

The Villages Computer Club

**No meeting will take place this Friday 7/13 for the VCC. Please stay tuned for more info about upcoming meetings.**

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VCC - iPad message from Art Fenn

I am making plans for the next meeting on September 4th, and would like to have your input on what YOU would like to have covered. Please send me YOUR ideas.

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**Two monitors are better than one**

You can never have enough screen space, especially when organizing and working on your digital pictures. Instead of buying a larger monitor, if you're using Windows 7, Vista, or XP, you can buy an **inexpensive second monitor** and connect it to your computer—instantly doubling your desktop space.

Flat panel LCD monitors look great and will save room on your desk; CRT monitors also work well and can be less expensive.

There are several different ways you can make use of this extra screen space when working at home or in your office. If you take a lot of digital pictures, some of the advantages to having dual monitors at your work space include:

- When browsing your picture library, you can view the thumbnails on one monitor, and use the second monitor to view pictures full screen to check for proper focus and image quality.
- When editing photos, you can use one monitor to browse the pictures with Windows Explorer or a photo library program, and use the second monitor to edit the pictures with your photo-editing software.
- If you need to stay on top of your e-mail while working, you can keep your inbox open on one monitor and work on your photos on the other.

## **Set up two monitors on your desktop computer**

**Many new desktop computers support dual monitors without requiring any additional hardware. To see if you have more than one monitor connection, look at the back of your computer for two Video Graphics Array (VGA) connectors or two Digital Visual Interface (DVI) connectors or one of each.**

*Most new desktop computers include two connectors to support dual monitors*

**If you only have a single VGA or DVI connector, you will need to install a video adapter. You can either install a second video adapter or replace your current video adapter with one that has two VGA or DVI connections. Installing video adapters can be difficult if you're not familiar with the inside of your computer, so you may want to seek assistance from a local computer retailer that offers computer upgrade services.**

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## **Add a monitor to your laptop computer**

**If you have a laptop computer made in the last several years, you can almost certainly support an external monitor by connecting it to the VGA or DVI connector on the back of your computer. The external monitor can act as a second display to your laptop's built-in display. Connect your second monitor. You may have to restart your computer so that it detects the new monitor. After you connect your second monitor, you have to adjust your display settings.**

### **Configuring your displays:**

- For [Windows 7](#)
- For [Windows Vista](#)

- For [Windows XP](#)

**Troubleshooting:** If you do not see two monitor icons, your computer might not support multiple displays. First, make sure that you have Windows 7, Windows Vista, or Windows XP installed. Then, visit [Microsoft Update](#), click Custom, and install any available hardware updates. You may also need to visit your computer manufacturer's Web site to install an updated display driver. If you still do not see two monitor icons, you may need to install an additional display adapter.

If necessary, drag the monitor icons so that they are arranged in the same way as the monitors on your desk. Click the Identify Monitors button to verify which monitor is 1 and which monitor is 2.

*A dual monitor setup enables you to view the same image side by side.*

Once your monitor is set up, you can use your mouse to grab the title bar of a window and drag it to your new display. If a window does not move when you drag it, double-click the title bar first, and then drag it. Having two monitors will forever change the way you work with your computer. Be creative and experiment with the sizing of application windows and what information you can keep in constant view while doing multiple tasks.

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## Monitor Display

The displayed page on my monitor is larger than my monitor screen, so I have to continually be scrolling right and left to see all of the words. What can I do to adjust the display to fit the monitor.

Give this a try to reduce the overall size of your monitor's active screen.

1. Rightclick on the desktop and click Properties and then Settings.
2. Increase the resolution(number) a bit at a time until the screen just fits your monitor space....

**Note: Be sure to write down the settings number as they were before you starting monkeying around with the resolutions. Larger numbers makes the screen smaller.**

3. If you can't see to click the Apply button, just press Enter to make it change.

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Win 7 tutorial re desktop and screens

[Click here: Accessibility Tutorials for Windows XP: Adjust Display and Appearance](#)

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## **DCR Software**

**I have the digital8 DCR-TRV250. I love the camera and when I first bought it, watch my videos on my tv. Now I want to upload some of them to my computer but unfortunately I have lost the original CD that came with the camera**

**Go to [www.bisdigital.com](http://www.bisdigital.com)**

1. **When prompted, click on the REC button**
2. **Click on Tech Support**
3. **At the bottom of the Tech Support box, go to “Click here to download the latest DCR Software” and Hit “Run”**
4. **Follow prompts....until finished.**

**This will load the software for you, load it once you're good to go from now on.**

**OR do google search for this driver**

**[DCR-TV250.rar](#) (1 MB)**

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## **Astro Puzzle Game Saved**

**Save the game to finish later.**

1. Click the button on the toolbar.
2. Type the game name.
4. Click the Save button.

When you start Astra Jigsaw next time, open the saved game just as you open a new jigsaw. You can also choose it in the list of the puzzles you played last. This list is at the bottom of the File menu. To open the menu, click the button.

By default, the program autosaves the current game every 10 minutes. To change this period, choose Options in the menu and open the Auto save tab. Then drag the Interval slider. To turn the autosaving off, uncheck Auto save game.

With the File > Save As command, you can save your game by a new name.

After you have solved the puzzle, the program offers you to save the whole picture to the BMP file. Afterwards, you can print it or just look at it in any graphic program. At the bottom, you'll see the information on the game: the name and origin of the picture, date and mode of playing.

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## BYTES

A byte is pretty much like a character or letter in a word. The word sodium-free contains 11 bytes. (The hyphen counts as a byte.) Computer nerds picked up the metric system much more quickly than the rest of us, so bytes are measured in kilos (1,000), megas (1,000,000), and gigas (way huge).

A page of double-spaced text in Notepad is about 1,000 bytes, known as 1 kilobyte, which is often abbreviated as 1K. One thousand of those kilobytes is a megabyte, or 1MB. One thousand megabytes is a gigabyte, which brings us to your computer's sales slip: Most hard drives today are 2 gigabytes or larger.

\* Just about all floppy disks these days can hold 1.44MB. Today's programs are huge, so they usually come on compact discs, which hold more than 600MB.

\* All files are measured in bytes, regardless of whether they contain text. For example, that leafy forest background art some people put on their Windows 98 desktop takes up 66,146 bytes.

\* A page of double-spaced text in Notepad takes up about 1K, but that same page in Microsoft Word consumes much more space. That's because Word sticks in lots more information: font size, the author's name, bookmarks, spell-check results, and just about anything else you can think of.

\* The Windows Explorer or My Computer programs can tell you how many bytes each of your files consumes. (Hint for anxious users: Click the file's name with your right mouse button and choose P[r]operties from the menu that pops up; you find more information about a file than you want to know.)

One kilobyte doesn't really equal 1,000 bytes. That would be too easy. Instead, this byte stuff is based on the number two. One kilobyte is really 1,024 bytes, which is 2 raised to the 10th power...but enough of that techie talk for now.

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**FOOTNOTES/ENDNOTES1[1]**

**You do a lot of word processing?**

**In WORD 97 documents there is an easy way to place footnotes(at the end of the page) or endnotes (at the end of the document). If you can press 3 keys at a time.**

**To insert a footnote- press CTRL-ALT-F . WORD will insert a footnote number at the cursor and then moves you to the bottom of the page where you type the footnote text.**

**To insert an endnote - press CTRL-ALT-E. Word inserts the endnote number at the cursor and moves you to the end of your document where you can type the endnote text.**

**To resume typing your document, simply click on the point where you want to resume.**

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For your information, especially if you're over 75 and receiving Social Security and also a citizen of the USA.

Since nobody has read the new Obamacare program, here are some highlights... Please don't ask me if this is accurate, and don't ask Speaker Pelosi either, she passed it so she could read it.

Go figure.

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**At 76 when you most need it, you are not eligible for cancer treatment.**

On **page 272** on the "healthcare" monster, is one of the tidbits former Speaker Pelosi didn't want us to know until after the healthcare bill

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was passed. Remember she said, "...we have to pass it before you can see what's in it ..."

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THE CARE BILL HB 3200 (AKA Obama Care) as highlighted by the Honorable David Kithil, Marble Falls, Texas. He is the 2nd public official who has seized upon these aspects of the National Health Care Act.

Please read especially the reference to pages 58 & 59  
JUDGE KITHIL wrote:

***Page 50/section 152: The bill will provide insurance to all non-U.S. residents, even if they are here illegally.***

***Page 58 and 59: The government will have real-time access to an individual's bank account and will have the authority to make electronic fund transfers from those accounts.***

Page 65/section 164: The plan will be subsidized (by the government) for all union members, union retirees and for community organizations (such as the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN)).

Page 203/line 14-15: The tax imposed under this section will not be treated as a tax. (How could anybody in their right mind come up with that?)

Page 241 and 253: Doctors will all be paid the same regardless of specialty, and the government will set all doctors' fees.

***Page 272. section 1145: Cancer hospital will ration care according to the patient's age.***

Page 317 and 321: The government will impose a prohibition on hospital expansion; however, communities may petition for an exception.

***Page 425, line 4-12: The government mandates advance-care planning consultations.***

***Those on Social Security will be required to attend an "end-of-life planning" seminar every five years. (Death counseling)***

Page 429, line 13-25: The government will specify which doctors can write an end-of-

life order.

Judge Kithil points to the following exclusion:

***"Finally, it is specifically stated that this bill will not apply to members of Congress."***

***Why should it ...Members of Congress are already exempt from the Social Security system and have a***

***well-funded private plan that covers their retirement needs.***

***If they were on our Social Security plan, including Medicare as primary health care coverage, I believe***

***they would find a very quick 'fix' to make the plan financially sound for their future."***

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**Southerners know their summer weather report:**

**Humidity**

**Humidity**

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**Southerners know their vacation spots:**

**The beach**

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**The crick**

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**Southerners know everybody's first name:**

**Honey**

**Darlin'**

**Shugah**

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**Southerners know the movies that speak to their hearts:**

**Fried Green Tomatoes**

**Driving Miss Daisy**

**Steel Magnolias**

**Gone With The Wind**

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**Southerners know their religions:**

**Bapdiss**

**Methdiss**

**Football**

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**Southerners know their cities dripping with Southern charm:**



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S'vanah  
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N'awlins  
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**Southerners know their elegant gentlemen:**  
**Men in uniform**  
**Men in tuxedos**  
**Rhett Butler**

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**Southern girls know their prime real estate:**  
**The Mall**  
**The Country Club**  
**The Beauty Salon**

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**Southern girls know the 3 deadly sins:**  
**Having bad hair and nails**  
**Having bad manners**  
**Cooking bad food**

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**Only a Southerner knows the difference between a hissie fit and a conniption fit, and that you don't "HAVE" them, you "PITCH" them.**

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**Only a Southerner knows how many fish, collard greens, turnip greens, peas, beans, etc., make up "a mess."**

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**Only a Southerner can show or point out to you the general direction of "yonder."**

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**Only a Southerner knows exactly how long "directly" is, as in: "Going to town, be back directly."**

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**Even Southern babies know that "Gimme some sugar" is not a request for the white, granular, sweet substance that sits in a pretty little bowl in the middle of the table.**

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**All Southerners know exactly when "by and by" is. They might not use the term, but they know the concept well.**

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Only a Southerner knows instinctively that the best gesture of solace for a neighbor who's got trouble is a plate of hot fried chicken and a big bowl of cold potato salad. If the neighbor's trouble is a real crisis, they also know to add a large banana puddin'!

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Only Southerners grow up knowing the difference between "right near" and "a right far piece." They also know that "just down the road" can be 1 mile or 20.

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Only a Southerner both knows and understands the difference between a redneck, a good ol' boy, and po' white trash.

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No true Southerner would ever assume that the car with the flashing turn signal is actually going to make a turn.

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A Southerner knows that "fixin" can be used as a noun, a verb, or an adverb.

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Only Southerners make friends while standing in lines, ... and when we're "in line," ... we talk to everybody!

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Put 100 Southerners in a room and half of them will discover they're related, even if only by marriage.

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In the South, "y'all" is singular, "all y'all" is plural.

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Southerners know grits come from corn and how to eat them.

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Every Southerner knows that tomatoes with eggs, bacon, grits, and coffee are perfectly wonderful; that red eye gravy is also a breakfast food; that scrambled eggs just ain't right without Tabasco, and that fried green tomatoes are not a breakfast food.

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When you hear someone say, "Well, I caught myself lookin'," you know you are in the presence of a genuine Southerner!

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Only true Southerners say "sweet tea" and "sweet milk." Sweet tea indicates the need for sugar and lots of it -- we do not like our tea unsweetened. "Sweet milk" means you don't want buttermilk.

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And a true Southerner knows you don't scream obscenities at little old ladies who drive 30 MPH on the freeway. You just say, "Bless her sweet little heart"... and go your own way.

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To those of you who are still a little embarrassed by your Southernness: Take two tent revivals and a dose of sausage gravy and call me in the morning. Bless your little heart!

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And to those of you who are still having a hard time understanding all this Southern stuff....bless your hearts, I hear they're fixin' to have classes on Southernness as a second language!

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Southern girls know men may come and go, but friends are fah-evah ! There ain't no magazine named "Northern Living" for good reason. There ain't nobody interested in livin' up north, nobody would buy the magazine!

Now Shugah, send this to someone who was raised in the South or wish they had a'been! If you're a Northern transplant, bless your little heart, fake it. We know you got here as fast as you could.

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Jmax's Website <http://www.jmaxbits.com/>

Jmax Bits Newsletter is now posted each Monday & Thursday on the website. You have the option for a .pdf or a .rtf file.

1. For help with a computer problem, put HELP in the subject line and give me info about the computer you're using, if you know it.

2. To view or print Jmax Bits Good Services List in the Villages area, click link [www.jmaxbits.com](http://www.jmaxbits.com)

3. To sign up for the non-computer newsletter, send an email to [VLGSCclassifieds@aol.com](mailto:VLGSCclassifieds@aol.com). Put SUBSCRIBE in the subject line. To send an Ad, place AD in the subject line.

4. The Villages Computer Club's web page: [Click here: Welcome To The Villages Computer Club](#)

To add your name to the VCC announcements list, send email to [TheVCC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:TheVCC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

5. Fred Benson's website [www.thevillagescomputerbasics.com](http://www.thevillagescomputerbasics.com)