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Computer-Help: Drop-In 2-4 PM Oct 24, 2022.

Masks are only required on non-vaccinated participants.

Next general meeting will be **Nov 14, 2022, 1 PM**. Our speaker is **Vicki Chavez** from the **Windsor Regional Library**. She will update us on all the cool new services the library has to offer.

Nov Drop-In Computer Help: Monday Nov 28, 2-4 PM. First come first served.

Oct 10, 2022: At 1 PM, Jim will moderate General Questions, Answers & discussions.

Then our speaker is **Sally Kenvin**. Her topic is **"Make cards, posters, newsletters and more with Canva free-to-use software"**.

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In the News:

- a) [China's new "sky train"](#)
- b) [16 NASA Inventions We Use Every Day](#)
- c) [Everything Apple Announced at Its "Far Out" Event](#)
- d) [The scary future of the internet](#)
- e) [Intel Is Killing Its Pentium and Celeron Brands](#)
- f) [Everything Amazon Announced at Its Fall 2022 Hardware Event](#)
- g) [Google's Pixel 7 Event: New Phones, Watch and More to Expect](#)

Articles for October

a) The worst thing about the eSIM-only iPhone 14 by David Gewirtz, 09.12.2022. "When Apple announced the iPhone 14 last week, it dropped a bit of a bombshell: physical SIM cards were going away, to be replaced by embedded (or eSIM) cards." And it's only a matter of time before other smartphones follow suit. This article explains what a SIM and eSIM are and why knowing the difference is important. You can't make calls or connect to mobile networks without a SIM card. Read this article and the one below to learn more. zdnet.com/article/the-worst-thing-about-esim-only-iphone-14s

Related article:

reviewgeek.com/128893/what-is-esim

b) Why You Should Use Multiple Browsers by Danny Chadwick, 09.29.2022. "The days of the browser wars are over. Pretty much

b) everybody has decided which browser works best for them." But there are "plenty of good reasons to have two or more browsers that you use regularly." Read the article to find out why you should be using more than one browser. reviewgeek.com/131229/why-you-should-use-multiple-browsers

c) Use spell check in your browser? It could be leaking your passwords by Charlie Fripp, 09.19.2022. "Google's Chrome browser and Microsoft's Edge have spell checkers to ensure your writing is flawless. But while they can be convenient, they pose a privacy risk. Security researchers discovered that some browser's spell check tools send personally identifying information (PII) to Big Tech companies. Read on to see how browsers could compromise your passwords and what you can do about it." komando.com/security-privacy/spell-check-privacy

d) You're Selecting Text With Your Mouse Wrong by Joe Fedewa, 09.20.2022. "Selecting text is a (cont)

Thank you to our Welcome Coordinator, Sandy O'Halloran.

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d) common thing to do on a computer. Just click and drag your mouse to highlight the desired text. Couldn't be simpler, right? There's actually a much better way of doing this, and you'll never go back." I learned this trick while doing the newsletter this month. There are two short videos in the article showing the 'old' way for highlightingselecting text, and the 'new' way. You can use the mouse method or the keyboard method. You should give this a try the next time you have to highlight text.

howtogeek.com/833166/youre-selecting-text-with-your-mouse-wrong

e) Does CPU Speed Matter Any More? by

e) Leo A. Notenboom. "CPU speed is important, but it's not as good a measure of overall system speed as it might have been in years past. Factoring in to today's machines are technologies like multi-core CPUs, solid state disk drives, and more. Understanding how these relate and when they become important can result in a machine more properly configured for your use." In Ross' "Comments from Ross" this month he talks about getting a new computer and processor speeds. This is an easy to understand article about what processor speed means to the average computer user when buying a new computer.

askleo.com/does-cpu-speed-matter-any-more-

f) Windows 11 Version 22H2: What to expect from the 2022 Update by Ed Bott, 09.20.2022. "It doesn't include any major architectural changes" and includes "a handful of new features that are useful but far from essential. The good news is that the update itself should be relatively small and quick...The 2022 Update gives File Explorer its biggest makeover in at least a decade. It might take an extra few weeks before it shows up". Check out the article to learn what's included in the update.

zdnet.com/article/windows-11-version-22h2-what-to-expect-from-the-2022-update

We would like to thank **Audrey Leyhe** for being our Welcome and Refreshments Coordinator. She has now passed those duties on to **Sandy O'Halloran**. Give a big **THANK YOU to Audrey** and **lets welcome Sandy**.

Comments from Ross-- Buying a new computer:

Thinking of buying a new computer? Here are some tips. Should you buy a PC or an Apple? Just because your grandkids think Apple products are the best, don't buy one if you've never used one. They operate completely different so unless you have local help, consider sticking with a PC. Buy as much system memory as you can afford, minimum would be 8 GB. I suggest buying what is called an SSD (solid state drive) vs. the old standard of a hard drive, generally in the 256 GB to 500 GB range. Laptops are convenient to carry around, but are usually more expensive than a tower. Stick to name brands like Dell, HP or Lenovo. I prefer Dell. Processors (the brains) come in two varieties--Intel and AMD. My preference is Intel. They also come in different speeds--I3, I5, I7 are the common ones. I'd stick with I5 or I7. A touch screen is a "nice to have" but not essential. And finally, don't buy the cheapest you can find--you get what you pay for.

Internet

iPhone 14 vs the best Android phones: Spec showdown

zdnet.com/article/iphone-14-vs-the-best-android-phones-spec-showdown

Windows bug: Check if Edge is silently running in the background

komando.com/security-privacy/microsoft-edge-startup-glitch

iOS 16 Is Here, but It Won't Run on Every iPhone.

cnet.com/tech/mobile/ios-16-is-here-but-it-wont-run-on-every-iphone-heres-how-to-find-out

The Best Laptops of 2022

howtogeek.com/737492/best-laptops

Windows File Explorer Settings: the Setting You Should Change Right Now

askleo.com/windows-file-explorer-setting-you-should-change

TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING THE WAY WE DRIVE

campaigns.aarp.org/aarp-smart-drivertek

20 must-know keyboard shortcuts for Windows 10

pcworld.com/article/423245/20-must-know-keyboard-shortcuts-for-windows-10

All the things you can do on Android phones (but still can't do on iPhones)

komando.com/amazon/android-phone-advantages

How Can I Make the Text on My Screen Larger? askleo.com/how-can-i-make-the-text-on-my-screen-larger

You Still Can't Trust Amazon Reviews and Here's Why

reviewgeek.com/130172/you-still-cant-trust-amazon-reviews-and-heres-why

