The Villages Computer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday March 2rd at La Hacienda Recreation Center.

There will be a presentation by Peter Cronas and John Campbell titled - Taking the pain out of managing passwords.

Following the presentation will be refreshments, 50/50, door prizes and a problem-solving session. If you have a computer problem you can't resolve, fill out the problem report form found at thevillagescomputerclub.com and bring it to the meeting.

We value your input so please let our member representatives know if you have any *suggestions* regarding our club activities. Our membership representatives are Gregoire Robert, Harry Martin and Margot Zoeller.

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

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VERY IMPORTANT!!

1) Any time you see an email that says "forward this on to '10' (or however many) of your friends", "sign this petition", or "you'll get bad luck" or "you'll get good luck" or "you'll see something funny on your screen after you send it" or whatever --- it almost always has an email tracker program attached that tracks the cookies and emails of those folks you forward to. The host sender is getting a copy each time it gets forwarded and then is able to get lists of 'active' email addresses to use in SPAM emails or sell to other Spammers. Even when you get emails that demand you send the email on if you're not ashamed of God/Jesus --- that is email tracking, and

they are playing on our conscience. These people don't care how they get your email addresses - just as long as they get them. Also, emails that talk about a missing child or a child with an incurable disease "how would you feel if that was your child" --- email tracking. Ignore them and don't participate!

2) Almost all emails that ask you to add your name and forward on to others are similar to that mass letter years ago that asked people to send business cards to the little kid in Florida who wanted to break the Guinness Book of Records for the most cards. All it was, and all any of this type of email is, is a way to get names and 'cookie' tracking information for telemarketers and Spammers -- to validate active email accounts for their own **profitable** purposes.

You can do your Friends and Family members a GREAT favor by sending this information to them. You will be providing a service to your friends. And you will be rewarded by not getting thousands of spam emails in the future!

 Do yourself a favor and **STOP** adding your name(S) to those types of listing regardless how inviting they might

sound! Or make you feel guilty if you don't! It's all about getting email addresses and nothing more.

You may think you are supporting a GREAT cause, but you are NOT!

Instead, you will be getting tons of junk mail later and very possibly a virus attached! Plus, we are helping the Spammers get rich! Let's not make it easy for them!

ALSO: Email petitions are NOT acceptable to Congress of any other organization - I.e. Social security, etc. To be acceptable, petitions must have a "*signed signature*" and full address of the person signing the petition, so this is a waste of time and you are just helping the email trackers.

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How to make a computer faster: 6 ways to speed up your PC

From Microsoft.com

By following a few simple guidelines, you can maintain your computer, help increase your PC speed, and help keep it running smoothly. This article discusses how to use the tools available in Windows 7, Windows Vista, and Windows XP Service Pack 3 to help make your computer faster, maintain your computer efficiently, and help safeguard your privacy when you're online.

Note: Some of the tools mentioned in this article require you to be logged on as an administrator. If you aren't logged on as an administrator, you can only change settings that apply to your user account.

1. Remove spyware, and help protect your computer from viruses

Spyware collects personal information without letting you know and without asking for permission. From the websites you visit to user names and passwords, spyware can put you and your confidential information at risk. In addition to privacy concerns, spyware can hamper your computer's performance. To combat spyware, you might want to consider using the PC safety scan from Windows Live OneCare. This scan is a free service that helps check for and remove viruses.

NOTE: Windows Live OneCare

Windows Live OneCare (previously known as Windows OneCare Live and formerly code named A1) was a computer security and performance enhancement service developed by Microsoft for Microsoft Windows. A core technology of OneCare was the multi-platform RAV (Reliable Antivirus),[1] which Microsoft purchased from GeCAD Software Srl in 2003,[2] but subsequently discontinued.[3] The software has been available as an annual paid subscription, which could be used on up to three computers.

On 18 November 2008, Microsoft announced that Windows Live OneCare would be discontinued on 30 June 2009 and will instead be offering users a new free anti-malware suite called Microsoft Security Essentials to be available before then. However, virus definitions and support for OneCare will continue until a subscription expires.[4] In the end-of-life announcement, Microsoft noted that Windows Live OneCare would not be upgraded to work with Windows 7 and would also not work in Windows 7 XP Mode.[5]

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[Download Microsoft Security Essentials](#) for free to help guard your system in the future from viruses, spyware, adware, and other malicious software (also known as malware). Microsoft Security Essentials acts as a spyware removal tool and includes automatic updates to help keep your system protected from emerging threats.

The [Microsoft Windows Malicious Software Removal Tool](#) is another utility that checks computers running Windows 7, Windows Vista, Windows XP, Windows 2000, and Windows Server 2003 for infections by specific, prevalent malicious software, including Blaster, Sasser, and Mydoom, and helps remove any infection found.

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2. Free up disk space

The Disk Cleanup tool helps you to free up space on your hard disk to improve the performance of your computer. The tool identifies files that you can safely delete and then enables you to choose whether you want to delete some or all of the identified files.

Use Disk Cleanup to:

- Remove temporary Internet files.
- Delete downloaded program files, such as Microsoft ActiveX controls and Java applets.
- Empty the Recycle Bin.
- Remove Windows temporary files, such as error reports.
- Delete optional Windows components that you don't use.
- Delete installed programs that you no longer use.
- Remove unused restore points and shadow copies from System Restore.

Tip: Typically, temporary Internet files take the most amount of space because the browser caches each page you visit for faster access later.

To use Disk Cleanup:

[Windows 7 users](#)[Windows Vista users](#)Start menu, click All Programs, click Accessories, click System Tools, and then click Disk Cleanup

[Windows XP users](#)

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3. Speed up access to data

Disk fragmentation slows the overall performance of your system. When files are fragmented, the computer must search the hard disk as a file is opened (to piece it back together). The response time can be significantly longer.

Disk Defragmenter (sometimes shortened to Defrag by users) is a Windows utility that consolidates fragmented files and folders on your computer's hard disk so that each occupies a single space on the disk. With your files stored neatly end to end, without fragmentation, reading and writing to the disk speeds up.

When to run Disk Defragmenter
In addition to running Disk Defragmenter at regular intervals (weekly is optimal), there are other times you should run it, too, such as when:

- You add a large number of files.
- Your free disk space totals 15 percent or less.
- You install new programs or a new version of the Windows operating system.

To use Disk Defragmenter:

Windows 7 users

Windows Vista usersStart button, click All Programs, click Accessories, click System Tools, and then click Disk Defragmenter

Windows XP users

Running Disk Cleanup and Disk Defragmenter on a regular basis is a proven way to help keep your computer running quickly and efficiently. If you'd like to learn how to schedule these tools and others to run automatically, please read **Speed up your PC: Automate your computer maintenance schedule**.

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4. Detect and repair disk errors

In addition to running Disk Cleanup and Disk Defragmenter to optimize the performance of your computer, you can check the integrity of the files stored on your hard disk by running the Error Checking utility.

As you use your hard drive, it can develop bad sectors. Bad sectors slow down hard disk performance and sometimes make data writing (such as file saving) difficult or even impossible. The Error Checking utility scans the hard drive for bad sectors and scans for file system errors to see whether certain files or folders are misplaced.

If you use your computer daily, you should run this utility once a week to help prevent data loss.

Run the Error Checking utility:

Tip: Only select the "Automatically fix file system errors" check box if you think that your disk contains bad sectors.

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5. Learn about ReadyBoost

If you're using Windows 7 or Windows Vista, you can use ReadyBoost to speed up your system. A new concept in adding memory to a system, it allows you to use non-volatile flash memory—like a USB flash drive or a memory card—to improve performance without having to add additional memory.

- [**Learn more about ReadyBoost in Windows 7.**](#)
- [**Learn more about ReadyBoost in Windows Vista.**](#)

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6. Upgrade to Windows 7

If you try all the previous remedies and your computer still isn't as fast as you would like it to be, you may want to consider updating to Windows 7.

- [**Find out if your computer can run Windows 7 using the Upgrade Advisor.**](#)
- [**Compare Window 7 editions.**](#)
- [**Read a third-party review of Windows 7 by David Pogue of *The New York Times*.**](#)

If the Windows 7 Upgrade Advisor determines that your computer can't run Windows 7 and you still have the need for speed, it might be time for a new computer. There are some great deals on new computers right now:

- [**Shop for new desktop computers.**](#)
- [**Shop for new laptop computers.**](#)
- [**Shop for netbooks.**](#)

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For the Kendle Fire Users

<u>Kindle Fire Overview</u>

Display size   **7in**

Processor   **Dual Core**

Screen resolution   **1024 X 600**

Internal Storage   **8GB**

Battery Life	**8 hours**
Price	**$199**
Content	**Amazon Appstore**
Connectivity	**Wi-Fi**
Ports	**USB 2.0**
Browser	**Silk, an e-mail client**
Camera	**None**

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Pre-installed functionality of Kendle

E-reader for books and periodicals

Music player

Video player

Contacts app

Doc reader for WORD, PDF, RTF, and HTML format files

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Silk web browser

Gallery in which you can view and make a few edits to photos, such as rotate and crop.

E-mail client, you can setup your existing email accounts, such as hotmail, yahoo,gmail and AOL

Quickoffice, a free version of quickoffice suite comes pre-installed and includes a wordprocessor, spreadsheet and presentation software.

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Kendle Connecting to a Network

1.Click the little MORE while at the top right corner of the Kendle screen, next to the battery gauge.

2. Click Wi-Fi then click the Wireless Networking to ON.

3. Click to select the wireless network you wish to use from the displayed list. Some may require a password or WEP/WPA passcode. When you click into any box that requires you to type keyboard will appear at the bottom of the screen.

4. Click Connect.

5. Click WEB to bring up the box to type in a URL to go to a particular web site. If there is already a URL in the box, click the + to the right of it to allow you to enter a new URL. or to search for a URL that you've already visited.

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Kendle Touchscreen

Getting to know the touchscreen

1. Tap an item to select it or doubletap to open it (such as an app)

2. Doubletap to enlarge text and doubletap again to return the text to it's original size. This works only in certain locations such as on a web page in Silk browser.

3. Place fingers apart on the screen and pinch them together to zoom in on the current view or move fingers apart on the screen to enlarge the view.

4. Swipe finger to the left to the next page in the kendle carousel or apps such as the e-reader or the Silk web browser. Swipe to the right to move to the previous page.

5. Swipe up and down to scroll up and down on a web page or on the reader.

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Kendle and Amazon Prime Membership

Amazon Prime Membership is $79/year. You receive:

Free 2-day shipping on millions of items and overnight shipping for $3.99.

Acess to free videos which includes thousands of movies and TV shows

Many free books

You may borrow a book a month and download it free to your Kendle.

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Subject: The Mass

Enlarge to full screen. Beautiful!

http://www.youtube.com/user/RomanCatholic33#p/a/u/0/CJtRXzyWuI8

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2.To view or print <u>Jmax Bits Good Services List in the Villages area</u>, click link <u>www.jmaxbits.com</u>

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4. The Villages Computer Club's web page: <u>Click here: Welcome To The Villages Computer Club</u>
To add your name to the VCC announcements list, send email to TheVCC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

5. Fred Benson's website <u>www.thevillagescomputerbasics.com</u>