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Annual Picnic includes the annual CKCS election Monday, June 9, at 6:00 pm

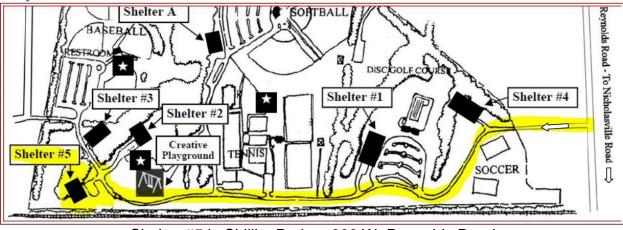
CKCS Annual Picnic will be held June 9 at Shillito Park Shelter #5. During this picnic two important things will occur:

- There will be great food as we have some fabulous cooks in the group.
- We will hold the election for the Board of Directors—see the current candidate's bios on pages 14 and 15 of this newsletter.

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

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President's Comments

By Brooke Thomas

New Board Member

Please join me in welcoming Rebecca "Becky" Brothers to the CKCS Board of Directors. She was elected at the May board meeting to fill the director position vacated by Joe Dietz. He resigned from his position last month in order to run for vice president.

Becky has been a CKCS member for several years. Photography is her first love. She said that she has met so many helpful and knowledgeable people in the Thursday morning Photo Coffee SIG. She has enjoyed talking with several of the



members about travel photography, wildflower photography, and has gone on several outings to learn many fun places to take great pictures in the area. She is trying to improve many of the different aspects of her photography by taking Joe Dietz's class on Paintshop Pro, Anne Campbell's Photo Elements class and several of the classes on Camera Basics. She stated that she is looking forward to learning more about photography but also trying to improve her computer skills and informing more people about all the great classes and information CKCS has to offer.

Election of Officers and Five Board Members

We will be electing four officers and five directors at the June Picnic. Check out the full article on the slate of nominees. The short bio on all the candidates will give you some information about their interests and background. Picnic details are on page 1 of this newsletter.

Facebook

We have been having fun with the CKCS Facebook page. You can see pictures from recent classes and SIGs; members can post photos for others to enjoy. If you're not registered on Facebook you can still see our page. Just go to Facebook and type in Central Kentucky Computer Society. You will see our logo and it will take you to our page.

If you are a member of Facebook we would like you to visit our page and choose to "share". That way your friends will see it on your page and we can spread the word about our classes and activities. The pictures convey how much fun we are having.

This month we will be posting pictures from our annual meeting/picnic and the SIG meetings.

Directors' Prize

Finally, we had a winner of the Directors' Prize at the May Tech night! Jerry Markussen was awarded the prize of a 16 month extension to his CKCS membership. See picture in NEWS TO USE section this issue.

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CKCS Photographers Showcase Their Talent

Sometimes CKCS seems like a well kept secret. So how do we get the word out about the organization and the many quality classes offered each year? One way is to exhibit some of CKCS member's photographs in a venue with a lot of "exposure".

During the months of May and June, The Good Foods Co-op Market Café Artist Gallery "wall" has on display 16 photographs by members, along with information on CKCS. The photos have been a popular addition to the café. Good Foods General Manager Anne Hopkins commented, "The CKCS photographs have generated a lot of interest- there's often a crowd by the wall checking out the photos". Several photographs have been sold during the month of May.

If you haven't already visited the exhibit, please support CKCS and check it out sometime before June 30.⁻ The exhibit was organized by Nancy Bowling and Joe Dietz.



Photo by Nancy Bowling

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CKCS 2014 Summer Class Schedule

Beginning iPad*

Tuesday afternoon (1 p.m. to 3 p.m.) June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Beginning iPhone*

Tuesday morning (10 a.m. to noon) June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Computer Basics

Thursday morning (10 a.m. to noon) July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14

File Management

Thursday afternoon (1 p.m. to 3 p.m.) July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14 <u>Windows 8.1</u> Monday & Thursday afternoon (1 p.m. to 3 p.m.)

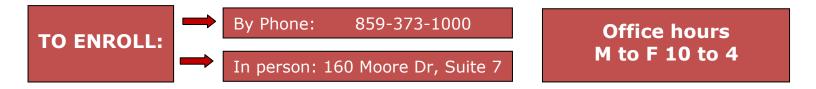
June 16, 19, 23, 26, 30, July 14

PaintShop Pro Advanced Digital Imaging/ Independent Work (Two classes)

Tuesday afternoon (1 p.m. to 3 p.m.) July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug 5 AND Wednesday morning (10 a.m. to noon) July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug 6

PaintShop Pro Beginning Digital Imaging

Tuesday morning (10 a.m. to noon) July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug 5



Classes marked with an (*) meet in the main room and their class size is determined by the instructor. All other classes meet in the computer classroom and are limited to eight students.

Students may use their own portable computers if they have the appropriate software installed. CKCS cannot provide copies of the proprietary software.

COSTS: All classes have a fee payable to CKCS of \$60 unless stated otherwise (see above). CKCS members get a 20 percent discount on all class fees. Cash, check, or credit card accepted.

Course Descriptions

Windows 8.1...Learn how to navigate in Microsoft's new operating system, add new apps as well as use them. Also, learn how to use the Start and Desktop screens. Anyone taking this class should have a prior working knowledge of a Windows operating system.

PaintShop Pro Beginning Digital Imaging ... students learn how to fix up their pictures using Corel's Paint Shop Pro. You will learn the tools used to crop, lighten/darken a picture, fix red eye, clone part of a picture out, add text and tips on how to scan old pictures and slides, and lots more.

Beginning iPhone...Learn how to use the Apple iPhone. Start with basic features: receiving and making calls, add entries to your address list, receive and send text messages, read your mail, take photos, and more. Then learn how to use the pre-installed applications that came with your phone.

PaintShop Pro Advanced Digital Imaging ... student will build on tools they learned in the beginning class. They will also learn how to use layers, create collages, restore old photos, straighten images, perspective correction, and lots more.

PaintShop Pro Digital Imaging Independent Work... students bring projects that they want to work on with guidance and assistance from the instructors. Students may be working on their pictures, restoring old photographs, working with templates, making brochures and business cards or other projects.

PaintShop Pro Advanced Digital Imaging and the Independent Work classes will be combined as space permits.

Beginning iPad... This course will introduce you to the layout of this wonderful iOS device, teach you how to navigate around the tablet, and familiarize you with each of the pre-installed applications.

Computer Basics...Learn the fundamentals of using a Windows 7 computer. Learn to use various aspects of the Microsoft Word Processing program, including manipulating text and inserting graphics into a document. Basic filing, basic file management, and how to use a thumb drive are introduced. The final class of this course deals with the basics of email and use of the Internet.

File Management...If your computer is overloaded with unorganized files and folders, this may be the class for you. The class provides in-depth experience in working with and organizing files and folders. The course includes classes of instruction and actual personal filing practice. A thumb drive is required for the course.

One Workshop Offered In June

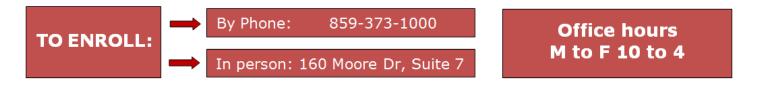
Beginning Facebook Workshop:

Thursday, June 12, 2014 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (One session) Instructors: Kelleyann Stackhouse, Paul Stackhouse

\$30 for non-members, \$24 for members

Class size: 8 students on Microsoft pc's plus 5 students on Mac Mini pc's; in the class room

If Facebook were a country, it would be the world's third largest. But many of those 400+ million citizens rarely, if ever, use it. Some have privacy concerns, others are unsure of how to navigate around. This workshop expects you to already have started a Facebook account, but makes no other assumptions. The instructor will lead you through optimal privacy settings, finding old friends, making yourself find-able, joining groups, liking pages, avoiding scams, and safely navigating all things Facebook.





Mac & iPad Article

What's ahead for the Mac, iPad and other Apple devices? Operating system updates, new hardware and more may be announced at WWDC in June



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

- New MacBook Airs that redefine the laptop experience?
- Two new versions of the long-awaited iPhone 6?
- New operating systems for Mac and Apple's mobile devices?
- Lower–cost iMacs?
- A radically redesigned desktop Mac mini?
- The much-talked about iWatch that integrates with the iPhone, iPad and Mac?

- Predictions of announcements to come in June at Apple's Worldwide Developers Conference

As you read this, thousands of men and women who create software for the Mac, iPhone, iPad, and other Apple devices (think iPod touch and Apple TV) are arriving in the city by the Bay.

They're in San Francisco to learn today what Apple tools you and I will be using tomorrow. No, they aren't seeking help from psychics. Instead, they're attending Apple's Worldwide Developers Conference (more commonly known as WWDC), running from June 2–6.

Anyone who follows Apple knows the company makes no announcements until it's ready. With that in mind, a number of Apple analysts, Web sites, and news outlets are making their own predictions.

Examples of what they see in the WWDC crystal ball:

• iPhone 6? Two new iPhones are coming, says analyst Ming Chi Kuo of KGI Securities in an article in *MacRumors*. "Both models will come with an A8 processor, 1GB of RAM, LTPS display panels, optical image stabilization, and Touch ID," reports *MacRumors*. One would contain a 4.7–inch screen, the other 5.5 inches. "Mass

shipments of the 4.7-version are expected in September, with the 5.5-inch version shipping later."



- MacBook Air: Apple is working on a new MacBook Air with a 12–inch screen that will "redefine notebook user experience," reports MacRumors in an article-quoting analyst Ming Chi Kuo. The prediction claims the new MacBook Air will be thinner than current models, contain a buttonless trackpad, have no fan, and contain a higher resolution display. The thinner MacBook Air, according to the article, is not expected until late 2014, but Apple might announce it in early June at WWDC.
- **iOS 8:** "The biggest talking point during this year's WWDC event is expected to be iOS 8, as it is an almost certainty that the next version of Apple's mobile Operating system will be showcased," says Product–review.net.
- New low-cost iMacs? "Apple will launch a low-cost iMac at the worldwide developers conference in June," says analyst Ming Chi Kuo in a report in the British version of *Macworld*. *MacRumors* adds, "A lower-priced iMac is believed to be on the horizon, which Kuo says could help boost iMac shipments by up to 23 percent."
- **iPad Air 2?** A refreshed version of the iPad Air might be available before October 2014 if predictions by analyst Ming Chi Kuo are accurate, reports *MacRumors*. A Touch ID, an A8 processor, and a better camera with a resolution of eight megapixels, are some of the features Kuo believes will be included in a new Air 2.
- **12.9–inch iPad Pro?** *MacRumors* says analyst Ming Chi Kuo believes that Apple is definitely working on a larger iPad, but he doesn't expect it to be launched in 2014.
- New Mac mini? What about the least expensive desktop Mac? "It is a new Mac mini that tops the list," says *Product–review.net* as that Web site eyes WWDC. "We already know that an update is long overdue, and that its design could fall in line with the Mac Pro, albeit smaller."
- No more Mac mini? Some are betting that Apple will kill the Mac mini. Why Apple might ditch the Mac mini, and it would be a big mistake, yells a headline in the British version of Macworld. "The Mac mini is a great little Mac. It is the perfect first Mac for people looking for a low-cost entry point to the world of OS X. It's a popular choice for the heart of a home entertainment centre, with the HDMI port coming into play." But the Web site adds, "Despite the logic of Apple giving the Mac mini



some attention, in ignoring the mini Mac for so long Apple is starting to give the impression that it does not consider it to be important. Perhaps the Mac mini is no longer significant in the scheme of things."

For more MAC article pages click link here: → Kurt Jefferson MAC and iPad column CONTINUED

Tech night summary

TWC offers Intelligent Home

CKCS members learned the features and advantages of 'Intelligent Home', a product and service offered by Time Warner Cable. The company's business development manager, Jayson Florille,



gave active demonstrations of the TWC security system which works in conjunction with the owner's smart phone. The system offered is much more sophisticated than most alarm systems available.

During Tech Night on May 12 at CKCS, Florille explained the system can easily be custom programmed to monitor all sorts of events in a home or business. It keeps a record of all events such as opening of a door or window and is capable of sending a text message to the customer's smart phone if desired. It keeps a record of all events and videos for up to 45 days. It can record and report non-events, such as a child should arrive home from 3 to 4 p.m. each day and enter the front door – if that event does not happen, the owner's phone would receive a message that the door did not open during that time.

The system can control lights and the air conditioner all from your phone. Like most all alarm systems, it monitors for burglary and fire and alerts the

authorities, and it can be programmed to alert the homeowner via their cell phone for these situations. The homeowner buys the equipment needed, the installation is free, and there is a monthly fee for the service.

Florille who resides in northern Ohio, used his home equipment for demonstrations. Class members could see a live image of his children watching TV and using his phone. He turned lights on in the room which caused his children to stir to see what had occurred.





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TECH TALK

By Joe Isaac Windows SIG Leader

Can we no longer view websites without getting popups?



Pop-ups

Website-generated pop-ups happen in two distinct forms.

The first are pop-ups that actually open up an entirely new browser window. That window might appear in front of or behind the window that you're viewing. It's also the kind that's the easiest for a browser's built-in pop-up blockers to block.

The second kind appears like a small window or an overlay *within* the web page that you're viewing. These are nearly impossible to block, because the browsers don't see them as pop-ups at all. They're just parts of that same web page that, for a while, were hidden. When they un-hide, they appear to pop-up.

How to turn on your Pop-Up Blocker.

INTERNET EXPLORER;

Control Panel, Internet Options, at the top, click the Privacy Tab, check Turn on Pop-up Blocker.

GOOGLE CHROME:

- 1. Click the Chrome menu on the browser toolbar.
- 2. Select Settings.
- 3. Click Show advanced settings.
- 4. in the "Privacy" section, click the **Content settings** button, scroll down for all options.

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News to use

We have a winner!

Directors' Prize winner Jerry Markussen, is pictured with President Thomas at the conclusion of the May tech night program. Each month, using our membership data base, a special computer program selects a member's name as a winner; however, to win the prize, that person must be present. Jerry was present at the May tech night program. We have had 13 drawings since our last winner so Jerry received a 16-month extension of his membership, a value of \$53.33.

The Directors' Prize starts with a three months' extension of the winner's membership and each month the potential winner is not present, the prize grows with an additional month of the dues paid. Ironically, just an hour before the drawing, Jerry had paid his annual dues by check so his membership has actually been extended for 28 months. He was offered a refund of his check, but he turned it down.



There is no drawing for the Directors' Prize at the annual June picnic so the July drawing will start over and be for three months' membership extension.

The videos and advertisements

In the monthly newsletter we offer, there are two subjects we truly try to avoid – religion and politics. Our goal is never to take or promote one side or another on any topic.

Our members seem to enjoy many of the videos we assemble each month and include in the video section for your enjoyment. Since Google bought UTube, almost every UTube video is preceded by an advertisement. You might open the same video twice and get two different ads, since they toggle through a long list of ads. Some ads may be a simple promotion of a movie from Walt Disney or maybe just selling something. However, some are political in nature. Please understand we can't control what ad you may get. Therefore, if you find an ad which offends you, we apologize for that but it is not something we can control. One good thing: on most ads, if you hover your pointer on the bottom right of the video image, you may be offered the option to 'SKIP AD'. That is something your editor does most all the time.

Computer Mystery Workshop

The next Computer Mystery Workshop meeting will be on Wednesday, June 04, at 1:30 p.m.

The main topic for this meeting will be the Yahoo Finance website and some tips on how you can use this huge reservoir of data for planning and managing your investments.



This meeting will concentrate on gathering information related to making trades in corporate stocks but bond and mutual fund information is available.

The Finance subsection of the Yahoo website is sometimes under-appreciated but it has nearly all the information you need to evaluate stock investments. In fact, it probably has a lot of data that you don't need. It is your job to decide which data is necessary and useful.

Bob Brown

We will discuss some of the contents and different pages the website has, how to find information and how to download historic data in spreadsheet format for your analysis.

We will also develop a small imaginary portfolio and monitor its progress for the next several months.

As always, you can bring your own computers, tablets, or smart phones and work along with us. In addition, we will try to answer questions if they are easy.

Next month's Computer Mystery Workshop will be on July 02.

Parking

Remember, a recent change to the parking situation at 160 Moore Drive involves all the spaces behind our building. Those backside spaces are reserved for Don Jacobs Honda, who now owns the building. All visitors to the building are asked to park in front or on the side of the building. Please no parking in the back.

Four Officers and five Directors to be elected at the Annual Picnic/Business Meeting

The CKCS Nominations Committee chair, Debbie Settles, has announced the committee's slate of persons to fill the elected officer positions (4) and the director positions (5) which become vacant on July 1. The election is scheduled to be held at the annual picnic (information on page 1). There four officer positions to be filled: president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, all for one-year terms. The five director positions are for two-year terms.

CANDIDATES FOR CKCS OFFICERS/DIRECTORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015



Left to right, Larry Trivette, Brooke Thomas Ben Rice Mike Siler, Jim McCormick, Darlene Mosley, Boone Baldwin, Jan Landers-Lyman, and Joe Dietz. Candidate biographies follow:

For President: Brooke Thomas. Brooke has been a member since 2008, president for two years and a 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 of Lexington. She is an active member of the YMCA.

For Vice President: Joe Dietz. 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.

- For 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. He coordinates the class and seminar/workshop schedule. Larry is interested in genealogy.
- For 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.

- For Director: 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.
- For Director: Boone Baldwin.: CKCS member since 2010. Started going to the Thursday coffee meeting at Paneras a few years ago. When they moved to CKCS, he ioined and started teaching in the Point & Shoot Photography classes, and also helped in the DVD series of classes. He is on the Publicity Committee and the Face Lift Committee and served two years as a director. His interest is in expanding membership and expanding photography and editing classes. He is retired from his businesses: Baldwin Distributing two advertising specialties Company. an business, and Boone Photo Graphics, his photography company.
- For Director: Jan Landers-Lyman. CKCS member since 2007. She served as Chair of the Publicity Committee, volunteers as an office volunteer, has served two years as a member of the Board of Directors and filled the role of office manager. She is interested in all aspects of photography and has taken many classes at CKCS. Her main goal is to inform the community about our organization and increase our membership while developing and educating our members. After retiring from Keeneland as the Director of Human Resources, she works part time as a

consultant. Currently, she serves as a mediator for the Better Business Bureau, works with God's Pantry Food Bank and various other charities.

- For Director: Ben Rice. CKCS member since 1996. He has served on the CKCS Board of Directors for several years in various capacities including director, president, vice-president, and secretary. Also, he has assisted with the Dr. Fixit SIG (Special Interest Group). For several years he has managed the membership database for CKCS and received and processed new and renewed memberships. His employment at the University of Kentucky started in what was known as the Computing Center that has evolved into the Information Technology department. He has been a member of the Staff Senate of the University of Kentucky for several years.
- For Director: Darlene Mosley. CKCS member since 2008. She is a mother of three and currently employed by FCPS Law Enforcement Department. She has served two years as a director. She loves scrapbooking. designing wedding invitations and cards for family and friends. She has taken several classes and even assisted in teaching one. She has expanded her knowledge in computers and photography because of CKCS. Her goal for her time on the board is to increase membership and expand awareness of our services to the community.

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 using <u>debbie.settles@ckcs.org</u> 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 writein spaces will be on the printed ballot so members may vote for last minute nominees. The election will be by secret ballot.

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Not a member ? We invite you to join CKCS

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

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 NOW) - - Or

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

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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

Digital Photography Special Interest Group



FastStone – A free, easy to use digital imaging program

June 24, 2014

At this SIG, we will be talking about a free, easy to use digital imaging program. Unlike some of the free programs out there, this is a really good program.

FastStone is a fairly extensive program that does lots of stuff: fix up pictures, batch process your files, run a slide show that can include music, tags images, prints contact sheets and lots more. When I downloaded the program there was an option to download the tutorial (many tutorials are very brief and worthless which was what I expected.) This tutorial was 95 pages and as I went through it I was



Joe Dietz Digital Imaging SIG Leader

impressed with the "user friendly" approach that it had. And it is free! Check out their web page for more information. <u>http://www.faststone.org</u>.

For those that want to learn more about this program, I will be holding a hands-on three-hour workshop in the classroom for a maximum of eight people. For non-members, the fee will be \$30: for members \$24. Date and time will be announced in the near future.

Anyway, join us on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at CKCS as I try to demonstrate a good program that is fun, easy, and free.

The May SIG

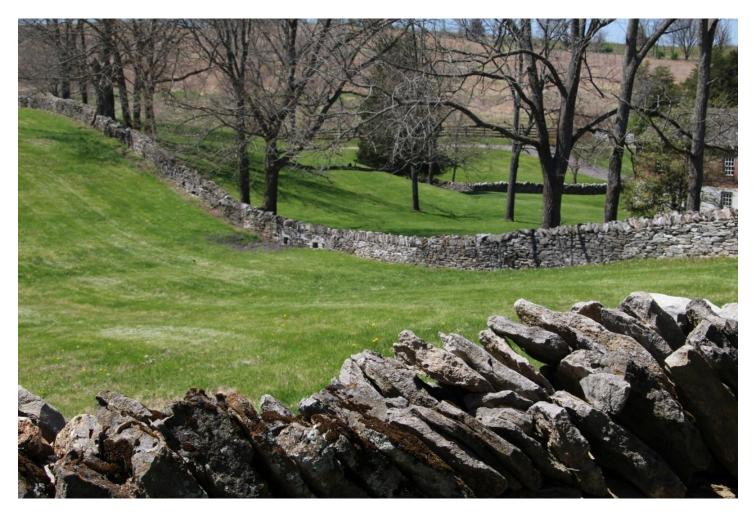
Many thanks to Anne Campbell for filling in for me during the May SIG. I know she had a very informative presentation on scrap booking while I was out of town.

The June photo contest

And don't forget our monthly photo contest. This month's category is "**Birds**". Get your images to <u>Joedietz@aol.com</u> no later than June 23.

May Digital Photography Contest

Category Fences



Photographer: Carolyn Nichols



New Members and Renewals

During the period from 4/26/2014 to 5/25/2014

We welcome the following new members.

James E. Bowen Terry & Diane Chism Ray Davis. Walter J. Keller

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

Shirley E. & Steve Cornwell Clifford M. Denny Jamie A. Donaldson Cyril J. Ernest Nancy Harp-Byrne Shelby C. Jett J. A. Jones Glenn E. Kelley Jerry V. Markussen John Pettus Gerald Roth Dorothea & Joachim Scholz Phyllis Tackett Penny Wildman.

The following are current members on whom we have no current email address or the email address we have is incorrect.

Dave Binning Terry & Diane Chism Clifford M. Denny Frank D. Doss E. J. Eisenbraun Joyce Hahn Patricia Holt Andrew J. Lampkin Victoria Mcintire Janice Prewitt Russ Reynolds Mattie S. Robinson Pat Sleet Clayton & Shirley Smith

Shirley Snarr Phyllis Tackett Robert W. Tibbetts Dottie Van Winkle Ivan R. Weir

Please send your current email address to our membership manager using ben.rice@ckcs.org

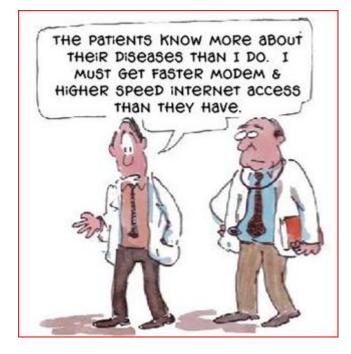
Information furnished by CKCS Board of Directors member Ben Rice

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.

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Not just another commercial
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https://www.youtube.com/embed/Pjl2R_XZ4bo
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Four finger pianist
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Furnished by J. Mille
Turkish Airline Ad
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Furnished by Ted Mellinge
Four talented ladies with a most unusual performance
http://www.reshareworthy.com/amazing-guartet-blew-audience-away/
Furnished by Carl Peter
A car grinder that even enjoys eating engine blocks
http://devour.com/video/car-grinder/
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A Few Funny Pages



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A NOT SO FUNNY PAGE -- SOME POINTS TO PONDER NOT ALL THIEVES ARE STUPID

LONG-TERM PARKING:

Some people left their car in the long-term parking at San Jose while away, and someone broke into the car. Using the information on the car's registration in the glove compartment, they drove the car to the people's home in Pebble Beach and robbed it. So I guess if we are going to leave the car in long-term parking, we should NOT leave the registration/insurance cards in it, nor your remote garage door opener. This gives us something to think about with all our new electronic technology.

GPS:

Someone had their car broken into while they were at a football game. Their car was parked on the green which was adjacent to the football stadium and specially allotted to football fans. Things stolen from the car included a garage door remote control, some money and a GPS which had been prominently mounted on the dashboard. When the victims got home, they found that their house had been ransacked and just about everything worth anything had been stolen. The thieves had used the GPS to guide them to the house. They then used the garage remote control to open the garage door and gain entry to the house. The thieves knew the owners were at the football game, they knew what time the game was scheduled to finish and so they knew how much time they had to clean out the house. It would appear that they had brought a truck to empty the house of its contents. Something to consider if you have a GPS - don't put your home address in it... Put a nearby address (like a store or gas station) so you can still find your way home if you need to, but no one else would know where you live if your GPS were stolen.

CELL PHONES:

I never thought of this...... This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her cell phone after her handbag was stolen. Her handbag, which contained her cell phone, credit card, wallet, etc., was stolen. Twenty minutes later when she called her hubby, from a pay phone telling him what had happened, hubby says, "I received your text asking about our Pin number and I've replied a little while ago." When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text "hubby" in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Within 20 minutes he had withdrawn all the money from their bank account.

Moral of the lesson:

a. Do not disclose the relationship between you and the people in your contact list. Avoid using names like Home, Honey, Hubby, Sweetheart, Dad, Mom, etc....

b. And very importantly, when sensitive info is being asked through texts, CONFIRM by calling back.
c. Also, when you're being texted by friends or family to meet them somewhere, be sure to call back to confirm that the message came from them. If you don't reach them, be very careful about going places to meet "family and friends" who text you.

PURSE IN THE GROCERY CART SCAM:

A lady went grocery-shopping at a local mall and left her purse sitting in the children's seat of the cart while she reached something off a shelf... Wait till you read the WHOLE story! Her wallet was stolen, and she reported it to the store personnel. After returning home, she received a phone call from the Mall Security to say that they had her wallet and that although there was no money in it, it did still hold her personal papers. She immediately went to pick up her wallet, only to be told by Mall Security that they had not called her. By the time she returned home again, her house had been broken into and burglarized. The thieves knew that by calling and saying they were Mall Security, they could lure her out of her house long enough for them to burglarize it.

CKCS



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

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 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

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.

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, Vista and XP, 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. There are usually two sessions that day, the first at 1:30 p.m. and the second at 7 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 June 2014 SIG Schedule

This special SIG calendar prepared for this newsletter by Larry Trivette Print this page for your refrigerator or bulletin board

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
02 Jun	03 Jun	04 Jun	05 Jun	06 Jun	07 Jun
	1:30 p.m. & 7 p.m. <u>Word</u> <u>Processing</u> LARRY TRIVETTE	1:30 p.m. Mystery Workshop вов вкоwn	9 AM Photo Coffee Clicks		10 AM - NOON Dr Fixit BOB BROWN - BEN RICE - MIKE
			7:00 p.m. Board of Directors		SEILER - JAMES OSBORNE Bring in your problem
09 Jun	10 Jun	11 Jun	12 Jun	13 Jun	14 Jun
6 p.m. Picnic and Election Shillito Park Shelter 5	7 p.m. <u>Windows</u> <u>8.1 - 7 - Vista &</u> <u>XP</u> JOE ISAAC		9 AM Photo Coffee Clicks 7 p.m. <u>Mac & iPad</u> KURT JEFFERSON No meeting this		
			month		
16 Jun	17 Jun	18 Jun	19 Jun	20 Jun	21 Jun
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23 Jun	24 Jun	25 Jun	26 Jun	27 Jun	28 Jun
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Kurt Jefferson MAC and iPad column CONTINUED

• **iWatch?** Reports by MacRumors say "Kuo believes the iWatch will ship during the end of the third quarter, offering biometric functionality, integration with the iPhone, iPad, and Mac, and fashionable appearance." MacRumors reports that Kuo believes Apple will sell two versions of the iWatch with the pricier of the two "costing upwards of \$1,000."

It's anyone's guess as to whether Apple will announce any of these at WWDC.

A good bet, though, is that Apple will use the conference to demonstrate the new OS X on the Mac and iOS 8 on the iPhone, iPad and iPod touch. You might remember that Apple announced its new version of the operating system running on Macs (called Mavericks or OS X 10.9) at last year's WWDC, and then released Mavericks for free on October 22, 2013.

Multiple sources are reporting that Apple is using manpower that normally works on iOS (the operating system that powers the iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch) and putting those employees to work on the yet-to-be released version of OS X powering the Mac. News reports say the teams are trying to complete the framework of the new Mac operating system in time for WWDC, which begins June 2.

Fix battery issues on your iPad, iPhone and iPod touch running iOS 7.1

One of the biggest gripes of Apple devices is battery drain. Recharging that iPhone has become a daily ritual along with checking email and feeding the family pet.

The Web site, *iMore*, lists five steps that might help preserve that precious battery power: <u>http://www.imore.com/iphon-ipad-ios-71-5-tips-fix-your-battery-life-problems</u>

Advice includes turning off what you're not using, restoring your device as new (not from backup), and checking for software issues. Take a look if you need more juice.

Get better photos with your iPhone – ten steps can improve your photography

Macworld recently published steps all iPhone owners can use to go from so-so to great photos. Some of the steps are common sense such as:

- Keep your iPhone Steady
- Compose Your Photograph With Care

But other suggestions are ones you might not have considered, such as:

- Know How Long Your Shutter Takes
- Use HDR Over the Flash

Read the entire article: http://www.macworld.com/article/2155302/ten-rules-for-great-iphone-photography.html

Get much more out of Apple Mail 7 on your Mac – master 3 new features

Mac users have been using versions of Apple's Mail program for many years, yet most users only know the basics. A recent article in the British version of *Macworld* lists what it calls "the 3 best new features in Apple Mail 7."

Included in that article are tips such as how to search for attachments, using Passbook, and using Smart Mailboxes.

Read the entire article: http://www.macworld.co.uk/news/mac-software/apple-mail-7-review-small-updates-dont-offset-big-headaches-3476808/

MacBook Air vs. MacBook Pro: Which laptop is the right one for you?

Several years ago, Mac laptops leapfrogged desktops in the sales department. While iMacs and Mac minis are still selling well for Apple, millions of others opt to buy a laptop so they can take it on the road. The question comes down to – which laptop?

The *iMore.com* Web site crunches the prices, the features, the batteries, the processors, and more to help laptop buyers decide.

Here's a glimpse of how iMore sums up its comparison piece:

Who should get a MacBook Air? "I liken the MacBook Air to a roadster, like a Mazda Miata. It looks lightweight, and on paper the specs don't blow you out of the water. But get behind the wheel and it's a completely different experience - it's lithe, nimble and a lot of fun to drive..."

Who should get a standard MacBook Pro? "The standard-issue MacBook Pro fits a niche between the MacBook Air and the MacBook Pro with Retina display. It also fits an important niche in the ecosystem: it's a laptop for people who need a lot more local storage space than they can afford with an SSD-equipped system, or built-in optical storage - useful if you're frequently reading or burning CDs and DVDs..."

Who should get a MacBook Pro with Retina display? "At \$1,299, the 13-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display is a better value than ever. The size is right for most people; the price is right for many as well. This year's crop of rMBPs are faster and more capable than ever, thanks to an efficient

processor core and the incorporation of Mavericks. If you're doing heavy duty graphics work on your laptop editing huge Photoshop files, editing digital video, or if you're looking for maximum performance, the 15-inch MacBook Pro is going to be your best best..."

Read the entire article: http://www.imore.com/macbook-air-vs-macbook-pro-which-macbookmodel-should-you-get

Sources: Split–screen feature is coming to iPad with iOS 8

The Apple iPad running the yet-to-be-released iOS 8 will offer a split-screen view, allowing the user to run two apps at the same time according to several news reports appearing online in mid-May.



Reports say this multi–tasking feature would allow iPad users to run two apps at the same time while the tablet is in horizontal, landscape mode. *9to5Mac* says the feature would be available on the larger 9.7–inch iPad, but it's not clear whether the smaller iPad mini would be able to do this.

"Giving the iPad the ability to run more than one app at a time would make it more of a realistic option for customers who are looking to replace their desktops and laptops," wrote Australia's *Sydney Morning Herald* newspaper.

9to5Mac says, "In addition to allowing for two iPad apps to be used at the same time, the feature is designed to allow for apps to more easily interact, according to the sources. For example, a user may be able to drag content, such as text, video, or images, from one app to another. Apple is said to be developing capabilities for developers to be able to design their apps to interact with each other."

9to5Mac adds, "A split–screen iPad multitasking feature has been requested by iPad fans for several years and some designers have even designed sample user-interfaces, unofficial tweaks, and videos for how they would like the feature to function."

Shipments of larger iPad now outstripping the smaller iPad mini

"The large iPad is back in vogue," says the tech Web site c|net.

A mid–May article tells how Apple's iPad Air and fourth–generation iPad were outselling the smaller iPad mini in the first three months of 2014.

The c|net article says, "totals for iPad Mini (7.9–inch) display shipments in the first quarter came to just more than 6 million..." During the same period, 8.4 million larger iPads with the 9.7–inch screens shipped.

This reverses a trend beginning early last year when the iPad mini was outselling its larger brother.

Counterfeit iPad and iPhone chargers and why you need to avoid them

Last year, a 23–year–old Chinese flight attendant was reportedly electrocuted while answering a phone call on her iPhone 5 as it was plugged in and charging. It turns out that news reports said the woman was using a non–Apple, counterfeit charger.

Blogger Ken Shirriff researched the difference between Apple and counterfeit iPhone chargers and published what he learned in his blog. Now he is tackling iPad chargers.

While buying a non–Apple charger can save you a few bucks, blogger Ken Shirriff says Apple's iPad charger is "crammed full of bigger, higher



quality components while the counterfeit has low-quality components and more space."

MacRumors says, "He compared the differences between Apple's real \$19 iPad charger and a \$3 he found on eBay. While they look exactly the same on the outside, he found major differences on the inside. Apple's charger is crammed full of bigger, higher quality components while the counterfeit has low-quality components and more space.

Another difference was a safety measure: One safety difference is obvious: the Apple charger has much more insulation. The upper (high-voltage) half is wrapped in yellow insulating tape. Some components are encased in shrink tubing, there are plastic insulators between some components, and some wires have extra insulation. The counterfeit charger only has minimal insulation."

There are many other differences, which are not apparent to the average iPad (or iPhone) user.

If you believe you have a counterfeit charger, you can participate in Apple's "takeback program" for third–party USB chargers: http://www.macrumors.com/2013/08/05/apple-launches-third-party-usb-charger-takeback-program/

Read Ken Shirriff's blog: http://www.righto.com/2014/05/a-look-inside-ipad-chargers-pricey.html

Why Joe Kissell prefers Nisus Writer over Microsoft Word

Stop on the street corner a Mac user or someone who uses a computer running Windows and ask them this question: Which word processor do you use?

You'll almost certainly get replies like these:

"Word." "Microsoft Word." "Oh, I've used Word for years."

Years ago, another word processor, called WordPerfect, was the king of the hill, especially among those in the legal profession.

Lawyers and judges migrated to that software. In fact, WordPerfect was a staple of the CKCS computer show called CompuLex. People packed into WordPerfect presentations to hear about the latest that software had to offer.



Nisus Writer Pro.app

Today, most Mac and iPad users have gravitated toward two word processors: Word and Pages. (Yes, Word is available for the iPad as part of Office 365, which means users have to pay a monthly or yearly fee to use it.) There are other word processors available for both the Mac and iPad, but most users have chosen Word or Pages – or both.

WordPerfect (although it is in beta and is not ready for prime time according to some reviewers) is also available for the iPad through the App Store.

It's important to remember there are alternatives. On the Mac, Nisus Writer has been described as the Swiss Army Knife of word processors. Years ago, Joe Kissell wrote a user guide for the software

(*The Nisus Way*) and relied on Nisus heavily: "Back in the day, Nisus Writer was known as a specialist in multilingual word processing. It was also a favorite of academics, lawyers, scientists, and novelists. In addition to all the usual word-processing features, it had the most advanced find-and-replace capability I'd ever seen, an extensive macro language, and outstanding customizability."

It's clear that Nisus Writer has a strong following, especially among those who write in more than one language, those who rely heavily on a wide range of macros (unavailable in Word), and others who require features unavailable in Microsoft Word.

In a recent *Macworld* article, Kissell tells why Nisus Writer is his "go to" word process on the Mac. (If you're interested, Nisus Writer comes in two flavors — Nisus Writer Express, which is less expensive and offers fewer features and the more expensive Nisus Writer Pro.)

Read Joe's article:

http://www.macworld.com/article/2157004/tools-of-the-trade-why-i-prefer-nisus-writer.html

Read more about the 1990's user guide, The Nisus Way: http://alt.cc/tnw/

One–million designers left in the dark after Adobe's Creative Cloud goes offline for 24 hours Ouch. Adobe may not be a four–letter word, but don't tell that to an estimated one–million folks.

Many who do graphics, illustration, and creative jobs were taking the software giant's name in vain back in mid–May.

That's because for 24 hours, users of Adobe's Creative Cloud were unable to get their work done. Adobe cites "database maintenance activity" for the outage.

You might remember in May 2013 Adobe Systems announced (as *TechRepublic* reports), "that no further versions of Adobe Creative Suite would be offered, instead opting to force all users onto the subscription–based Adobe Creative Cloud, to the frustration of users."

Creative Cloud is a web-based software package, which includes Photoshop, Illustrator and Typekit. It costs individuals \$600 yearly (\$840 per person for individuals working in teams.)

The Daily Beast (formerly Newsweek)



Technical Difficulties... Please Stand By

asked, "The design world is utterly dependent on a single software cloud. What happens when it suddenly goes down?"

TechTimes wrote, "The result has brought about many complaints that having only one company responsible for such massive amounts of data could be a detriment to productivity for thousands of people. Moreover, having one company dominating the cloud may have wide ranging effects affecting multiple industries."

The outage prevented London's Daily Mail Plus Interactive newspaper from publishing.

Adobe apologized on its blog: "First, and most importantly, we want to apologize for this outage because we know how critical our services are to you and how disruptive it's been to those of you who felt the impact. We understand that the time it took to restore service has been frustrating, but we wanted to be as thorough as possible. We have identified the root cause of this failure and are putting standards in place to prevent this from happening again. We are aware that we didn't meet your expectations (or ours) today. For this, we apologize. Thanks for bearing with us as we worked to resolve this – and know that we will do better."

Many designers who were left in the dark say Adobe needs to change the way it does business. Will the outage be enough to convince enough designers to jump ship and drop Adobe?

Read The Daily Beast article:

http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/05/15/adobe-s-creative-cloud-goes-offline-and-takes-a-million-designers-with-it.html

Brian Krebs: Ditch Adobe Shockwave Player

Computer security expert, Brian Krebs, is urging Mac and Windows users to delete Adobe's Shockwave Player.

Krebs writes, "I was positively shocked this week to learn that this software introduces a far more pernicious problem: Turns out, it bundles a component of Adobe Flash that is more than 15 months behind on security updates, and which can be used to backdoor virtually any computer running it."



Will Dormann, who writes about security threats for Carnegie Mellon University's CERT, brought the security threat to light. Krebs adds, "Dormann said, the current version of Shockwave for

both Windows and Mac systems lacks and of the Flash security fixes released since January 2013. By my count Adobe has issued nearly 20 separate security updates for Flash since then, including fixes for several dangerous zero–day vulnerabilities."

For more details, check out Brian Kreb's column: http://krebsonsecurity.com/2014/05/why-you-should-ditch-adobe-shockwave/#more-25983

iWork for iCloud now accepts documents up to 1 GB



If you regularly create Pages documents containing graphics, Numbers spreadsheets with multiple worksheets, or Keynote slideshows with plenty of photos, you know how large these files can grow.

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Apple has updated its iCloud system for these iWork apps by increasing the maximum file size to 1 gigabyte. Individual images can now be as large as 10 megabytes.

In addition, new features allow for more than 100 individuals to collaborate on a single file in either Pages, Numbers or Keynote. Previously, a maximum of 50 people could work on a single file.

The Pages word processing/desktop publishing app now allows users to export files to the ePub format. Pages users will also see improvements in tables and object layering. Numbers users may now export files in CSV format and Keynote now has the ability to show or hide slide numbers.

In Apple, Apple announced iWork for iCloud got improved sharing options and an improved design.

Become more efficient using Tags in OS X Mavericks

Older versions of OS X on the Mac called them *labels*. Today, the newest version of OS X calls them *tags*. What in the heck are they?

Tags are a way to categorize files and folders. The neat thing about tags is that you can give an individual file or folder multiple tags. While you can easily use provide tags using your mouse, trackpad or trackball, in a new article, Dan Frakes tells how to do the same using your keyboard.

Read the Macworld article: http://www.macworld.com/article/2158081/use-the-finders-tags-feature-from-the-keyboard.html

Turn off "read receipts" in iMessage

iMessage on your iPad or iPhone lets you text in real time and it's free, unlike texting provided by your wireless phone company. Messages on your Mac provides the same ability.

A feature called "Read Receipts" alerts you when someone has read your message.

As TÚAW writes in a recent article, "This status update can be a blessing when you want someone to know automatically that you have viewed their time-sensitive response. Apple handles the status update so you don't have to do anything other than open the message. Just read the iMessage and the sender will see the "Read" timestamp in their timeline."

But the "Read Receipts" feature in iMessages might turn some users off.

TÚAW says "it also can cause angst both fro the sender and recipient." It uses this scenario: "a wife discovers she is

Send Read Receipts OFF
Allow others to be notified when you have
read their messages.
iOS settings

Send read receipts
 Allow others to be notified when you have read their messages.

 Mac settings

pregnant and sends an excited message to her husband. She sees that he read the message an hour ago and is upset because he never responded. On the other end is the husband, who viewed the message right before an important meeting. He now is agonizing over how to respond while his

boss is breathing over his back, knowing that his wife is aware of the fact that the message has been read."

The article shows you how to turn off "Read Receipts" in iMessages: http://www.tuaw.com/2014/05/23/iphone-101-turn-off-read-receipts-to-hide-the-fact-that-youve/

You can also turn off "Read Receipts" on the Mac. Instructions are here (the article refers to Mountain Lion, but details also apply to newer versions of OS X): http://apple.stackexchange.com/questions/58652/how-to-enable-read-receipts-for-messages-inimessage-on-mountain-lion

iBooks opens ePub format books from library

I have never used iBooks much on either my iPad or Mac, but I recently began using it when downloading a book in ePub format from a central Kentucky library.

Asked if I wanted to read the book in ePub format or use my Mac's browser, I chose ePub.

By default, the Mac told me that it would open the book using iBooks.



In the past, I had avoided the ePub format because I am no fan of Adobe's Digital Editions software, which is orphaned by the company (Adobe no longer actively updates the software.)

I have never bought a book via iBooks since I'm a long-time Amazon fan, and still own and use one of the original Kindle tablets to read library books. I also use the Kindle app on my iPad and multiple Macs to read library books.

After using iBooks on both the iPad and Mac, I can say that it's a solid piece of software. I may actually start buying eBooks via iBooks so that I can read them on the iPad as well as the Mac.

Get more out of your Mac's Finder

One application that's always running on your Mac is the Finder.

It's been around in one form or another since the 1980s. So most Mac users are quite familiar with it.

But Mavericks offers a multitude of ways to get more out of your Finder.

MacLife offers seven quick tips to get more out of the Finder on the computer in front of you.

Here's an example: "Want to quickly move some files into a folder? Select them by dragging



across their icons (or click the first, then hold Command and click each additional file in turn), then right-click and choose New Folder with Selection. Type a name, press Return, and you're done."

You'll find plenty of other gems in the MacLife "Top Tips" article.

Read MacLife's Top Tips article on getting more out of your Mac's Finder: http://www.maclife.com/article/howtos/top_tips_how_get_more_finder

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