



HAPPY NEW YEAR, GRAND COMPUTERS CLUB MEMBERS!

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2021!



OUR NEW HISTORIAN --- PAM KOSTEL

Our thanks to Pam Kostel for taking on the position of Club Historian. Pam is one of those wunderkinds who seemingly never runs out of energy and is always involved in some way in the Club. You've seen her around at many Club activities. Now when you see her, she'll be taking your picture for posterity. Thank you, Pam!

And, our thanks to Doug Ralston who has served us in this capacity for so many years!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86922760182?pwd=RkhTNFZTdMfUUGJGUmtuR1ozRjUzZz09>

Meeting ID: 869 2276 0182

Passcode: 783312

Monday, January 4, 1:00-2:00pm, **Little Bytes Live**, Join in the fun conversations we have. It's not only about this E-Blast named Little Bytes. It's about becoming friends as we get to know one another better through conversation.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88237079666?pwd=bUNEc2pVM2l2eUliMTh3TGk5T01SUT09>

Meeting ID: 882 3707 9666

Passcode: 349195

Monday, January 4, 6:00-8:00pm, **Digital Scrapbooking SIG**, Please bring pictures and the group will offer suggestions and help you improve them.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89990910568?pwd=VVl2cG9MZWFJMTVjVTRjUmx6T0djUT09>

Meeting ID: 899 9091 0568

Passcode: DigSB

Tuesday, January 5, 12:30pm - ? (3:30pm max), **TECH HELP**, Fill out the form at the following link to request attendance. Be prepared to describe your device and problem. Form must be submitted no later than 11am on Monday. Sometime later that same day, you will receive an email invitation with a link to join the meeting Tuesday at 12:30pm.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXXIioshz8UuzX6DHGYG5DfdqW-sTEHAS2JQdbURuokNi1Yag/viewform>

If you don't know how to connect to Zoom, please indicate on the form that you would like someone to show you how to connect to Zoom. We will call you prior to Tech Help to guide you.

Tuesday, January 5, 1:00-3:00pm, **Compose Yourself SIG**, Read and Discuss Your Written Stories.

<https://zoom.us/j/95491568615?pwd=Q3F2N01va0JJUkJXYmNSd2tFbHpsUT09>

Meeting ID: 954 9156 8615

Passcode: 957972

Wednesday, January 6, 2:00-3:30pm, **General Meeting**, Presentation on "Podcasts - What they are and how to find the ones you'll get the most out of" - presented by Tom Shepherd

<https://zoom.us/j/98764682183?pwd=ajAyODFQbUplWDFQM2x3M2hmTWxzd-z09>

Meeting ID: 987 6468 2183

Passcode: 511723

Thursday, January 7, 9am - 10:30am, **CHAT WITH DAN & FRIENDS**, Ask any technical questions pertaining to computers or devices and get answers from Dan or one of his friends. On ZOOM. Here is the link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96202293634?pwd=emRLcW5LY1MyTHBrMm5jN2FkV0NTZz09>

Meeting ID: 962 0229 3634
Passcode: 207075

Thursday, January 7, 3:30-5:00pm, **Genealogy SIG**, General Genealogy Workshop & Questions – All Attendees.

<https://zoom.us/j/97203749394?pwd=QWdRa09EQjZBc1V4M0NJRdluWTRmdz09>

Meeting ID: 972 0374 9394
Passcode: 603393

MISCELLANEOUS-----

WE NEED MONITORS TO KEEP THE CLUB OPEN

If you are a monitor, please sign up for one day next week. We NEED you to keep the club open.

Just a reminder: the procedure for signing up is to log into grandcomputers.org, View and Schedule Monitor Sessions. Thanks to all of you who respond to this need.

EDUCATION – ONLINE CLASSES VIA ZOOM

Winter Classes:

January 4, 2021 Release of classes for review only

January 11, 2021 – Registration begins

January 18, 2021 Classes begins

Grand Computers Club Website has been updated. Go to the home page of the Grand Computes Website: grandcomputers.org.

Click the **Education** Tab to get started to find all the information about the Education classes. A dropdown menu of all the pages divided into: Overview, Course Listings, Class Registration, Classes for Windows 10 and Zoom Instruction. Check out all the education web pages.

On January 4 when the classes are released for review go to the Class Registration webpage as this is the time to peruse the classes, check out the class descriptions by clicking on the name of the class to find the right class for you. Keep a list of classes you are inserted in taking and on January 11 you are ready to register for the classes.

To keep our members safe from Covid 19, payment of classes is being accepted only by credit or debit card on our website. No checks or cash will be accepted at the computer club by a monitor.

For updated information on the classes and registering look for the e-blasts from the education director, subject: Education Classes....

FREE ONE-ON-ONE HELP TO GET YOU STARTED WITH ZOOM

If you don't know how to get on Zoom, we've made it easy for you to learn how. We offer free one-on-one help. Use this link to fill out a form and someone will contact you to help you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdRQV_bx_1dimNT4SngW6bXuVsRKslRhcm-MOccndzV9Nnzyw/viewform

COMPUTERS FOR SCHOOLKIDS

WANTED – Older laptop computers (PCs or MACs) and tablets (iPads or Androids)! Please help out by donating your older laptop or tablet to Jim Geffre. Jim repairs them, updates them, and donates them to schools. He would like the laptops to have Windows 7, Windows 8 or already be upgraded to Windows 10. Please include the power cord with the computer and the charger for a tablet. Jim wipes the hard drives or puts new ones in if you were to leave yours out. If needed, Jim adds memory to at least 4GB and adds Microsoft Office.

Please contact Jim by phone (623-544-3394) or by email (jeffre1949@yahoo.com) to arrange for a drop-off at Jim's home. Email is preferred. Jim will email you back his physical address. You can then leave the computer outside his house. Please be sure to include the password to unlock your computer or tablet and your email address with the computer and Jim will email you a tax form for taking a deduction on your tax return. (You can deduct up to \$150.00 per laptop).

TECH ARTICLES -----

Why Charging Your Phone Overnight Is Bad

https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/phone-plugged-overnight/?utm_source=MUO-NL-RP&utm_medium=newsletter

Microsoft Still Really Wants You to Upgrade to Windows 10

https://www.makeuseof.com/microsoft-windows-10-upgrade-available/?utm_source=MUO-NL-RP&utm_medium=newsletter

How to Delete Your Personal Data From Public Record Websites

https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/how-to-delete-personal-data-public-record-websites/?utm_source=MUO-NL-RP&utm_medium=newsletter

10 Safari Mac Browser Tips to Boost Speed and Performance

https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/safari-speed-performance-tips/?utm_source=MUO-NL-RP&utm_medium=newsletter

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