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**Computer Help-Desk
Drop-In sessions are
every **second** and
fourth Mondays of the
month **1-3 PM**. Please
use the sign-in sheet
when you arrive.**

**Monday August 12,
1-3 PM and
Monday, August
26, 1-3 PM**

**Help-Desk is a free
drop in program to
assist Seniors with
their tech issues.
Seniors can get help
with their computers:
PC, laptops, tablets:
Android and Apple, and
phones: Android and
Apple.**

In the News:

- a) [Intel to lay off 15,000 employees as CPU strategy shifts](#)
- b) [Settlement over MacBook's defective butterfly keyboards](#)
- c) [Judge Declares Google a Monopoly](#)
- d) [Meta To Pay Record \\$1.4B To Settle Texas Facial Recognition Suit](#)

- e) [The AI scams infiltrating the knitting and crochet world - and how to spot them](#)
- f) [Nearly 10 Billion Passwords Leaked in Biggest Compilation of All Time](#)
- g) [That Social Security email isn't a scam](#)
- h) [Air travelers sue CrowdStrike after massive computer outage disrupts flights](#)
- i) [Samsung's Jam-Packed Galaxy Unpacked](#)

Articles for August

a) How Do I Unsubscribe from All These Unwanted Emails? by Leo A. Notenboom. "There are emails from which you should certainly unsubscribe if you no longer want them. However, there are emails that you absolutely should never unsubscribe from." In this article, Notenboom explains the difference and shares "relatively simple rules." By following his simple rules you should know when it is safe to unsubscribe and when it is NOT safe to unsubscribe.

askleo.com/how_do_i_unsubscribe_from_all_these_unwanted_emails

b) The AI PC revolution: 18 essential terms you need to know by Chris Hoffman, 07.22.2024. "All new PCs will soon be 'AI PCs,' whether they have Intel, AMD, or Qualcomm hardware inside. And as the era of AI PCs comes upon us, a whole new language of technical terms has also popped up." If you are in the market for a new pc or laptop, this is the guide for you. It should get you up to speed on most of the new AI PC terminologies.

b) pcworld.com/the-ai-pc-revolution-18-essential-terms-you-need-to-know

c) How I learned to use my PC with a broken wrist by Lance Whitney, AskWoody Newsletter, Issue 21.32.F. Having one arm in a cast, the author turned to the accessibility features in Windows 10 and 11 which he has written about but until now only used sparingly. The article explains in great detail the different choices in Windows 10 and 11 for using: voice dictation, voice typing, speech recognition, dictate in Microsoft 365, Sticky Keys, and Mouse Keys. If you ever need to use any of these tools, this is good place to start.

askwoody.com/newsletter/free-edition-how-i-learned-to-use-my-pc-with-a-broken-wrist

d) Microsoft is changing how it delivers Windows updates: 4 things you need to know by Ed Bott, 07.18.2024. "Microsoft is about to make a significant change to how it delivers security updates and new features for Windows 11. You can still expect to see a single update package on the second Tuesday of each month (aka Patch Tuesday), but instead of a single (cont)

d) update file that grows larger every month, Microsoft is introducing what it calls 'checkpoint cumulative updates.' Under the new delivery system... Microsoft might periodically release cumulative updates as checkpoints. The new system won't be publicly available until the end of the year, as part of Windows 11, version 24H2... here are four things you need to know about the new update format.

- 1- Checkpoint updates should be smaller and easier to manage
 - 2-The new update packages are only available to beta testers today
 - 3-You probably won't notice the change
 - 4-This won't affect Windows 10 users at all
- zdnet.com/microsoft-is-changing-how-it-delivers-windows-updates-4-things-you-need-to-know

e) Google Chrome will soon throw security warnings at you that you cannot ignore by Martin Brinkmann, 07.17.2024.

"Google is changing how Chrome reports potentially malicious file downloads to the user. Soon, Google Chrome will display a different kind of warning when users attempt to download malicious files. First up is the blocking of the file download. The only options at this point are to delete the download from the history and to click on a help link. Deleting the download from history removes it from the system. Whether this new barrier to downloading dangerous files will reduce the number of malicious downloads remains to be seen." If you use Google Chrome Browser, you should read this article to learn what to do when

e) you the see the full page warning screen.

ghacks.net/2024/07/17/google-chrome-will-soon-throw-security-warnings-at-you-that-you-cannot-ignore

f) 7 password rules to live by in 2024, according to security experts by Ed Bott, 07.24.2024. Seven rules to follow when it comes to passwords:

- 1-Make sure all your passwords are strong enough
- 2-Use a password manager
- 3-Never reuse a password
- 4-Avoid password hints
- 5-Change default passwords
- 6-Use multi-factor authentication whenever possible
- 7-Don't change your passwords unless you have to

Read the article to learn more about each one of these rules.

zdnet.com/article/7-password-rules-to-live-by-in-2024



g) Microsoft 365 Training. Free online training from Microsoft. You don't need to create or use a Microsoft account to start learning about your Microsoft products. Click on any of the Microsoft product icons along the top or on 'Learn the basics START NOW' link. <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/training>



Comments from Ross— (Ross is on vacation.) Scammers use email or text messages to trick you into giving them your personal and financial information. But there are several ways to protect yourself. Check out this article from the Federal Trade Commission to learn about how to recognize and protect yourself from Phishing attacks. consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-to-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams



URLs

7 ways Windows 11 collects your data – and how to opt out

pcworld.com/article/2379675/ways-windows-11-collects-your-data-and-what-you-can-do-about-it

Communist China apps

<https://ckarchive>

Google's excellent dark web

monitoring service will soon be free
pcworld.com/article/2392524/googles-excellent-dark-web-monitoring-service-will-soon-be-free

My 4 favorite iOS 18 features make the iPhone a lot better

zdnet.com/article/my-4-favorite-ios-18-features

Apple fixes Siri vulnerabilities

malwarebytes.com/apple-fixes-siri

What Is a Recovery Email, and Why Do I Need One?

howto geek.com/what-is-a-recovery-email-and-why-do-i-need-one

The dangers of malvertising — and how to protect yourself against it

pcworld.com/this-is-how-dangerous-malvertising-is

Everything You Need to Know About Microsoft Word's Styles

howto geek.com/everything-you-need-to-know-about-microsoft-words-styles

Cellular Starlink Satellites Light Up the Night Sky a Bit Too Much

pcmag.com/news/cellular-starlink-satellites-light-up-the-night-sky-a-bit-too-much