The Villages Computer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday Feb 1st at La Hacienda Recreation Center. Please join us for a workshop on Windows 8, iPad and other subjects related to Windows 7, Networking, Email, etc.

There will be refreshments and door prizes. Check out our web site at www.thevillagescomputerclub.com

Guests are always welcome, please bring your village ID card. For information or to sign up to be on the VCC email list, visit the website or email Paul Rabenold at TVCC.Pres@gmail.com.

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The next iPad /Android meeting will be on Tuesday February 5, 2013 at 1:30, Colony Cottage.

We will be discussing basic operations for about ½ hour, apps, Paul Rabenold and John Campbell will be assisting, And have a question and answer period.

I am in the process of updating the apps list I sent you, and I **need your** favorite apps to put on the list. This is one the ideas of having a club so we can share apps.

If you have any questions, let me know.

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Win 8 Lock Screen Disabled

If you're not familiar with it, the lock screen is enabled after a Windows 8 PC is awoken from sleep mode. The lock screen often displays the current local weather, the time, and the number of emails waiting in your inbox.

To dismiss the lock screen, a user must close it with a click or drag up and away using the touch screen controls (assuming your PC contains touch screen hardware).

Only then will you be presented with a log-in prompt where you can enter your user name and password.

Some users might find the information presented by the lock screen useful, but for others it's just an annoying obstacle that decreases productivity.

Disable Win 8 Lock Screen

From the Windows 8 Start screen, hit the Windows key and 'R' at the same time. A run dialog box will then appear.

In that dialog box, type gpedit.msc and click 'OK.' You will then be presented with the Local Group Policy Editor.

Next, click on 'Computer Configuration,' 'Administrative Tools,' 'Control Panel,' and finally 'Personalization.'

You'll then be presented with a few options related to the lock screen. From this display you can change the lock screen image or completely disable the lock screen.

To disable the lock screen, simply double-click 'Do not display the lock screen.'

One last dialog box will then appear. Once it does, simply select 'Enabled' and then click 'OK.' (Keep in mind the wording here: you're 'enabling' 'Do not display the lock screen.')

Once you've changed these settings, you shouldn't see that annoying lock screen on your Windows 8 computer ever again!

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AOL DataMask Fix

This program offered by AOL places a small box at the top right of your screen. When you are online it continually changes the letters shown. These are the scrambled letters a hacker would see when trying to find you online. They would not be able to see the correct ipaddress or the URL.

If the box is blank when you're online a 'fix' is shown below. However, I just waited a couple of days and mine started working again without reinstalling.

To Uninstall:

- Uninstall any previous version of Data Mask By AOL present on your system by going to Windows Start>>Control Panel>> Programs (Add/Remove Program or Uninstall a Program) and uninstalling the Software(DataMask By AOL)
- Reboot your system. **This step is very important**
- Delete the following folders from your system(if present)

(for 32 bit machine)
o C:\Program Files\AOL\DataMask by AOL (for 32 bit machine)
(for 64 bit machine)
o C:\Program Files (x86) \AOL\DataMask by AOL (for 64 bit machine)

To reinstall the software , Please download the software from the same location. i.e

- If its From AOL My Benefits page, please revisit your benefits page and re-download the software.
- If its through Life-store Conformation mail, Please reopen the Conformation mail which consists of Download link and re-download the software.
- After successful installation, Please Reboot your system. **This step is very important**

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reply back and we are happy to help you.

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Linksys Router Reset

1-800-326-7114- Linksys support

If the router fails to allow connect to web, run POWER CYCLE.
DO NOT PRESS RESET ON ROUTER

Modem Power Cycle
1. Shut down the computer.
2. Unplug Router's power cord.
3. Turn off modem, in that order.
4. Wait 30 sec.
5. Turn on modem, wait for 3 lights green,
6. Plug power cord back to router, wait for it's lights.
7. Turn on the computer.
Bring up Internet Explorer and now it should go to web sites.

LINKSYS WIRELESS PROTECTION
Go to Linksys website by bringing up browser and type in 192.168.1.1 and click GO. Type in the password given in your Linksys manual (if this is the first time, the default is to tab past the User and type admin into the password box)
1. Click Wireless….wireless Security.
2. Key 1. type in (10 digit # used to protect network). Click SAVE Settings. Now in order for anyone to access your particular wireless internet network(name), they must know and enter the Key 1 setting

SETUP WIRELESS ADAPTERS FOR XP
1. Plug cable from router to the ethernet port to be able to get to internet.
2. go to www.linksys.com/connect.
3. Click NETSET ASSIST
This will install and setup the Linksys adapter.
You can now connect to the internet.
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Java in a nutshell...

1) Java is a programing language.
2) What's installed on your pc is considered the "JVM" or Java Virtual Machine.
3) It's the "client" pieces needed to run java programs from a website.
4) Previous versions are typically not uninstalled, because different web-based programs may require different versions of the Java client.
5) Multiple versions can co-exist on the same machine with RELATIVELY minor conflicts.

6) by default install, the java client will periodically check for available updates, which are released roughly every month or so.

7) You can turn off the update though. Go into CONTROL PANEL, and click the JAVA icon. Depending on your current version the option to turn off auto-updating of java is typically on the "Advanced" or "Updates" tab.

There's really no need to constantly update it, any web-based program which requires it, will prompt you when an update is absolutely required.

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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.

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What we didn't know about Israel - but SHOULD
http://www.youtube.com/embed/yd3V3JC35-U?
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