



**Grand Computers Club
Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, January 8
1:00 PM, Agua Fria Room,
Cimarron**

"What Can Grand Computers Club Do For You?"

This monthly meeting will feature our nine SIGs and our winter classes.

Join us! Door prizes!

**A Message from President
John Nuernberg**



Happy 2014! We at the Grand Computers Club are looking forward to a new year with the hopes of improving our services, classes, and your overall experience with your computer or device. I am one who is totally committed to these hopes and encourage everybody to offer suggestions as to

how we can do better as a club by serving your needs.

Several things I hope to accomplish early in the year include the following:

- The majority of the Board is new. I understand that many have been understudying with the previous officer for some time. I plan to have a one-on-one conversation with each officer of the club regarding their expectations of their jobs and discussing with them their job description. I feel I need to make sure that everyone is comfortable in their new role. I also want to make sure that if they feel overwhelmed in the future, potentially causing burnout, that we come up with a plan to allow them to either shed a particular job or share it with an assistant.

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**Update from
Membership
Director:
Nancy Nelson**

Nancy reports that as of December 30, the Grand Computers Club has 1021 active members; 784 are PC users, and 237 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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- I hope to have a meeting with all SIG facilitators to grow their regular attendance and share their knowledge with not only the Grand Computers Club membership but all of our fellow residents at Grand.
- The education department continues their effort to make classes more relevant to everyone. One of our drawbacks is a dwindling supply of teachers. It does not take a professionally-trained person to become a teacher; we have a support staff, such as assistants, and in many cases, the documentation needed to conduct a successful class. Our volunteer instruction staff is actively looking for this kind of person.
- We have such a wealth of knowledge among our previous presidents that I would like to tap into their thoughts and insights as to what more we could do as a club to be more vibrant. With the 12 or so potentially present in a meeting, you can imagine the thoughts that might be revealed. To have group feedback to various suggestions is also a way to hone in on new or creative ideas.

One of our more important issues to be worked on involves the latest proposal of Charter Clubs Policies and Procedures. There are many items that need to be addressed and how they could affect our club. To this end, I am looking for a few people who would be willing to serve on a sub-committee together with our club's vice president and me to find problem areas and suggest alternatives that our club could live with. This committee will be short-term as CAM requires us to have our comments or changes submitted within 60 days of the draft's date, or by mid-February. Leon Chapman, one of our past presidents, current instructor and SIG facilitator, has been on a panel working with CAM on changes to the rules. He has stated he would be willing to attend the first meeting "to help overview the draft document or help with any questions or issues on the upcoming draft." I have uploaded the draft to our club's website. Simply login to Grand Computers and you will find the draft in the documents section. Again, I appreciate your input on this subject whether you are on the sub-committee or not.

I am also totally committed to transparency. All the issues I have raised above will be discussed in future notices, either in this newsletter or in e-mail blasts to the entire membership. I feel strongly that when a member

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understands and is offered the opportunity to participate in issues, the stronger our club will become.

As you see, we have a lot of work to do to keep our club viable and relevant in the future. I welcome your participation in any of the above activities and encourage you to contact me at president@grandcomputers.org regarding your desires. I thank you for your support in the past and look forward to working with all of you in the future.

John Nuerenberg
President, Grand Computers Club

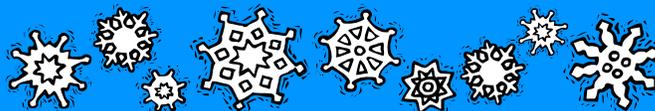
January 9 Coffee Chat



**8:30 AM
Hopi Room
Chaparral Center**

**This Coffee Chat presentation will
center on "Social Networking"
By John Nuerenberg,
Social Networking SIG Facilitator**

Coffee & Donuts! Join us!



**February 13 Topic:
Tablets - Can a Tablet/Smartphone
Completely Replace Your Computer?**



2014 GCC Board of Directors (left)

2014 SIG Leaders, Webmaster, Publicity (below)

Board photos by Joe Scanlon





Monitor's Corner
Steve Etherton
Monitor Director

I just received the following from Bill Remling who served as the Monitor Director for the past three years.

"As I leave the post of Monitor Director, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our monitors for their service to our club and making my job as monitor director so rewarding. You have all been so responsible in signing up for open sessions, covering for each other and keeping me updated with the needs of the club, that my job was not only much easier than I anticipated, but a lot of fun as well. I am very proud of the family of monitors we have in our club and their dedication to service. Without you and your efforts our club would not be the largest and best club within Grand. I am happy to be leaving the Directors position in the capable hands of Steve Etherton your new Monitor Director. Steve has served for years as a monitor and trained many of the new monitors. I am sure he will represent you well before the Board. Keep up the good works and I look forward to seeing you in the club as I continue to serve as a club monitor...its fun, its needed and we get to meet many great residents of Sun City Grand."

Bill has spent time with me in preparing me for the Director's position. I am sure we all thank him for his service. Look for my e-mail updates to you with some of the changes in monitoring dealing with service animals, comfort animals, emergency protocols, etc. We do have some new information in these areas but nothing that will be too difficult for you as a monitor to handle. In the coming months I will be keeping you updated with any changes from the Board as I attend my first Board meeting at the end of this month.

Education Corner
Joyce Klonecz
Education Director



Winter class planning is completed, and the class schedule is posted at www.grandcomputers.org > Education > Class Schedule. You will be able to register online starting at 8 AM on Monday, January 13, with classes beginning on Monday, January 20. Please go to our website > Education to read about how to register and some specific things to remember.

We believe that we are offering something for everyone with our class selections. We are scheduling over 100 classes this winter. New classes include:

- E-Reader Basics
- Nook from A to Z
- The Cloud Explained
- OS X from Leopard to Mavericks
- Windows 8 - Levels 1, 2, 3, 4
- iPad/iPhone Siri
- iPad/iPhone Facebook
- We have also realigned some of the devices classes: iPad 3 - I Own One, Now What; iPhone 3 - I Own One, Now What; iPad/iPhone 4 IOS for Existing Users; iPad 5 Apps; iPhone 5 Apps; iPad/iPhone 6 Camera/Photo Sharing. This realignment provides a better format for our devices classes.

We thank in advance our knowledgeable instructors who put in a lot of time preparing for their classes. Each term our instructors spend hours updating their handouts and their curriculum. Thanks also to Linda Morrison, outgoing Education Director, who has done a great job preparing me for this role. Big shoes to fill here! And thanks to Janice Oeswein, Class Scheduler, who does a wonderful job of scheduling classes to fulfill instructors' preferences.

We hope that you will all continue to enjoy your educational experiences at the Grand Computers Club and we want to wish everyone a very Happy New Year.

The 2014 GCC Board of Directors welcomes the following new board members:

Steve Etherton, Nancy Nelson, Nancy Collins, and Ira Simmons

**Monitor Director:
Steve Etherton**

Steve was born and raised in Seattle Washington. Growing up in the Northwest led to stream fishing, camping, hiking, swimming, skiing and much more.

After his stint in the Army, Steve moved to Pasadena, California where he began his career in the printing industry. He journeyed as 4-color Pressman and Prepress Lithographer. Later, as Master Scheduler, he scheduled printing projects on three web presses and six sheetfed presses.

He met his dear sweetheart, Linda, at a church event. They married a couple of months later. They just celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary.

While working for a Printing/Publishing firm, he attended UCLA full time at night for four years. During his career he managed several printing companies. He also traveled nationally and Internationally buying printing from RR Donnelly & Sons and other national and local printers.

Steve and Linda spent most of their married life in Huntington Beach, CA, raising their son Mark and daughters Deborah and Melissa. They have three grandchildren in Australia and three grandchildren in Garden Grove, California.

In December of 2009 Steve retired after 46 years in the printing business, and Linda retired after working for 16 years with the Orange County Department of Education.

He bought his first Mac in 1990 and has owned seven Macintosh computers over the years. He really enjoys the computer experience so it was a natural to join the Grand Computers Club. He also enjoys photography, ballroom dancing with Linda, traveling and the Bon Appetit dinner clubs here in Grand. Steve's a regular at the Adobe Fitness Center.

Welcome to the Board, Steve!



**Membership Director:
Nancy Nelson**

Nancy grew up in Portland, Oregon. She met her husband, Roger at the University of Oregon in 1958. They married in 1962, lived in Portland where they raised their son Craig and daughter Laurie.

Son Craig has three children, Tyler, age 23, who is working and lives in Concord, California; Maxwell, age 21, who is a Marine stationed in 29 Palms, recently returning from Afghanistan; and Emma, who is almost 16.

Daughter Laurie lives in Vancouver, WA, with her husband, Dave and works for the School District.

Roger and Nancy moved to the California Desert, first to Palm Desert and then to PGA West at LaQuinta, where she served on the Board of Directors for the Women's Southern California Golf Association for five years.

Nancy and Roger moved to Sun City Grand in the spring of 2004. This is their home, but they return in the summer to Seaside, Oregon, where they have a home built in 1898. This is a great meeting place for her family.

Nancy loves it here and is involved in golf, Mahjonn, the Grand Computers Club and various other activities with her husband and their friends.

She especially enjoys Genealogy and the classes offered through our club.

Welcome, Nancy!



Treasurer:

Nancy Collins

Nancy Collins grew up in Virginia, spent thirty years in California, and then moved to Arizona eight years ago with her daughter, son-in-law and grandson to be with her son and his new wife.



When her children were ten and twelve, she purchased the family's first computer and began teaching friends and co-workers how to use theirs. Her family learned to build their own computer systems and use the major software programs.

She worked for several innovative Internet companies and IBM, then started her own Cell Phone/Two Way Radio/Computer Company when cell phones first came on the market. Eventually she went back to school with her daughter to obtain their nursing degrees.

Two years ago upon graduation with her nursing license, she retired and moved to Sun City Grand where she continues to focus on learning new technology as well as volunteering to teach others how to use their computer systems, cell phones and tablets in the Computers Club.

Nancy volunteers with other clubs in Sun City Grand and the City of Surprise and continues to take Emergency Preparedness Classes through Maricopa County. She is currently a member of the Surprise Rotary Club, the Surprise Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce.

She also does presentations for Sun Health through their Education Department for their Vial of Life and File of Life programs throughout the West Valley.

Welcome, Nancy!

Vice President:

Ira Simmons

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Ira Simmons spent over 30 years in the San Francisco Bay Area before moving to Arizona in 2011. In Sun City Grand, he is the representative for the Taos neighborhood and is also a member of the Steering Committee for Grand Learning where he regularly prepares all the instructor evaluations.



Ira just completed a stint as Ticket Manager for the Singles Club where he still writes the weekly eBlasts, prepares the Club calendars and also serves as Webmaster. Previously he was a member of the Activities and Fitness Advisory Committee.

Ira holds a Master's Degree in Civil Engineering and is also a licensed Professional Engineer. After retiring from his day job in 2003, he performed housing inspections in the aftermath of disasters such as Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Music, sports, reading and writing non-fiction, traveling, politics, computers and telecommunications are some of his many passions. In addition to his role as Vice President, Ira also teaches various iPad and iPhone classes including iTunes for the Computers Club. A published author, in 1990 Ira wrote "Black Knight" about his beloved Oakland Raiders NFL team and has also occasionally contributed to various newsletters and websites.

Finally, Ira is the father of three grown daughters and is now also a grandfather, with his family all presently living in Southern California.

Welcome, Ira!



“The3” Technology Show on Channel 22

Two members of the Grand Computers Club, Jeff Taylor and Rita Skarbek are producing and starring in a TV show about technology called “The3.” They discuss topics ranging from how to recognize when your computer is infected with a virus to the best applications to download to your smartphone.

The purpose of "The3" is to raise community awareness here in Sun City Grand to the basics of computers, tablets, smartphones and technology and to help all residents keep themselves safe in a world of ever growing technology scams. Club members as well as outside consultants contribute their expertise to the show, which also offers fun tips, app reviews, and timely technical information too.

The latest episode deals with Malware and features a Skype interview with an internet technology expert as well as tips on how to update your phone and tablet operating system software and how to download applications to those devices. It is all explained in simple easy to understand language. You don't have to be a techie to enjoy this show.

If you have Cox Cable you can view the show on Channel 22 (check the Sun City Grand Website for times each week). You can also subscribe on that site to an email listing all weekly shows and show times.

If you do not have Cox Cable you can also view the show on the Sun City Grand website mentioned above: Go to www.grandinfo.com and click on the Member Log In; sign in and then click on tabs: Grand Connections> Communications> TV22Videos> and click on The3.

Periodically, our own website also posts links to episodes of the show. You can also visit the show's website: www.the3.us for more information about the show and links to government and technology websites that are discussed in each episode.

The following article comes to you courtesy of APCUG, the computer user group to which Grand Computers Club belongs.

Take Control of Your Fonts
By Nancy DeMarte
Sarasota PCUG, Florida
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You know you're becoming a real techie when you start to question standard (default) settings on your computer. This fact is true when considering fonts; which means text and other characters of a certain style. Windows operating systems come with dozens of fonts; Microsoft Office adds even more with its installation. For years the default font in Office was *Times New Roman* in Word and *Arial* in the other Office programs. When the default fonts changed with Office 2007, many users didn't care for the new look, but accepted it grudgingly. Perhaps they didn't realize they could set another font as their default. They may not have known that they could also download and install other fonts from the Internet. This article explains how to take control of your fonts and use them in creative ways.

The Background

In the early days of computing, text characters had unnatural, jagged edges. Fortunately, the look and variety of fonts have improved dramatically. TrueType font format was designed by Apple in 1991, and Open Type, jointly developed by Microsoft and Adobe, appeared in 1997. Clear Type greatly improved the clarity of text on flat screens and laptops. Today most text appears smooth and clear, even at very small sizes and in many alphabets, such as Latin, Greek, and Japanese, and Arabic.

Finding Your Fonts

Fonts are stored in the Fonts control panel of Windows. (Type “fonts” in the Start menu search box or click the Start button – Control Panel -- Fonts.) Thumbnails of the fonts currently available on your

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computer are installed depend on the languages which are enabled. My font list, for example, shows only English fonts. Double-clicking a font thumbnail reveals the font in the sentence, “The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog,” followed by the numbers “1234567890” repeated in different sizes. Fonts are organized by families, which include various sizes and styles like regular, italic, condensed, and narrow.

Windows 7 added forty-eight new fonts to the list, many in lesser known languages. Office includes custom fonts with each new release. If you purchased Office 2007 or 2010, you noticed right away the new default fonts: *Cambria* for headings and *Calibri* for the body of a document. According to Microsoft, the most popular five fonts in their products are *Gill Sans*, *Calibri*, *Arial*, *Curlz MT*, and *Times New Roman*.

Changing the Default Font

With little effort, you can change the font that is standard in an Office program. On the Home tab in Word 2007 or 2010, click the small arrow in the bottom right corner of the Font group to open the Font dialog box. Select a font name, style, and size, and then click, “Set as Default” -- OK.

Getting a New Font from the Internet

You can also search the Internet to find new fonts, some offered for a price and some free. These can be downloaded and installed to the Fonts control panel, where they will be available to any program on your computer which uses text. My new fonts can be used not only in MS Office programs, but also in Photoshop Elements and PrintMaster, as well as others where text is needed.

I wanted to send a homemade Valentine greeting card to my daughter using a font that had that theme. Searching with Google offered me many websites that had free custom fonts for download. I knew that any free download has the possibility of containing bugs or malware. So I researched a bit more and decided to focus on three of the many reputable free font sites:

1001freefonts.com, dafont.com, and fontspace.com. I searched the Valentine category in dafont.com, found a font I liked, clicked the Download button and then the Save button twice, which scanned the setup file for viruses and saved it in my Downloads folder. Then I opened my Downloads folder (Start – Nancy – Downloads), opened the new font setup file, and clicked Install. The process was automatic and quick. I closed all open windows, opened Word, and scrolled down the font list to my new font, called *MC Sweetie Hearts*. Using it, I designed a simple greeting card which I printed and mailed.

CAUTION: If you create a product with a downloaded custom font and send it digitally, such as an email attachment, the person won’t be able to view the font if he doesn’t also have it installed. Instead, the text will revert back to the default font of the program that opens the attachment. If you want to delete a font from my computer, locate it in the Font control panel, right click it, and click Delete. A warning: deletions are permanent.

Using Fonts Creatively

Exploring the fonts on your computer is fun and will probably make you want to make better use of them. For instance, open a word-processing program like Word and scroll down the font name list on the Home tab to the three fonts called Wingdings. They are “Dingbats”; that is, fonts where text characters have been replaced by pictures and symbols. You can’t use Wingdings to write a contract, but you might find an occasion to include a telephone, pair of scissors or arrow in the body of a letter.

Even if you don’t download any new fonts or include Wingdings in your documents, you can still use fonts creatively. Paying attention to how professionals use text in magazines and web pages can give you ideas for creative font use. For example, you can select the first letter of the first word in a paragraph and make it a different font in a larger size for a dramatic effect. While it isn’t a good idea to use too many fonts in one document, combining a couple gives interest to the text. You can make your fonts work for you.

Grand Computers Club PC Course Offerings, Winter Term, 2014	
<p>Courses in this category are for those areas of interest that can be applied to the PC operating systems.</p> <hr/> <p>For BEGINNERS who have no/little experience, the recommended sequence of beginner courses is as follows:</p> <p>Mouse & Keyboard – FREE Intro may be taken more than once to gain proficiency with the mouse and keyboard.</p> <p>Windows 7, Level 1 (PC Basics) - introduces basic computer functions; e.g., menus, windows, etc.</p> <p>Windows 7, Level 2 (Windows 7 Basics) – goes into more depth of various programs and functions within Windows 7.</p> <p>Creating Documents with Windows 7 - introduces basic word processing skills, formatting, spellcheck, fonts, saving, printing.</p> <p>Windows 8.1 – Getting Started – this course will help you become more comfortable using Windows 8.1 on a PC and explore the Windows 8 interface commands and differences.</p> <p>Windows 8 , Level 1 PC Basics – provides an overview on using a PC.</p> <p>Windows 8, Level 2 Windows 8 Basics – provides a review of Windows 8 basics.</p> <hr/> <p>UTILITY & MAINTENANCE: The following courses are recommended for all PC owners, but these courses require an understanding of PC terminology and solid skills with the mouse and keyboard.</p> <p>Windows 7 File & Disk Management - teaches how to organize, maintain and backup files on your computer.</p> <p>Windows 7, Level 3 (Standard Apps) - studies many of the standard applications, including Sticky Notes, snipping tool, sound recorder, Windows Media Player, backup and restore, and more.</p> <p>Windows 7, Level 4 (Care & Feeding) - teaches how to customize the computer and to use the task manager. Maintenance procedures and protection software are reviewed.</p> <p>Windows 8, Level 3 (Popular Apps) – presents info on the free apps and how to get more apps from MS Windows Store.</p> <p>Windows 8, Level 4 (Care & Feeding) – covers a series of Windows 8 tips to make your computer run efficiently.</p>	<p>Internet 1 & 2 - leads to improved web surfing and searching.</p> <p>Mail Merge Level 1 Database & 2 Functions - make mail merged documents, labels, directories and e-mails with Word & Excel.</p> <hr/> <p>PRODUCTIVITY for those who are proficient with a mouse and familiar with menus and text entry, the following courses teach or review frequently used computer skills.</p> <p>Word 2013 & 365, Levels 1 & 2 - teaches basic word processing skills.</p> <p>Excel 2013 & 365, Levels 1 & 2 - teaches spreadsheet usage.</p> <p>PowerPoint 2013 & 365 – teaches you how to make slides to include text, graphics, and images.</p> <hr/> <p>DIGITAL IMAGE MAKING SOFTWARE: To take these courses, one should be proficient with the mouse and have basic PC and editing knowledge. <i>Photoshop Elements 11 – all Elements courses have been moved to the “Other” category. The courses being offered are: Organizer for Window 7, 8, and Organizer for Mac. For both PC and Mac: Basics, Corrections, Layers, Tools, Selection Tools and Fun Fonts and Text. See specific information on each course on the Other category sheet.</i></p> <hr/> <p>SPECIAL INTEREST: In addition to the following classes, any group of fewer than 6 students can request or create a Custom Class for which an instructor will be found if possible.</p> <p>Genealogy - Legacy Family Tree 8 - 1, 2 & 3 – these three classes use the newly released Legacy 8, and provides in-depth practice on many of Legacy's reporting and searching features.</p> <p>Quicken – a three session course designed to provide hands-on information about the many functions of Quicken.</p> <p>Turbo Tax - a tax-preparation program. This course explains why the program is popular and how to get started.</p> <p>Shutterfly - this class will teach the student how to set up an account, upload photos, and easily make a photo book.</p> <p>Skype for PC - an easy way to communicate with family or friends using your computer and free Skype software and service.</p>

Grand Computers Club Mac Course Offerings, Winter Term, 2014	
<p>Listed below are Mac classes offered Winter Term, 2014.</p>	<p>DIGITAL IMAGE MAKING SOFTWARE: continued below:</p>
<p>For BEGINNERS who have no or little Mac experience, the recommended sequence of beginner courses is as follows. For PC users moving to Macs, we recommend Mac 3 – 5 classes.</p> <p>Mac 1 – An Introduction to the Mac – for students new to the Mac world.</p> <p>Mac 2 – introduces basic computer functions including applications, windows, and menus.</p> <p>Mac 3 – delves into many unique Macintosh features.</p> <p>Mac 4 – examines Mac navigation and the Finder.</p> <p>Mac 5 – learn how to customize your Mac.</p>	<p>PS Elements 11: Basics, Tools, Selection Tools, Layers, Corrections, and Fun Fonts/Texts – these classes will now be combined with PC Elements 11 classes and will be found under “Other” on class information.</p> <p>The Print Shop 2.0 – graphics software that allows you make a myriad of impressive print projects.</p>
<p>PRODUCTIVITY: for those who are proficient with a mouse and familiar with menus and text entry, the following courses teach or review frequently used computer skills.</p> <p>Mail for Mac – how to perform e-mail operations using the Mac Mail program as the base.</p> <p>Contacts (Address Book) for Mac – learn how to manage your email contacts in Address Book.</p> <p>Calendar (iCal) for Mac – a class devoted to managing your personal calendar on a Mac.</p> <p>iWork: Pages 1 & 2 – an introduction to the features of the Mac word processing and page layout program.</p> <p>iWork: Numbers – create impressive spreadsheets with easy-to-create formulas.</p> <p>iWork: Keynote – learn to create presentations using your photo collections.</p>	<p>SPECIAL INTEREST: In addition to the following classes, any group of fewer than 6 students can create a Custom Class for which an instructor will be found.</p> <p>Skype for Mac – an easy way to communicate with family or friends using your computer and free Skype software and service.</p> <p>Reunion for Mac – keep track of your family’s genealogy with this Mac software.</p>
<p>DIGITAL IMAGE MAKING SOFTWARE: To take these courses, one should be proficient with the mouse and have basic Mac and editing knowledge.</p> <p>iPhoto ‘11 – learn how to do more with your photos using this basic Mac software.</p> <p>PS Elements 11 Organizer for Mac – learn how to use iPhoto to organize your photos for Elements 11. This class will be listed under “Other” on class information.</p>	<p>UTILITY & MAINTENANCE: These classes require a basic understanding of OS X and solid skills with the mouse and keyboard.</p> <p>OS X From Leopard to Mavericks Seminar – a review of Apple’s operating systems.</p> <p>iCloud for Mac & PC – learn the basics of how the iCloud storage system works on your iMac, laptops, iPad, iPhone, and PCs. This class will be listed under “Other” on class information.</p>
	<p>iPad/iPhone 1-8 classes will be listed with “Other” classes.</p>

Grand Computers Club Other Class Offerings, Winter, 2014

Courses in this category are for those areas of interest that can be applied to both PC and Mac operating systems and for specific electronic devices.

iPAD/iPHONE: classes devoted to the iPad/iPhone.

iPad/iPhone 1 How to Buy One – information needed to determine if the iPad or the iPhone is something you want to buy.

iPad/iPhone 2 Setup Workshop – bring in your new iPad/iPhone and get help setting it up.

iPad 3 - I Own One - Now What? – learn many of the functions and features of the iPad.

iPhone 3 - I Own One - Now What? – learn many of the functions and features of the iPhone 5.

iPad/iPhone 4 iOS 7 (Existing Users) – learn about the newest iOS for these devices.

iPad 5 Apps - learn about some apps available for download and use on your iPad.

iPhone 5 Apps – learn about some apps available for download and use on your iPhone.

iPad/iPhone 6 Camera & Photosharing – a class devoted to using the camera apps that come with the iPad or iPhone, learn how to work with digital images, and share them with others, either e-mail or social networking.

iPad/iPhone 7 Facebook on Your Device – learn how to use Facebook on your iPad/iPhone.

iPad/iPhone 8 Siri – learn how to take advantage of all that Siri can do on your iPad/iPhone.

iTunes – a class devoted to how to access iTunes and download any tune to your devices.

iCloud for Mac & PC – learn what iCloud is and how to access and use iCloud. For PC, Mac and Apple devices.

The Cloud Explained – what is the cloud all about? Learn how you can use the Cloud.

Android-Droid Phone Workshop – this class is devoted to the Android/Droid operating phone system, including the device itself, the various functions, and the apps one can download.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND PHOTO EDITING: these courses offer instruction in photography and photo editing software.

Digital Photography for Mac & PC – learn about your camera, accessories, features and uploading them to your computer.

Picasa – learn how to copy or move photos from your camera to your PC, and make use of Picasa software to manage photos and perform basic photo editing tools.

Photo Story – learn how to make a slide show photo story with music on this free Microsoft software.

Photoshop Elements 11 Series – This series of courses cover most aspects of Photoshop Elements 11 software. With the exception of the Organizer courses they can all be used on either the PC or Mac platforms. Check the Course Description to see the required prerequisites and the specific information covered in each course.

PS Elements 11 Organizer for Mac

PS Elements 11 Organizer for Windows 7 & 8

PS Elements 11 Basics PC & Mac

PS Elements 11 Corrections PC & Mac

PS Elements 11 Fun Fonts/Text PC & Mac

PS Elements 11 Layers PC & Mac

PS Elements 11 Selection Tools PC & Mac

PS Elements 11 Tools PC & Mac

SPECIAL INTEREST: In addition to the following classes, any group of fewer than 6 students can create a **Custom Class** for which an instructor will be found.

Analog to Digital – making digital format media from analog media, such as LP records to CD, VHS to DVD, and slides to DVD.

eReader Basics – learn how to use an eReader.

Nook from A to Z – learn how to use your Nook to read books and much more.

Google Advanced Search Features – learn how this free software can be used for a multitude of purposes.

Easy Gifts Using Graphic Websites for – learn about websites where special graphics are available to make fun and easy gifts.

Memoir Writing Fundamentals – this class is for those wishing to better understand the elements of memoir writing and to learn basic computer applications that can process, store, and protect information.

SOCIAL NETWORKING

Blogging – learn what blogging is and how to blog on some of the many blogging programs available.

Facebook for Mac & PC – learn about the ins-and-outs of this free popular social networking software as well as crucial security issues.

Twitter – learn about this popular social networking function that allows one to text a message to a selected audience.



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 - A Writing Group

Provides club members a forum for writing.

Meetings: 3rd Monday (Oct.-April)

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Next Meeting: January 20

Place: Aqua Fria Room, Cimarron (Oct.-April)

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 (Oct.-May)

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 PM

**January 21: Topic: Social Media Apps,
Facebook, Twitter, etc.**

Place: Maricopa/Havasupai, Chaparral Center

Contact: Leon Chapman, 623-398-8900

Devices@grandcomputers.org



Financial Education SIG

Provides club members a forum for financial education.

Meetings: 4th Friday (Oct.-May)

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

January 24: Exchange Traded Funds

Place: Hopi Room, Chaparral Center

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

Contact: Richard Gabel 623-546-0929

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Flight Simulators SIG

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

Meetings: 2nd Thursday (Sept.-June)

Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM

January 9 Topic: Automation in Today's Cockpit

Place: 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 Thursday (Oct.-May)

Time: 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Jan. 2 Topic: Legacy 8 Seminar 2

Jan. 16 Topic: GEDCOM - Legacy Exports / Imports using GEDCOMs

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 (Oct.-May)

Time: 3:00 - 4:30 PM

**Jan. 8 Topic: Demos - Fading, Converting,
Combining Images**

Place: Maricopa/Havasupai, Chaparral Center

Contact: Rita Skarbek, 623-748-8992

Graphics@grandcomputers.org

Grand Computers Club SIGs



Mac SIG

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

Meetings: 3rd Monday (Oct.-April)
Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM

January 20 Topic: All About Google - From G-Mail to Websites

Place: Apache Room, Chaparral Center

Contact: Joyce Klonecz, 623-215-2397



New Technologies SIG

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

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month
Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM

January 15 Topic: Evernote

Place: Maricopa/Havasupai, Chaparral Center

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 (Oct.- April)
Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM

January 13 Topic: Sharing Photos

Place: Open Use Room, Chaparral

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



Calendar of Events

- Jan. 2 - Financial Ed: Technical Analysis, 8 AM
- Jan. 2 - Genealogy SIG, 3:30 PM
- Jan. 6 - Financial Ed: Income Investing, 8 AM
- Jan. 8 - GCC General Meeting, 1:00, Cimarron
- Jan. 8 - Graphics, 3:00 PM
- Jan. 9 - Coffee Chat, 8:30 AM, Hopi Room
- Jan. 9 - Flight Simulator SIG, 2:00 PM
- Jan. 13 - Social Networking SIG, 4:00 PM
- Jan. 15 - New Technologies SIG, 4:00 PM
- Jan. 16 - Financial Ed: Technical Analysis, 8 AM
- Jan. 16 - Genealogy SIG, 3:30 PM
- Jan. 20 - Financial Ed: Income Investing, 8 AM
- Jan. 20 - Compose Yourself/A Writing Group, 1 PM
- Jan. 20 - Mac SIG, 4:30 PM
- Jan. 21 - Devices SIG, 3:30 PM
- Jan. 24 - Financial Education SIG, 1:00 PM
- Jan. 30 - GCC Board Meeting, 1:00 PM
- April 4 - Volunteer Dinner, 5 PM - **Mark Your Calendar Now!**

Fragrance Issues in Grand Computers Club

Here's a quote worth reading:

"Being forced to breathe in others' fragrance choices is a lot like being forced to breathe in secondhand smoke. It's a loss of control over your personal environment, and for some, it can have serious personal health consequences."



Please respect your fellow members and refrain from wearing fragrance in the Grand Computers Club.

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 or
geffre1949@yahoo.com

Request for Desktops

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.

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 or
technical@grandcomputers.org

PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL AHEAD

