

**MISSION OAKS
COMPUTER
CLUB**

MAIN MEETING
SECOND THURSDAY
4701 GIBBONS DR.
CARMICHAEL CA 95608



President's Newsletter

March 2009

From the President:

Welcome to the March 2009 issue of the President's Newsletter.

Read "Windows 7: A Sight for Sore Eyes" on page 4 to find out if you can upgrade from Windows XP.

Read "Publicity—Give Us a Hand" on page 2 and make a difference to the club's future.

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March 2009 Club Activities

**Main Meeting
March 12, 1-3 PM**



Microsoft Vista - an Overview.
- Rosemary Monroe,
Sierra College

Problem Solving Clinic, 3-4 PM




Following the Main Meeting, **Adam Lacey** will lead a Problem Solving Clinic.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

**Bits 'n Bytes
March 11, 1-3 PM**

 Topic: Consumer Electronics with Graham Paul

**Basic Computing & Internet Users
March 18, 1-3 PM**

 Topic: Watch for email the week of the meeting with Rik Larson.

**Digital Imaging & Editing
March 26, 1-3 PM**



Topic: Watch for email the week of the meeting with Terry O'Boyle.

**Executive Board Meeting
March 26, 3-4 PM**



All activities are held at the Mission Oaks Community Center
4701 Gibbons Drive
Carmichael CA 95608

Membership Information

2009 Memberships are accepted at the main meeting. They may also be mailed to:

MOCC Membership
6218 St. James Drive
Carmichael CA 95608-0941



2009 MOCC Memberships

Individuals...\$15
Couples.....\$20



Mission Oaks Community Center Memberships

\$15 per Person per Year
(separate fee)

2009 Executive Board Members

*(All Executive Board Members
are Volunteers)*



Officers

President - *Richard Yehle*
Vice President - *Carolyn Petlowany*
Treasurer - *Roger Martin*
Recording Secretary - **Vacant**

Club Positions

Membership - *Mary Jeffers*
Membership - *Joan Conzatti*
Hospitality - *Roy Kirkpatrick*
Name Tag Mgr. - *Marcella West*
Historian - **Vacant**

Programs - *Richard Yehle*
Sound System - *Rupert Jones*
Sound System - *Terry O'Boyle*
Email/Telephone - *Winnie Radov*
Email/Telephone - *Sheila Crist*
Publicity - *Gwen Lee*
Digital SIG Leader - *Terry O'Boyle*
Basic SIG Leader - *Rik Larson*
Webmaster - *Carl Metcalf*
Corresponding Secretary -
Bob/Stella McCray
Photographer - *Richard Klein*
Computer Maintenance -
Terry O'Boyle

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

2nd Wednesday – Bits 'n Bytes

2nd Thursday – Main Club Meeting

2nd Thursday – Problem Solving
Clinic (3-4 PM)

3rd Wednesday – Basic Computing
& Internet Users

4th Thursday – Digital Imaging &
Editing

4th Thursday – Executive Board
Meeting (3-4 PM)

***All groups meet from
1-3 p.m. unless noted otherwise.***



**“A little
learning is a
dangerous
thing, but a
lot of
ignorance is
just as bad.”**

- Bob Edwards

Publicity - Give Us a Hand

The Club spends a lot of time looking for ways to promote the club and gain new members. In 2005, an article in *In-side Arden* took a close look at the club.

Our publicity person, Gwen Lee (formerly Carolyn Petlowany) sends out email to a

variety of publications each month to get notices of our meetings out there.

We also publish the same information online at SacBee.com, Sacramento News & Review and Sacramento Magazine.

If you know of local publications that allow for local events where you don't see the club's name mentioned, please bring those to our attention by emailing us at: mocc@missionoakscoputerclub.org



Upcoming Main Meetings [Subject to Change]



April 9, 2009
Managing Files and Folders.
 - Adam Lacey Applications, Etc.

July 9, 2009 – TBD

August 13, 2009 – *Potpourri of subjects: Upgrading to a New Computer, Backing Up Data, and Transferring Data.*



- Adam Lacey, Applications, Etc.



May 14, 2009
Digital Camera Update—What's new for Summer 2009
 - Phil Kampel Pardee's Cameras

September 10, 2009 – TBD



June 11, 2009
Picasa 3- An update to the free Google program for managing digital images.
 - Ann Kerr



October 8, 2009
21st Anniversary Potluck
 – Member Sharing



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“Every generation imagines itself to be more intelligent than the one that went before it, and wiser than the one that comes after it.”
 — George Orwell

Sac Library Launches iPod Compatible Audio-Books

From Library News Feb/Mar (Edited)

The Sacramento Public Library is the first Northern CA public library system to launch an iPod compatible audio-book collection. The new collection is accessible to Sac Public Library cardholders, with current accounts, from their home computers, 24 hours a day, seven days per week for no charge. The individual audio-book content, housed in an MP3 format, can be played on most MP3 devices, or can be “ripped” or “burned” to a CD. This new collection was added to the existing Windows Media collection. The iPod compatible collection is small, about 475 titles, but will grow as more titles become available to purchase. The library owns one copy of each title.

Through the Sacramento Public Library web site, at www.saclibrary.org, library customers can download popular audio-



books such as: novels, well-know classics, resume and job-interview tips, self-improvement guides, language-learning audio-books, mysteries, biographies and more. Library web site visitors can click on the *Download Digital Books, Videos and Music* icon to install the free download software, browse the collection, and add titles to their cart before downloading titles to a personal computer or laptop (either MAC or PC).

Digital downloads are easy to check out and download, you may have up to ten titles checked out at any one time, and the best part is—there are never any late fees because your titles are automatically returned at the end of the 21-day lending period.

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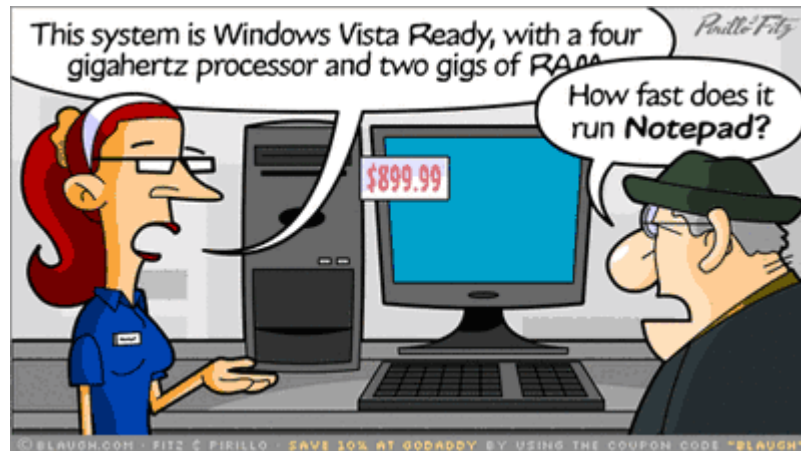
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The mission of Mission Oaks Computer Club is to assist its members to use computer technology effectively; to promote ethical and professional standards among users of personal computers; and to stimulate exchange of ideas and information about personal computers and their use.



Windows 7: A Sight for Sore Eyes

(Business Week, Feb. 9, 2009 - edited)

The design of Windows 7, scheduled for release in late 2009, could have provided the usual plethora of new features, but instead it seems to have focused on fixing Vista's many annoyances.

Under the new design, the standard desktop has changed in subtle but significant ways. In a shameless borrowing from Apple's OS X, a greatly simplified taskbar at the bottom

of the Windows screen now shows a single icon for every program you have open.

Home networking has been simplified. A new concept called the Homegroup makes it much easier to share files, including music and video, among all the computers in your household.

Developers were ordered to enforce a rule that "if it works in

Vista it will work in 7—but Norton Internet Security and the Skype Internet phone service doesn't work.

It looks like it will be fairly easy to upgrade to Windows 7 from Vista, however, upgrades from XP will not be supported.

