



Verde Valley Computer Club

# Connections

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**October 15, 2011**

Saturday 9:30 am

**DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES:**

**TUESDAY,**

**October 18**

**2:00 PM**

**Marcie Hartman from  
Hewlett Packard  
has updates on:**

New Product Benefits:

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*Without these four the Club can not exist.*

Contact Bob Eφος  
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### CALENDAR OF VVCC EVENTS

Windows SIG  
Word Processing SIG  
Digital Camera SIG  
General Meeting

**\*SEE MAP ON BACK PAGE\***

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**VERDE VALLEY COMPUTER CLUB**

**October 2011**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 NO SIG	4	5	6 Board Meeting 6:30 pm	7 Windows SIG 4 pm	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Word Processing SIG 4 pm	15 General Meeting 9:30 am
16	17	18 Connections Deadline 2 pm	19	20	21 NO SIG	22
23 30	24 31	25	26	27 NO SIG	28	29

**November 2011**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Board meeting 6:30 pm	4 Windows SIG 4 pm	5
6	7 NO SIG	8	9	10	11 Word Processing SIG 4 pm	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 NO SIG	19 General Meeting 9:30 am
20	21	22 Connections Deadline 2 pm	23	24 Turkey Day NO SIG	25	26
27	28	29	30			



## President's Bits and Bytes

Hi Everybody,

I didn't do it last month, though I meant to, so I will do it now. I wish to give praises to sergeant Gareth Braxton Johnson (he was introduced as sergeant Braxton) and detective Chad Sinn for their excellent presentation on cyber-crimes. The meeting was well attended, including quite a few visitors. The Question and Answer period probably would have gone on for hours, had we not had the constraint of time. All in all, a wonderful meeting.

I was thinking of sergeant Braxton the other day, after someone asked me a question about the legality of tapping into a non password protected wi-fi signal. You may have heard of such a thing. You might be in an unfamiliar neighborhood with a laptop and find the need to access the internet. You open your laptop and check for a signal, and lo and behold, you see one listed. You have no idea who the person is who owns the signal, but there it is, so you click on it and connect and you are on the internet. Unfortunately, you would have also just broken the law. I didn't know that before, but the question I received prompted me to check out the legality of such an action. I did an internet search and checked a variety of resources, but didn't really get a clear answer. Every state has its own laws about this subject, and finding Arizona's specific law did not come quickly or easily for me. I then hit upon the idea to call sergeant Braxton, our own local expert on laws relating to computers and related technology. Sure enough, he was able to help me, even quoting directly from the Arizona law books. Basically, unless you have the permission of the person who is paying for the wireless signal, you are stealing and guilty of a misdemeanor. The person you are stealing from would have to file a complaint, which is probably why we don't hear much about this sort of crime. Sadly, a person who does not know enough about their computer to fail to password protect their wi-fi signal probably would be unaware that anyone unauthorized is using that signal.

This would be the law that covers using a wifi access of another person without their permission. Internet access is a service that is available only with compensation. (You have to pay an ISP)  
2005 Arizona Code - Revised Statutes §13-1802 Theft; classification

A. **A person commits theft if, without lawful authority, the person knowingly:**

1. Controls property of another with the intent to deprive the other person of such property; or
2. Converts for an unauthorized term or use services or property of another entrusted to the defendant or placed in the defendant's possession for a limited, authorized term or use; or
3. Obtains services or property of another by means of any material misrepresentation with intent to deprive the other person of such property or services; or
4. Comes into control of lost, mislaid or misdelivered property of another under circumstances providing means of inquiry as to the true owner and appropriates such property to the person's own or another's use without reasonable efforts to notify the true owner; or
5. Controls property of another knowing or having reason to know that the property was stolen; or
6. **Obtains services known to the defendant to be available only for compensation without paying or an agreement to pay the compensation or diverts another's services to the person's own or another's benefit without authority to do so.**

Till next time, Jerry Miller President VVCC

## MEMBERSHIP CORNER *by Myrille McHale*



Hello Members,

What a good meeting we had on Saturday ! I don't know about the rest of you but I want to have my house set up like the models used in the presentation. How cool was that !?! For those of you who missed the meeting, we were

shown all about how to control our homes via computers. (Computers in the office or laptops while away from home.) From turning lights on and off to watering the gardens and raising and lowering security shades.... So many features. So many things available. I feel like we are living with the Jetsons..... Thank you Andy White and AVDOMOTICS.

I know there are so many of you who have been members long before I joined but I am so impressed by the things I have learned about computers and ways to improve my life in just in the past 10+ years. Each time we have a General Meeting, new things come up. Not only new ways to do things but to do them 'smarter'. We have seen programs on everything from GOOGLE EARTH to how to back up our computers to Weatherastrophotography and Genealogy and Facebook and social networking. WOW!

OK, so now comes the commercial !!!

We have a great club. We learn things. We make friends. We share information. We have a place to come to ask questions without having to pay a gigantic fee. We have SIG meetings where we can learn how to use the tools we have to help us live 'easier' once we learn to manipulate our computers. Oh, did I mention the meetings are FREE?

I once heard someone say there is no such thing as a 'free lunch'. Well that may be true. The good things we enjoy by being members of this great club can be enjoyed by all. However, there is a little hitch. We have to pay for the space we use. We have an awesome auditorium we use to hold our General Meeting once a month. Beautiful place, actually in an historical building. We are warm in the winter and cool in the summer. It is clean and spacious. We also have a room to hold our SIG meetings in that is clean and comfortable and equipment to use to help learn everything from Spreadsheets to Genealogy to Photography to how to maneuver on the Internet. We have mentors who come to help us learn. Yes, we DO hope you will leave some \$\$\$ in the jar by the door to help defray the cost of the room but no one is turned away if they don't leave a buck or so. The reason for these meetings is "Users Helping Users". Up until now, we have always had a Beginners or Seniors Class. The facility at the Middle School is open to V.V.C.C. to help those new to computers to enjoy the experience and not be frightened. Once you learn a little, it can really open new doors for you and you can have a world of fun.

If you enjoy being a member of the Verde Valley Computer Club, why not share the experience? In order to continue to bring you these learning tools, we ask that you pay an annual donation to the Club. \$30 is not a lot to ask when you realize what that provides. Each January we ask that you renew your membership. We have not increased that amount since the club was started way back in the 90's. We are asking for your help. Sometime between now and January, look around in your world. Do you have a friend, neighbor or relative that might enjoy the camaraderie of our group? We need new members and want to keep the ones who have been faithful to us over the years. If you just bring in one new member, we can continue to share new knowledge and fun. We have a meeting almost every week in the month and they are FREE! Some clubs meet only once a month. We have activities going on each week. Can't beat that for a bargain for your buck!

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# Computer and Parts



**Saturday, 08 October**

**9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

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## Changing Your Printer Settings

**Want to change how your printer does its work?**

### Tip works with Microsoft Windows 7

Depending on the characteristics and capabilities of your printer, you may be able to customize a variety of settings. For instance, you may be able to control how it prints graphics or handles paper when printing. To customize your printer settings, follow these steps:

Click Start

Click Devices and Printers. Windows 7 displays the Devices and Printers screen.

Note that the current default printer has a green circle next to it that contains a check mark.

Right-click on the printer whose settings you want to change. Windows 7 displays a Context menu.

Choose Printer Properties from the Context menu. (You may see two Properties choices in the Context menu; make sure you choose Printer Properties.) Windows 7 displays the Properties dialog box for the printer.

Use the tabs and controls within the dialog box to specify the settings you want your printer to use.

(The tabs and controls available in the dialog box will vary depending on your printer make and model.)

Click OK.

# VVCC Beginners Class

A popular series of six **hands-on** sessions designed for the *beginning* computer users. Classes are held on Wednesdays from 4:15 to 6:15 PM at the Cottonwood Middle School Computer Lab, Mingus & 6th.  
More information is on our web site!

Please call **Barbara Wall at 567-4222** to preregister for each series of classes

The Series repeats.

## **NO Classes** **until further notice**

### **VVCC Mailing Address:**

Mail inquires, suggestions and items of interest, to the club,

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**PO Box 3023**  
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Or e-mail us at  
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To those loyal members who are with us each year, we say "Thank You". To those visitors who have not yet made the commitment, we say "Thank You" for attending. Perhaps one day soon you will sign up and join our Club and continue to share in the learning. To those in our community who have not heard about us, we ask each current member, – please help us and bring in just one new member.

Well, that's pretty much it for this time. Hope to see you at the next General Meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Also hope to see some of you at the various SIG meetings. You can go to the Web Site and check the calendar for subjects and times.

[WWW.VVCCLUB.com](http://WWW.VVCCLUB.com)

Bye for now.

Myrelle

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### **Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2011**

Balance in the checking account is: \$2,729.23

Anyone wanting further information, please accept our invitation to attend the Board of Directors Meeting of the Verde Valley Computer Club on the first Thursday of each month. We meet in the Board Room in the Clemenceau Building, corner of Mingus Avenue and Willard Street.  
Time: 6:30 PM.

Thank you.

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## Join Us for a Special Interest Group (SIG)

Learn from *each other!*  
Visit our Web site for schedule  
and handouts

**Digital Camera:**  
Leo Zuercher

**Linux**  
Miles Standish

**Spreadsheets:**  
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**Word Processing:**  
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Handouts for the sessions  
can be printed from the club  
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**Beginner Classes:**  
Barbara Wall

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## Secretary's Corner

By Barry Adico

# September Winners



### Camp Lantern

Jody Wheeler

### Camp Lantern

Leo Zuercher

### Laptop Kaddy Notebook Stand

Gordon Schneider

### LiPlay Wireless Headphones

Del Rosenwasser

### Necklace

Myrelle McHale

### Sylvania Digital video Camera

Jules Osher

### Sylvania Digital Video Camera

Cherie Lederer



## Specifying the Default Printer

Here's how to tell Windows which printer should be used by default

### Tip works with Microsoft Windows 7

Windows 7 allows you to have any number of printers connected to your system. You can even have printer drivers installed for printers that aren't always available for your system. (This is particularly helpful with laptop or portable computers, as they may use different printers based on where they are being used.)

One and only one of your printers can be defined as the *default printer*. This printer is the one to which Windows and any programs running under Windows will print, by default. Most programs allow you to pick a printer different than the default, but if you specify your most commonly used printer as the default, then you won't have to continually go through the steps to select that printer when you want to print.

To specify the default printer, follow these steps:

Click Start

Click Devices and Printers. Windows 7 displays the Devices and Printers screen. Note that the current default printer has a green circle next to it that contains a check mark.

Right-click on the printer you want to use as the default printer.

Windows 7 displays a Context menu.

Choose Set as Default Printer from the Context menu. Windows 7 moves the green circle to the printer you specified.

That's it; now any programs you start should recognize the newly specified default printer.

## Deleting a Printer

**When you get rid of an old printer and install a new one, you'll want to get rid of the old printer definition maintained in Windows**

### Tip works with Microsoft Windows 7

Windows 7 can work with a wide assortment of printers, and over time you may change the number and type of printers that have been connected to your system. At some point you may want to delete a printer driver—you may no longer have the printer or it may no longer be accessible from your system. You can delete a printer from Windows 7 by following these steps:

Click Start

Click Devices and Printers. Windows 7 displays the Devices and Printers screen.

Right-click on the printer you want to remove. Windows 7 displays a Context menu.

Choose Remove Device from the Context menu. Windows 7 asks you to confirm that you really want to remove the printer.

Click Yes.


The printer is removed from the Devices and Printers screen.

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# NO Beginners Classes until further notice

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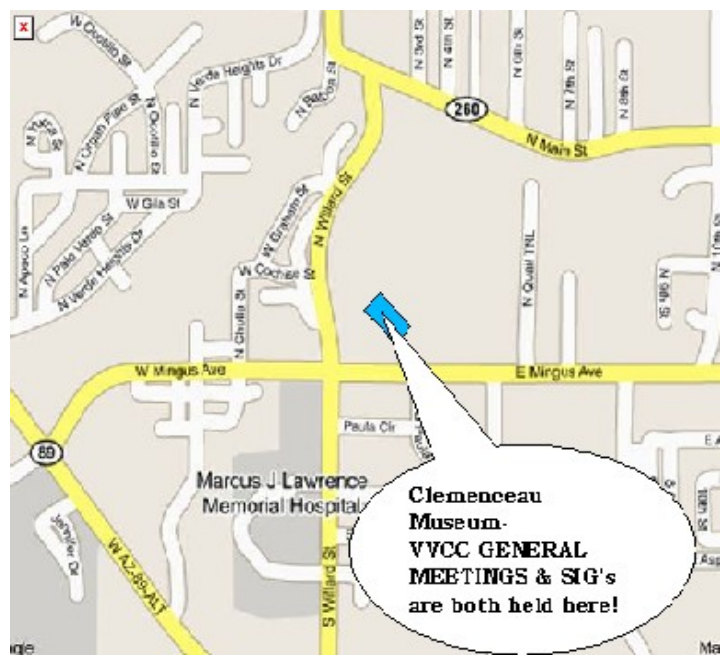
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Kathryn Adams  
JoAnne Maxwell  
Jules Osher**

Thank you for joining our Verde Valley Computer Club



***Note from the Editor...***

The next newsletter deadline  
for all submissions:  
**Tuesday:  
October 18, 2:00 p.m.**