

**GRAND
COMPUTERS CLUB**

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*April
2013*



**Grand Computers Club Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, April 3 at 1:00 P.M.
Gila Room, Cimarron Center**

**Anything goes Q & A!
Bring your Windows and Any Computer
Hardware Related Questions!**

Carey Holzman is known for his high-energy, fun and participatory presentation style. There are no scripts or rehearsals and, as a result, no two

presentations are ever the same. Carey spent six years as the co-host of the nation's longest running, nationally syndicated radio talk show on computers, and is also the author of *The*

Healthy PC, published by McGraw/Hill. Carey has been running his own computer repair, upgrade and sales business out of Glendale, AZ, since 1995 and he enjoys sharing his experience and knowledge of computers and electronics with others in a unique, yet fun and entertaining way.



**A Message from
President
Joyce Klencz**

Urgent Request:

It is time again for us to prepare a slate of nominees for the year 2014. We are having

difficulty securing our leadership team for next year. If you are interested in running for an office for next year, contact our nominations chair Don Exner at dwe22@cornell.edu.

Our spring events for our Grand Computers Club are drawing to a close. Our winter classes end the end of April. Our last general meeting will be Wednesday, May 1. See info about our April 3 meeting, on the right. This should be an interesting meeting.

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**Update from
Membership
Director Joey de la
Concepcion**

Joey reports that as of March 31, the Grand Computers Club has 1258 active members; 984 are PC users, and 274 are Mac users.

If you wish to set up a free e-mail address contact Gretel Coursol at 623-214-7999. She will be happy to help you.

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Starting May 1, our Grand Computers Club will only be open in the PM, from 12:30 - 3:30 PM. The numbers using the open use room go down when the snow birds leave, plus we lose many of our monitors over the summer, so this necessitates the shortened hours.

Don't forget our **Coffee Chat** the second Thursday of each month in the Hopi room of the Chaparral Center, from 8:30 - 10 AM. Coffee and donuts will be available. The April 11 session will be the **last** Coffee Chat for this season. See information about that event on the right. We thank Leon Chapman, Joe Parla, and Arnie Gelb for facilitating these events each month.

We can always use more monitors to help out in the open use room. Contact monitors@grandcomputers.org for more information.

Have an idea for a new class you'd like to teach? We're always looking for new ideas, or perhaps you'd like to assist an instructor in one of our current classes. We especially need more instructors for our smart phone and tablet classes. If you can help, email education@grandcomputers.org.

Joyce Klonecz , President
Grand Computers Club



COFFEE CHAT

April 11: 8:30 AM

HOPI ROOM

CHAPARRAL CENTER

TOPIC: CLOUD COMPUTING

**Find out how to use the cloud.
Google Docs, backups, syncing.
Graphics applications from the cloud.**

Note: Go to www.grandcomputers.org > Coffee Chats to download any of the previous Coffee Chat program notes as a PDF document.

Computer Technology Conference

The Grand Computers Club is a member of APCUG, Association of Personal Computer User Groups and AZacc, Arizona Alliance of Computer Clubs. These groups are sponsoring a Computer Technology Conference here in Scottsdale, Arizona on April 4, 5, and 6. Click on the logo on our www.grandcomputers.org website to register.



Computer Technology Conference
All Things Technology

www.CompTechConf.com



Monitor's Corner
Bill Remling
Monitor Director

Education Corner
Linda Morrison
Education Director



During March we were open for 41 sessions...a full month. Twenty-seven monitors, made up of 18 women and 9 men, covered the open sessions. Our monitor for the Month of March is a tie between Sharon Norris and Sandra Acocella; both served more days than any other monitor. We are thankful for their service and the service of all who helped keep the open area open for all of our members.

If you have not served in some time, please do not hesitate to jump in. If you need a refresher just ask and we will set it up for you. Some are finding that when they sign up for the same time slot each week they do get to see familiar faces and build friendships. It's fun, not too difficult, and at times very entertaining.

If you know anyone who frequents the computer room, please encourage them to consider becoming a monitor. We have made the process of training as painless as possible. Presently we have several members for whom we have set up training sessions. We are happy to schedule one-on-one monitor training as needed.

Remember starting April 1, our dues for the remaining year (until Sept 30, 2013) are only \$10. Everyone should be a member of the computer club for the classes offered, the assistance with computer problems and repairs, all of the Special Interest Groups available and the extra equipment for DVD burning, slide and negative scanning, flight simulation training and so much more. Best and biggest club on campus.



March continued to be a busy month for your Education Department. We added another two classes to the winter schedule: iPad/iPhone 2 and iTunes. The iPad/iPhone classes continue to be very popular and there are usually only a few seats left after the waiting list people register and the remaining seats are filled within a few hours of the notice going out to the membership.

We need to recruit and/or train more instructors, especially for the beginning and intermediate classes. Due to lack of instructors, we will not be adding any more iPad/iPhone classes. Members that have inquired have been told to watch for more classes this summer and fall.

Another project that is underway is revising Windows 8 and making it into a series of classes similar to the Windows 7 series. A small group of instructors and other interested parties met to discuss expanding Windows 8. There were some good ideas and the process is underway. Some, if not all, of the series may be ready to pilot this summer, but if not, hopefully the series will be ready to go by fall.

Planning has begun on the 2013 summer term, even though the winter term is not yet finished. This year the summer term will begin earlier than usual, thus ending earlier in the summer. Summer term will be approximately 6 weeks with a proposed start date of Thursday, June 6th, and an end date of Friday, July 17th. There will be no classes held on Thursday, July 4th or Friday, July 5th.

If you have suggestions or proposals for new courses for either this summer or fall, please email: education@grandcomputers.org



Grand Computers Club Volunteer Dinner

The March 22 Grand Computers Club Volunteer Dinner honored the many volunteers who serve on the board, help with instructing and assisting at classes, registering students, monitoring in the club room, being a SIG facilitator or co-facilitator, helping at general meetings, etc.

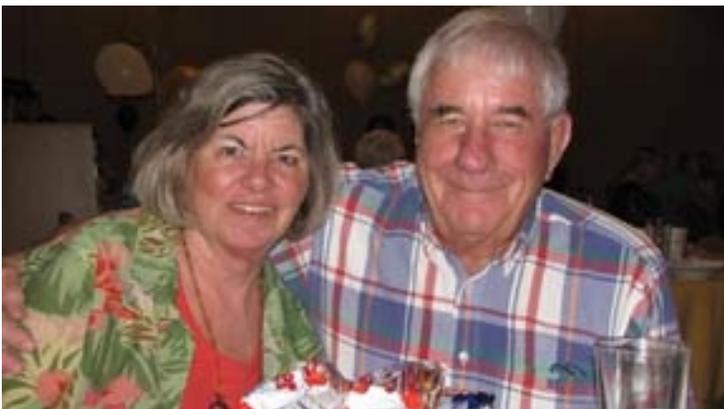
There were 99 volunteers who earned enough credits to be eligible to attend the dinner. We had 97 in attendance (61 volunteers and 36 guests).

The theme for the dinner was Spring Training - Baseball Cactus Teams, and the room was decorated in the colors of the valley Cactus League baseball teams, with cactus centerpieces at each table.

The volunteer committee of Linda Morrison, Sam Valenti, Joe Scanlon and Jane Connors did a great job of organizing and pulling off a successful evening. Entertainment was by the Sun City Stomperz and Amuse Bouche did the catering of a delicious dinner.

Is there any way you would be interested in volunteering? Monitoring, instructing, assisting at classes, working during registration? The club is always looking for helpers in these areas.





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March 6 General Meeting

Rita Skarbek and Jan Connors presented at our March 6 General Meeting on Graphics on Your Smartphone, Tablet or Home Computer. We were given many tips on how to publish and edit our photos. We have such talented members in our Grand Computers Club. If you have a special topic you would like us to explore at our general meetings or if you're willing to be a speaker, email president@grandcomputers.org to let us know of your interest.



Request for Laptops



Jim Geffre is still in need of your old laptop computers. Students in local school districts would like to have Windows 7 now, so Jim would like to have any laptops you have that are Windows 7 compatible.



If you have any **newer** XP laptops or laptops that have Windows Vista on them, Jim can update those very easily to Windows 7. Jim buys the \$40 licenses for the machines.

Please include the restore disks if you have them. The power cord is also very important to have with the laptop.

Jim puts in new hard drives if needed, adds memory to at least 1GB, adds Word or Open Office and sets the students up with Juno, 10 hours free for a dial-up service.

To date Jim has rebuilt and given 102 computers to students in area schools, but more are needed as Jim would like to finish installing laptops in the classroom. If your old laptop works or not, PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING IT!

You can drop your laptop off at the Grand Computers Club, with your name and phone number taped to it, or you can contact Jim at:

[623-544-3394](tel:623-544-3394) or geffre1949@yahoo.com



Need a New Home for Your Old Desktop?

If you have purchased a new desktop, and need a place for your old one to reside, contact Ted Gray.

Ted will take desktop computers, both PC and Macs, as well as any working LCD monitors. It would be good to have the original operating system software, but it's not absolutely necessary. Ted is not interested in CRTs because of their size and weight.

Printers are also acceptable but only if currently working without problems. Normally he is not too interested in printers, because new ones cost about the same as the ink cartridges.

Once these items have been updated, they go to students in the area. This is a project through the VFW who helps fund it.

If you have a donation to make of any above mentioned items, you can contact Ted at:

[\(623\)215-7473](tel:6232157473) or trirat07@mac.com

PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL AHEAD

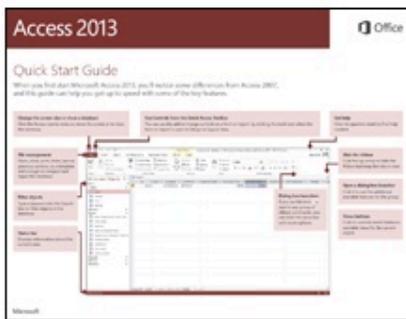


Microsoft Office 2013 is Offering Free Quick Start Guides

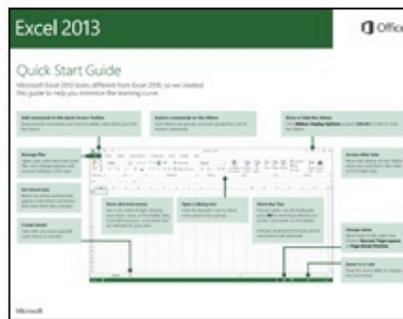
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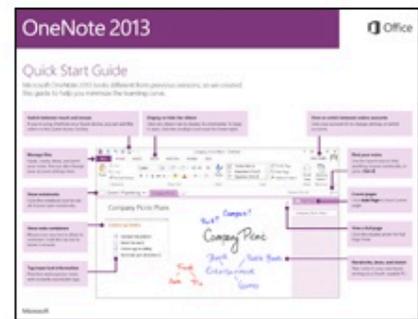
If you're new to Office 2013, you can download any of our free Quick Start Guides. These printable guides contain useful tips, shortcuts, and screenshots to help you find your way around. On Windows 8, you can open and view these guides in the Windows 8 Reader app without any additional steps. On older versions of Windows, you'll need to install the free Adobe Reader before you can open and view these guides.



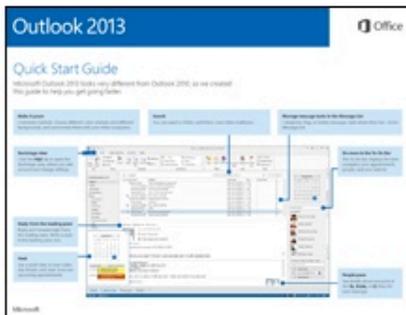
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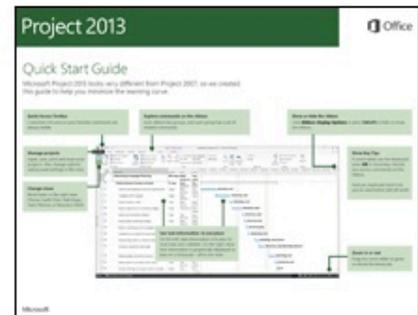
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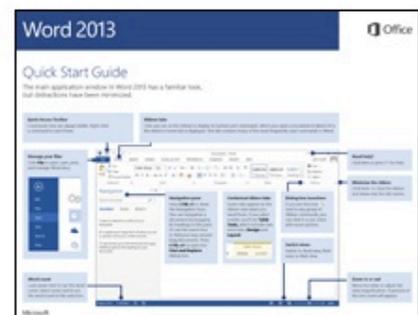
Project 2013 Quick Start Guide



Publisher 2013 Quick Start Guide



Visio 2013 Quick Start Guide



Word 2013 Quick Start Guide



Special Interest Groups (SIG) of Grand Computers

If you are a member of the GCC, you may attend any of these SIG meetings.



Compose Yourself SIG

Provides club members a forum for writing about their family memoirs

Meetings: 3rd Monday of each month (Oct-May)

Time: 1 - 3 PM

April 15 Topic: Memoir Writing

Place: Aqua Fria Room, Cimarron (Oct.-May)
Computer Classroom, Chaparral (Jun-Sep)

Contact: Gloria Young, 623-910-2299
CY@grandcomputers.org



Devices SIG

Provides a focal point for people to meet and work together on hand-held devices.

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month (Oct.-May)

Time: 6 - 7:30 PM

April 16 Topic: Health/Medical/Fitness

Place: Maricopa Room, Chaparral

Contact: Leon Chapman, 623-398-8900
Devices@grandcomputers.org



Financial Education SIG

Provides club members a forum for financial education

Meetings: 4th Friday of each month (Dec. - May)

Time: 1 - 3 PM

April 26 Topic: TBA

Place: Hopi Room, Chaparral Center

- Income Investing: 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 AM, Cimarr. Club
- Technical Analysis: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 8 AM, classroom

Contact: Diane Kurt, 623-214-7541
financial@grandcomputers.org



Flight Simulators SIG

Provide a focal point for members to meet, work, and exchange ideas about Flight Simulators.

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month (Sept.-June)

Time: 4 - 5:30 PM

April 11 Topic: Hangar Flying

Place: Computer Club Open Use Room

Contact: Jack Gossett 623-229-2433
Flight@grandcomputers.org



Genealogy SIG

Provides club members a forum for researching family history

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thurs. of each month (Oct-May)

Time: 3:30 - 5 PM

April 4: The Big 4 US Sources - Mary Hill

April 18: Pre-1850 US Research Methodology - Karen Clifford

Place: Computer Classroom, Chaparral Center

Contact: Leon Chapman, 623-398-8900
Genealogy@grandcomputers.org



Graphics SIG

Provides club members a forum to discuss graphic applications

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month (Oct-May)

Time: 2:30 - 4:30 PM

April 11 Topic: Comparison of Digital Imaging Software

Place: Hopi Room, Chaparral Center

Contact: Rita Skarbek, 623-748-8992
Graphics@grandcomputers.org



Mac SIG

Provides members a forum for Mac users and for classes on the Mac platform

Meetings: 3rd Monday of each month (Oct-Apr)
Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM

April 15 Topic: Flight Simulators
Jack Gossett, Flight Sim. SIG Facilitator

Place: Apache Room, Chaparral Center

Contact: Joyce Klonecz, 623-215-2397
Mac@grandcomputers.org



New Technologies SIG

Provides members with a forum for the open discussion of technologically advanced ideas

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month
Time: 4 - 5:30 PM

April 10 Topic: Clean-up, Tune-up, Back-up, Part 3

Place: Classroom, Chaparral

Contact: Joe Parla
NewTech@grandcomputers.org



Social Networking SIG

Provides a focal point for members to meet, work, and exchange ideas about social networking programs.

Meetings: 2nd Monday of the month (Oct.- April)
Time: 4 - 5:30 PM

April 8 Topic: Social Networking Spring Wrap-Up
Place: Open Use Room, Chaparral

Contact: John Nuereberg, 623-975-0503
Social@grandcomputers.org



- Apr. 1 - Financial SIG: Income Investing, 8 AM
- Apr. 3 - General Meeting, 1:00 PM
- Apr. 4 - Genealogy SIG, 3:30 PM
- Apr. 4 - Financial SIG: Tech Analysis. 8 AM
- Apr. 8 - Social Networking SIG, 4:00 PM
- Apr. 10 - New Technologies SIG, 4:00 PM
- Apr. 11 - Coffee Chat, 8:30 AM
- Apr. 11 - Graphics SIG, 2:30 PM
- Apr. 11 - Flight Simulators, SIG 4:00 PM
- Apr. 15 - Financial SIG: Income Investing, 8 AM
- Apr. 15 - Compose Yourself, 1:00 PM
- Apr. 15 - Mac SIG, 4:30 PM
- Apr. 16 - Devices SIG, 6:00 PM
- Apr. 18 - Genealogy SIG, 3:30 PM
- Apr. 18 - Financial SIG: Technical Analysis. 8 AM
- Apr. 26 - Financial Education SIG, 1:00 PM



Don't Forget!

Please remember to bring your CAM card with you to all meetings. The Grand Computers Club is requiring cards to be scanned at all club meetings, SIG meetings, and activities. So tie a string around your finger to remind you if necessary. :-)

