeshare.tv/w/gqpEqacoYK

Furnished by Harvey Shackelford

Retired pilot buys military type jet airplane

http://www.coolestone.com/media/12407/Retired-Pilot-Buys-Own-Fighter-Jet/#.VafAt_lVhBc

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Gifted nine year old

Click here: Amira Willighagen-O Mio Babbino Caro - Complete - with Andre Rieu(Love in Venice) Maastricht - 2014 - YouTube

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The Goose

https://www.youtube.com/embed/0czs_OtgrLA?rel=0

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Air refueling operation over Afghanistan

http://www.liveleak.com/ll_embed?f=61e402f990ac

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Shuddering comedian wins the crowd over

http://www.coolestone.com/media/12432/Drew-Lynch:-Stuttering-Comedian-Wins-Crowd-Over/#.Vafrs_lVhBc

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Sound effect on matter

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q3oItpVa9fs&list=RDQ3oItpVa9fs#t=0

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Johnny Carson and Dom Deluise

http://www.coolestone.com/media/12572/Egg-Trick---Johnny-Carson-and-Dom-Deluise/#.Vaf1l_lVhBc

Furnished by Carl Peter

Mother rabbit goes berserk on snake attacking her babies

http://www.coolestone.com/media/12602/Mother-Rabbit-Goes-Berserk-On-Snake-Attacking-Her-Babies/#.Vaf4-vlVhBc

Furnished by D. Stans

Salute to the fallen

https://www.youtube.com/embed/0dFIZX_RXuU

Furnished by Jerry Hubble

A Few Funny Pages / useful information

Check for Alzheimer's - Pretty Amazing

The following was developed as a mental age assessment by the School of Psychiatry at Harvard University. Take your time and see if you can read each line aloud without a mistake.

The average person over 50 years of age cannot do it!

1.	This is this cat.
2.	This is is cat.
3.	This is how cat.
4.	This is to cat.
5.	This is keep cat.
6.	This is an cat.
7.	This is old cat.
8.	This is fart cat.
9.	This is busy cat.
10.	This is for cat.
11.	This is forty cat.
12.	This is seconds cat.

> Now go back and read the third word in each line from the top down.

Furnished by Jim Winkler

Stand Up

Bear Bryant was the legendary football coach of the Alabama Crimson Tide. Here is a good story about Coach Bryant.

The Bear held a team meeting at the beginning of summer camp. Here is part of the lecture he gave his players: "This is a class operation. I want your shoes to be shined. I want you to get a haircut and keep a crease in your pants. And I want you to go to class. I don't want no dumbbells on my team. If there are any dumbbells here, I want you to stand up."

Joe Willy Namath, his star quarterback, stood.

Surprised, Bear said, "Joe, how come are you standing up? You ain't dumb."

Namath replied, "Coach, I just hated for you to be standing up there by yourself."

Furnished by Ted Mellinger

Scottish Obituary

A Scottish woman goes to the local newspaper office to see that the obituary for her recently deceased husband is published.

The obit editor informs her that there is a charge of 50 cents per word.   She pauses, reflects and then she says, "Well then, let it read 'Angus MacPherson died'."   Amused at the woman's thrift, the editor tells her that there is a seven word minimum for all obituaries.

She thinks it over and in a few seconds says, "In that case, let it read, 'Angus MacPherson died. Golf clubs for sale'."

Redneck rules for perfect living

GENERAL:
1. Never take a beer to a job interview.
2. Always identify people in your yard before shooting at them.
3. It's considered tacky to take a cooler to church.
4. If you have to vacuum the bed, it is time to change the sheets.
5. Even if you're certain that you are included in the will, it is still rude to drive the U-Haul to the funeral home.

DINING OUT:
1. When decanting wine, make sure that you tilt the paper cup and pour slowly so as not to "bruise" the fruit of the vine.
2. If drinking directly from the bottle, always hold it with your hands.
ENTERTAINING IN YOUR HOME:
1. A centerpiece for the table should never be anything prepared by a taxidermist.
2. Do not allow the dog to eat at the table, no matter how good his manners are.

PERSONAL HYGIENE:
1. While ears need to be cleaned regularly, this is a job that should be done in private using one's OWN truck keys.
2. Even if you live alone, deodorant is not a waste of good money.
3. Use of proper toiletries can only delay bathing for a few days.
4. Dirt and grease under the fingernails is a social no-no, as they tend to detract from a woman's jewelry and alter the taste of finger foods.

DATING (Outside the Family):
1. Always offer to bait your date's hook, especially on the first date.
2. Be assertive. Let her know you're interested: "I've been wanting to go out with you since I read that stuff on the bathroom wall two years ago."
3. Establish with her parents what time she is expected back. Some will say 10:00 PM. Others might say "Monday." If the latter is the answer, it is the man's responsibility to get her to school on time.

THEATER ETIQUETTE:
1. Crying babies should be taken to the lobby and picked up immediately after the movie has ended.
2. Refrain from talking to characters on the screen. Tests have proven they can't hear you.

WEDDINGS:
1. Livestock is usually a poor choice for a wedding gift.

2. Kissing the bride for more than five seconds may get you shot.

3. For the groom, at least, rent a tux. A leisure suit with a cummerbund and a clean bowling shirt can create a tacky appearance.

4. Though uncomfortable, say "yes" to socks and shoes for this special occasion.

DRIVING ETIQUETTE:

1. Dim your headlights for approaching vehicles, even if the gun is loaded and the deer is in sight.

2. When approaching a four-way stop, the vehicle with the largest tires does not always have the right of way.

3. Never tow another car using panty hose and duct tape.

4. When sending your wife down the road with a gas can, it is impolite to ask her to bring back beer too.

5. Do not lay rubber while traveling in a funeral procession.   CKCS

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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

DATABASE SIG

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

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.

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.

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 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 p.m. – Leader Stuart Zahalka

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**

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.

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. **CKCS**

(an instructional video for a home gym that I could find nowhere else, and a live–streamed legislative hearing). For these, I opted to cheat and load the content into a Flash–enabled browser inside of a Linux virtual machine I have running inside of VirtualBox. In hindsight, it probably would have been easier simply to temporarily re–enable Flash in Chrome, and then disable it again until the need arose."

If you simply cannot live without Flash on your Mac, AppleInsider recommends using Google's Chrome browser for Mac since it uses a special version of Flash that runs inside a sandbox. Updates for that version of Flash are delivered by Google.

Another possibility is the Safari plug–in ClickToFlash which forces the user to click on a Flash video to activate it.

AppleInsider adds, "If you insist on keeping Flash installed and won't use ClickToFlash, at the very least make sure Flash can update itself automatically by enabling automatic updates in System Preferences —> Flash Player. *Then perhaps you should take a long, hard look at your life choices.*"

For the record, I have uninstalled all copies of Adobe Flash from my Macs.

More about the Adobe Flash vulnerabilities:
- Yahoo Tech: What is Adobe Flash and how can you get rid of it?
- WSJ: Tech world prepares obituary for Adobe Flash
- AppleInsider: It's time to uninstall Adobe's Flash From Your Mac–here's how
- Steve Jobs: Thoughts on Flash
- Macworld: You don't have to be a villain to say Flash must die
- Brian Krebs: A Month Without Adobe Flash Player
- The Mac Observer – Everything you need to know: Survive without Flash on Your Mac
- The Mac Observer: Flash is an Exploit–pallooza, It's Time to Give It Up
- CIO: It's time to rid your Mac of Adobe Flash
- Jim Lynch: Why Flash Sucks (from April 2010)

Apple introduces new iPod touch models
iPod nano and shuffle also refreshed

People often ask me why I don't own an iPhone. The answer is simple. I don't want to pay the expensive monthly fees to use the phone in addition to additional expensive monthly fees to use the data portion (e–mail, web browser, weather apps, etc.)

Instead, I own an iPod touch.

New iPod touch models shown on Apple's online store

It has been compared to Apple's iPhone – without the phone.

With an iPod touch, you need a WiFi connection to use the Internet. There's no Verizon, AT&T, T–Mobile, Sprint or other cellular service available.

If an app works on the iPhone, there's a pretty good chance that same app will work on the iPod touch (as long as it's not an app connected to the phone portion of the iPhone.)

With that in mind, Apple has just updated its iPod touch (and introduced new iPod nanos and shuffles also).

In addition to new colors, the sixth–generation iPod touch sports a 64–bit A8 chip (the same chip as the iPhone 6), an M8 motion coprocessor for fitness tracking, an improved 8–megapixel rear camera, a bigger battery, more storage available (up to 128 GB through the Apple Store), and double the RAM (1 GB – same as in the iPhone 6.)

Apple offers new colors for the iPod nano and iPod shuffle. The specs in both of these iPods remain the same as before.

More about the the new iPods:
- iMore: Why you want the new iPod touch
- Macworld: Apple overhauls iPod touch

Microsoft updates Office for Mac

Office 2016 for Mac first overhaul in 5 years

Redesigned and rewritten versions of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote for Mac users are now available in a new version of Office for Mac –for those with an active Office 365 subscription (which costs $9.99 a month for the Office 365 Home version.)


A separate, standalone version of Office 2016 for Mac will be available in September.

Office 365 is Microsoft's brand of software subscriptions connected to the company's cloud storage service known as OneDrive.

Pricing for the standalone version of Office 2016 for Mac hasn't been released.

Microsoft's corporate vice–president for the Office Client Applications and Services team, Kirk Koenigsbauer, made the announcement in early July on the company's Office blog: "Today we are taking a big step forward for Mac users—Office 2016 for Mac is now available in 139 countries and 16 languages. Based on feedback from the great Office community, we've made major updates to each of the apps, and we couldn't be more pleased to deliver it first to our Office 365 customers."

A mid–July review by Mac News Network provides an overview of one of the most used Mac Office apps–Word. "If you have to use Microsoft Word at work, go get this now and be delighted with it. If you don't have to, if you're looking for a great word processor, it's just a little harder to recommend Word quite so readily. It's harder, and it's also very unfair, as 30 years of using various versions of Word have left us with biases against it. Word earned those biases, it's just difficult to think about going back to relying on it, even though Microsoft Word 2016 is the best and the shiniest version ever."
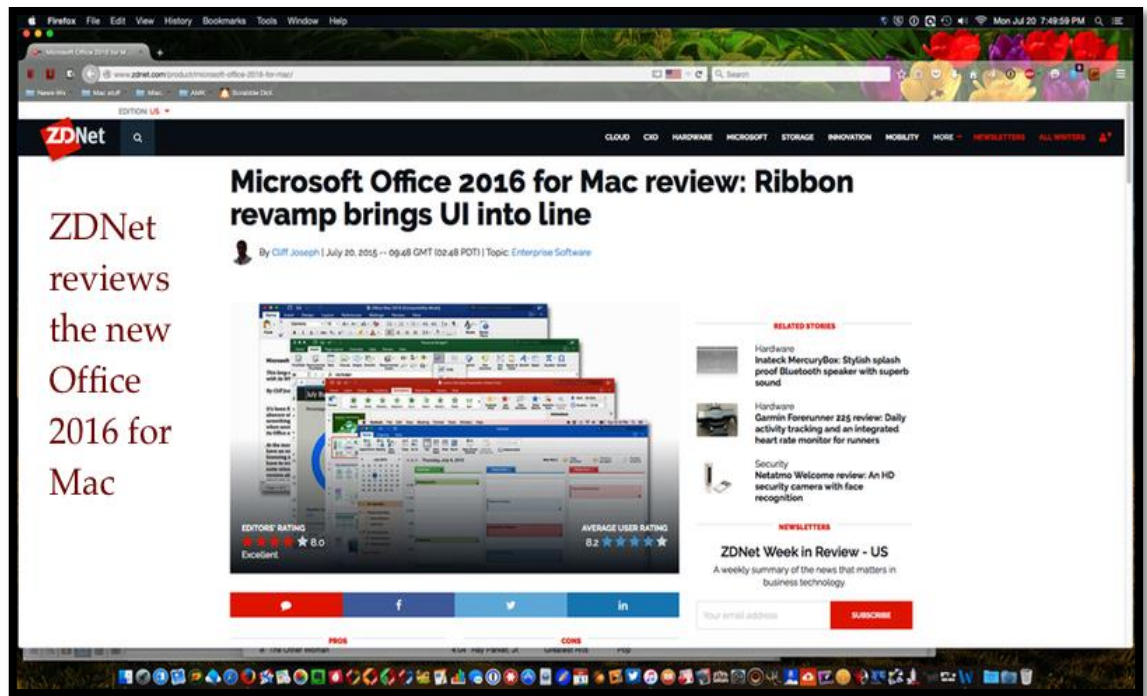
Ed Bott, who writes for ZDNet, says, "Mac users have always been an important market for Microsoft, especially in the early days of Office. Excel, after all, was one of the original killer apps for the Macintosh, and it's about to celebrate its 30th birthday. Excel for the Macintosh debuted on September 30, 1985, nearly two years ahead of Excel for Windows. That might have been the last time an Office for Mac program was arguably better than its Windows countertop. In recent years, Office for Windows has been the one that gets all the resources and all the new features first, with the Mac version typically behind by at least a year…With Office 2016 for Mac, available for Office 365 customers today, Microsoft has finally turned the tables. This version of Office for the Mac is arguably an improvement over its Windows counterpart, at least in some measures."

While Bott has had issues in the past with Office for Mac, he says this about the new Office 2016 for Mac version: "I haven't run screaming from this version of Office–far from it. Instead, the entire experience feels familiar and…productive."

More about the the new Office 2016 for Mac:

- [Ed Bott for ZDNET: New Office 2016 for Mac makes life easier for the cross–platform crowd](#)
- [Mac News Network review of Microsoft Word 2016 (OS X)](#)
- [Microsoft Office blog announcing Office 2016 for Mac](#)
- [Microsoft's Office 365 subscriptions](#)   CKCS