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**Computer-Help:
Drop-In 2-4 PM
Monday Oct 23, 2-4
PM. Please use the
signup sheet when
you arrive.**

**Next general meeting
will be Nov 13, 2023,
1 PM, Windsor Senior
Center. There is
Computer help after
our general meeting.**

**Nov Drop-In
Computer Help:
Monday Nov 27, 2-4
PM. First come first
served.**

Oct 9, 2023: For the **first hour** of today's program we will have general discussion, review of the newsletter, tech news and Q/A.

Then Jim is doing a presentation about AI, entitled "**AI: What is it and What can it be used for**".

After our general meeting today we will have a **Drop-In computer help session, (2-4 PM approximate)**. **Jim and Andrea** will be available to help with your computer/smartphone problems.

In the News:

- a) [Every product unveiled at the Made by Google event today](#)
- b) [Abnormal Security: Microsoft Tops List of Most-Impersonated Brands in Phishing Exploits](#)
- c) [Everything Amazon announced this week: Alexa 2.0, Echo Show 8, Fire TV, more](#)
- d) [Everything Microsoft unveiled at its Surface and AI event this week](#)
- e) [Apple 2030](#)
- f) [How-To Geek's Best of IFA 2023 Award Winners](#)
- g) [Elon Musk warns of 'civilizational risk' posed by AI in meeting with tech CEOs](#)

Articles for October

a) **Announcing Microsoft Copilot, your everyday AI companion** by Yusuf Mehdi, Sept 21, 2023. Microsoft's AI companion is called Copilot. "It will be a simple and seamless experience, available in Windows 11, Microsoft 365, and in our web browser with Edge and Bing. It will work as an app or reveal itself when you need it with a right click. Copilot will begin to roll out in its early form as part of our free update to Windows 11, starting Sept. 26 — and across Bing, Edge, and Microsoft 365 Copilot this fall." Some of the features coming to your PC with AI: "**Paint** has been enhanced with AI for drawing and digital creation with the addition of background removal and layers. **Photos** has also been enhanced with AI including new features to make editing your photos a breeze. **Snipping Tool** now offers

a) more ways to capture content on your screen. **Notepad** will start automatically saving your session state allowing you to close Notepad without any interrupting dialogs and then pick up where you left off when you return. **With the new Outlook for Windows**, you can connect and coordinate your various accounts (including Gmail, Yahoo, iCloud, and more) in one app. **Modernized File Explorer**, we are introducing a modernized File Explorer home, address bar and search box. **New text authoring experiences** to voice access and new natural voices in **Narrator**. **Windows Backup** makes moving to a new Windows 11 PC easier than ever. These experiences, including Copilot in Windows and more will start to become available on Sept. 26 as part of our latest update to Windows 11, version 22H2." Read this article to learn more about AI in Microsoft products. blogs.microsoft.com/blog/2023/09/21/announcing-microsoft-copilot

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Sandy O'Halloran.

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b) Is it bad to leave your laptop always plugged in? by Steffen Zellfelder, 08.29.2023. If you use a laptop, please read this article to learn about how to keep its battery in good health.

pcworld.com/article/2038685/laptop-macbook-always-plugged-in-is-that-bad

c) How Do I Use Two Google Accounts at the Same Time? by Leo A. Notenboom. "It's possible to use more than one Google account at the same time, though it's easy to lose track of which one you're in. While signed into any Google

c) service online, click on Add account. This will allow you to sign in with a second (or third, or fourth, or...) account. As you switch between Google services, check your profile picture to be sure you're using the account you think you are. If not, click on that picture to select (or add) the correct account." This article explains how to add Google accounts. He demonstrates two ways to access your multiple Google accounts. If you have more than one Google email address, this is the article for you.

askleo.com/how-do-i-use-two-google-accounts

d) Involved in a data breach? Here's what you need to know by Anna Brading, 9.21.2023.

"If you've received a message from a company saying your data has been caught up in a breach, you might be unsure what to do next." This article has 6 tips which should help you when this happens.

malwarebytes.com/blog/personal/2023/09/involved-in-a-data-breach

e) Common tech knowledge debunked: 14 facts and myths by Peter Stelzel-Morawietz, 09.12.2023. This article "reviewed 14 pieces of

e) common tech knowledge to see if they are valid." From devices plugged into power strips, to charging batteries all the time to does hibernation consume electricity. This article explains which of these 14 IT items are Fact and which are Fiction.

pcworld.com/article/2057498/15-technical-wisdoms-in-check-truth-or-just-myth



Ross is on vacation. Comments from Andrea: Phone Scams: "People lose a lot of money to phone scams. One thing you can count on is that a phone scammer will try to get your money or your personal information to commit identity theft. Don't give it to them. Here's what you need to know.

- 1-There is no prize
- 2-You won't be arrested
- 3-You don't need to decide now
- 4-There's never a good reason to send cash or pay with a gift card
- 5-Government agencies won't call to confirm your sensitive information
- 6-You shouldn't be getting all those calls."

<https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/phone-scams>



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Windows 11 Cheat Sheet: Everything You Need to Know

techrepublic.com/article/windows-11-cheat-sheet-everything-you-need-to-know

7 Surprising Retailers That Offer Senior Discounts

aarp.org/money/budgeting-saving/info-2023/surprising-stores-with-senior-discounts

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links.newsletters.komando.com

6 Best Free Photoshop Alternatives

howtogeek.com/best-free-photoshop-alternatives
Intel's Core Ultra CPUs kickstart the AI PC era.
pcworld.com/article/2075628/the-ai-pc-is-nearly-here-who-cares

How to use ChatGPT to do research for papers, presentations, studies, and more

znet.com/article/how-to-use-chatgpt-to-do-research-for-papers-presentations-studies-and-more

California Rolls Out Digital Driver's Licenses for Phones

cnet.com/tech/mobile/california-rolls-out-digital-drivers-licenses-for-phones-how-to-sign-up-for-pilot-program

Should I Disconnect My Backup Drive When I'm Not Backing Up?

askleo.com/should-i-disconnect-my-backup-drive-when-im-not-backing-up
Apple Says iPhone 15 Pro Overheating Due to iOS 17 Bug
cnet.com/tech/mobile/apple-says-iphone-15-pro-overheating-due-to-ios-17-bug-not-hardware-design