

VCC WORKSHOP THIS FRIDAY

The Villages Computer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday Feb 24th at Lake Miona Recreation Center.

This week there will be a workshop with *Skype, Facebook, Learning Resources, Basics, iDevices, Nook, Kindle, AOL, and General Questions.*

There will be refreshments, 50/50, and door prizes. Look for more detail at thevillagescomputerclub.com.

If you have any questions, email Paul Rabenold at TVCC.Pres@gmail.com.

AOL Email Page Color

Would you like to change the color of the paper (background) of your AOL email form?

- 1. Open AOL and click Settings on the top menu bar.**
- 2. Select Settings A-Z**
- 3. Scroll down and click Font and Text.**
- 4. Here you may change the default text size, style or click the little paint can icon and change the color of the background**
- 5. Click SAVE**

AOL Download Manager Cleanup

- 1. Click File...Download Manager**
- 2. Select files you wish to discard by holding down the CTRL key and clicking files or to remove all files press CTRL + A to select all files.**
- 3. Press the REMOVE button at the bottom right.**

Server addresses for some of the most popular e-mail services:

- Yahoo!: pop.mail.yahoo.com (incoming) and smtp.mail.yahoo.com (outgoing)**
- AOL: imap.aol.com (incoming) and smtp.aol.com (outgoing)**

- Gmail: pop.gmail.com (incoming) and smtp.gmail.com (outgoing)
- Embarqmail: pop.embarqmail.com and smtp.embarqmail.com

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 á = 0225 Á = 0193 ó = 0243 Ó = 0211 ú = 0250 Ú = 0218
 â = 0226 Â = 0194 ô = 0244 Ô = 0212 û = 0251 Û = 0219
 ã = 0227 Ã = 0195 õ = 0245 Õ = 0213 ü = 0252 Ü = 0220
 ä = 0228 Ä = 0196 ö = 0246 Ö = 0214
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Firewall, Antivirus, Spyware

Is more better than less???? Answer below is from www.askleo.com

As a general rule of thumb, you need only one of each. It's what I do. A single, good anti-spyware solution, an anti-virus solution, and a single firewall and, in my opinion, you're good to go.

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However, as I've noted elsewhere, there's no single anti-virus or anti-spyware program that will catch all viruses or spyware. So there is a case to be made for having more than one. But if you do, you need to be careful because they can, and often do, interfere with each other.

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Anti-Virus

Most anti-virus programs operate in two modes:

- **Scan:** the utility examines memory and files on disk for traces of malware. This involves actually examining the contents each file for things that "look like" viruses.
- **Monitor:** often referred to as "real time" monitor, the [anti virus program](#) is continually running and scans files as they are downloaded to your machine, notifying you nearly immediately if the file you just received contains something that looks like a virus.

There's nothing at all wrong periodically running an anti-virus *scan* with more than one anti-virus program. The key here is that it's just a scan - it starts, it scans, and then it's done. There's no opportunity to come in to conflict with another anti-virus program.

Real time monitoring, on the other hand, is another story. When you install most anti-virus programs they often automatically install and enable their real-time monitors. Running two or more real-time anti-virus monitors at the same time is very likely to cause a conflict. That conflict could result in [error messages](#), crashes of the anti-virus programs, or other types of failure.

So it's certainly OK to have more than one anti-virus program *installed*, and it can make sense to run a *scan* using a different program from time to time, but you must make sure you only have *one* real-time monitor enabled at a time.

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The simplest way to do so, as I mentioned earlier, is to rely on a single, good anti-virus program and make sure that its database of known viruses is continually being updated.

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Anti-Spyware

Anti-spyware tools operate much like anti-virus tools, and that typically means the same two modes:

- **Scan:** the utility examines memory and the [hard disk](#) for traces of [malware](#). While an anti-spyware program typically does not scan every executable file on the disk, it does involve checking certain [registry entries](#), looking at the contents of certain files, and checking for the presence of others for things that "look like" spyware.
- **Monitor:** like anti-virus programs, anti-spyware programs often have a "real time" component that monitors for certain spyware-like activities. A good example is that an attempt to change your default home page will be caught (or prevented) in real time by many anti-spyware programs.

And once again, the bottom line is the same: periodic scans by different programs are quite alright, while the real time monitors installed by these utilities can easily come into conflict. Make sure only one package has its real time monitoring facility enabled.

The most important thing is to start with a good anti-spyware program, and make sure that its

database of known spyware is continually being updated.

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Firewalls

Firewalls are a different beast from the tools we've talked about so far. They fall into roughly two categories: hardware and software.

A software firewall is just that - software that's installed on your machine that prevents certain types of intrusion into your system from the outside and, in some cases, monitors for suspicious attempts to connect to the outside from within your computer. In both cases the functions are performed in real time, as they happen. As you can guess from the previous discussion about anti-spyware and anti-virus software, two programs trying to perform the same action at the same time can lead to problems. I would most certainly not run two different software firewalls at the same time. That implies that if Windows Firewall is turned on, I would turn it off as part of installing another firewall such as Zone Alarm.

[Hardware firewalls](#) are, in most homes and small businesses, routers. Routers provide a level of protection that prevents your computer from being seen from the internet, unless you initiate the outbound connection. There's nothing to install on your PC; it's just another box that sits between you and your internet connection.

There's nothing wrong with having both a software and a hardware firewall. It's partially redundant, but it's harmless. In fact, if there are machines within your [LAN](#) that you don't actually trust, having both can actually be an appropriate choice.

Technically, there's also really nothing wrong with having multiple hardware firewalls. You can put a router behind a router if you like. However, a) it will slow down your connectivity somewhat, and b) there are certain types of communications protocols that may break as a result. Common protocols like web and email do not, so it's usually OK, but it's not really recommended.

WEB FONTS TOO Big:

PROBLEM: The size of my fonts on web pages only are suddenly very large.

SOLUTION:

1. Open MS Internet Explorer from the desktop
2. Click VIEW and TEXT SIZE
3. Select MEDIUM or SMALL

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Rightclick on a hyperlink and select REMOVE HYPERLINK to remove the hyperlink formatting or select Add Hyperlink to make the URL a clickable hyperlink.

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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.

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

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