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## **President's Message**

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Over the years I've had various parts and pieces not function properly and I wouldn't rank a sore foot at the top of the list but it has indeed been inconvenient. I won't know for sure if the surgery was a total success for a little while longer but so far the healing process has been right on schedule. The only person more anxious for me to return to normal is my (so far) patient and helpful live-in nurse.

The April meeting program went well (I say that every month but I mean it) even though Suddenlink chose that time to not let me online to demonstrate the Smart Computing website. Smart Computing not only supplied us with a box of free magazines they sent a t-shirt and a free web-only subscription that we included in our drawing and we do like free.

This month's meeting will be a combination of a couple of things. Most of us have had telephone support folk take control of our computers and let us just set there while they do whatever they need to do and that's a very handy way of getting help. Well Windows agrees with that because they have included Windows Remote Assistance in every release of Windows since XP but they really spiffed it up for Windows 7. I will demonstrate how to set up a remote session between two computers where the remote computer can simply view and where it can take control. This connection can be made between XP, Vista, or Windows 7 but for simplicity I'll use Windows 7.

This process is too quick for a full meeting program so we'll include a general question and answer session. I say general because it can be any question you might have as long it is generally computer related. If I can't answer it the chances are that somebody at the meeting can so bring answers as well as questions.

The meeting is on the third Wednesday (6/16 this month) at 2 in the meeting room at the Comfort Inn. Don't forget to wear your badge for the drawing and make use of the help desk which will open around 1.

Saturday classes are in summer recess. Since our last summer break we've had 26 classes attended by 143 different people. The class with the highest attendance was Email (37) and the lowest was Files & Folders on a cold January 9<sup>th</sup> (16) with an average of 24. I'll be working on the fall class schedule over the summer so let me know if there's a subject you'd like to have added.

Until next month, good computing.

Jerry Marr

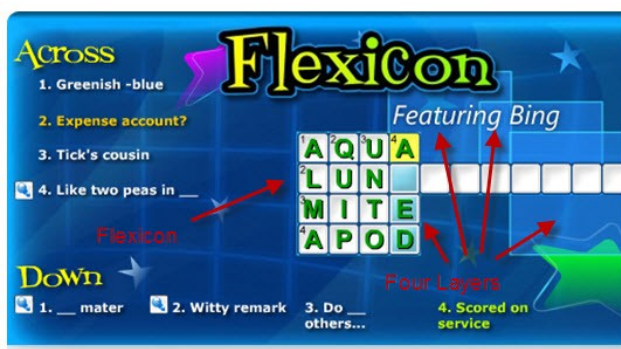
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## Club Bing

By Jerry Marr  
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Here I go again using the software review space to talk about a website instead of a software program but I just received my 10th prize in a little over 3 years for playing games and I felt obligated to make sure others knew about [www.clubbing.com](http://www.clubbing.com).

This is a website that has 21 free games with new ones being added on a regular basis and each game you play earns you various numbers of points. These games fall into 6 genres ranging from arcade to word but I have to admit that the word type games are the only ones I play regularly. My favorite is a crossword that has 4 overlapping puzzles with one word called the Flexicon that runs through the whole thing and is always a marginal pun. You can verify each word so you don't have to finish to find out what is correct and what isn't.



My second favorite is called Seekadoo and is the sort of word game where words are included in a large letter grid and you have to look forward, backward, diagonally, and up and down to find them. Each of these games have hints you can use to do searches to find the answers and I have to admit that I use them frequently. You don't have to type

the words in the word list, you highlight them in the grid and if you're right they appear in the list.



Bottom line here is that there are some fun games and nice prizes. Don't let the large number of points required for the nicer prizes put you off because if you're like me they'll accumulate quickly and it's all free.

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## Computer Tips

### Windows XP, Windows Vista and Windows 7

I was asked this question by someone and this is what I come up with.

What is a default browser?

The term "default browser" is used to describe the file associations that determine which web browser is launched when you open an Internet shortcut or HTML file or when you click a link in a mail application like Outlook Express, if you have more than one web browser installed on your system.

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## Monthly meeting program schedule

**June:** See the President's Message above.

**July:** Remote computing by Jerry Marr

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**Please welcome our new member from May**

Carol A. Larsen

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### **Twin Lakes Computer User Group General Meeting Minutes May 19, 2010**

The meeting started at 2:00pm with 38 members in attendance with one new member, Carol Larsen; a renewal, Susan Emmer and two guests, Marge Schill and Ron Sons.

Treasurer, Lea Chodacki, reported a balance of \$4681.86 as of April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Jerry Wilcoxon had nothing new to report on SIG's.

Bert Merkling stated that June's General Meeting program will be on Remote Assistance with a Q&A follow-up.

This month's program was a Power Point presentation on Smart Computing Magazine. TLCUG generally doesn't promote products or services, but we are a part of its' registered users group. Smart Computing sent the presentation along with complimentary issues and pens with Jerry Marr adding the narration. As the Comfort Inn's Internet Server was down, Jerry was unable to show the Smart Computing web and go over the features available. The Power Point presentation will be put on the club website in a downloadable form.

There were three prizes this month, a tee-shirt won by Mercedes Loosse, a flashdrive won by Bill Myers and an online only subscription to Smart Computing

won by Roger Perrault.

Respectfully submitted by  
Ruth Kelley, TLCUG Secretary

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## **Members Photo Gallery**

Click on the camera



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### **Special Interest Groups**

The Office 2007 SIG and the Digital Camera SIG meetings have been temporarily canceled. Once the new library is complete and we have access to their new meeting rooms we will consider starting one or both back up again if we can organize them into true SIGs rather than ongoing classes.

A special interest group should be a group with a shared interest that gathers to discuss that interest but our meetings have become a class where the moderator is expected to be an instructor rather than a participant. It might very well be that computer topics simply don't lend themselves to a SIG environment and that will be something we will consider before attempting one again.

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### **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 50<sup>th</sup> 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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