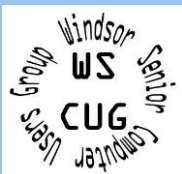


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**Computer-Help: Drop-
In 3-5** PM Aug 23,
2021
MASKS REQUIRED.**

**Next meeting of User's
Group: 9/13/21-3 PM**-
Questions/Answers, and
general discussion
Jim's Sept. presentation
is entitled "Getting
Around Without a Car".
MASKS REQUIRED.**

****Please note
Computer Users Group
summer time changes.**

**Sept. Drop-In Computer
Help: Monday Sept 27,
3-5 PM**. MASKS
REQUIRED.**

**August 9,2021, 3 PM: Welcome
EVERYONE to our FIRST IN-Person
Meeting of the year.** During the first
hour, we will have **General Questions
& Answers.** Erin or Jenni from the
Senior Center will also be available to
give us updates and answer questions
about the Senior Center.
Then for our second part of the
meeting, **Jim** will be discussing
"What's Inside Your Computer".

Please note until further notice **MASKS
are required for our Windsor Senior
Computer Users' Group IN-PERSON
EVENTS.**

In the News:

- a) [Samsung Galaxy Unpacked event](#)
- b) [The Pixel 6, Pixel 6 Pro are coming with a new chip](#)
- c) [REvil websites down after governments pressured](#)
- d) [Microsoft Announces Windows 365: a Desktop PC in the Cloud](#)
- e) [Microsoft: Component shortages not going away any time soon](#)
- f) [Apple broke bad news to iPhone fans](#)
- g) [Second colossal LinkedIn "breach" in 3 months, almost all users affected](#)

Articles for August

a) **Don't Panic: You Can Keep Using Windows 10 Until 2025** by Benj Edwards, 07.16.21. "You can keep using your current PC hardware safely with Windows 10 for at least four more years. Microsoft has set the end date of Windows 10 support to October 14, 2025. After that point, Windows 10 will no longer receive new security updates from Microsoft, and Windows 10 will be considered 'end-of-life'. If you have a PC from late 2017 or older (about four years old), right now, that PC will be at least eight years old when Microsoft stops supporting Windows 10 in 2025." Read the entire article to find out what options you would have if you want to keep your current PC beyond October 2025. howtogeek.com/741245/dont-panic-you-can-keep-using-windows-10-until-2025

b) **When Backups Might Not Save You from Ransomware** by Leo A. Notenboom.

b) "Ransomware is known for encrypting your data and holding it hostage. It turns out that it can do more than backups won't protect against...ransomware is evolving. It's important to understand what it's evolving into, and what you need to do, if anything, to defend yourself...the folks behind ransomware have modified their approach slightly. It's become a two-step process:

- 1- Steal a copy of all your data.
- 2- Encrypt your data.

This means they've taken your data hostage: they threaten to release their copy of your data publicly unless you pay the ransom." Read the article to find out more about this and how to protect yourself. "...backups won't protect you from absolutely everything — nothing can. But backups protect you from so many different types of threats and failures, you simply must keep doing them." askleo.com/when-backups-might-not-save-you-from-ransomware

c) **What to do when your laptop is stolen (and how to prepare for it) by (cont)**

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To access past newsletters, presentations and handouts,
go to www.sonic.net/wscug.



c) (cont.) Marshall Gunnell, 07.14.2021.
"Having your laptop stolen isn't just stressful because you need to replace a pricey piece of hardware—it also poses a threat to your digital security. Fortunately, there are steps you can take to protect yourself both before and after your laptop goes missing. Read on to learn about how to prepare yourself against the possibility of notebook theft, how to report the theft if your laptop is stolen, and how to protect your data after it's in the hands of thieves."

pcworld.com/article/3624611/what-to-do-when-your-laptop-is-stolen

d) The best email client for Linux, Windows and macOS isn't Outlook by

d) Jack Wallen, 07.20.2021. "Is there a single email application that can claim the best email client for all three of the main desktop operating systems?" (Linux, Windows and iOS) "There is, and it will surprise you which client has risen to the top. That client is Thunderbird. Good news: Thunderbird can handle the likes of Gmail and Office 365. With this open-source email client, you can connect to: Gmail, Exchange, Office 365, iCloud, and more." Read the article to learn why you might want to consider switching.

techrepublic.com/article/the-best-email-client-for-linux-windows-and-macos

e) True or false: Someone can see if you

e) looked at their Facebook profile by Melissa Hadam, 07.20.21. "If you are a member of LinkedIn, you already know that you can see who has checked out your profile. The same goes in reverse. If you peek at the profile of a prospective new boss or client, chances are they will know about it." But "what happens when you go poking around on Facebook? Are Facebook profile searches private? The short answer is yes." But "Facebook is free for a reason...it tracks your activity and shares it with third parties." The article suggests ways to keep your "personal life private" by limiting who can view your Facebook posts. komando.com/how-tos/protect-your-facebook-posts

f) The best browser for Linux, Windows and Mac isn't Google Chrome in 2021 by Jack Wallen, 07.26.21. Find out which browser this Tech writer has decided to use as his default browser for all platforms he uses. His choice may surprise you.

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g) Wait a second, does the 2-year phone upgrade plan still make sense? I think not by Sareena Dayaram, 07.10.21. "Commentary: Flagship phones are giving us only incremental improvements, and our upgrade culture makes less sense than ever." cnet.com/tech/mobile/does-the-two-year-phone-upgrade-plan-make-sense

Comments from Ross: Please join us in sending thoughts and prayers to Ross, who was in Ohio for the funeral of his sister. His "Comments From Ross" will not be appearing this month due to this unfortunate event. We look forward to his return next month.

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