

PRIME TIME COMPUTER CLUB MONTHLY MONITOR



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We're Baaaaack !!

I hope that everyone is well, rested and ready to get back into your winter routine. I hope that routine includes coming to the computer club meetings to learn, share and to meet others with an interest in computers.

Our meetings will be held in the Library Building, upstairs in room 215, on the third Monday of each month between 1:00 and 3:30. Please remember this is a library and to be quiet when coming and going.



Our dues are \$15.00 per year and include a catered luncheon Christmas Party. Your dues must be paid by November as we will not have a regular meeting in December, just the party. You can pay by cash or check made out to NWFStateCollege PTCC at any of the meetings. Marilyn Ostrominski will accept your money and give you a receipt.

WANTED

I am still looking for volunteers to organize and or help with the Christmas Party and someone to take minutes of the meetings. It would also be helpful if someone would volunteer to be our 'photographer' at the meetings. We would like to have pictures of the meetings to share in the Monitor each month.

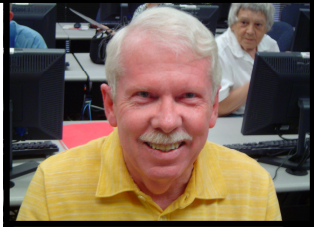
Please, PLEASE, if you can, or know of someone who can do a presentation for a club meeting let me know. It does not have to be a very formal presentation, (although it can be), it can be anything that you have learned on the computer that others would be interested in. It can be a very short presentation, or depending on the subject and other topics covered at that meeting could go on for up to an hour.

Learn

Share

Enjoy

Think it over and don't hesitate to e-mail me with idea's to make this club better each month. After all, it's your club !!!!
jan



Bill's Voyage of Discovery

All My Favorites

<http://www.allmyfaves.com>

AllMyFaves aims to displace search engines by making it easier to find interesting and useful content online. How often have you searched the web and not found what you wanted? Why search? A team of experts has done the searching and provided you with a directory that lists the best sites in each category. There is a list of categories on the left and tabs on the top for more categories.

Windows Vista Help and How-to

<http://windowshelp.microsoft.com/Windows/en-US/default.mspx>

Windows Vista Help and How-to is the official help and support site for Windows Vista featuring how-to articles, columns, demos, community discussions, and more. There is lots of good information here. For example, I scrolled down and on the right were WINDOWS GUIDES. It said "Download these printable guides for yourself or share them with others." I clicked on MORE GUIDES and it took me to <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/guides/default.aspx>. At that page I scrolled down and under PC BASICS I clicked on the PDF under USING WINDOWS VISTA. This opened a 17 page guide to using Windows Vista. You can save that PDF to your PC.

Another example. On the website linked above, I clicked on IDEA CENTER in the left column. On the next page, at the bottom under TIPS AND TRICKS was a link to TUNE IN TO A TORRENT OF MOVIES AND SHOWS ON THE WEB. I clicked on that link and I the next page I could watch a Demo about watching TV Shows and Movies online.



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

It was brought to my attention that there was some difficulty printing the August issue of the Monitor. It will load and it will print, all you need do is wait a little. The problem occurred because of the graphics I used on the front page. I hope to have that corrected in this issue.

I am still waiting for someone, ANYONE, to email me with ideas and/or questions regarding programs for the club meetings. It is very frustrating, to say the least, not to receive ANY feedback on this matter.

You can email me at hijita1492@yahoo.com

September's "Beginners Club Meeting" will cover "LightScribe Direct Disc Labeling". The meeting will begin promptly at 1 PM in the Library, rm. 215. Please bring a "flash drive" (thumb drive) or a blank CD (not a DVD), in order to copy the demo CDs.

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Some Security Tips

Chat Room Security

- 1.) Never give anyone in a chat room your real name, address, phone number or any other personal information. Including your e-mail address as well, especially if it contains part of your name, etc.
- 2.) Never tell anyone you're chatting with what your daily routine is.
- 3.) Do not meet anyone in person that you have met on the Internet. If you absolutely have to meet someone from the internet always do it in a public place where other people are around. Tell one of your friends or family members where you're going, what time, etc
- 4.) If you receive Web site links during your chat sessions, do not to open them. They could contain viruses or other offensive material.
- 5.) Try to visit chat rooms you know have moderators.
- 6.) It's best not to post any pictures of yourself either.
- 7.) Keep your chat room conversations limited to people you really know.



Wi-Fi Security

Manufacturers set both the account username and password at the factory. The username is often simply the word **admin** or **administrator**. The password is typically empty (blank), the words "admin," "public," or "password," or some other simple word.

To improve the security of a Wi-Fi network, you should change the administrative password on your wireless access point or router immediately when installing the unit. The default passwords for popular models of wireless network gear are well-known to hackers and often posted on the Internet.

Many experts recommend changing passwords every 30 to 90 days. Use words that would be very difficult for others to guess.

Facebook Security

ID fraudsters target [Facebook](#) and other social networking sites to harvest information about you. Experts recommend you set the following Facebook privacy options to protect against online identity theft.

Facebook walkthrough - adjust your privacy settings

This guide walks you through some recommended privacy settings in Facebook, and shows you how to set more secure levels of privacy and reduce the chance of becoming a victim of online identity theft.

Profile

Controls who can see your profile

Search

Allows you to decide who can find you

News feed and mini-feed

Controls what information is published about your activities

Poke, message and friend request

Controls what information you share with people you contact

Applications

Controls what information Facebook applications can access and share about you



General security tips for Facebook

Adjust Facebook privacy settings to help protect your identity

Unlike some other social networking sites, Facebook has provided some powerful options to protect you online - but it's up to you to use them!

Think carefully about who you allow to become your friend

Once you have accepted someone as your friend they will be able to access any information about you (including photographs) that you have marked as viewable by your friends. You can remove friends at any time should you change your mind about someone.

Show "limited friends" a cut-down version of your profile

You can choose to make people 'limited friends' who only have access to a cut-down version of your profile if you wish. This can be useful if you have associates who you do not wish to give full friend status to, or feel uncomfortable sharing personal information with.

Disable options, then open them one by one

Think about how you want to use Facebook. If it's only to keep in touch with people and be able to contact them then maybe it's better to turn off the bells and whistles. It makes a lot of sense to disable an option until you have decided you do want and need it, rather than start with everything accessible.



I look forward to our first meeting after the nice summer break. Please be careful, there are new viruses and malware attacking XP Computers in particular. Make sure you install windows updates if you have automatic updates turned on you will get at least all the important security updates installed.

I recommend running Malwarebytes Anti-Malware which you can download from www.download.com scroll down to Most Popular Downloads and Malwarebytes will be listed currently number 5. Also make sure you have current Anti-Virus Protection.

I believe Mary is doing a presentation on Lightscribe Discs in Sept. at the "Beginners Club" Session. If you have a DVD or CD Burner, look to see if you have the logo or label on the front of your drive, (as pictured above), or if your "user manual" says "lightscribe" you should be able to create a label using special lightscribe discs. Lightscribe drives can be purchased on line for under \$50 and installed easily in most cases ...

If you have a Lightscribe Drive make sure you have the latest Lightscribe System Software download from <http://www.lightscribe.com/downloadSection/windows/index.aspx?id=810> ...

You can also download Template Labeler and Simple Labeler from the same sight as the system software click the link on the left side of the web page. Make sure you visit the design center <http://www.lightscribe.com/ideas/index.aspx?id=2564> and check out the categories and download templates already created ready for you to add text and photos. Aaron

WANTED

Ideas for class presentations.
Email Aaron, Jan or Mary with your suggestions or questions.

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NEED HELP WITH COMPUTER REPAIRS:
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NWFACUG Meeting, August 13, 2009



THINKING ABOUT GETTING A NEW COMPUTER.
ASK AARON FIRST!
EMAIL aaron@valp.net



Top left; Lois Vosmera & Bernice Cramer; ECCS
Top right; Jan & Marilyn from Prime Time CC
J.B Hillard Chautauqua Cyber C & Aaron
Bill & Linda Prime Time CC

The NWFACUG met at the Boat House Landing for a business luncheon on Aug. 13 to discuss the future of this organization and the yearly Expo we have sponsored. We have decided to carry on with this event and it will be held at NWF State College, on Saturday January 23rd 2010, to be announced at a later date.

Due to misunderstanding, we are discussing a name change to better describe the training theme of our 'Expo'. We would appreciate any suggestions you might have for this event. Please go to nwfacug.org for past pictures and information about the participating clubs.

Also check out facug.org for information about the Technology Conference Bahamas Cruise.



On right is Carl Lofstrom



Marilyn, Linda, Jan, Aaron, Carl