"GOD TREAT ME TODAY THE WAY I TREATED EVERYONE YESTERDAY"
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The Villages Computer Club

The Villages Computer Club will meet at 1 p.m. Friday April 5th at La Hacienda Recreation Center.

The program will feature a presentation on **"Secure your computer: Antivirus & Malware choices" by Richard Woods"**.

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 thevillagescomputerclub.com and bring it to the meeting. Forms are also available at the meeting. Ask for one when you pick up your door prize ticket.

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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This is a calculator that estimates your life expectancy.

It was developed by Northwestern Mutual Life. It's interesting that there are only 13 questions. Yet, they can predict how long you're likely to live.

http://media.nmfn.com/tnetwork/lifespan
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Creating a website using Weebly

Click here: Welcome to vDeck - Get Started with Weebly - YouTube
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How To Design Your Site Like a Pro

Think of the websites you visit the most — chances are they are clean, professional, and easy to

navigate. This is no coincidence: the human mind takes just a millisecond to make a definitive decision as to a site's credibility, and this initial judgment is based entirely on aesthetics which means a good web design is critical for retaining visitors.

This month we consulted with IPOWER's very own Director of Web and UI, he shared with us the best tips and tricks for designing the most visually appealing website:

1) Plan Your Site: Before turning on your computer, consider the layout, page structure and how users will move from one page to another (navigation). Then, sketch out your site on paper.

2) Understand Your Audience: Knowing your audience will help set the tone for your content and layout, as you identify what visitors will be looking for on your site. It's also important to consider popular web browsers and your visitor's screen resolution size so that they see your site the way you intended; you can find this data in most site analytics tools. If you're not sure how wide to make your site, 960px is a great place to start.

3) Allow for Easy Navigation: Since people often read from left to right and top to bottom, the upper left-hand corner of your site is the first place your visitors will look. Place your navigation buttons here and keep them consistent, along with font and color choices, for easy reading and fluid movement from page to page.

4) Choose a Color Scheme: If you're designing your site around an image, try uploading it to a color palette tool, like **DeGraeve.com**'s, for example, for complementary color suggestions. Be sure to remain consistent with your design patterns, and stick to no more than three font types and colors.

5) Use High Quality Photos: In order to give your site a more professional appearance, all images should be clear, focused, and of high resolution. An alternative to taking your own photos is buying them from **istockphoto.com**; at about five-dollars an image it's an inexpensive way to visually take your website to the next level.

6) Test Your Site, Then Test Again: When you've created or redesigned your site, ask friends and family to test it for you. They may find things you've missed, or point out areas of confusion.

When paired with quality content, executing these tips appropriately will help retain first-time visitors and transform them into %%PrimaryDomain%% regulars.

Best wishes,

The IPOWER Team
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DOWNLOADING SOUNDS
To Use With Windows Events

First: Download Sounds

1. Go Online to www .google.com

2. Type *FREE *.wav* in the search bar.

3. Click GO or Google Search.

4. Choose a site (of the more than 4 million available.)

Two of my favorite sites are
Har's WAV World & The Daily WAV.

At the top are several categories of Windows Events.
Choose One.

Left Click on the wav file to hear it.
Right Click on the wav to download.
A menu appears: Click Save Target As:
Save new wav in   C:/WINDOWS/MEDIA

TO ASSOCIATE SOUNDS WITH WINDOWS EVENTS
1. Be sure to download sounds (*.wav) from the Internet into the
C:/Windows/media folder.

2. Open Control Panel and Click on Sounds.
3. Select an Event.
4. Click on Browse
5. Select Sound and Click OK (or it may say OPEN).
6. Close Control Panel and try your new sound.

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Sound files on AOL

1. Click on Start..Settings…Control Panel
2. Double-click on Sounds
3. Select an event by clicking on it (e.g. AOL BUDDY IN)- it will be highlighted.
4.   Below it you will see a speaker with an arrow to the right of it, click on arrow and the sound you presently have installed for this event will be demonstrated.
5. If you want to change it to something else, click on Browse, go to C:\Windows\media folder(or other folder where you have stored .wav files) and select another .wav sound there. Preview it and if you like that one better, click Apply. (If you want to use one of the AOL sounds, go to the C:\AOL folder and select the .wav file you wish to apply)
6. Make all changes you wish, clicking Apply after each selection then click OK.

Note: If you like all these sounds for these events you may SAVE this SCHEME of SOUNDS, name it and if changes are made and you want to return to this Scheme you may do so by selecting the SCHEME and all these sounds will be restored.

Many .wav sounds may be downloaded from the web and added to your C:\windows\media folder to use for sounds.

Note:XP USERS
At Control Panel select Sounds and audio devices, then click the SOUND tab to get at the list.
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Sound Scheme in Win 7

Win 7 automatically sets certain sounds to some events such as starting or closing windows. However, you may change these to different sounds and set sounds to other events according to your own preferences.

1. Rightclick in a blank area of the Desktop and click Personalize to bring up the Personalization menu.

2. Click Sounds.

3. Select an event and select a sound, click TEST to hear that sound.

4. Click Apply to assign the sound of your choice to a particular event.

Note: You may download additional FREE .wav files to your C:\Windows\Media folder and use these for any events you choose.

5. When you've made all your choices of sounds, at the top of the sound box, click SAVE AS.

6. Give a name to this, your personal sound scheme. At any time in the future should sounds be changed and you want to change them back to this scheme, just click this theme and all the changes will be made .

7. Click OK.
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Computer Has No Sound

 Is there really NO sound or only some events don't have sound. IF no sound anywhere:

1. Check the speaker on/off button. Check that cables from computer to speaker and from speaker to speaker haven't worked loose. Also, check power cable if your speakers have a power plug.
2.Click the sound icon on the bottom taskbar. Make sure there is no check in the MUTE box. Move the slider up if it is at the bottom. Try clicking a sound file. You'll find them in C:\windows\media folder. Try any with a .wav extension. Still no sound??
3. Rightclick the sound icon. Select Volume controls. Make sure none of these have a check in the MUTE box or their sliders are down all the way. If there is a select box, click to select that device. Also, click OPTIONS and make sure there is a check by each of the devices you have. Again, try a sound file. Still no sound??

4. Rightclick sound icon. Select Adjust Audio and be sure the name of your sound device is listed there. Click the Audio tab, if none listed, your sound card may be bad or the driver is corrupt. Rightclick My Computer on the desktop and choose Properties. Click the Hardware tab, and then click Device Manager.

5. Scroll down to Sounds,click the + beside it and you'll see several items listed. Rightclick either one and select Properties. You will see a note in the box stating that it's working correctly….but if you have no sound click TROUBLESHOOTING below.

6**. Click the TROUBLESHOOTING button and it will walk you through the process of finding the problem.**

If only no sound at some events:

1. Click START...SETTINGS...CONTROL PANEL

2. Doubleclick SOUNDS and then Audio if using XP, click Sounds if using Win 98.

3. Make sure there is a .wav sound file selected for each of the events you wish to hear sound on. Click one of the events and press the play triangle to hear the sound.

When All above fails:

SOUND CHECK

If you can't hear CD-ROM audio on your system, play a music-only CD and monitor the output via the front-panel headphone jack. If that works, you know the drive is okay. Next, run a cable from the headphone jack to the line input on the sound card, then adjust the mixer's line level and master level. If that works too, the sound card is also okay and the problem is probably in the separate audio-only link between the CD-ROM drive and the sound card. And remember, the only audio you'll hear from the drive's headphone jack is conventional compact-disc audio.

HOW TO ADD OR CHANGE AOL SOUNDS

1. Click on Start..Settings...Control Panel

2. Double-click on Sounds to bring up the computer's Sound EVENTs

3. Scroll down to the AOL Sound Events. Select an event by clicking on it - it will be highlighted.

4.   Below it you will see a speaker with an arrow to the right of it, click on arrow and you will hear sound you presently have installed for this event will be demonstrated.

5. If you want to change it to something else, click on Browse, go to C:\Windows\media folder(or other folder where you have stored .wav files) and select another .wav sound there. Preview it and if you like that one better, click Apply.

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Sound Icon

Has the little speaker icon for sound disappeared from your start tray? Try this to get it back to where it belongs.

1. Click Start...control panel

2. Doubleclick the Sound icon.
3. You will see a box to SHOW ICON ON TASKBAR. It is probably checked already but the icon is not visible on the taskbars startup tray.
4. Uncheck the box, click Apply and Ok.
5. Now, recheck the box and again click Apply and OK.
You should see the icon appear.
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Win 7 Media Player 12

<u>Media Player</u> lets you turn your computer into an entertainment center.

1. Watch DVDs on your PC or your laptop

2. Create great hits CDs for your car stereo

3. Organize a digital photo album from your digital camera

4. Edit camcorder videos into something people will want to watch

5. Create DVDs to display your edited movies or photo slide shows

Windows Media Player and the Windows Media Center are two entirely different programs.

<u>Media Center</u> lets you watch and record live TV shows on your PC. If your PC has the equipment to do so, it can turn your PC into a digital video recorder (DVR) that can automatically record your favorite TV shows and movies, letting you watch them at your preferred time and fast-forward through the commercials.

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Stock Media Player's Library with Music

1. Click the Media Player's icon on the taskbar to open it.

2. Click the Organize button and select Manage Libraries, to load Music, select MUSIC to bring up a list of the location of your music folder. If you store music on another drive, add that drive to the list.

3. Click the Folder location and those music files will be added to your Media Player library. They will not be removed from the folder where they were stored.

4. Rip It. When you insert a music CD into the CD drive, Win 7 will offer to 'rip it'. Rip it will add the music on the CD to your computer.

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You may also add your videos, pictures or recorded TV to its Media Player Folder.

Click Organize...Manage Library and select the particular folder to bring up the list showing the location of that folder.

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Song Tags

Inside every music file is a small form called a 'tag' which contains the song's title, artist,album and other related information. Windows Media Player reads those tags in order to sort, categorize and display your music. If some info is missing, it will go out to the internet and attempt to complete the 'tag'. If you prefer that Media Play not do this, Click Organize...select Options...click the Library tab and uncheck the box <u>Retrieve Additional Information From the Internet.</u>

<u>Note:</u> Media Player tells Microsoft every song, file or movie that you play. This allows them to go out and retrieve 'tag' info for you. If you prefer that Microsoft not keep such surveillance on you, click Organize...Options and click the Privacy tab. Here you may choose the level surveillance you're comfortable with.

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Media Player 12 has two main faces:

1. The Library face

2. The Playing Now face

Toggle between the two using the tiny icon shown in the top(or bottom) right margin.

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Playing CDs

Drop a CD into the computer's CD tray and Media Player will jump up and begin playing it for you. At the bottom of the screen is the control which allows you to go from track to track, adjust volume and fine tune for your listening pleasure.

Should a CD not start playing, look at the navigation pane, along the left side of the screen. You should see the name of the album or Unknown Album. Click it and then click the Media Player's Play button at the bottom of the screen.

To have Media Player automatically play your music CD when inserted, click the START menu button and click Default Programs. Choose Change AutoPlay

settings. In the Audio CD category, select Play Audio CD using Windows Media Player. Click SAVE.

Press F7 to mute Media Player to take a phone call. Media Player can play, burn and copy CDs, it can't copy a DVD to your computer
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We have unemployed Americans who are homeless with children who are homeless and hungry because of the slowed economy. But listen to where money is going that Americans paid in taxes. The folks we've elected can't seem to do anything about it.

http://videos2view.net/tax-fraud.htm
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This is very cool and what a message! Very Short Sermon

Click here: One Minute Sermon - YouTube
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Jmax

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 HELP 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 TheVCC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

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