

WINDSOR Seniors Computer Users' Group

Newsletter for Today 1/9/17

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:

a) CES (International Consumer Electronics Show) 2017 What to Expect at the Biggest Tech Trade Show of the year – Las Vegas, CA. January 5 - 8 Robots, laptops, Giant Flashdrive, LG's ultra thin OLED TV, and Microsoft Connected Car 2.0 so far:

<https://www.ces.tech>

b) Yahoo's billion account breach: 5 things you should do to stay safe.

<http://www.pcworld.com/article/3150953/security/>

• **The 4 tech trends that will shape 2017, predicted by ZDNet editors. Jan. 1, 2017** "The real story behind AI is automation, the Internet of Things platform eludes us, the smartphone holds out for the big one, and virtual reality becomes less virtual and more reality. As we do each week, the editors of ZDNet will continue to put out heads together in 2017 and give you our weekly Monday Morning Opener—an editorial that zooms in on the most important topic in tech for the week. Now that we're sailing into the New Year, we've also put a few brain cycles into zooming out on the big issues that will shape the year ahead. Here are the four big trends that will dominate 2017. **1. Automation** becomes the elephant in the room. **2. The Internet of Things (IoT)** gets real. **3. The smartphone** becomes a commodity. **4. Virtual reality** goes real world." http://www.zdnet.com/article/the-4-tech-trends-that-will-shape-2017/?loc=newsletter_large_thumb_featured&ftag=TRE17cfd61&bhid=49082910



• **How to Replace Windows Essentials 2012 After Support Ends in January.** "Microsoft will end support for the Windows Essentials 2012 suite on January 10, 2017. If you use any of the suite's component apps – Movie Maker, Photo Gallery, OneDrive, Family Safety, Mail, or Live Write – here's what

you need to know. Official support for Windows Essentials 2012 will end, but that doesn't mean you have to quite using it. If you've already got it installed, you can keep on using it just be aware that there will be no future updates, including security updates. For users of Windows Live Mail, having no security updates will matter the most. For the other apps in the suite, it's less important." *Editor's Note: Read the article if it affects you:*

<http://www.howtogeek.com/286552/>

• **The Windows 10 Creators Update—also known as Redstone 2—is due to hit PCs in Spring 2017. Like other updates to Windows 10, it's free, and includes a host of new features.** *For your information!*

<http://www.howtogeek.com/278132/>

CCleaner Inf. Sent by Ross: 1/5/17 I have had several people comment that their Windows 10 said that CCleaner was not compatible with their version of Windows. It appears that a recent update of Windows 10 broke CCleaner. The fix is to uninstall CCleaner and then download the latest version and install it.

To uninstall a program in Windows 10:

1. Open the Start menu
2. Click Settings
3. Click System on the Settings menu
4. Select Apps & features from the left pane
5. Select an app you wish to uninstall
6. Click the Uninstall button that appears

Download the latest version of CCleaner

here: <https://www.piriform.com/ccleaner/download/standard/> Latest version 5.25.5902



Happy New Year and Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday

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

Microsoft won't provide extended support for Office 2007 products beyond 2017 deadline --
http://www.zdnet.com/article/microsoft-wont-provide-extended-support-for-office-2007-products-beyond-october-2017-deadline/?loc=newsletter_large_thumb_related&ftag=TRec64629f&bhid=49082910

The Downsides of open source software: <http://www.howtogeek.com/287113/>

When White Hats Collide – Ask Bob Rankin, 1/5/17

http://askbobrankin.com/when_white_hats_collide.html?awt_l=LtVK.&awt_m=Iw5CWELtPeP6SL

Hack proof your life 5 key steps to boost your life online - <http://www.komando.com/columns/385794/>

How to opt Out of Personalized Ads from Google 1/3/17 - <http://www.howtogeek.com/285835/>


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

5. Comments From Ross “How does one avoid all the commercials on T.V these days? I use the mute button on the remote control. But we don't have that convenience when we are on websites that rely heavily

on ads to support themselves. Ads are a fact of internet surfing and since we can't mute them, we have to ignore them. Resist the urge to click on the headlines that promise to make your life rich and full, or computer

software that you MUST have to fix things that aren't broken. Case in point, a questionable product called ScanGuard. This product relies heavily on ads to pull you into their scam. Their ads will appear on financial-related websites, AOL and even Facebook. For more information, check out the BleepingComputer website:

<https://www.bleepingcomputer.com/forums/t/628976/suspect-scangaurd-security-suite/>

How do you know what an ad is? Most of the time, an ad will have a small blue or green triangle and/or the words AdChoices or just Ad in the corner of the ad. It looks like this: . In one instance, just hovering over the ad popped up a warning from my anti-virus software that the site was not legitimate. In that case, the site, if clicked, would take me to cdn.stickyadstv.com. So avoid the revolving ads that line the right or left side of a site. Put your blinders on and “mute” those ads.” **Thanks, Ross**

7. Thanks for Refreshments to Marie Powers.

8. Thanks for being **Welcome Lady** to Ines Williams.

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

10. Today's Program: Our speakers will be Mr. Sean Kerr, Detective, Central Marin Police Authority, NC3TF (North California Computer Crimes Task Force) and Mr. Dave Kahl, Criminal Investigator, County of Sonoma, NC3TF. Their topic will be “Computer Crime and Identity Theft”. Thank you Sean and Dave for sharing your expertise.

11. Computer Help – Drop-in. There will be no Drop-in Computer Help in December. Next meeting will be

January 23, 2017 - 2:00 – 4:00 pm

February 27, 2017 – 2:00 – 4:00 pm

12. Next meeting of User's Group 2/13/17 – 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: TBA – Hopefully Sonic with new information.

13. Family History Fair on 1/21/17. Free – see classes and other events. See their website scgsonline.org. Thanks to Pat Travis and Jeff Vaillant for keeping us up to date.

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. WSCUG – go to www.sonic.net/wscug for all of Windows Tips and Tricks.



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

“Even when the experts all agree, they may well be mistaken.” Bertrand Russell

Take Time to Smell the Roses