

WINDSOR Seniors Computer Users' Group

Newsletter for Today 8/8/16

1. Questions/Answers???? - General Discussion. Computer dialog - what's new, what's different, what works or doesn't work? Computer Tips: Upcoming events and Computer

classes: SRJC, SR Cm Center, Windsor HS, Healdsburg HS, SSU Ext, and Healdsburg Senior Center. Computer Consultant: Ross Guistino rossg@sonic.net.

Jim Tubb, Consultant, Drop-in Computing Help Coordinator, drdelta91@gmail.com

WSCUG Bd of Directors: Ross Guistino, Jim Tubb & Donna Crawford--We Need more new Directors!!!



2. News –*This Month's Latest news: What a month!!*



(a) Pokemon Go (New Mobile Phone app released July 6, 2016): Players – Nintendo, Google Maps for a virtual map over real GPS, Pokomon Co., Millennials, Niatie, Inc.

(b) Political Conventions

(c) July 29 came and went

(d) Did you get Win 10's Anniversary Update?

(e) Donna's Son Ammond and family have moved to Magalia, CA – So -----

• **Free 5-Point Tuneup for Hacker Defenses** Ask Bob Rankin 7/29/16 "The online world gets more dangerous every day, it seems. Your defense systems must be kept in tip-top shape. Here are five ways to harden your system against hackers. 1.) Update all of your software. 2.) Activate two-factor authentication everywhere you can, on your devices and on all sites that offer 2FA. 3.) Encrypt your storage devices so that even if your laptop or phone is stolen, its data cannot be read without the encryption key. 4.) Reduce the "surface area" that exposes you to potential attacks on your privacy and security. Start by uninstalling of programs and apps that you really don't need or use. 5.) Remove notoriously unsafe software. I've written about the never-ending wave of security vulnerabilities in Adobe Flash, Java and QuickTime" *Read article for more details.*



http://askbobrankin.com/free_5point_tuneup_for_hacker_defenses.html?awt_l=LtVK.&awt_m=IhkblrkHNeP6SL

• Windows Tips - Word Tips – Excel Tips:

www.sonic.net/wscug, www.tips.net, -

"www.tips.net: Helpful hints, handy tips, and thrifty ideas! Tips.Net is a *great resource* for quick, helpful tips on a variety of topics. Household tips? We've got [household tips](#). Makeup tips? We've got [makeup tips](#). Home tips? We've got [home tips](#). Plus Computer tips.

The list could go on and on. The point is, Tips.Net is your one-stop resource for all the tips, tricks, secrets, and guidance you need." We will talk about Wordribbon.tips.net today. Word ribbon newsletter by Allen Wyatt. In this website you can search for any topic on Word. The tips, tricks, and ideas on WordRibbon.Tips.Net are designed for users of Word 2007, Word 2010, and Word 2013. You can also subscribe to Word Ribbon Newsletter.

• Keeping Windows 7 running for the long haul.

By Tracey Capen on July 26, 2016 "Back in 2010, we wrote about preparing Windows XP for the long haul. At that time, Windows 7 was coming online, and many XP users were reluctant to upgrade. Some things never change. Fast forward just six years and Windows 7 is now the

"Classic" operating system. Fortunately for everyone who's not jumping on Windows 10, Win7 will be around for a while - here's how to keep it that way.

Windows 7 is far from a dead operating system. Many Win7 users simply see no need to have the hot new thing. In truth, for most PC users there's no

Windows 10 enhancement, new feature, or looming security threat that makes upgrading a must-do proposition.

Microsoft won't give Win7 new features, going forward, but the now venerable OS will get security fixes until Jan. 13, 2020 (assuming you're on Service Pack 1). Given the millions of systems currently running Win7, third-party support shouldn't be an issue anytime soon. Keep Win systems backed up and your data safe. "

<http://windowssecrets.com/top-story/keeping-windows-7-running-for-the-long-haul/>

3. WSCUG Windows Tips and Tricks Series - It is on our web. www.sonic.net/wscug However, today we will talk about the ChromeBook and any questions you have during the first hour of meeting if there is time. **Thanks. Donna**

Have a Great Summer - Enjoy what is left! Fall starts September 22



4. Internet -Web sites: (If these don't work, let me know – Editor Donna)

HP Chromebook review- - <http://www.pcworld.com/article/3101166/>

Microsoft: Windows 10's free upgrade absolutely, positively ends today – July 29, 2016

<http://www.pcworld.com/article/3102028/>

How to Free Over 10GB of Disk Space After Installing Windows 10's Anniversary Update

<http://www.howtogeek.com/264534/>

The Windows 10 Anniversary Update's Best New Features - <http://www.pcworld.com/article/3053934/>

[MEME] The Screenless Future? - http://askbobrankin.com/meme_the_screenless_future.html

*** Favorite Web Sites: What is yours? Let me know and I'll include***

5. Comments From Ross “Do you know the difference between a website beginning with http:// and one with https://? The "s" at the end of http means that the website is secure. For example, Exchange Bank is <https://www.exchangebank.com/>. Or if you do online shopping, then your online vendor's website will begin with https when you begin the check-out process so that your credit card information is secure. Why, you ask, aren't all websites secure? Because https websites are encrypted which means as the information is going back and forth



from the website server to your monitor, none of the data or "packets" can be seen by anyone; it takes considerable resources to encrypt a website, and encryption slows down the transactions, takes more time to process and is a lot more taxing on the servers that provide us the websites. If all sites were encrypted, we'd have an extremely slow internet. With that said, keep in mind that websites beginning with http or www are not secure and anyone who knows how to hack, can see the information being passed back and forth from your computer to the website. This isn't really a problem if you're simply looking up recipes but if you're dealing with financial matters, you'll want to make sure you're on a website beginning with https. One more thing to notice is that some websites will start off as www or http, but once you reach an area that requires you to log in with an account name and password, the address will add an "s" to http indicating that you will be on a secure website. Facebook is one such site. You can reach it by typing www.facebook.com, but at the login screen it changes to <https://www.facebook.com>”
Thanks Ross



7. Thanks for Refreshments to Lynda DeMartini

8. Thanks for being **Welcome Lady** today to Marie Powers.

9. Computer Lending Library—Be sure to check out new books from O'Reilly. Thanks to Ernie Lopez for coordinating this important task. Note for O'ReillyMedia discounts: www.oreilly.com

10. Today's Program: Our speaker will be Mr. Eric Skagerberg, Adjunct Faculty SRJC, and Computer Consultant. He will be discussing/demonstrating "Security Update: Social Media, Mobile devices and Windows 10" Thank you Eric for sharing. See www.sonic.net/wscug for handout.

11. Computer Help – Drop-in - Seniors can drop by the Senior Center, first come/first serve, and will receive one/one opportunity to get their questions and projects addressed. Bring your laptop to work on or a list of inquiries for Coordinator Jim Tubb to answer. Windows XP, 7 and 8/8.1 and 10 spoken here. *No preregistration—But Donation*

August 22, 2016 2:00 – 4:00pm

September 26, 2016 2:00 – 4:00 pm

12. Next meeting of User's Group 9/12/16 – All senior computer enthusiasts are invited to join us. This information gathering shares ideas, resources and networks. *No preregistration.*

1:00 – 2:00 pm General Question/Answer

2:00 – 4:00 pm Program: Our speaker will be Mr. Al Loebel, Computer Specialist, Healdsburg Senior Center. He will be speaking on “Buying a new TV? It's more complex than you think.” We are very fortunate to have such a knowledgeable speaker.

If you have questions, please call me (home 838-4737), (e-mail: donna@sonic.net) or you can call the Senior Center 838-1250 for dates/times of computer events. See www.sonic.net/wscug for Computer Information

This is your User's Group - What are your goals? Help to make this group what you want it to be.

“Live like someone left the gate open” Clark Griswold's Photo on Facebook

Take Time to Smell the Roses

