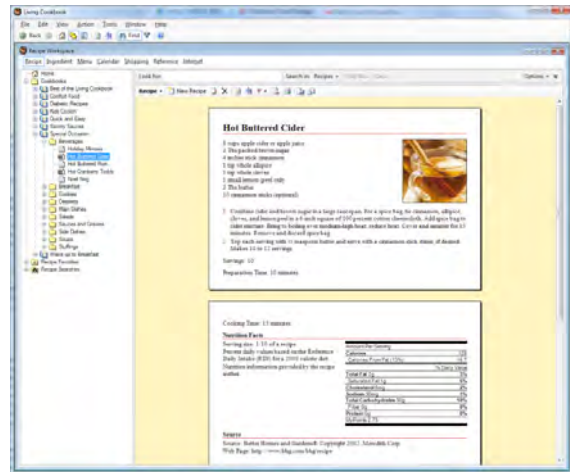
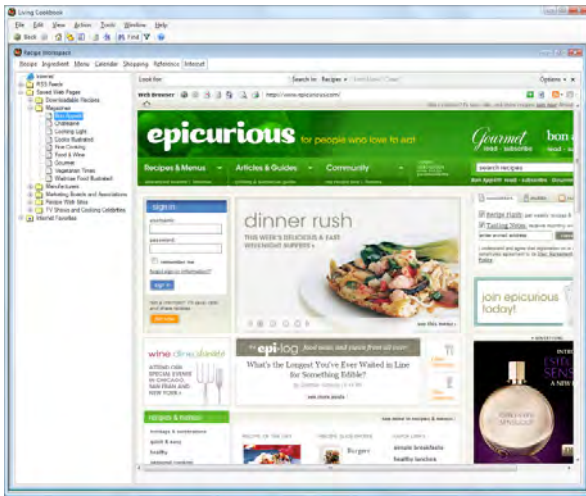


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nutritional analysis, menus, ingredient database, grocery lists, Web integration, import and export, reference library, powerful search engine, clone recipes, customize recipe views, backup and restore, integrated spell-checker and more. Comes with over 1000 free recipes.

Awarded as the best cooking and recipe management software by Smart Computing Magazine, Choice Magazine, Which Magazine,



Diane George will start things off with a topic all of us can relate to - food! She will give us a brief introduction to Living Cookbook 2013.

Living Cookbook is award-winning, easy-to-use nutrition, cooking and recipe management software. Use it to create, organize, print and e-mail your recipes. Other features include a meal planning calendar, cookbook publishing,

and TopTenREVIEWS.com.

That's just a sample. There'll be good food, good fun and good friends all around. See you at the Main Meeting!

Raffle!

This month, a Patriot PSF64GAUSBG Axle 64GB USB Flash Drive. Take your important digital files and documents with you anywhere you go. This flash drive provides you with ample space with its 64GB storage capacity. It also features USB 2.0 technology that ensures fast transfer rates. You can take it anywhere and share digital files with family and friends. AND, it's YOURS for the price of a ticket.



Tickets are \$5 each, available where you sign in. Need not be present to win.

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PC Clubhouse has been closed indefinitely. Refurbished computers are still available on request. Please contact PC Community, 26799 Contessa Street, Hayward, CA 94545.

PC Community is a computer users group for people who wish to expand their knowledge and experience of personal computers and software. This is accomplished through monthly general meetings of the full membership where major industry vendors present information, and through smaller focus groups (Special Interest Groups, or SIGs) where members meet to share common computer interests. The group's monthly Main Meeting takes place at Calvary Baptist Church, 28924 Ruus Road, Hayward, at 7:30 P.M. on the first Friday of each month.

PC Community is dedicated to community service, providing enabling technology to people with special needs, working in the community to obtain computer equipment, and working with other computer groups to help people extend their lives through computer technology.

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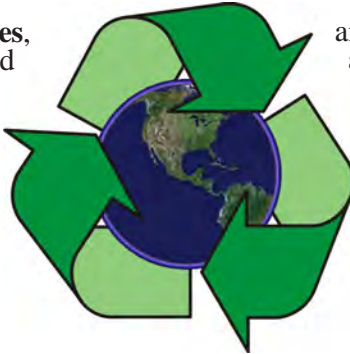
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Your used **toner cartridges**, old **cell phones**, used **inkjet cartridges**, old **PDA's** and defunct **iPods** are valuable. Don't toss them in your trash to be used as landfill. They are worth something to PCC and other groups, either in the form of exchange or as discount on products at some local retailers. This not only helps PCC, but also helps our community. You can drop



any of these items off at a Main Meeting or an EC Meeting. Do your part for PCC and your community! Keep the environment clean by taking a few extra moments to recycle these items with PCC.

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Directions to the PCC Main Meeting

From All Directions: take 880 to the Tennyson Road exit in Hayward. Take the exit toward the hills. Proceed northeast on Tennyson Rd. about 0.7 mile to the 5th stoplight. This will be Ruus Road.

Turn right on Ruus Road and proceed southeast for about 0.4 mile. Look for Calvary Baptist Church on your left.

Turn left into the driveway into the parking lot. Parking is available anywhere from the driveway to the back of the lot.

Look for the PCC signs.



PCC News Goes All Digital!

Notice! The last printed Newsletter was mailed in December, 2012. At the November, 2012 Main Meeting, the cost of printing the Newsletter was discussed and the Executive Committee decided to discontinue the printed version in order to remove that expense. Members now receive an e-mail the week before the Main Meeting with a PDF version of the Newsletter as an attachment, and a Web link with a link to the Newsletter on the PCC Web site (<http://www.pcc.org/index.php/newsletters>) for those who have problems with e-mail attachments. To continue receiving PCC News, be sure that we have your preferred and current e-mail address. You can do this by using the e-mail link on the PCC Web site (<http://www.pcc.org/index.php/contact-pcc>) that sends an e-mail to the Executive Committee. Make sure it includes the e-mail address where you would prefer receiving the Newsletter.



Photosmart 6520 e-ALL-IN-ONE

A New Kind of All-In-One

by Sally Holt, PCC Executive Vice President

I bought a new printer, an HP Photosmart 6520 e-ALL-IN-ONE. It lists for \$149.99 but was on sale at Office Max for \$119.99 + tax. This printer came with a setup CD, but instead I followed on-screen prompts which connected my laptop and printer wirelessly to my home network. Of course, you can also connect via USB cable, but the cable does not come with the printer, which does have a USB port.

The electronic Help is automatically installed during printer software installation. Simply select Windows or Mac.

Why did I buy this model? Well, it comes with a 3.45" control panel display, which permits tilt adjustment. It can "eprint," which means it comes with its own email address through HP servers. You just add the beginning of the email address you prefer to "hpemail.com." Then if you leave the printer in sleep mode (not the printer owner!), when someone wishes to send you a document, this printer will "wake up" and print the document, whether you are home or away. Easy setup! There are other HP models that can eprint, with different

display sizes and price ranges. The 6520 uses 4 different color ink cartridges, which I'm told are "sealed" so the ink does not dry out if not used frequently.



You can experience premium photo printing with this e-All-in-One's 3.45-inch (8.7 cm) gesture-enabled touchscreen & automatic photo paper tray with peek window. Print from virtually



anywhere with HP ePrint, share wirelessly, and scan & copy with ease.

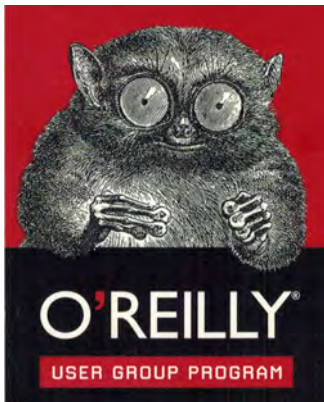
If you order directly from HP, you might be able to obtain a "factory-refurbished" printer, which doubles the warranty duration to 2 years.

Product Information

HP Photosmart 6520 e-ALL-IN-ONE

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acer Aspire M5 481PT Touch

It's a Notebook -- It's a Netbook -- It's . . .

by Jan Fagerholm, M5 Touch Toter

The Bullet Points: The Acer Aspire M5 481PT Touch is an update of the Aspire M series that adds a touch screen to the M5. The M5 walks a line between tablet, ultrabook and notebook computers. It has the Intel 3rd generation i5 CPU, 6GB of 1600 MHz DDR3 memory, and a 500 GB hard drive with a 20GB SSD used for cache. The 14" 10-point multitouch screen is driven by Intel HD4000 integrated graphics (no discrete graphics available). There are 2 USB 3.0 ports (one of which provides power-off charging of accessories), 1 Ethernet Gbit port, 1 HDMI out port, 1 SD/MMC card reader port, 1 headset jack (mic and earphones), and an optical drive utilizing the newish DVD Multi standard. It has a built-in webcam and microphone. The keyboard is backlit. Battery life is up to 8 hours. Size is 13.4" x 9.7" x 0.8" in an aluminum case. Weight is 4.4 lbs., 5.1 lbs. with AC adapter.

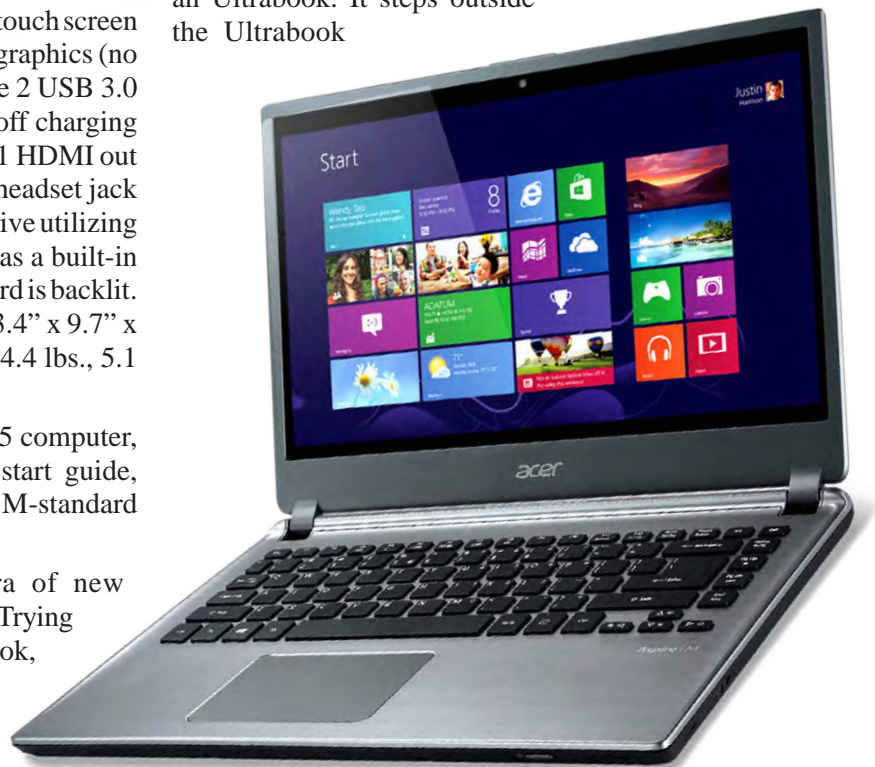
What's In The Box: Acer Aspire M5 computer, AC adapter, multi language quick start guide, multi language Windows 8 guides, 1 M-standard long-life 4.7 GB DVD disk.

The Review: There is a plethora of new generation laptop computers out there. Trying to decide between a Netbook, Notebook, Ultrabook, Tablet, or any of the others I fail to mention here can be daunting. Do I get a touchscreen tablet with a keyboard accessory or a laptop with a real keyboard? Do I need a full size laptop to get the performance and features of a real PC, or can I make do with something small and light? The Acer Aspire M5 tries to walk a line between all of these and give you full features in a small, light package. Mostly it succeeds.

The Aspire M5 is part of Acer's "ultra thin" series of notebook computers, Acer-speak for Intel's Ultrabook standard. It includes Acer's S-series and the one M5 model. All of the S-series have

SSD hard drives while the M5 uses a conventional 500GB hard drive with a 20 GB SSD used as a disk cache to improve performance. This solution brings the M5 in at a substantially lower price than the S-series.

Let's be clear from the beginning; this is not an Ultrabook. It steps outside the Ultrabook



specification by including an optical drive and Ethernet port, and has many more ports, drives, and features than the Ultrabook specification. You want this for its features, not its size. That said, it packs full PC features into a package about the same size as an Ultrabook. It will easily fit into any briefcase or bag that you are likely to be carrying your other stuff in.

The 10-point touch screen is very nice to my touch. It responds well and has a nice degree of precision that works for me in the sense that I don't often find it necessary to

Acer Aspire M5 Touch

repeat or refine a touch action because it didn't work the first time. It's natural enough that I find myself reaching for the screen rather than the touchpad whenever a mouse action is required. Like most touch screens, this one has a glossy surface, which means that glare is a problem in many of my working environments, and my frequent use of the touch screen leaves lots of fingerprints. The good part is that fingerprints are not noticeable until the power is off.

The touch pad is also multi touch, which works well when you are doing something mouse-intensive and want to use pinch-zoom or some other touch feature and you don't want to reach for the screen. The touch pad is also 10-point touch, so it supports all the touch features that the screen does.

Battery life is noteworthy. I've run it a full 8 hours on the battery several times now, and it meets my long-held personal standard that a portable device is impractical unless it will run a full workday without recharging. This means that I don't have to carry the power adapter all the time.

Power management in Windows 8 is virtually identical to that in Windows 7, Sleep mode works correctly on the Aspire M5, and is enhanced by Acer for faster startups from sleep mode. The M5 comes on instantly when you open the lid, which is a distinct improvement over previous laptops I've had. While in sleep mode, the blue power LED changes to amber and flashes slowly so you can tell the computer's state at a glance. The low power consumption is notable in other ways; this is the first laptop I've had since the Radio Shack TRS-80 Model 100 that does not warm my lap.

Speaking of indicators, the M5's power and charging LEDs are located on the front of the lower half of the clamshell, as is the power switch. This is inconvenient when you open the computer to use it, then must fumble around on the front of the case to find the power switch. There is no hard drive LED, which I find peculiar because

I find it useful and LEDs use only milliwatts of power, so have virtually no effect on battery life.

The keyboard always needs mention on a laptop. The m5's keyboard is standard size, and has chicklet-style short stroke keys with adequate tactile feedback to work well with my sloppy style of speed typing. The keyboard layout makes sense to me and has two functions to which I am addicted: a keystroke toggle to disable the track pad while typing, and a keyboard toggle for the keyboard backlight. When toggled on, the backlighting will turn itself off

after a few seconds of inactivity and will come on again when you touch a key. I haven't noticed any impact on battery life when using it.

The built-in Web cam is adequate, a 0.9 MP lens that makes a DVD quality image when used full screen with a frame rate fast enough to keep up with most motion and enough sensitivity to make an image in low light levels. It also has selectable image

stabilization. The built-in microphone works well in Skype calls. Stay away from the touch screen during VOIP calls, though, as your hand reaching for the screen all the time tends to create confusion for the party on the other end.



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(Your VOIP etiquette lesson for the day. . .)

Despite the fact that the M5 is not billed as a multimedia computer, it has excellent multimedia credentials. It plays 1080P video flawlessly when plugged into a big screen through the HDMI port and the sound quality of the built-in Dolby Home Theater audio is very high. It fits very well into a modern home theater environment, and could even be considered for a home multimedia computer.

One of the things to keep in mind with these thin, light laptops is that they are usually not designed with upgrading in mind. The M5 come with 6 GB of RAM and that is not expandable. There is no upgrade to the onboard video chipset. The hard drive is probably upgradeable, but these ultra miniature hard drives are expensive, and like most notebook laptops I have encountered, the M5 requires disassembly to replace the hard drive.

Nits:

* The touchpad is a single pad that integrates the mouse buttons into the lower left and lower right corners of the pad. Mouse clicks don't always work when you have both hands on the touchpad, which I do to move the cursor and click the mouse buttons.

* The power adapter is small and light, but seems like an afterthought, like so many laptop power adapters. There is no convenient way to stash the cords, such as Macbooks have.

* The power switch and power light are located on the lower front of the tuck-under clamshell case. They are difficult to see and to reach when the computer is open.

Picks:

* Battery life is a full 8 hours, even with the screen full bright and keyboard backlighting on.

* The M5 is very responsive, mostly thanks to its 6 GB of memory and 20 GB cache SSD.

* The 4.4 lbs. weight, though not Ultrabook light, is barely noticeable when tossed in my gadget bag

with all the other stuff I carry around.

* 10-point Touch screen works very well for me. Many don't work well for me.

* The M5 is stone quiet. You never hear the fan or feel any heat.

Acer's Aspire M5 481pt is an update to the M series brought out coincidental to Windows 8 that adds a touch screen to the M5. As slim and nearly as light as an Ultrabook, it includes many more hardware features than a "pure" Ultrabook and comes in at a much lower price. Despite the modest 1.7 GHz CPU speed, the 6 GB of DDR3 RAM and 20GB SSD cache for the hard

drive make the M5 very responsive. The 10-point multitouch screen make the M5 very usable. The 8 hour battery life and thoughtful selection of hardware features make the M5 very practical. If you are sitting on the fence about an ultra-slim laptop you owe it to yourself to give the Acer

Aspire

M5 481pt a serious look. Highly recommended.



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Product Information

Acer Aspire M5 Touch

Web price \$799

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Door Prizes

Congratulations to all the members who won door prizes at the Main Meeting!

General Drawing:

Binary circular slide rule.....	Chuck Horner
Linksys 10/100 LAN card.....	Michael Wong
Office 2003 Inside Out.....	Andrew Tews
Sleeve City retracting keyring and CD opener	George Kornbluth
Techno bag	Sally Holt
Ulead Intervideo bag.....	Yorkman Lowe
Ultronic clock.....	Bob Kiessling
Windows XP Inside Out.....	Lola Hunter

Raffle Prizes:

8" Digital Photo Frame	Don Odle
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Membership Dues

As of January 1, 2013, our Membership Dues have changed. There is an increase in dues as follows:

Regular.....	\$40.00
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Make a check payable to PC Community in the amount listed above to:
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Dues Expiring This Month!

The following members dues expire this month:

Bud Gallagher	Del Parton
George Kornbluth	Verne Perry
Dolly Marston	Keith Sammons
Don Odle	

Special Interest Group Meetings



Del Parton - retired the Hardware SIG. Del's Hardware SIG, now 27 years old, is the oldest SIG and has been held continually since the inception of PCC. Del thanked the Smiths at the September Main Meeting for hosting the SIG in their house for the past 13 years.



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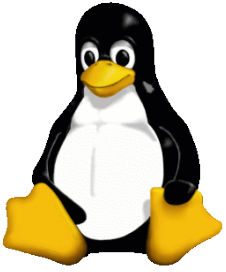


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**Room for more
 SIGs here-
 start one!**



Jan Fagerholm - (510) 213-8421
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 Last Saturday of the Month: 2pm



The Penguin Partition

Linux for Human Beings

by Jan Fagerholm, PCC Penguinista

I have been settling in with Linux Mint Cinnamon for the last few weeks and the experience has been fairly easy. Cinnamon is Mint's brand new interface

to Gnome 3, and though I entered it with some trepidation, given other distros' offerings of Gnome 3, the adjustment has been gratifying. I attribute this to Mint's developers sticking to familiar interface elements while enhancing others to make them more logical. Thankfully, their logic mostly agrees with mine. Things are easy to get at (Windows 8 could take a lesson here) which makes Cinnamon very practical. I still run Mint KDE on one of my machines, and there are some features which make it very compelling, but those features also make it twice as large in memory as other Linux GUIs. I prefer the lean and quick for GUIs.

Recently I toyed with a hardware project. When I replaced a SSD drive in a friend's computer because the old one failed, I was inspired to look once again at performance improvements possible with SSD drives.

On Windoze machines in particular, one would hope for a performance increase because Windoze makes extensive use of the pagefile for storing parts of the system and parts of running applications regardless of the amount of RAM installed. As the hard drive is the slowest component of any PC by a factor of 10, any part of the OS that uses it is going to be slowed down by that factor. This is why the best performance boost on any Windoze machine can be achieved by buying the fastest (not the same as biggest) hard drive your wallet can stand. SSD drives seem like a natural for speeding up Windoze.

The reality turns out to be something else, as the inefficiencies in the Windoze file system (NTFS) bog down even the fastest drives, so the performance gains

turn out to be fairly modest even with an SSD.

When they first came out, SSD drives were mostly small and expensive and offered very modest performance gains. They have improved greatly over the past 18 months due to faster flash memory and faster memory interfaces inside the SSD. Looking at the raw performance numbers of current SSDs, you can expect substantial performance gains.

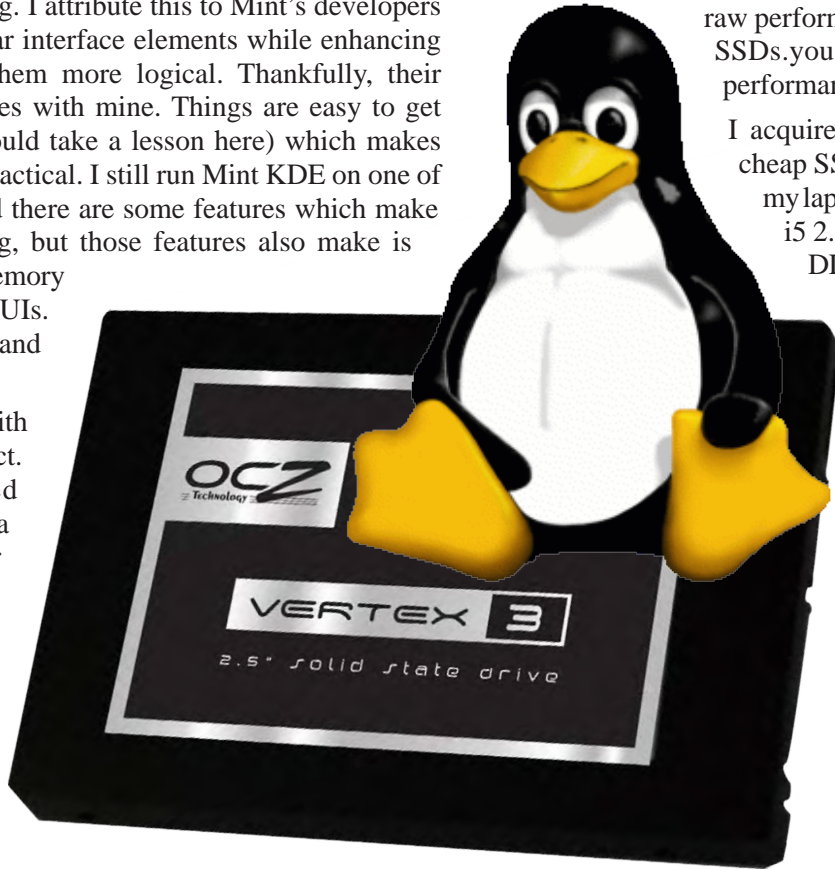
I acquired a small and relatively cheap SSD to experiment with on my laptop. The laptop has an Intel i5 2.6 GHz CPU with 6 GB of DDR2 RAM, but the limiting component is the hard drive despite the fact that it is a Western Digital Black 7200 RPM drive. (Its marketing tagline is, "desktop performance on a laptop".) I put in the OCZ SSD as a substitute and installed Linux Mint Cinnamon.

Linux operates almost completely in memory, so you would not expect a large performance gain by installing an SSD. Other factors that I had not considered proved me wrong. The performance

gains were substantial.

Programs load 3 times faster with the SSD. Web browsing is noticeably faster because browsers cache Web pages to the hard drive/SSD when they are loaded. This and other factors produce remarkable speed increases, making nearly everything you do instantaneous. Much to my surprise, Linux speeds up more than Windoze when installed on an SSD.

The next step for me is obvious: get an SSD big enough to install all my OSs on. But that is undergoing some consideration, as large capacity SSDs are still quite expensive. But I have already talked myself into it. . .





PCC Main and Executive Meeting Highlights



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Main Meeting Highlights

January 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. by President Chuck Horner. See Lola Hunter at the ticket table, for raffle tickets, door prize tickets, and 3" x 5" cards to write questions for discussion/answers at the end of the Meeting. Get at least one \$5 raffle ticket for this month's raffle prize, an 8" GiiNii GH-8DNM True Video Digital Picture Fram with 800 x 600 Resolution and 4:3 aspect ratio, real wood frame.

Sally Holt distributed a questionnaire soliciting input from attendees regarding the kind(s) of door prizes they'd like her to look for. She will send a copy to Elsie Smith to put into the Newsletter.

Presentation: Fun new toys we got:

Chuck made a hands-free car holder for his smart phone. He took a Crystal Lite clear plastic container, and cut out the face, glued the lid on and added a couple of small bungee cords to attach it to his sun visor. He now has a hands-free holder for his phone that attaches to the sun visor in front of his face, close to his mouth. He reports excellent reception.

Chuck made another device to enhance mobile communication: He found a small plastic box slightly larger than his GPS at Tap Plastics. He cut it to hold the GPS at a good viewing angle. Using sticky dots, he attaches it to his dashboard in his front view field. It looks like a business card holder and he keeps cards there so that the dashboard of his parked car does not look the home of electronic gear.

Using a Gigaware expandable USB cable Chuck is able to connect his GPS to his car charger (formerly known as cigarette lighter), charging the GPS as he uses it instead of draining it. The charger has a dual USB port so at the same time he can charge up his Ray-O-Vac rechargeable battery that has both iPhone and Android connectors. He's never out of juice.

Bayle showed off her Fujifilm Finepix HS 30 EXR camera.

The 30X zoom and 16 MP resolution help improve picture quality. Then members explored various features. It was noted that 30 X provides excellent zoom, but the focus is slow.

Sally Holt showed off her battery-operated Pelouze L01 letter opener. Using 2 AA batteries, it zips the edge off an envelope. Careful, or you can disassemble the contents of your mail while opening it.

Sally reported that she uses her phone to download audio books. Using an SD card adapter she won at a PCC meeting, she transfers books to her phone from her computer. Andrew Tews suggested downloading to an SD card in your computer, rather than a cabled USB download, which is much slower.

Several members reported on the incompatibility of magnets and digital gear. Keep your stuff away from magnets.

Andrew reported several Canon cameras repaired at no cost due to defective sensors.

Yorkman Lowe asked how to avoid a getting bad USB drive. Sandisk was reported to be a good brand. Verbatim also has a good design. Don Odle warned against defragging USB drives since that causes the drive to wear out.

Inexpensive SD cards may have a slow transfer speed, slowing down the time between pictures.

Yorkman has a Comcast internet account. He would like to replace their rented modem with one that he buys and owns outright. Comcast referred him to a model that he cannot find in local stores, but found another that the salesman said would work. Note that Comcast has updated its Docsis format in the past year and modems need to be compatible. Don suggested reading Amazon product reviews to get input about user experience regarding a specific piece of equipment.

Don reported buying telephoto and macro lenses for cell phone cameras. These clip-ons improve the effective range of these fixed cameras.

Chuck reported on a cool piece of technology that can recognize the sound of a spray can. The purpose is to

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abate graffiti.

Yorkman reported that GreenCitizen will buy back used Apple products. The address is 1971 Shattuck in Berkeley, phone 510-981-1900.

Drawings took place after the break. Congratulations to our winners.

Thank you to George Kornbluth for taking care of refreshments.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bayle Emlein, Secretary

Executive Committee Meeting Highlights

January 24, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 p.m. Members present: Bayle Emlein, Jan Fagerholm (via phone), Diane George (via phone), Chuck Horner, Sally Holt, Sid Jordan, Elsie Smith, Tom Smith.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Old Business: Sally asks to repeat the survey at the next meeting. Chuck will e-mail the membership and ask for more input. Sally will send him the text file.

We will not ask for donations for refreshments at the main meeting.

President's Report - Chuck Horner: Nothing special to report.

Executive Vice President - Sally Holt: Nothing special to report. She may miss the Main Meeting due to another obligation.

Treasurer - Tom Smith: As of January 19, 2013 the checking account balance is \$765.08.

The P.O. Box contract expires in February. We previously voted to let it lapse. Addresses will be updated on all forms and documents.

The value of membership in APCUG (Association of PC User Groups) was discussed. Various resources, such as virtual workshops, newsletter and photo contests, access to vendors and presenters were noted. The APCUG Web site can be checked for other resources. It was agreed that we will renew our membership for the next year. Tom will contact Diane for details for filling out the renewal form.

Secretary - Bayle Emlein: Nothing special to report.

VP Clubhouse Report - Sid Jordan: Nothing special to report. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that Sid be refunded his dues overpayment.

The Clubhouse is no longer accepting CRT monitors. They do not have storage space for them. They have been getting flat screens for \$5.00 each.

Elsie pointed out that several Clubhouse attendees are not current members. Sid will forward email addresses to the VP Membership for followup.

Sid is working on a cooperative agreement with Alameda County for refurbishing.

VP Marketing - Vacant:

VP Membership - Jan Fagerholm: As of December, membership was 34. Elsie's current numbers from the database indicate 39 members --15 Regular members, 21 Senior members, and 3 Associate members as of January 19, 2013.

VP Newsletter - Elsie Smith:

January 19, 2013, Saturday midnight, February Newsletter submission deadline.

February 23, 2012, Saturday midnight, March Newsletter submission deadline

VP Special Projects - Bayle Emlein: Nothing special to report.

Webmaster - Diane George:

Check the Web site for late-breaking changes to the calendar. Diane is planning updates to the Web site.

Programs:

February: Diane George, "Living Cookbook"

March: Chuck will contact the Hayward Police Department regarding an ID Theft and/or Internet Safety presentation.

Fund Raisers:

February: 64 GB USB Flash Drive

March: Philips universal remote, supporting 8 devices

April: Vivitar camcorder 5 MP 4x Digital 8 MB internal 2GB NAND Flash with SD Card slot and USB

New Business: No new business

The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Date and Time of the Next Meetings: Saturday, February 16, 2013 at 2:10 p.m, at 28924 Ruus Road, Hayward.

Respectfully submitted

Bayle Emlein, Secretary



February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Check the calendar at www.pcc.org for up-to-date information!		See Page 9 for SIG Meeting information.			7:30 pm 1 Main Meeting	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Windows 7 SIG on Sabbatical
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 2 pm-Exec. Committee Mtg.
17	18 7:30 pm- Mobile Computing SIG	19	20	21	22	23 2 pm-Linux SIG
24	25	26	27	28		

The **March 2013 Main Meeting** will be at 28924 Ruus Road, Hayward CA, on **March 1, 2013** at 7:30 P.M.