VCC meeting on Friday Sept. 7th , <u>La Hacienda at</u> 1:00PM

This week's program will feature a presentation by Don Kobes & Pete Rosendahl:

Buying and Selling on Ebay/Internet

See how it's done?

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 Troubleshooting Request form found at http://thevillagescomputerclub.com/ and bring it to the meeting.

Sign up to be on the VCC email list at the VCC home page (above)

For more information on the VCC please reference the clubs web site (above)

Guests are always welcome as long as they have . For information, email Paul Rabenold at **TVCC.Pres@gmail.com**

If you have not done so check out **The Villages Computer Plus Club** meetings at http://www.villagescomputerplus.com/meetings.html

Important Information for Hearing Impaired

As most of you know my husband, Charles does not hear well. A friend told us about a CAPTION CALL service which provides a special telephone FREE which has a monitor screen that shows in text the words spoken on the phone. It even indicates a (laugh). Charlie's phone was installed FREE this morning and it is absolutely wonderful.

Should you have a need for such a phone call 1-877-557-2227 and mention code CMR70435. This code is my 'special needs phone code'. It tells them who recommended the service to them. You will then receive an email from Caption Call telling you about the service. In that email, it mentions a \$49 charge, but when your phone is installed they cancel that charge. If you decide not get a phone, of course you are not charged.

I got one of these free phones for my mother many years ago but this one is greatly improved. So easy to add contacts, read the text of the callers words, etc, and it even has your voice mail.

I'm sure you will be as happy with it as Charlie and I are. I asked them who pays for this because I don't believe there is anything really 'free'. A few pennies (I believe it was 3)is charged each person in the USA who has a phone. This money is used to furnish a special phone free of charge to those with impaired hearing. Please let me know what you think of the phone.

Jmax

Computer Rebooting Cycle

Heat can cause a computer to reboot. A faulty fan or seized fan may not be cooling as it should. Also, dust bunnies can clog the fan. As soon as the CPU heats up, it will reboot. Try this.

- 1. Shutdown the computer and allow it to cool for about 10 minutes.
- 2. Remove the cover on the CPU cover.
- 3. Power up the CPU. If it doesn't reboot as it did before the problem may well be a non-working fan or a fan clogged with dust bunnies, a mouse, a snake or other air-blocking agent.
- 4. To remove 'dust bunnies' or such, shutdown computer, unplug from power. Open the case and using a can of compressed air blow out the dust.

Note: In Win 7 it's a good idea to uncheck the automatic restart in system failure because should a system failure occur such as the blue screen of death, the computer begins restart and doesn't stop it just continues to reboot...rebootreboot.

To disable this feature:

- 1. Click Start...Control Panel
- 2. Click System
- 3. On the left column click Advanced system Settings
- 4 Under System Startup and Recovery, uncheck automatically restart

Screen Savers

Several years ago, screen savers were necessary because if a particular screen was left showing on the monitor too long, it could be burned into the monitor screen so that it was faintly always visible. The monitor screens of today do not require a screen saver...it is best to NOT use one as they are also resource hogs.

Q. I have a screen saver that I want to remove but it won't allow me to delete it. How can I get rid of it?

A. The screen savers are .scr files. The ones that came with the computer will be listed in the Windows\system32 folder or in the SP2 folder. Screen Savers that you have added to the computer as .scr files may be stored anywhere. So do this:

- 1. Rightclick Start...click Search
- 2. Type into the top box *.scr 3. In the LOOK IN box, click the down arrow and select your C: drive as the place to look.
- 4. Click Search. (this will search for every .scr file on your hard drive)
 Every screen saver file will be listed, so give it time to find all of them. Then scroll down the list to the one you do not EVER want on your computer again, rightclick it and select DELETE. It will put it in the recycle bin...leave it there for a week to make sure you don't change your mind. Then you can empty the recycle bin.

But...if you just don't like the screen saver that's being used now, you can select NONE for screen saver and you want get a screen saver popping up. Just

- 1. rightclick the desktop and select Properties.
- 2. Click the Screen Saver tab.
- 3. Scroll up the list of screen savers and select NONE
- 4. Click Apply and Ok

Or....if you just want to use a different screen saver,

- 1. Rightclick the desktop and select Properties (in Win 7 click Personalize)
- 2. click the Screen Saver tab to bring up the list of screen savers available.
- 3. Scroll down the list and pick the one you want to use, click it and click Apply and Save.

Background or Screen Saver Removed

Rightclick START and click SEARCH

Type in the name of the file, if you know it, such as pianolady.* in the NAME box Click the down arrow in the LOOK IN box and select the C:\ drive.

Click Find now or SEARCH.

The file will be listed on the right side of the screen. Look to the right of the name and you will see which folder it has been saved in, probably System32 folder if using XP.

Now, go to CONTROL PANEL and click ADD/REMOVE programs. Scroll down and see if there is a program listed as Pianolady. If so, click to select and then click the REMOVE button.

IF you do not find it listed in ADD/REMOVE PROGRAMS, then just locate it in the windows\system32 folder, rightclick it and delete it. It will be sent to the recycle bin. Leave it there for a week to be sure your computer is not going to be looking for that file. If after a week no computer problems have been caused, empty the recycle bin.

Screen Saver Fix in XP

This issue might occur due to sleep mode option timing is set to a shorter period than the screen saver timing that is causing the PC to directly going to sleep instead of to screen saver mode. Therefore, to isolate and resolve the issue, I recommend you to perform the steps provided below:

- 1. Right-click the desktop background, and select Properties.
- 2. Select Screen Saver tab.
- 3. Select the screen saver to be used from the screen saver menu list.
- 4. Select the number of minutes to WAIT until screen saver activates.
- 5. Click Apply and OK.
- 6. Click Power to go to the Power Management screen.
- 7. In the Power Options window, next to 'Turn off the Display', dropdown to a time that you want that is greater than the Screen Saver wait time or set to Never.
- 8. Also, next to 'Put the Computer to Sleep', dropdown to a time that you want that is greater than the Screen Saver wait time or set to Never.
- 9. Save the changes and close all the windows.

This will disable the sleep mode time to increase and let the screen saver work properly.

Best 30 results for Screen Savers Win 7

- 1. Change your screen saver
- 2. Turn your screen saver on or off
- 3. <u>Use your Windows password for your screen saver password</u>
- 4. Delete a screen saver
- 5. <u>Use pictures as a screen saver</u>
- 6. Personalizing your computer
- 7. Create a theme
- 8. Turn off your screen saver when playing video
- 9. Using themes
- 10. Windows Basics: all topics
- 11. Corrupted files: frequently asked questions
- 12. Change your desktop background (wallpaper)
- 13. Change your screen resolution
- 14. Upgrade to another edition of Windows 7 by using Windows Anytime Upgrade
- 15. Use Snipping Tool to capture screen shots
- 16. Spyware: frequently asked questions
- 17. Find which edition of Windows 7 you are using
- 18. Change, create, or delete a power plan (scheme)
- 19. Protect your computer with a password
- 20. See your pictures as a slide show
- 21. Introduction to computers
- 22. Install or delete fonts
- 23. Create a desktop background slide show

- 24. What is a theme?
- 25. Power plans: frequently asked questions
- 26. What happened to Windows Sidebar?
- 27. Turn on High Contrast
- 28. Sleep and hibernation: frequently asked questions
- 29. Change, add, or remove a drive letter
- 30. Keyboard shortcuts

Make Your Own Personal Screen Saver In Win XP.

- 1. Right click on the desktop, go to "Properties"
- 2. Click the "Screen Saver" tab.
- 3. Scroll down to My Pictures Slideshow.
- 4.Click the "Settings" button and make the specific adjustments, such as picture size, transition effects and etc.
- 5. Click "Browse" to find the <u>folder</u> where the particular images or photos are stored. If there are some pictures within that folder that you do NOT want to use in the Slideshow screensaver, you may wish to create a New Folder and add only those pictures that you wish to be shown.
- 6. After selecting the folder that contains only those pictures for the screen saver slideshow, click "OK" .

If you want to have a look into the preview click "Preview" and see what happens.

- 7. In the WAIT: box enter the time when the screen saver should begin.
- 8. Click Apply and Ok.

Using CutePDF Writer to create PDF document:

DO NOT look for any application to run. Just print your document using CutePDF Writer (the printer) to get PDF output.

- 1. Open your original document and select **Print** command in File menu of your application to bring up **Print** dialog box. (CutePDF will be listed with the Printers when installed)
- Then select CutePDF Writer as the Printer to print (**DO NOT select "Print to file"** option).
- 3. You will get a Save As dialog box prompted for saving created PDF file. Select a folder to Save in and enter a File name, then click on **Save**.
- 4. Go to that folder to find your PDF file.

This should be frightening to women everywhere!!

https://www.youtube.com/embed/6e3udzHIiVs?feature=player_detailpage



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 <u>HELP</u> 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
- 3. To sign up for the non-computer newsletter, send an email to VLGSClassifieds@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 The VCC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

5. Fred Benson's website www.thevillagescomputerbasics.com