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. VCC meetings will resume at Lake Miona on 7/20 with a Facebook/Social Media presentation.

The VCC web site is a good place to verify any VCC meetings http://thevillagescomputerclub.com/

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MALWARE

There is a malware out there that could leave your computer unable to go onto the internet effective Monday.

To see if your computer is clear of this malware, go to: <u>www.dns-ok.us/</u> If you're ok, you will see a green background.

DOWNLOAD A FILE ATTACHED TO AN EMAIL

- 1. Click the DOWNLOAD button at the bottom of the email (AOL), or click the paperclip(Outlook Express)
- 2. The file will be downloaded to the folder that is set as your default download folder (AOL\Download) or (File set for default in OE)
- 3. IF using AOL, the file will also pop up and you can click Open to open it.

FIND A DOWNLOADED FILE

<< I downloaded files yesterday and I am still hunting for them>>

Do you know the name of the files you downloaded?

- 1. Click FILE at the top of your AOL page.
- 2. Select DOWNLOAD MANAGER
- 3. Doubleclick the file you want to open and it should open, if not

Write down the name of the file you see listed here and:

1. RightClick START...SEARCH. (or click Start and just type the file name in the search box if using Win 7)

2. Type the name of the file (or part of the name) you want to find in the top NAME box.

- 4. Click the down arrow of the LOOK IN box and select the C: drive
- 5. Click SEARCH.
- 6. The file will then be listed along with the entire path to it's location . e.g. C:\AOLxxx\DOWNLOAD\ (and the name of the file).
- 7. You may doubleclick to open the file from here. Or go to the WINDOWS EXPLORER, click on the C: drive you can scroll down to the AOL folder, click the + sign, scroll further down to the DOWNLOAD subfolder and doubleclick it, you will find the file listed on the right hand side of the page along with all the other files that have been stored in the DOWNLOAD subfolder.

If you're running Win 7,

1. Click Start

2. Type the name of the file, or part of the name in the Search Programs or Files box

3. Click the search tool.

Asf files do not play

Can't play those .asf files??? Try this:

- 1. Open Internet Explorer
 - 2. Go to Tools in the browser
 - 3. Then to Internet Options
 - 4. Click the Security tab
 - 5. Click Custom Level

6. Under "Active Controls and plug-ins,"

Enable "Download unsigned activeX controls"

Media Player should download the codec automatically after doing the above.

Note: You can download codecs at

http://www.video-

buzz.com/download/Video/InstaCodecs/?f=IZdqIu8TS&a=6591&adid=67468 17680

If you're in the middle of doing something and need info you can type <u>www.google.com</u> and click ENTER to go to that web site, if you're signed online already.

Connect to an Available Wireless Network

When you connect your computer to a network by using an Ethernet cable, Win 7 automatically creates the network connection. To connect to a wireless network for the first time, YOU need to make the connection.

Connect to an Available Wireless Network

1. In the notification area look for either a single monitor screen or a stack of reeds toy. This will be the icon for the wireless connection. Click that icon to open the wireless network box where there will be a list of wireless networks that are available. If the network says Secured, it means you must enter a wep or wpa code before you can connect.

2. There may also be a box to click to show Available Wireless Networks. you should recognize your own wireless network since you set it up.

3. Click the wireless network to which you wish to connect, then click the Connect button. If necessary enter the WEP or WPA password.

4. In Win 7 each network profile includes these settings:

a. Network discovery - can the computer see and be seen by other computers connected to the same network.

b. File and printer sharing - shows if network users can access files and printers you have shared.

c. Public folder sharing - shows if network users can access files stored in the Public folders in your computer.

d. Media streaming - shows if network users can access music, videos and pictures stored in your media library.

e. File sharing - shows the security requirements for devices that connect to your computer's file sharing connections.

f. Password-protected sharing - shows if files are available to any network user or only to users with user accounts in your computer.

g. HomeGroup connections - shows if only those with User Accounts can be joined to your homegroup.

Note: Network connection types and homegroups may not be available on a computer running an earlier version of Windows.

EXE File Attachments

Some Internet Service Providers do not allow .exe files to be sent or received. One such ISP is gmail.com. Some email programs set as default to block executable (.exe) files attached to email received, one that does that is Outlook Express. There is a way around both.

To send .exe file attachments:

1. Locate the .exe file that you wish to send to someone attached to an email by rightclicking Start...Explore and scroll to the folder where the .exe file is stored.

Doubleclick that folder so the files are listed on the right side of the screen. IF you do not see the extensions, look at the toolbar above the list of files and click the one that is a little square with icons. Select Details and now you should be able to see extensions.

- 2. Right click the particular file that you wish send and select COPY, then rightclick the Desktop at the top of column at left side of screen and select paste. A copy of the file will be pasted on the desktop. You do this to prevent anything happening to the original .exe file stored in your computer.
- **3.** Right click this file on your desktop and select RENAME. Highlight the .exe and type in it's place .e_x_e and then click outside the name box. You have changed the extension which is not allowed by the email program to an extension which it will not recognize as an executable extension.
- 4. Now, bring up your email program that does not allow you to send .exe files, address it, write any message you wish to send along including instructions for the recipient of the email to download the attached file, then rightclick the file and change the .e_x_e to .exe as the extension.
- 5. Click Attach and locate the file you stored on your desktop with the .e_x_e extension. Doubleclick it or click and then select OPEN. This will attach the file to your email.
 - 6. Click SEND or SEND NOW. The email should go carrying with it the executable file which will not open and execute it's program so long as the extension is not .exe.

OUTLOOK EXPRESS 6.0 BLOCKS SUSPICIOUS ATTACHMENTS

OE has as default to block any email received that has a 'suspicious' file attached. Any .exe file would be a 'suspicious' file. Since you are using Anti-virus and Anti-spyware programs to give you security, you do not need OE to decide which files you wish to receive and which files you do not wish to receive.

If you are unable to open attachments or if they are deleted automatically from email, check this: 1. Click TOOLS...OPTIONS...SECURITY.

2. UnCheck the box:"Do not allow attachments to be saved or opened that could potentially be a virus."

Your antivirus program should take over that function. REMEMBER the antivirus program is only effective if it is updated at least weekly.

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