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# WINDSOR Seniors Computer Users' Group Newsletter



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Computer Help – Drop-in. Drop-In Computer Help— 2:00-4:00 PM May 20, 2019,

**3<sup>rd</sup> Monday this month!**

Next meeting of User's Group:

6/10/19--1:00 – 2:00 pm -

Questions/Answers

2:00 – 4:00 pm Our

speakers will be from Kaiser

Permanente. Their

presentation is entitled

“Member Centered Technology”.

**Today's Program:** During the first hour today, 1:00-2:00, General Q\A and Andrea Antonik will present ‘Creating Address and Return Labels with Word’.

Then during the 2:00-4:00 pm time slot, our speaker will be our speaker will be Jim Tubb. His presentation is entitled “Welcome to the Future – How It Benefits Seniors”.

## In the News:

a) In a first, Israel responds to Hamas hackers with an air strike

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/in-a-first-israel-responds-to-hamas-hackers>

b) Amazon's big internet plan: 3,236 satellites to beam faster, cheaper web to millions

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/amazons-big-internet-plan-3236-satellites>

c) AI is changing the way doctors work

<https://www.komando.com/happening-now/564906/ai-is-changing-the-way-doctors-work>

## Articles for May

a) **IBM-Backed Project Creates Wi-Fi Network For Natural Disasters,**

Bloomberg, 5.06.2019. "Project Owl, which stands for Organization,

Whereabouts, and Logistics, uses a

“clusterduck” network made of hubs that resemble rubber ducks, which

can float in flooded areas....Project Owl attached DuckLinks with Velcro

to trees in the jungle, perched them atop of sand dunes on beaches,

stuck them on car doors and cliff

faces and even floated them above buildings in helium balloons. Project

Owl managed to create a live

internet network across one square mile using 23 DuckLinks,

communicating via the system in

areas without cell reception. Project

Owl hopes to have enough tests

done to make their network ready in

a small capacity for hurricane

season on the U.S. East Coast,

which begins in July.”

<https://www.itprotoday.com/mobile-management-and-security/ibm-backed-project-creates-wi-fi-network-natural-disasters>

b) **Still saving files on your computer? That's so 2009. Here are 6 options for cloud-based storage (+1 for backup)** by Vince

Pontorno,5.01.2019. "Cloud-based storage is the answer to protecting the content in your devices....By storing your data in a cloud storage system, you will be able to access that data remotely from any location that has an internet connection." the article discusses the following options: Google One, Microsoft OneDrive, Dropbox, Sync, pCloud, MEGA, and iDrive."

<https://www.komando.com/tips/55804/1/still-saving-files-on-your-computer>

c) **To update Windows 10 to 1903 from 1803 or 1809, you'll have to unplug your USB drives and SD cards** by Brad

Stephenson, 4.25.2019. "Basically, Microsoft has detected that if an external (cont. on next page)



Thanks for **Refreshments** to Virginia Lee.  
 Thanks for being **Welcome Lady** to Ines Williams.  
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c) (cont.) drive is connected while the update is installed, the various drive letters, both internal and external, can become jumbled. To prevent this from happening to user's devices, Microsoft has simply made it so that the update won't complete with any external drive connected. The official workaround? Simply unplug all external drives when performing the update and then reconnect them once the update is complete."

<https://www.onmsft.com/news/to-update-windows-10-to-1903-from-1803-or-1809>

d) **Windows 10 Home edition users are big winners as Microsoft**

**overhauls its update process** by Ed Bott 4.05.2019. "The biggest winners are customers in unmanaged environments, especially consumers and small businesses using Windows 10 Home Edition. First, they'll be able to pause all updates for up to 35 days, even after those updates have been downloaded. Second, customers using unmanaged Windows 10 PCs will no longer be forced feature updates. With this new design, Windows will notify users that a feature update is available, but you'll have to use that separate link on the Windows Update page to download and install it....Of course, the whole point of deferring updates is to avoid quality issues."

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-home-edition-users-are-big-winners>

e) **Intel's 9th-gen mobile Core chips aim for the high end, rocking 8 cores at up to 5GHz speeds** by

Mark Hachman, 4.23.2019. "Intel debuted six new 9th-gen mobile H-series Core chips on Tuesday—with its fastest, the Core i9-9980HK, soaring to a new high-water mark: 8 cores, 16 threads, and a whopping 5GHz clock speed. After launching its 9th-generation Core chips for desktop PCs last October, Intel" will now bring mainstream mobile 9th-gen Core chips to notebooks late summer or fall.

<https://www.pcworld.com/article/3390202/intel-9th-gen>

**Comments from Ross:**  
 Despite all of the warnings that we read about in the newspaper and AARP magazine, people are still getting caught up in online scams. One particular scam involves a pop-up window that covers your entire screen and warns that you have a virus and must call the number on the screen. You can't close the window because it has frozen your computer. Don't worry-this is just a scam and a scare tactic. You have two ways around this problem. 1) Shut down the computer by pressing AND HOLDING the power button for at least 10 seconds. I don't usually recommend this abrupt shutdown and instead recommend trying 2) right click on the task bar at the bottom of the screen, open task manager, click on the tab called processes and then click on the line that shows your browser (Chrome, Edge, Firefox, etc), then click "End task" button. At this point I would restart your computer and run Malwarebytes. It is extremely important that you do not click on the pop-up window nor call the phone number on the screen. This is a scam and should be ignored.

## Internet Sites

**The complete guide to Apple's Health app-**

<https://www.cnet.com/how-to/the-complete-guide-to-apples-health-app>

**Best external drives for backup, storage, and portability-**

<https://www.pcworld.com/article/3198109/best-external-drives>

**The State of Passwords in 2019-**

<https://askleo.com/the-state-of-passwords-in-2019>

**The cloud demystified: How it works and why it matters-**

<https://www.blog.google/products/google-cloud/the-cloud-demystified-how-it-works>

**Facebook plans to split in two-**

<https://www.komando.com/happening-now/563764/facebook-plans-to-split-in-two>

**Stolen or lost Android phone? Here's how to get it back-**

<https://www.cnet.com/how-to/stolen-or-lost-android-phone-heres-how-to-track-it-and-get-it-back>

**Mobile switch: How I canceled Verizon and cut my phone bill in half-**

<https://www.zdnet.com/article/mobile-switch-how-i-canceled-verizon-and-cut-my-phone-bill>

**Shocking report says 60,000 donated iPhones useless because this feature wasn't turned off**

<https://www.komando.com/happening-now/561834/shocking-donated-iphones-useless>

