HEADS UP! Rummage Sale at United Methodist Church in Lady Lake,FI begins tomorrow 3/6, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday (1/2 price) 7:30a-3p, Saturday (bag day) 7:30a-12p.

IPad Meeting

There will be an iPad Club meeting on Tuesday, March 5 1:30pm at Colony Cottage. We will start with a presentation on various apps and iCloud by John Campbell, then I will discuss several travel apps. We will discuss Basic Operations on the iPad and iDevices and answering questions. Hope to see you there, Art Fenn 430-0252

The Villages Computer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday March 8th at Lake Miona Recreation Center.

The program will feature a presentation on Skype and Manycam by Paul Rabenold and Fred Benson. There is lot's to discuss about Skype Microsoft is starting to incorporate it into their software products.

Following the presentation will be refreshments, 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 <u>thevillagescomputerclub.com</u> and bring it to the meeting.

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 <u>TVCC.Pres@gmail.com</u>.

computer basics tutorials aim to introduce Windows beginners to the basic skills required to work with Windows, no matter what version of the operating system you have. If you're a PC beginner, you can learn about the keyboard, mouse and basic techniques that are used in most Windows software. Reading and practicing 1 Tutorial a week and in 6 weeks you'll be ready to volunteer to make Basics presentation, I guarantee. Jmax

Tutorial 1 - Introduction to the mouse <u>Tutorial 2 - Introduction to the keyboard</u> <u>Tutorial 3 - The clipboard and cut, copy and paste</u> <u>Tutorial 4 - More keyboard techniques</u> <u>Tutorial 5 - Mouse properties</u> <u>Tutorial 6 - Files, folders and paths</u>

See also

<u>Microsoft's guide to using menus, buttons bars and boxes</u> <u>Windows XP Tutorial 2 - Using the Mouse in Windows (</u>also relevant to Vista/Windows 7 users) <u>Windows XP Tutorial 3 - Windows in Windows</u> (also relevant to Vista/Windows 7 users) <u>Windows XP Tutorial 5 - Files and Folders Demystified</u> Note: IF you're using AOL, the installed Client program, drag the red heart from this website up onto your carousel so it will be there and easy to get to for study.

Note2: Also at this site on the left side is a list of other 'how to' instructions that includes much more than just BASIC information. Check out the items on that list also.

Win 7 Tutorials

- <u>WINDOWS 7 DESKTOP</u>
- <u>Hide or show desktop icons</u>
- Enable or disable "Align to Grid" desktop icons
- Sort your desktop icons by name, size, item type, or date modified
- Enable or disable Auto Arrange desktop icons
- <u>Change the size of desktop icons + create custom icon dimensions</u>
- <u>Change the "My Computer" icon</u>
- <u>Change the "Recycle Bin" icon</u>
- <u>Restore your default desktop icons</u>
- <u>Prevent themes from changing your desktop icons</u>
- <u>Show/hide common desktop icons: Computer/User/Network/Recycle</u> <u>Bin/Control Panel</u>
- <u>Configure Recycle Bin settings</u>
- <u>Show multiple program windows at the same time (stacked / side-by-side)</u>
- <u>Change wallpaper (desktop background): picture or solid color</u>
- <u>Resize / move your desktop wallpaper: Fill, Fit, Stretch, Tile, Center</u>
- <u>Automatically change (rotate) wallpaper desktop background picture</u>
- <u>Find and download free Windows Wallpapers online (Windows 7 / Vista / XP)</u>
- < SHOW ALL WINDOWS 7 TUTORIALS</p>

Windows Services

To view the list of Win 7 Services, rightclick COMPUTER, select MANAGE, click SERVICES & Applications.

SVCHOST Problem

DO NOT remove svchost.exe. This is a core operation system file that is used to run other applications. You need to find out what application svchost is running. Once you find this out you can decide whether or not to stop this program from launching. To find out what program is consuming 50% of you CPU time, download and run process explorer from Microsoft. The file is procexp.exe.

To you download it from this page. The page also tells you how to install it and how to use it.

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/bb896653.aspx

You will probably find the offending program in the start tab of msconfig.

Go to start/run

Type in "msconfig" and then OK

Click the startup tab and look for the program. Uncheck the box next to it and then OK. Restart your computer.

WINDOWS HELP AND SUPPORT

If you do not know how to perform a task in Windows, you can use the Help feature to find information about the task. Here's how:

1. Click start to display the Start menu.

2. Click Help and Support.

The Help and Support window appears. Common help topics, ways that you can ask for assistance and the tasks for which you can receive help are displayed.

3. To search for specific help information type a word or phrase that describes the topic of interest into the SEARCH box.

4. Press the Enter key to start the search.

Help topics that match the information you entered are displayed.

Example: Type into the search box spoolsv.exe and press ENTER or click the search icon. It will tell you what spoolsv.exe does

5. Click the help topic of interest.

The help topic you selected is displayed. Windows highlights each occurrence of the word or phrase you searched for.

6. When you finish reviewing help information, close the Help and Support Center window.

This tip applies to Windows XP, Vista and Win 7 as well. Note: Most Windows Help and Support Index also has aTutorial which will give you a tour of the OS you're using

CD KEY TO REINSTALL A PROGRAM

CAUTION: Using Regedit is not recommended for new computer users. Good idea to always backup the registry to a folder on your hard drive before making ANY changes in the registry.

If you've lost the Windows cardboard envelope that had the CD Key on the back of it and need to reinstall Windows, you can track down your CD Key by peering into the Registry.

- 1. Click START...RUN and type in regedit. Click OK..
- 2. Once you have the Registry Editor up, double-click HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE.
- 3. Click the + by each following subkeys in succession:

Software Microsoft **Windows**

- 4. Doubleclick CurrentVersion
- 5. Write down the number by ProductID on the right side of the screen.
- 6. Click File and Edit to close Regedit.
- 7. At the desktop, rightclick MY COMPUTER and click properties. The number you've just copied from the registry should be the same as the number on the My Computer Properties screen.

CAUTION: Using Regedit is not recommended for new computer users. EVEN EXPERIENCED USERS SHOULD CREATE A NEW SYSTEM RESTORE POINT BEFORE MAKING ANY CHANGES IN THE REGISTRY. IF YOU FIND YOU'VE MADE AN ERROR, YOU CAN USE THAT RESTORE POINT TO RETURN THE REGISTRY TO THE WAY IT WAS PRIOR TO MAKING THAT CHANGE. Another way to obtain the Key number is to download and install free Belarc Advisor and run it. It will list all programs on your computer and most of them will also list their Key.

WARNING!!!!

NEW TRAFFIC LAW - 2010 If a patrol car is pulled over to the side of the road, you have to change to the next lane (away from the stopped vehicle) OR slow down to at least 20 mph under the posted speed limit. Every state and Maryland and the D.C. has this law. Fines are really high and most include 3 points.

This same law applies to tow trucks and medical emergency vehicles like ambulances on the side of the road.

A poem for computer buffs

The computer swallowed grandma. Yes, honestly it's true! She pressed 'control and 'enter' And disappeared from view. It devoured her completely, The thought just makes me squirm. She must have caught a virus Or been eaten by a worm. I've searched through the recycle bin And files of every kind; I've even used the Internet, But nothing did I find. In desperation, I asked Jeeves My searches to refine. The reply from him was negative, Not a thing was found 'online.' So, if inside your 'Inbox,' My Grandma you should see, Please 'Copy, Scan' and 'Paste' her And send her back to me.

This is a tribute to all the Grandmas and Grandpas who have been fearless and learned to use the Computer They are the greatest!!!

We do not stop playing because we grow old;

We grow old because we stop playing.

NEVER Be The First To Get Old!

A woman goes to the Doctor in Glasgow, worried about her husband's temper and threatening manner.

The Doc asks: "What's the problem, Janet?

The woman says: "Weeell Doctor Cameron, I dinae know what to do. Every time ma hubbie comes home drunk, he threatens to slap me aroon'."

The Doctor says: "Aye, well... I have a real good cure for that.

When your husband arrives home intoxicated, just take a wee glass of water and start swishing it in your mouth. Just swish and swish but don't swallow it until he goes to bed and is sound asleep."

Two weeks later she comes back to the doctor looking fresh and reborn.

She says: "Doctor that was brilliant! Evrae time ma hubbie came home drunk, I swished with water.

I swished an' swished, and he didnae touch me even once! Tell me Doc...wha's the secret? How's the water do that?"

The Doctor says: "Janet, it's really nae big secret. The water does bugger all - it's keeping your mouth shut that does the trick..."

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Jmax's Website <u>http://www.jmaxbits.com/</u> 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 <u>Jmax Bits Good Services List in the Villages area</u>, 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 TheVCCsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

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