

The logo features the text "The Interface" in a stylized, red, blocky font with a white outline, set against a background of a red, white, and blue American flag. Below this, the text "December, 2009" is written in a larger, bold, red font with a white outline. The entire logo is contained within a green rounded rectangular border.

The Interface
December, 2009

President's Message

December, 2009

Well here we are getting into December and the weather people are still talking about things not being 'normal' with October colder than normal and November warmer. We moved to Arkansas in 2000 and I have pictures of me in the second week of November in my parka and watch cap and numb nose because it didn't get out of the 20's on my birthday and this year it was short sleeved shirt weather. I like having four seasons but I like it better when there is a clear and distinct change from one to the next so my body can get used to the temperature change and I know in advance how many layers I'm going to wear.

The December meeting program will be presented by Mary Carlson. She will demonstrate the Kindle Wireless Reading Device sold by Amazon which I'm really looking forward to because I've never even seen one in person. The meeting is on the third Wednesday (12/16 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.

With the Holidays and room conflicts we only have one Saturday class this month and it's Windows 7 Basics on 12/12. For 2010 class information, go to the schedule on our website and click on the link in the January 2 box. Note that we will not have a class on the first Saturday in January since that's too close to New Years. The library has cut back on their 2010 Saturday programs because of the upcoming move to the new library so we'll have 5 more classes than we had in the same time period this year and I need help in deciding on class topics. Please let me know if there's a topic you'd like to see included.

You may notice that there is no software review in this newsletter and that's because I simply could not find anything I wanted to review. I considered just picking something to fill in the space but decided I'd rather have an empty space than do that. As a matter of fact you may not get any newsletter in January depending on circumstances.

We'll be heading down to the gulf coast for Christmas so we won't be around to wish you all a Merry Christmas so I'll do it early. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Until next month, good computing.

Jerry Marr

Computer Tips
Windows XP & Vista
Clean up your email before sending

1. Forward the message.
2. Left click on what you want to remove by holding down and highlighting all that you want to delete.
3. Then hit the delete key.
4. It is a common courtesy to remove other people's names before forwarding a message.

Marie

Please welcome our new members in November

Gene & Shirley Gonsales
James L. Keaton
Carl & Mary J. Lentz
Gene Moreno

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Monthly meeting program schedule

December: Mary Carlson with a Kindle Demo.

January: Computer Security by Karen Wendling.

Twin Lakes Computer User Group
General Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2009

Meeting opened at 2:00pm with 40 members in attendance.

New Members - Gene Moreno; Gene and Shirley Gonsales; Carl and Mary Lentz; and Jim

Keaton bringing total membership to 170

Guest - Bob Mikoliatis

Treasurer's Report - Balance as of 11-18-2009 - \$3941.81

December's meeting subject - Kindle demonstration by Mary Carlson.

January's meeting subject - Computer Security by Karen Wendling.

The 2010 Class Schedule is on the website and any suggestions for subject matter will be appreciated.

A greeting card demonstration using Print Shop 23 was given by Kay Hutchinson and Lea Chodacki. They showed how you can personalize your Holiday Greeting's to friends and family with "The HAPPY EVERYTHING" card being a big hit.

The 4GB Flashdrive drawing was won by Caro Andersen.

Respectfully submitted by
Ruth Kelley, TLCUG Secretary

Members Photo Gallery

Click on the camera



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.

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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