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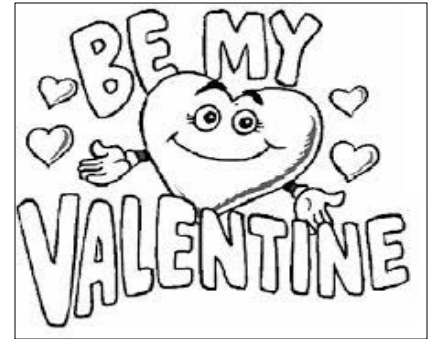
Glendora Seniors Computer Club

A Friendly Seniors Group Serving All Computer Skill Levels

General Meetings: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month at 1:00 p.m.

Board Meetings 2nd Wednesday of the month at 3:00 p.m.

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St Valentines Day
February 14th

Glendora Seniors Computer Club General Meeting Minutes January 14, 2015

President Barbara Denny called the meeting to order at 1 PM welcoming members and guests Marilyn Roberts and John Carr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) Annmarie – 2015 calendars available. Scheduled Programs for 2015 has been emailed.
- 2) For possible discount at local Best Buy ask the manager and tell him you are a member of GSCC.
- 3) 8/8.1 Eight week class starting Thursday January 22nd 1-3. Cost is \$40 and includes the book and must be paid at time of registration to hold your place. Class is limited to ten students.
- 4) Saturday, January 17 from 10am-12pm having trouble figuring out your iPad, iPhone, or any new electronic gadget? Students will be available to help one on one at La Fetra Center.

PROGRAMS BY: Program Chair:
Annemarie Hunt
(All programs subject to change)

February 11th

**Ins & Outs of email
by Fullmer and Glass**

February 25th

**Chain Letters
Snopes—true or false?
By Jim Glass**

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- 5) It was discussed about a possible classes on the use of IPad, iPhone and other electronic gadgets- to be readdressed in the future..
- 6) Thanked Christel MacKinnon and Barbara Denny for today's cookies.

Program:

President Barbara Denny introduced Bob Gostischa who gave a presentation about safe Computing, avoiding infection, identity theft or worse and including information on the free Avast software. bob3160@gmail.com

Break:

President Barbara Denny introduced current **2015** elected and appointed officers and chairs: 2014 officers will continue for 2015, as per election by 20 members attending **the December 10th Potluck Holiday Party**. **Vice-president Wayne Gue** is temporarily filling the VP position until a replacement is found.

Q & A with Ell Fullmer:

Ell demonstrated Installation of Avast to Club Computer: 1) Download Avast; 2) Save to desktop 3) Uninstall AVG; 4) Install Avast.

Next meeting: Wednesday February 11th Program: Ins and Outs of Email (Ell Fullmer and Jim Glass) **Margot Grossman will bring cookies.**

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.

Submitted by:

Secretary Ruthann Mayrose

Approved By:

President **Barbara Denny**

GASOLINE
HUMOR
In 2014



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**Glendora Seniors Computer Club
General Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2015**

President Barbara Denny called the meeting to order at 1 PM welcoming members and guests Betty Fuller, Susan and John Carr. Thanked Margo and Richard Grossman for today's cookies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Program:

President Barbara Denny turned over the program to Annemarie Hunt who presented a program on "Identity Theft" the #1 Federal crime against individuals—millions every year. Source for her presentation can be found at the following link

<http://www.scscomputerclub.com/documents/11-26%20Final%20Identity%20Theft.pdf>

Break:

Ell Fullmer, Jim Glass, and Glen Moore shared some favorite websites.

Ell--National Geographic, Savyseniors.org, Google cloud print, Lastpass.com

Jim--Pandora, Spotify, I (heart) radio, Google plus and Google play

Glen—webmd.com

Next meeting: Wednesday February 11th Program: Ins and Outs of Email (Ell Fullmer and Jim Glass)

Annemarie calendar--March 11th Favorite Websites.

Frank Duran will bring cookies.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Submitted by:

Secretary Ruthann Mayrose

Approved By:

President **Barbara Denny**

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Glendora Seniors Computer Club Membership



- Membership Benefits**
- Monthly Meetings: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the Month
 - Board Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month following General Meeting
 - One-on-One Computer Help - Hardware & Software 2nd Thursday of the Month
 - Tech News
 - Virus Alerts w/fixes
 - 50/50 Drawing
 - 4th of July & Christmas Potluck
 - Socialization
 - Software Demos
 - Professional Speakers
 - Auctions
 - Free Stuff
 - All for Only \$12 per year!

NEW
 RENEWAL
 UPDATE INFORMATION

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone with Area Code _____

Email Address: _____

What Operating System(s) Are You Using:

Windows XP Windows 8
 Windows 7 Other

Level of Computer Skills (Please Circle):

Novice Average Expert

How did you hear about us? _____

Pay your \$12 renewal dues at any meeting -- or --
 Mail to:

Glendora Seniors Computer Club
 La Feta Regional Senior Citizens Center
 333 East Foothill Blvd.
 Glendora, CA 91741

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Date Paid: _____

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APCUG SUBMITTED Articles
Furnished by Judy Taylour, Santa Clarita Computer Club

Windows 8.1

Downloading, Purchasing and Installing Apps

By Rosita Herrick, Director, Sarasota Technology User Group, FL

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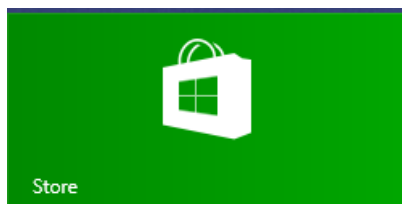
Rosita (at) spcug.org

In addition to being a computer operating system, Windows 8.1 is blurring the line between the old ways of working on a computer and the access to information used by tablets and smart phones. The distribution of apps that perform individual tasks is one of the ways.

In additions to apps that come with the operating system, Microsoft has created a store for apps distribution.

The Store App

The Store app can be found either on the Start screen or on the Task bar.



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Access to the Internet is required for accessing the Store.

You access the store app by clicking on the tile/icon.

When the app opens you have quite a few options to search for items of interest.

Once you find an app of interest, just click on it and on the page that opens you will find information about the app such as number of downloads, reviews with rating and a description of the app. The app might be free, might have a price or it can be downloaded for trial.

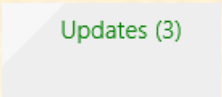
Usually a Microsoft account is required. To install the app, just click on the *Install* button.

Maintaining Apps

Periodically, there are updates for apps to either enhance them or fix some problem.

To check for updates go to the Store app.

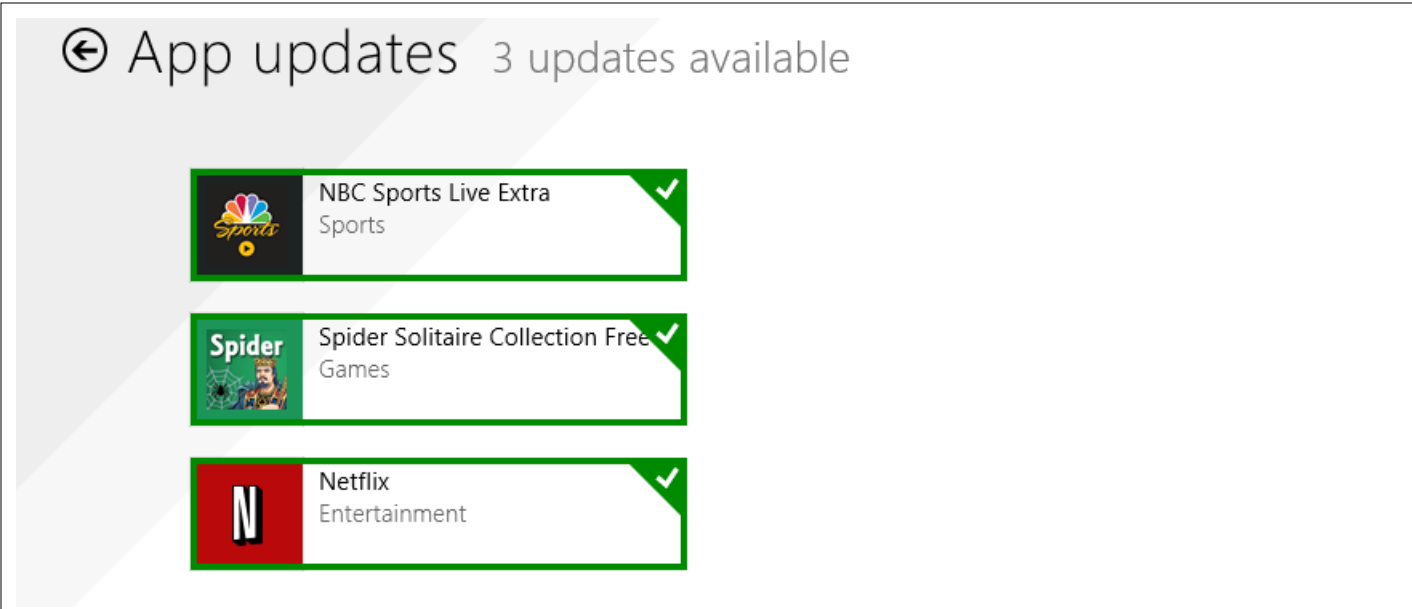
On the upper right side of the screen, if there are updates available for any of the apps, you will see a link in green



Updates (3)

In this case there are updates available for 3 of my installed apps (not distributed with the system).

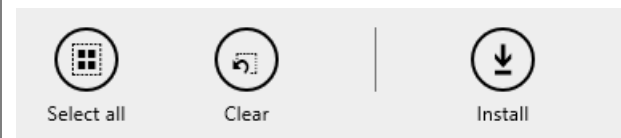
Clicking on this link displays the 3 apps that are scheduled for an update.



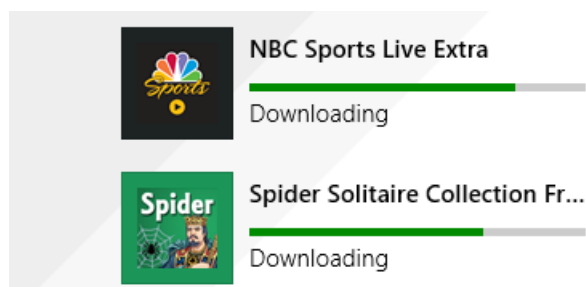
The check mark on the right corner shows that the update is selected to install. It can be unchecked with a right click



Now I can update the two remaining apps by clicking on the install icon at the bottom of the page.



Once I click on install, the following page displays



The amount of time and download and install takes, depends on the speed of your internet connection, the size of the update and the speed of your computer.

Once the download and install are completed the next message on the screen will be:

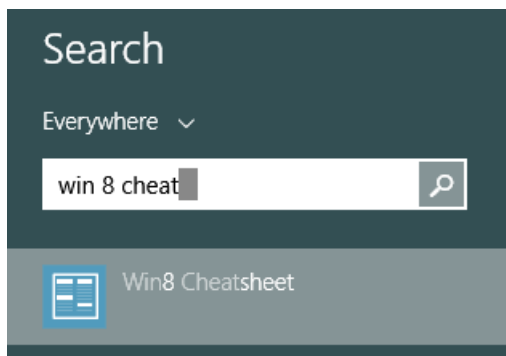
Your apps were installed

You can now close the Store app.

Uninstalling an App

This process is very simple.

1. Find the app with the search charm.



2. Right click on the icon and this box will appear.

Unpin from Start

Pin to Taskbar

Uninstall

3.

Click on Uninstall and Windows will remove the app from your system.

TECH SUPPORT

Tech support: 'Okay Bob, let's press the control and escape keys at the same time. That brings up a task list in the middle of the screen..

Now type the letter 'P' to bring up the Program

Customer: I don't have a P.

Tech support: On your keyboard, Bob.

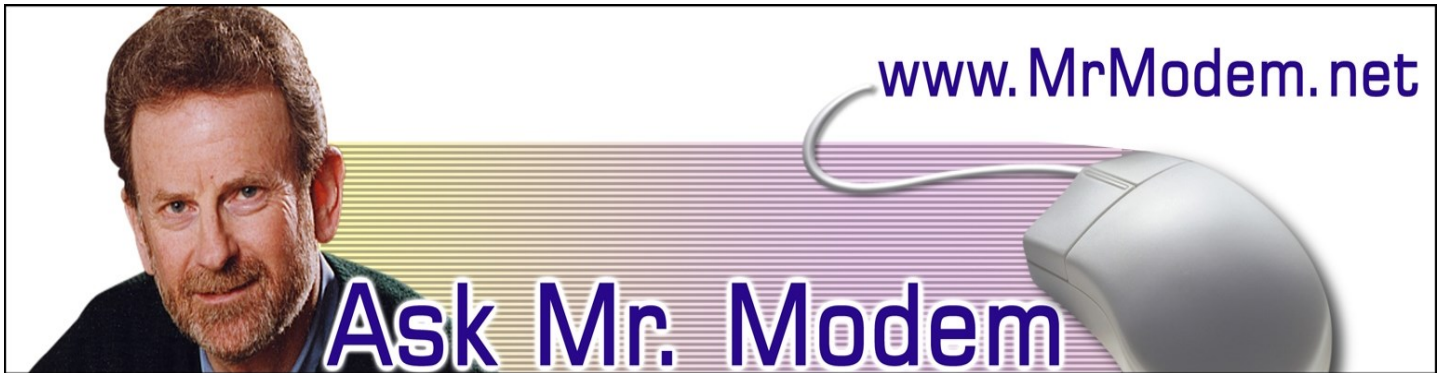
Customer: What do you mean?

Tech support: 'P'.....on your keyboard, Bob.

Customer: I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT!



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Ask Mr. Modem! – February 2015

www.MrModem.com

Investigate Slow Connection

Q. I'm using high-speed Internet over a phone line. It works okay, but on occasion it goes so slow that most sites never finish downloading. Is this a provider problem?

A. I would start your investigation with your Internet service provider, and initially determine what connection speed range you should have. Your provider's Web site will have that information or you can call their Customer Service department. With that information in hand, run several speed tests using a site such as speedtest.net, bandwidthplace.com or cnet.com/internet-speed-test.

Connection speeds can vary greatly throughout the day and night, so conduct tests at varying times over several days. If your average upload and download speeds fall below what you should be receiving, contact your provider's Tech Support. In that way you will have evidence to support your assertion that the connection speeds you are receiving are not what were represented, and your provider can investigate from there.

Q. I received a message from Yahoo! Mail telling me that I'm running out of storage space and that I need to provide my password so they can increase my capacity. You've warned us about anybody that asks for our passwords, so I'm suspicious. Is this for real or what?

A. Your suspicion is justified. I'm glad you remembered what I so frequently yammer about: Never provide your password or voluntarily confirm any other personal or account information when requested to do so by email. No legitimate organization or service will ever

ask you for that information. Just delete the message you received and don't give it another thought.

Q. In my old version of Firefox I was able to bookmark a site to a folder. But now if I click the star, it doesn't allow me to select a folder. I have to move it into a folder after the fact by opening all bookmarks. Is there an easier way?

A. In the current Firefox, you can instantly create a bookmark by selecting the star icon at the top right of the browser. When the star turns blue, your bookmark is created, so tap or click the star again. (Medical Tip: When you turn blue, call 9-1-1.) You will see options to edit the bookmark. You can also drop it into an existing folder using the drop-down menu, or create a new folder.

Q. When I installed the latest version of Microsoft Office on my Windows 8 computer, all my favorite keystroke combinations, such as ALT + F + V for Print Preview are gone. Now I have to use the mouse or touchpad, click in the corners, scroll here and there -- it drives me crazy. Any suggestions, Mr. M?

A. The good news is that most of your favorite keyboard commands are still present, but have been changed. Why? Because it would obviously make too much sense to leave them as they were. Your beloved Print Preview is now ALT + CTRL + I. Accessing a list of all keyboard commands is as simple as clicking the question mark in the upper right of the page. Word Help will open. Type "keyboard shortcut" and you will find a complete listing. I tested a bunch of them out under both Windows 7 and Windows 8 and didn't run into any problems, so I think you will be very pleased with the results.

Mr. Modem's DME (Don't Miss 'Em) Sites of the Month

Ba Ba Dum

Ba Ba Dum is a language game that lets you practice your vocabulary in one of eleven different languages, including my native Svenska. When you arrive at the site, click Play to begin and select the language you want to practice by clicking the country's flag graphic. For a real challenge, you can practice in a randomized assortment of languages. In the top-right corner you will see your score. There are two numbers: Your cumulative

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score and the score for the language you are currently playing. This site presents a fun way to practice vocabulary in different languages.

<http://babadum.com>

Crossword Puzzles

If you're a crossword-puzzle enthusiast, this is an online treasure trove of puzzles. With a repository containing more than 32,000 crosswords, you are guaranteed endless hours of entertainment or escapism.

www.crosswordpuzzlegames.com/

Pica Pic

Created by Hipopotam, this site features a digitalized collection of handheld games. These games triggered a wave of nostalgia for me. I can still remember playing my Little Mermaid game on the school bus and almost being beaten to death. Good times, indeed. Use the menu at the bottom to select a game and use the arrows at the left and right of the screen to scroll back and forth. A down arrow shows which game is currently selected. If you mouse over the game, a Play button appears. If you want to play that game, click it to begin. This will enlarge the game and display its controls. The games feature the same sounds as if you were playing the original handheld version.

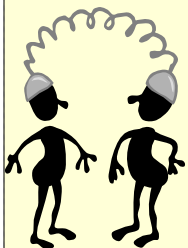
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The Computer Guys, , *Ell Fullmer*, and *Jim Glass* will be meeting on the

SECOND Thursday of the month: February 12th

9:00 a.m. to 12 noon — Second Floor — La Fetra Center



DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION FOR OUR TECH GUYS, *ELL FULLMER* and *JIM GLASS*

Fill Out the Form Below & Bring it to the Meeting

Name: _____

Cptr Operating System: Windows XP ___ Windows Vista ___ Windows 7 ___ **Windows 8** ___ Mac ___ Other ___

Question: _____

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Have a New Email Address?
Please Notify Membership Chair: Helga Djordjevic
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Please submit Newsletter Articles by the last Friday of the Month.
Type GSCC in Subject Line.
Email to Dan Leddy
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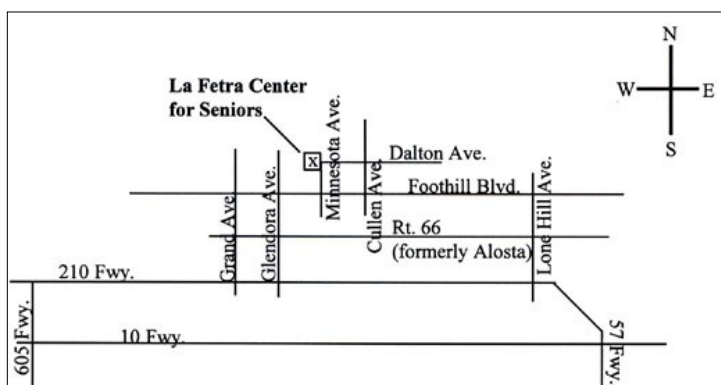
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