## KILOBYTES

The Quarterly Newsletter of the Computer Club of Rossmoor P.O. Box 2070, Walnut Creek, CA 94595 (925) 280 - 3984

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

In the March issue of Kilobytes I stated my resignation as President effective April 1st. 2016. As you now read this issue, it's obvious I'm still at the "helm" offering continued time until my replacement can be announced. Should this proposal be of interest to our membership or other Rossmoor residents, please contact our Board of Directors in writing to CCOR, POB 2070, Walnut Creek CA. 94595.

Muríel Wyro

I am deeply saddened to report the passing of C.K.Chow, a longtime volunteer for the Computer Club, C.K. was very dedicated. Always with a smile when greeting you from the front desk in the office and very courteous. His knowledge of computers and associated technologies were his forte. His family celebrated his life last Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> in the Fireside room at Gateway. The room was filled with many friends from his life, beginning with his college years through to the present. He will be greatly missed by all of us. A Celebration of Life

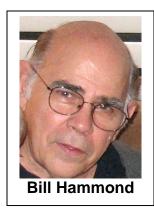


Chao Kong ("C. K.") Chow Fireside Room, Rossmoor Walnut Creek, California

Walnut Creek, Califor May 28, 2016



In this issue: see a sneak preview of fall classes and seminars. Watch the Club website for enrollment dates.



In 2002 Microsoft introduced the Media Center, offered support for PC-based TV tuners, controlling media playback, including DVDs and music. It continued to be

updated over the years.

If you are looking for this feature in Windows 10, you won't find it. The old versions are not compatible with "10" and the technology has been moved to the Xbox apps which are available (for a price) at the Microsoft App store.

Don't have an Xbox. Don't want to spend any money on apps. What to do?

Here is feature-laden alternative that you can download for FREE. (I like free)

The program is called VLC. We have used it at the computer center for years to solve all kinds of video problems.

Some of the VLC features:

Playback of Video and Music (over 50 formats supported)

Mini audio player for background audio Media Libraries

Support for subtitles

Can be setup as a web server

Can be used to download Youtube and flash videos

Versions available for the iPhone and Android phones as well as tablets Conversion of media files to a different format Stream media across the Internet or on your local network. Apply audio effects and video effects. VLC also allows you to set a video as your desktop wallpaper AND IT IS FREE. Download it here

### **Call for Computer Instructors**

If you have California Teaching Credential with some knowledge of Windows, iPads, iPhones, Android devices or PC applications we would like to talk to you about teaching in the Computer Club of Rossmoor program through the Acalanes Adult School. Do you have a subject relative to computers you would like to teach? We would love to hear from you.

#### **Important Reminder**

Windows 10 is the future. For those of you that have Windows 7 or Windows 8 the free upgrade offer to Windows 10 will end on July 29, 2016. What follows is personal opinion. I think Microsoft will extend the date to upgrade. They will probably come out with some announcement stating the upgrade program has been so successful that they are extending the deadline to upgrade.

My guess is that Microsoft won't make that decision until very late, and it certainly won't be communicated to the public anytime soon. If someone tries to tell you they know what will happen come July 29, don't believe them. In the meantime mark your calendar.

# 2 meeting Classes (hands on) \$25 members - \$35 non members

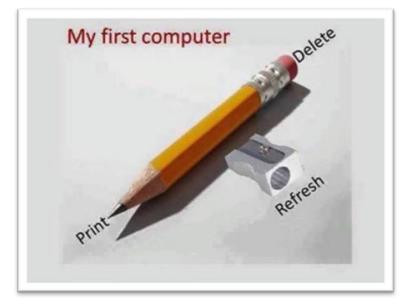
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Android Phone	Mon	10- noon	Sept 12 & 19	421	Personalize your Android phone to you. Learn the settings and more.	Limit 10
iPhone	Tue	1-3pm	Sept 13 & 20	421	Get comfortable with you iPhone for calls, internet and more.	Limit 10
Android Phone	Tue	1-3pm	Oct 11 & 18	420/1	Personalize your Android phone to you. Learn the settings and more.	Limit 10
iPhone	Thu	1-3pm	Oct 13 & 20	420	Get comfortable with you iPhone for calls, internet and more.	Limit 10
Android Phone	Tue	1-3pm	Nov 1 & 8	420	Personalize your Android phone to you. Learn the settings and more.	Limit 10
iPhone	Tue	1-3pm	Nov 8 & 15	421	Get comfortable with you iPhone for calls, internet and more.	Limit 10

## 3 meeting Classes (hands on) \$35 members – \$45 non members

members						
Windows 10	Tue	10- noon	Sept 13- 27	420	Get comfortable with the basics of this new operating system.	Limit 15
Brush Up On Word – Level I	Thu	1-3pm	Sept 15- 29	421	Refresh your Word document creation skills and more.	Limit 15
iPad – Level I	Thu	1-3pm	Sept 15- 29	420	Bring your iPad and learn to be a "power user."	
Brush Up On Excel	Wed	1-3pm	Sept 21- Oct 5	421	Update your Excel spreadsheet and chart skills.	
Brush Up PC Basics	Mon	10- noon	Sept 26- Oct 10	421	Refresh your keyboard, mouse, and Windows basics skills.	
Brush Up On Email & Internet	Tue	1-3pm	Sept 27- Oct 11	421	Refresh and expand your Internet and email skills.	
Windows 10	Thu	10- noon	Oct 6-20	420	Get comfortable with the basics of this new operating system.	Limit 15
Brush Up On Word – Level II	Thu	1-3pm	Oct 6-20	421	More on Word, learn to handle graphics and advanced formatting.	
iPad – Level I	Wed	1-3pm	Oct 12- 26	421	Bring your iPad and learn to be a "power user ."	Limit 15
Photoshop Basics	Tue	1-3pm	Oct 18- Nov 1	420	Learn to edit and enhance your photos using Photoshop.	Limit 15
iPad II	Wed	1-3pm	Nov 2-16	420	You Know the Basics, now bring your iPad and learn even more.	Limit 15
Windows 10 – Level II	Thu	10- noon	Nov 3-17	420	Expand your knowledge and comfort with this new OS.	Limit 15

## Seminars (Demonstration with Q&A) \$15 members - \$25 non members

Tips & Tricks in Photo Editing	Wed	1-3pm	Sept 14	420	Learn how best to enhance your photos
Should I Move To Windows 10?	Thu	10-noon	Sept 15	420	See it in action before deciding.
Take Control (Control Panel)	Thu	10-noon	Sept 22	421	Learn to personalize your computer using the Control Panel.
Files & Folders	Mon	10-noon	Oct 17	421	Understand and use your computer's storage.
Transferring Data	Mon	10-noon	Oct 27	420	How to move files between your phone, camera, computer, etc.
Facebook – Level I	Thu	1-3pm	Oct 27	420	Learn to use Facebook to keep in touch with friends and family.
Facebook – Level II	Thu	1-3pm	Nov 3	420	Learn more than basics about this fun tool.
Skype	Thu	1-3pm	Nov 10	420	See how easy is to phone/video anyone.
Alternatives to MS Office	Tue	10-noon	Nov 15	420	Why spend \$\$\$ for programs when less expensive/free are easily available.
Managing Your Photos	Thu	1-3pm	Nov 17	420	Learn quick tricks and tips to enhance your favorite photos.





Dates for the upcoming Annual picnic, volunteers' lunch, and the possibility of talks series, will be forthcoming in the Rossmoor News and our web site.

### WANTED

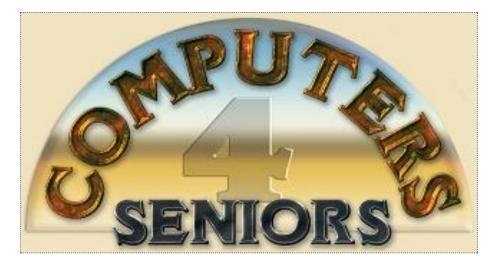
If photography is your hobby, the Club is seeking a volunteer to record, in pictures, activities our Club organizes during the year. Photos will be posted on our website and at the Center. If you are interested, apply at the Computer Center in the Gateway Clubhouse.



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