

The INTERFACE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

JANUARY 2012

by Patricia Wylie

**HAPPY NEW YEAR
to our
TLCUG Members.
Welcome all to 2012!!**

JANUARY PROGRAM: "10 Free Ways to Learn More About Computers"

I have always been a great advocate of continuous learning and thus have been guilty of spouting "**learn something new every day and your life will never be boring**". . . . which nicely aligns with the results of our recent survey - which had a very clear message about what TLCUG members want MOST: #1) to learn more about software and hardware (no surprise there) and #2) to "keep up with technology"- but at the rate it's moving along, we will all have to get our running shoes on to keep up!

So to start off this year running, at our next meeting you will find out how easy and FREE it can be to learn about a wide variety of **computer-related topics** something NEW every day - without ever leaving home! So, I hope you will all join us for this stimulating Program.

PROGRAM NOTES ON OUR WEBSITE

A new addition this January: The TLCUG will be including information on the website from the Programs presented during each meeting so that our members will have access to some of the information - even after the meeting. It won't be near as comprehensive as actually attending the meetings (that's the perk of actually being there), but it will be like having "a good set of notes from the presentation's lecturer". Old Program Notes will be removed after 3 months.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Another change: We also introduced a new change in December 2011 to broaden our communication with TLCUG members. You have probably already received an e-mail

with an attachment that included the most recent copy of our Board Meeting Minutes. . .this will be sent every month. This decision was made so that members will know what issues are being discussed, what decisions are being made, any ideas that are in the works and others ideas that are being considered. The Board believes this additional measure will help to increase the awareness and interest of members. *We hope you like it!*

2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Tis that time of year folks! Yes, "Good tidings of great joy" and "Annual membership fees of \$15 per household are now due". So, if you have NOT already done so, won't you pleeezzzz bring, send or mail

- bring in your check or cash to the next meeting
- send it to the next meeting with a friend
- mail it in to our post office box:
TLCUG, P.O. Box 571,
Mountain Home, 72654

But, you have ONLY until February 15th and then you become a NON-member! **Oh no!**

MINI-SURVEYS (Just One Little Question a Month)

We learned so much about our members from our recent survey (*and we truly appreciated your participation*) that I'd like to continue finding out more about your needs and interestswith mini-surveys.

Just ONE simple little question a month on a little form available at the sign-in desk during each TLCUG Meeting. Please, just take a moment to fill it out, then drop it in the new, well-marked SURVEY RESPONSE box - and you're done. **Your interests are truly valued.**

See you at the TLCUG meeting on January 5th, 2012

December Saturday Class Update by Jerry Marr

The 2012 schedule is complete and online now so check it out. It's shorter than normal due to the library meeting room popularity. We had a lot less competition when the facilities weren't so nice.

I'm starting with the iPad class because I suspect we'll have a lot of people who got one for Christmas and haven't had a chance to really play with them yet but I wouldn't forget to include Files & Folders because that's one of the most popular year after year.

Windows 7 Tip

Switch to a projector

Windows 7 now provides a standard way to switch your display from one monitor to another, or a projector - just press Win+P or run DisplaySwitch.exe and choose your preferred display. (This will have no effect if you have only one display connected.)

Marie

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Members Photo Gallery

Click on the camera



Sunshine Lady

So, you ask, what is a Sunshine Lady, anyway, and what does she do? She sends cards of congratulation, sympathy, and get well as required for members of the Twin Lakes Computer Users Group. But --- she can't do that unless she knows who needs a card for what, and that's where you members come in. Please let me know if you know of anyone of our members or their families who could use a card for any special occasion, and a card from the group will be immediately dispatched. Right now, she doesn't do birthday cards or anniversaries unless it's something memorable like a 50th or better. Maybe birthdays at 90 or above. We are not an uncaring group and want to be sure all our members know it - so please let me know if there is a need for a card of remembrance for any occasion.

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Virus protection for your computer

You are strongly encouraged to have an antivirus program on your machine, and to download the periodic updates from the internet. (If you do not update regularly you won't be protected from the most recent viruses.) Need help? Your mentor or other club member will assist you.

PLEASE---It's your computer---keep it safe

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