# VCC meeting on Friday Sept 14th, Lake Miona at 1:00PM

This week's program will feature a presentation by **Paul Rabenold on Skype** 

# **Installing and Using Skype**

Calling friends and family anywhere in the world

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 <a href="http://thevillagescomputerclub.com/">http://thevillagescomputerclub.com/</a> 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 <a href="http://www.villagescomputerplus.com/meetings.html">http://www.villagescomputerplus.com/meetings.html</a>

#### Nook Book

# from John Flemming

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How to make a bootable SD card running CyanogenMod for the Nook

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Windows volk need to use the WinImage program to write the generic-sdcard-v1.3.img image file to the appropriate micro SD card drive mounted on their system. glasskeys.com/2011/06/27/how-to-make-a-bootable-sd-card-running...

• [HOW-TO] Download and Install CM7 to Run Off SD Card - Android Forums

Grab the installer image here: http://crimea.edu/~green/nook/generic-sdcard-v1.3.img.gz it's a ~9M image that would unpack into ~130M disk image. androidforums.com/nookcolor-all-things-root/367116-how-download...

Looking for a stable build on microSD? - Android Tablet Forum

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## **Kindle Fire**

Go to Wireless Using Kindle Fire

- 1. Turn on Kindle
- 2. Click the little wheel at the top right corner, next to the battery icon and select Wi-Fi.
- 3. Click ON. A list of the wireless networks within your range will show up.
- 4. Click YOUR wireless network (the same one you use on your laptop).
- 5. The first time you select it, it will require that you enter the WEP or WPA passcode that secures your laptop wireless. After you put it in, it won't ask for it again.
- 6. Click Connect..you will see it 'securing ip address,etc.'' Just wait until it says CONNECTED.

Now you will be able to go to the web or to your email

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## To connect Kindle Fire to Wi-Fi follow these simple steps:

- 1. Tap the Quick Settings icon in the top right hand corner of the Home screen.
- 2. Select Wi-Fi.
- 3. Ensure Wireless Networking switch is in the on position.

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#### **Kindle Fire Contacts Favorites and Email**

#### **Contacts**

- 1. There are 2 ways to bring up contact list.
- a. On the home page, type into the search box near the top of the page, "contacts" without quotes. Click Search.
- b. Open email program, click the Options icon at the bottom of the page and select Contacts.
- 2. To add a contact, click Options icon at bottom that looks like a box with 3 shelves. Select New Contact.
- 3. Add Name, Phone # and email address. Click Save

#### **Kindle Fire Favorites**

A short list of Favorite contacts can be created containing only the contacts you Most often contact.

- 1. Bring up the contact list, click a name you wish to add to your Favorite list and click the 'dim' star at the right of that name. The star will become a bright gold color and this name will be added to the Favorite Contacts. Add all contacts you wish to include on this list.
- 2. When you wish to email or phone a person on your favorites list, bring up the Contacts list, which may be very long, and click Favorites at the top right of the page.

## Send An Email using Kindle Fire

- 1. Open your email program by clicking the blue envelope icon on the home page that has @ on it.
- 2. To send an email, click the Options icon at the bottom of the list of email and select Contacts.
- 3. Doubleclick the email option by the name and a message box will open.
- 4. Write the email then click SEND near the bottom of the page.

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## **Kindle Fire Imports Addresses**

You can import contacts on Kindle Fire only if your e-mail provider is Gmail or Yahoo. Importing contacts from AOL or Hotmail is not currently supported.

To import your contacts automatically, check the box "Import Contacts" while setting up your e-mail account.

Or you can manually add contacts later by opening "Contacts" under Apps. Then tap the menu key at the bottom of the screen and select "New contact."

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## **Kindle Tutorials**

**Click Here: Click here: Amazon.com Help** 

# **Kindle Fire Support Videos**

- Registering Your Kindle Fire
- Connecting Your Kindle Fire
- Setting Your 1-Click Payment Method
- Navigating Your Kindle Fire

- Using Your Kindle Fire
- Using Amazon Silk on Kindle Fire
- Troubleshooting Your Kindle Fire

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iPad user guide

http://manuals.info.apple.com/en/ipad\_user\_guide.pdf

# Ridiculously awesome iPad tips and tricks

By Marc Saltzman | <u>Digital Crave</u> – Thu, May 10, 2012 5:09 PM EDT http://shopping.yahoo.com/blogs/digital-crave/ridiculously-awesome-ipad-tips-tricks-210948557.html

Think you know your **Apple tablet** inside and out?

Oh, sure, you're well aware of double-tapping the Home screen to see all open apps, enabling iCloud to wirelessly sync content between devices and how to group apps into folders -- but there is a lot more to your beloved 9.7-inch iPad (from \$499).

And so the following is a handful of lesser-known tips and tricks to getting the most out of your iPad.

If you have a few suggestions to share of your own, be sure to submit them in the Comments section below — so you get the credit for them.

## Split keyboard

If you like to type while holding the <u>iPad</u>, simply press on the virtual keyboard with both thumbs and drag to each side of the tablet. You'll then see the keyboard split into two, grouping the left and right portions of the keyboard together near the corner of the screen. Now, whether you hold the iPad vertically or horizontally, this makes it easier to type using your thumbs while holding the tablet at the same time — instead of trying to stretch your thumbs to reach letters in the middle, like G and H.

## Speak to me

The new iPad doesn't have Siri — the powerful voice-activated "personal assistant" feature built into the iPhone 4S — but it does offer built-in voice dictation. Once you enable it in the Settings menu, you'll see a small microphone icon on the lower left of your keyboard (to the left of the spacebar). Tap it when typing an email, iMessage, note or searching the web and start talking. You'll find it's surprisingly accurate — even in somewhat noisy environments — and even works in third-party apps like Facebook or Twitter. But be aware you need an Internet connection (cellular or Wi-Fi) for this feature to work. iPad 1 and 2 users should download the free Dragon Dictation app from Nuance.

#### **Snap that screen**

If you see something you like on your iPad screen — a high-score in a video game, funny emoticon during a chat session or cool website — simply press and hold the Home button and quickly tap the Power button on top of the iPad. This will take a screen grab of whatever you're looking at on the iPad; you'll see a brief white flash and hear a camera click noise to confirm the shot has been taken and will be saved to your Camera Roll. Alternatively, if there's an image you like while browsing the web, press and hold on the image and choose "Save."

### Roam if you want to

If you're using a <u>3G or 4G/LTE iPad</u>, you can turn data roaming on in the Settings menu, allowing you to access the Internet in another country. But be aware fees will apply, and they can be pretty hefty, so be sure to check with your provider (e.g. AT&T) about roaming costs per megabyte. You can check your data usage by going to Settings>General>Usage. Also, keep in mind, you can swap out your local SIM card with

one from a carrier in the country you're going to, in order to avoid roaming fees — or disable cellular connectivity at all and only use free Wi-Fi, if cash is tight.

#### Copy en masse

Saying you're writing a lengthy email, note or something in a word processor and you need to select a lot of text. You probably tap on the words in question, line up those blue pushpin thingies and stretch to cover all the text you need to highlight. There is an easier way to highlight an entire paragraph, in fact. Simply quickly tap four times on the text in question and you'll see the entire text will be blue, so you can copy or cut and paste it elsewhere, or delete it. Remember, this only works on editable text and not websites or ebooks, and such. Cool, huh?

#### You can touch this

Just like <u>Macs</u>, you can use multi-fingered gestures to perform tasks quickly on the iPad. For example, close any open app by simply placing your outstretched fingers and thumb on the screen and pinching inwards. Or scroll between all open apps by dragging four fingers left or right on the screen. Or did you know you could create your own gestures? First, go to Settings>General>Accessibility, and then enable AssistiveTouch to record a gesture and the action it should perform. Sweet!

#### Those dang kids

Are your kids buying all kinds of in-game goodies, like Smurfberries and virtual coins, without your consent? You can, in fact, turn off in-app purchases on your iPad. Simply go to Settings>General>Restrictions and tap Enable Restrictions at the top of the screen. Now you can select what restrictions you want to impose for apps, music, movies, TV shows, web browsing, location-based services, video calling, and more. If all you're only concerned with is in-app purchases, you can restrict this, by sliding over the words "In-App Purchases."

#### **Battery bust**

Those who've upgraded their iPad to the third-generation model know it can take a lot longer to charge up the <a href="new iPad">new iPad</a> — due to the much larger battery used to compensate for the power-sucking features like the Retina display, 1080p camera and 4G/LTE connectivity. So here are a few tips to saving battery life so you don't have to keep it plugged into the wall all day: reduce the brightness of your screen, turn off wireless radios you don't use (such as GPS or Bluetooth), limit the number of push-based notifications and ensure apps aren't running in the background (double-tap the Home button and manually close minimized apps).

#### Switch it up

Ever since iOS 4.3, you've been able to customize what the little switch does on the right side of the iPad. By default, it turns audio on and off. But you can also program that switch

to lock your screen orientation so it won't switch between portrait and landscape view whenever you handle the tablet. To do this, go to Settings>General, look for where it says "Use Side Switch to:" and then change it from Mute to Lock Orientation. That's it! Tap your iPad's home button to exit it out of Settings and enter your desktop (Home Screen).

#### Get back

Ever delete an app on your iPad and want it back — especially if you paid for it? There are three ways to do it. If you don't have your PC or Mac handy, open the App Store and go to download it again. Where the price is listed, it should say "Install" instead of "Free" or "\$4.99" or whatever. Or, in the App Store app, tap on the Purchased icon at the bottom (between Categories and Updates) and at the top you can select "Not On This iPad" and you'll see a list of all apps associated with your iTunes account that aren't installed on the iPad. The third way is connecting the iPad to your computer and synchronizing it again with the desired app selected in iTunes.

#### I've been framed

This is an oldie but a goodie. Well, if you consider something that worked as far back as 2010 as "old." And it's surprising how many people don't know about this one. You can turn your tablet into a digital photo frame. Press the Home button to wake up your iPad (where is says "Slide to Unlock") and tap the small icon with the flower on it. Doing this launches a photo slideshow built into the iPad. To tweak settings, go to Settings>Photos, and under Slideshow you can select during for each photo, and adjust repeat and shuffle options. To change the style of slideshow, go to the Photos app on your iPad and under Photos, tap the Slideshow tab to choose transition type and what song to play (if any).

#### Let's connect

Apple's \$29 <u>Camera Connection Kit</u> lets you import photos or videos onto the iPad without requiring a computer. It consists of a USB port to connect your camera via USB cable and a SD card slot to insert the memory card; both attachments snap into the 30-pin connector at the bottom of the iPad. But did you know you could also attach a desktop keyboard, microphone or MIDI instruments, such as a keyboard, to the USB port? In fact, you can connect one of those inexpensive USB hubs to attach multiple devices to the iPad at the same time.

#### Read between the lines

Still hungry for more iPad tips and tricks? You can download a free 145-page ebook from Apple, entitled <u>iPad User Guide for OS 5.1</u> — it's actually the no. 1 free download at the iBookstore (be sure to download the free iBooks app first). Alternatively, you can download the free PDF version of the <u>iPad User's Guide (OS 4.3)</u> from Apple's website. This ebook

contains basic information on how to use the tablet rather than little-known tips and tricks, but should still teach you a few things you weren't aware of.

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#### **Acronym Finder**

So many people use abbreviations of all kinds of words or phrases, especially since they've learned texting on cellphones. These acronyms are too often used in emails as well.

- 1. Go to Click here: Abbreviations and acronyms dictionary: Find definitions for over 4,219,000 abbreviations, acronyms, and initialism
- 2. Type the acronym into the box at the top of the page.
- 3. Click Find.

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How to clear the cache in Internet Explorer

- 1. Open Internet Explorer. Click the Tools menu on the top left of the IE toolbar. Select Internet Options.
- 2. Click on "Delete Browsing History."
- 3. On the page that appears, the top 3 items should be checked. Click delete at bottom of page.
- 4. Click Apply and Ok.

To set Internet Explorer so it automatically clears the cache:

- 1. Open Internet Explorer. Click the Tools menu on the top left of the IE toolbar.
- 1. Click on Internet Options.
- 2. Click the Advanced tab.
- 3. Scroll down to the Security section.
- 4. Click to check the box next to the option labeled "Empty Temporary Internet Files folder when browser is closed."
- 5. Click OK. This will delete everything except cookies.

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The \$50 Lesson

Recently, while I was working in the flower beds in the front yard, my neighbors stopped to chat as they returned home from walking their dog.

During our friendly conversation, I asked their little girl what she wanted to be when she grows up.

She said she wanted to be President some day.

Both of her parents, liberal Democrats, were standing there, so I asked her, "If you were President what would be the first thing you would do?"

She replied... "I'd give food and houses to all the homeless people."

Her parents beamed with pride!

"Wow...what a worthy goal!" I said. "But you don't have to wait until you're President to do that!" I told her.

"What do you mean?" she replied.

So I told her, "You can come over to my house and mow the lawn, pull weeds, and trim my hedge, and I'll pay you \$50. Then you can go over to the grocery store where the homeless guy hangs out, and you can give him the \$50 to use toward food and a new house."

She thought that over for a few seconds, then she looked me straight in the eye and asked, "Why doesn't the homeless guy come over and do the work, and you can just pay him the \$50?"

I said, "Welcome to the Republican Party."

Her parents aren't speaking to me.



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