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Monthly tech troubleshooting won't be held in August after all.

Covid-19 had other ideas.

Dr. Fixit and iHelp Saturday sessions are cancelled this month.



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Soaring coronavirus infections in central Kentucky force CKCS to cancel scheduled Saturday tech troubleshooting sessions

By Kurt Jefferson

Many of you have asked — when will Dr. Fixit and iHelp return? These are monthly Saturday tech troubleshooting sessions where CKCS helps members answer their tech questions.

Dr. Fixit tackles Windows and Android issues while iHelp attempts to solve iPad, iPhone, iPod touch and Macintosh computer problems.

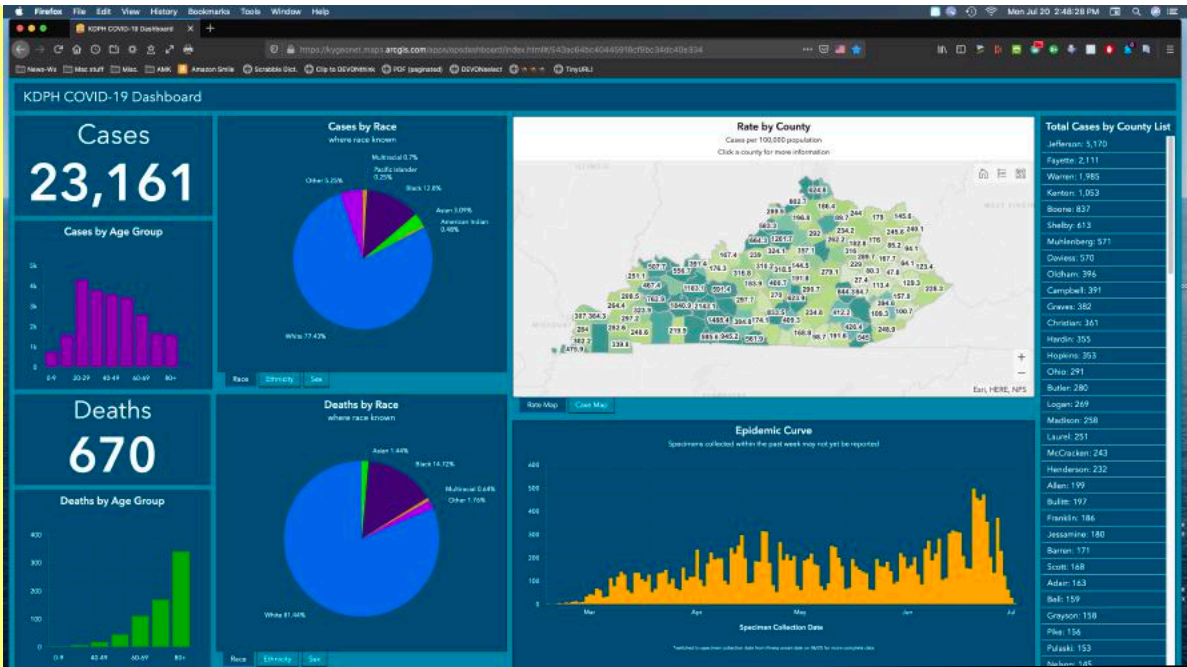
We had planned to return the first Saturday of August – which happens to be August 1. Now that won't happen. Here's why:

Coronavirus infection rates in Lexington and much of Kentucky are spiking. By this time, we had hoped that we'd back on Saturday wearing masks, practicing social distancing, and other precautions to help folks with tech issues.

As they say, *Not. Gonna. Happen.*

On one weekend towards the end of July, Kentucky reported the highest number of coronavirus cases ever reported – 979 new cases. That same weekend, Lexington reported 117 new cases of COVID-19 – bringing the three-day weekend total to 164.

The Fayette County Health Department reports 21 newly confirmed recent cases were kids under 18. Let that sink in. *21 cases occurred in kids under 18 years old.*



This widget from the Kentucky Department of Public Health shows the daily increase of the coronavirus as it impacts Kentucky. Total number of infections, reported deaths, deaths by age group, cases by race, deaths by race, infections per county, and the epidemic curve are all shown on the website, updated daily. The screen grab shown here is from July 20.

As we've said all along, you can be infected and show no symptoms for up to 14 days. During that time, you may unknowingly infect dozens of folks with which you come in contact.

You've heard this all before, but C|Net reports the most effective ways to protect yourself include:

- Washing your hands for at least 20 seconds. Use hand sanitizer when soap isn't available.
- Wearing a face mask.
- Avoiding close contact with sick people.
- Avoiding unnecessary trips.
- Staying home when you're sick.



We want to resume Dr. Fixit and iHelp Saturday sessions ASAP. But not until it's safe to do so.

Stay well.

President's Comments

By Brooke Thomas

We will be Zooming all our classes this Fall. The decision was made not to teach in person classes because this nasty virus is hanging on and many of us fall into a category that makes us more vulnerable. So, to be on the safe side we will not be holding classes or workshops in our building.



Brooke Thomas
president@ckcs.org

We been practicing using Zoom this summer. There has been a learning curve not only for the instructors, but for the students. The good thing about Zoom is a lot of us are using it for book clubs, church related activities, and socializing with extended family. Everyone is becoming familiar with the technology. That has made it so much easier to teach these classes. We held 4 workshops in the Summer, and all were well received. Our Open Houses have had large participation. We've been surprised how smoothly all these activities have gone.

The Fall classes promise to go as well. We had to delete some of the classes we had planned to teach and add new ones that work better in the virtual world. If you've been hesitant to join a workshop check out the Fall lineup in this Newsletter and follow the sign-up procedures. They are a little different because of this Pandemic.

Update on Dr. Fixit and iHelp

We had planned to hold Dr. Fixit/iHelp in the CKCS's Office on August 1st. We even announced in our weekly CKCS email. Unfortunately the Covid-19 cases in Kentucky are rising and we realized that it was not prudent to put the health and safety of our member and volunteers in jeopardy. We will be playing it by ear as to when we can schedule a session. Stay tuned to the Newsletter and the weekly CKCS email to learn about future plans.

Despite these setbacks, I keep thinking we are so lucky to have all this technology and are able to use it. We just have to be grateful and do things a little differently for a while. If you have any suggestions on the ways we can do things better, please contact me at president@ckcs.org. Stay safe and healthy.



August Tech Night

By Brooke Thomas

Got Gmail?
Thinking
about



Gmail? Then this
Tech Night is for you.

Gmail, or Google mail is the most popular email service in the English speaking world (1.5 **billion** users worldwide). Via Zoom, we will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of a Gmail address and briefly show how to create a new account.

You'll learn about capabilities of Gmail, best practices for email in general and tips and tricks for getting the most out of your Gmail account.



Paul Stackhouse at a CKCS Tech Night describing how to 'cut the cord'.

Paul Stackhouse will present the session. If you are a regular attendee of Tech Night, you will remember him from several presentation on how to cut the cable cord and how to stream. He is also a long time CKCS member. Over the years Paul has held several offices within CKCS: president, vice-president, treasurer, and director. His service goes back to within six months of our founding. Through his efforts in early years, CKCS offered true internet e-mail access before almost anyone else in the city had it.

Currently, Paul is Programmer/Analyst for Asbury University and owns his own consultancy firm: Wilmore Computer Associates. **Questions about email, or Gmail specifically, can be sent to Paul ahead of the meeting at: paul@stackhouse.org; or will be taken, as time permits, at the end of the evening.**

Join us August 10 at 7 P.M. via Zoom.

Free Open Houses in August

Join us for the following August Zoom sessions on your PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, Android phone or tablet or other device that will run the Zoom application:

^a iPhone Tips #3 Aug. 11 at 11 A.M.

An entire hour of tips to mastering your iPhone! Join us.

Instructor: Joe Dietz

• Death Data Document Aug. 17 at 7 P.M.

Jerry Heaton will explain why everyone needs a death data document and how to create such a document. A presentation on this subject was part of an open house session in July and was so popular Jerry was asked to do a rerun and offer time for questions and suggestions afterwards. This session might be the most important thing you might do for your family. Please sign in five minutes before the session starts.

Instructor: Jerry Heaton

• Clipping & Snipping in Windows 10

August 17 at 11 A.M. Have you ever seen a picture on an internet web page and you

wanted a copy of it for yourself? There are tools built into Windows 10 that you can use to save the picture for your further use and enjoyment. In this Open House, we will go over the new tools that allow you to clip and save anything that appears on your desktop.

Instructor: Mike Seiler

• Begin to Organize Your Personal Computer Files (Windows)

August 20 at 2 P.M.

One hour of basics and tips that will help you begin the process of organizing that mess of files and photos on your computer. If you have both a cell phone with the Zoom app and a PC or laptop, you might want to participate in the zoom session using your cell phone while you're sitting at your computer. That way you can also practice what I'm describing and demonstrating.

Instructor: Myra Engle

To participate in an open house, phone: 859.353.1000

If you need to download Zoom to your computer, tablet or smartphone, you can find directions and a link to download on page 13.

Word Processing SIG is Back

Jerry Heaton has volunteered to resume leading the CKCS Word Processing SIG which had been discontinued.

Jerry led the word processing program for ten years starting in May of 2000.

He then served as editor of the CKCS newsletter until 2019.

This SIG will not be at the CKCS Resource Center but will use Zoom instead.

It will be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

A good word processing program is one of the most useful computer programs.

We will cover some basics and learn more about the many tools available which let you produce Word

documents with greater ease and with a professional look.

There will be plenty of time for questions and your participation in this zoom program will be encouraged.

Members and guests are asked to sign in to be admitted to the Zoom meeting at least five minutes early.



Join Us!

What: Word Processing SIG

When: First Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M.

Where: Online using the Zoom app

Covid-19 pandemic changes the rules

A number of you have asked about registering for upcoming classes and workshops. The Covid-19 pandemic has forced us to change the registration rules.

How to register:

You must register on one of these days:

Day	Time
Monday, Aug. 10	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Tuesday, Aug. 11	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Wednesday, Aug. 12	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Thursday, Aug. 13	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Monday, Aug. 17	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Tuesday, Aug. 18	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Wednesday, Aug. 19	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.
Thursday, Aug. 20	10 A.M. – 1 P.M.

Registration Options:

- **Phone: 859.353.1000**

OR

- **Register in the lobby of the CKCS Resource Center at 160 Moore Drive.**
- **There will be a table in the hall where you can fill out the Class Enrollment Form or the CKCS Membership Form.**

• **Because of CDC rules, NO one will be allowed to register inside the CKCS office. Except for office workers who will be answering phones, NOBODY will be allowed inside CKCS on registration days.**

- **CKCS accepts credit cards, cash and checks. Please register early!**

Class schedule begins on page 6. Workshop schedule starts on page 9. Classes cost \$48 for CKCS members; \$60 for non-members unless indicated otherwise. Workshops cost \$24 for CKCS members; \$30 for non-members unless indicated otherwise. The Zoom app is required for all classes & workshops.

CKCS 2020 Fall Class/Workshop Descriptions and Schedule

**** Because of the pandemic, registration for these classes and workshops will be limited to two weeks in August. *Information about registration is at the end of this schedule.***

All classes and workshops will be taught using Zoom meetings.

Note: The day(s) and time each class or workshop meets are after their description.

Classes Class fees are \$48.00 for CKCS members and \$60.00 for non-members, unless indicated otherwise.

Advanced and Independent Digital Imaging Using Corel PaintShop Pro for Windows PC... During this pandemic and using ZOOM for classes, the structure of the Advanced/Independent Digital Imaging Class will be a little different. Students are encouraged to work on their own projects at home and bring their questions and projects to share with the class. Instructor will discuss, provide tips, and share their work with the other participants for discussion. Instructor will also demonstrate a variety of projects for the students to work on in the class or at home. These projects will then be shared with students at the next class. This class is geared to those who have some experience with digital imaging programs and using ZOOM. Programs used will be predominantly Corel PaintShop Pro and FastStone. Other programs may be adaptable.

Wednesdays: September 9, 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 14
10 A.M. to Noon

Get More Out of Your Mac... You probably use your Mac every day but you're probably not getting the most out of your computer. This course will teach you techniques you can use to be more effective. Topics range from organizing files in a folder to suit you better to keyboard shortcuts to customizing your Dock. Tips provided in this course will save you time and make your computer use more enjoyable.

Mondays: September 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12, 19
10 A.M. to Noon

[Class listing continues on page 7](#)

Getting the Most Out of Your iPad...Learn how to use the built-in Apple apps on your iPad. Personalize and organize your apps, take better photos, and organize them. Acquire information about settings, learn the secrets of the keyboard, emailing, and texting with animation. Get tips on using the Calendar, Notes, Reminders, and Books. Face-time will be included if time permits. Participants should make sure their iPad is updated with the latest operating system and have their Apple ID and password accessible. Students should have a different device (like a computer, laptop, or smartphone) to log into the zoom class to be able to practice the instructions on their iPad.

Thursdays: September 24 and October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
1 to 3 P.M.

Getting the Most Out of Your iPhone...Learn important (and hidden) functions of your iPhone. Learn how to download apps, move them, nest them and delete them. Learn how to get better photos with your phone, organize your pictures, and send them in text and emails. Texting messages and using Siri will also be covered along with lots more. Participants should know their iPhone's passcode, Apple ID, and password. Participants should make sure their iPhone is updated with the latest operating system (IOS). Students should have a different device (like a computer, laptop, or iPad) to log into the ZOOM class to be able to practice the instructions on their iPhone.

Tuesdays: October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 17
1 to 3 P.M.

Organizing Your Personal Computer Files In Windows 10...(Members \$36, Non-members \$45)...Learn the correct way to file items on your personal computer. Learn nifty tricks for moving files and folders and organizing these files and folders so they can easily be found on your personal computers or external storage devices. This is a hands-on class. If possible, to get the most out of the lessons, access the Zoom session via your smart phone or tablet and set it next to your computer so you can practice the lesson activities in real time.

Thursdays: December 3, 10, 17
10 A.M. to Noon

Intermediate iPad Tips & Techniques...Okay. You know the basics of using your iPad. If you would like to learn more advanced iPad tips and techniques, join us for Intermediate iPad in September. We will tackle tips such as: Your iPad's secret trackpad, Control what notifications you get, Virtual Private Networks, Use text shortcuts. Join us on Zoom. You will learn plenty during the six weeks when this class is taught beginning this fall.

Tuesdays: September 15, 22, 29, and October 6, 13, 20
10 A.M. to Noon

Learning to See Creatively – Composition...(members \$40, non-members \$50)... Learn the ingredients for a good photo. Study the elements of design, perspective, composition, lighting, and color of light. Why are some pictures more appealing than others? They follow some simple rules: A. Simplicity. B. Drawing Attention to the Subject. C. Positioning the Subject. D. Knowledge of Graphic Design for Interest and Harmony. Understanding and using these guidelines will show you how to implement this knowledge and become a better photographer.

Monday: November 2, 9, 16, 23
1:00 P.M. to 3 P.M.

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Camera RAW...(members \$32, non-members \$40)...Most photographers have heard the term camera RAW. This class explains the big advantage when you use camera RAW. Use JPEG and RAW at the same time. One press of the shutter button takes both at the same time. Processing your pictures in RAW will be demonstrated so you can begin to immediately improve brightness, exposure, white balance, details and correct any wrong color in your pictures. The RAW software is free to download and use.

Monday: October 19, 26
1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Exploring the World of Photography - Advanced...(members \$40, non-members \$50)... For this course students must have a basic knowledge of the following: Shutter Speed, Aperture, DOF (Depth of Field) and ISO. Topics to be covered: Metering Modes, Exposure Compensation, Dynamic Range, Manual Mode and Advanced Program Mode.

Monday: September 14, 21, 28 and October 5
1:00 - 3:00 PM



Workshops All Workshops cost \$24.00 for CKCS members and \$30.00 for non-members.

Is Windows 10 Driving You Crazy?... In this Workshop, students will learn how they can change the Start Window to make it less confusing. Also, they will learn how to change the appearance of File Explorer. A free program will be demonstrated that will change the Start Window making it look like the Windows 7 or XP Start Window.

Tuesday: October 20
9 A.M. to Noon

Making Personal Note and Greeting Cards Using Microsoft Word... Note cards and greeting cards can be expensive. Learn to make your own *personalized* note and greeting cards using your own photos or resources from the Internet. Learn to set up templates that can be used over and over. This is not only a fun workshop, it's a money-saver. Think creative and personal Christmas, birthday, and other cards. It's a win-win. Sign into the session on your smart phone and set it next to your computer so you can practice what we're doing in real time.

Tuesday: October 20
10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Understanding Facebook for Windows PC... Learn how to maintain a Facebook page on a computer. The Profile page and Home page will be explained. How to find friends, make a post, edit, and respond to posts, prioritizing news feeds, checking privacy settings, unfriending and blocking friends, and deleting and deactivating your Facebook account are some of the features covered. Plan to participate via zoom on a device other than your desktop or laptop so you can practice the instruction on your own Facebook page that you will have open on your desktop or laptop.

Thursday: November 12
1 to 4 P.M.

Using Your iPhone Camera to the MAX... Using apps already on the iPhone students will learn techniques to take better pictures, fix them up by cropping, lightening, or darkening, or adding filters. They will learn how to take videos, time-lapse and panoramas. They will also learn how to create albums and several ways to share their photos with others.

Thursday: September 17
1 to 4 P.M.

iPhone Advanced Workshop... In this workshop we will build on iPhone techniques that students learned in "Getting the Most out of your iPhone" and "Secrets of your iPhone". After taking one or both sessions, many students have asked for more! This is it! Group text and e-mail messages, verifying backup, working with your photos, cleaning up bursts, scanning documents, blocking calls, and silencing unknown callers, get your phone to read to you, and lots more will be demonstrated.

Tuesday: November 24
1 to 4 p.m.

Introduction to Infrared Photography...Infrared photography is gaining in popularity all over the world. Your camera with the addition of an Infrared filter is all you need to begin photographing Infrared pictures. This filter blocks all light wavelengths except infrared, making sure only infrared light reaches the sensor. We will demonstrate how to check your camera to see if it will work with a filter. Infrared can be photographed as B&W or color. If you like you can send your camera off to have an Infrared conversion for B&W or color. This will all be talked about in the workshop.

Monday: October 12
1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

Registration Details:

CKCS members get a 20 percent discount on all class and workshop fees.

****Because of the pandemic registration for classes will be held for two weeks. We will have office workers at CKCS from Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. starting August 10 and ending August 20.**

During these two weeks, you can call the office at 859-373-1000 or you can visit CKCS in person.

If you visit the office there will be a table in the hall where you can fill out the Class Enrollment Form or the Membership Form.

We accept cash, check, or credit card. **You will not be allowed to enter the office.**

Found on social media: Photos that make you say, hmmm



This photo, taken in 1955, shows French writer, Francoise Sagan (1935–2004) in Paris one year after the publication of her debut novel, 'Bonjour Tristesse.'

Wikipedia writes, "Sagan was known for works with strong romantic themes involving wealthy and disillusioned bourgeois characters. Her best known novel was her first – *Bonjour Tristesse* – written when she was a teenager...Sagan was expelled from her first school, a convent, for "lack of deep spirituality"...fond of traveling in the United States, she was often seen with Truman Capote and Ava Gardner. On 14, April 1957, while driving her Aston Martin sports car at speed, she was involved in an accident that left her in a coma for some time. She also loved driving her Jaguar automobile to Monte Carlo for gambling sessions."

(Photo: Bert Hardy)



Wildlife photographer attempting to take photos of meerkats

(Source)

Source: babyanimalgifs

12,027 notes



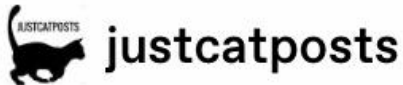
Excuse me, is that a meerkat on your head?

Meerkats are small mammals of the mongoose family found in southern Africa.

They live in packs of two to 30 individuals. They are active during the day – mainly in early morning and late afternoon.

Meerkats are assigned various tasks – including sentry duty. This fellow obviously knows the best view is nearly always the view from on top.

Found on social media: We can learn a lot from cats



The cats are on day 3,721 of their stay at home quarantine. They have some lessons for us amateurs. Lessons like: Nap early, nap often. Seek out sunbeams. Eat on a regular schedule. Keep yourself clean. And most importantly, it's ok to run up and down the apartment screaming when it all gets to be too much. Just take a nap afterwards.

We can learn a lot from them.

Source: justcatposts
11,397 notes



Sleeping buddies

Source: justcatposts

zoom

How do I get Zoom for my Windows 10 or Macintosh computer? What about iPads and Android devices?

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, all classes and workshops for the foreseeable future are taught using the Zoom app. There are no in person classes or workshops at the CKCS Resource Center on Moore Drive.

You need to have the Zoom app on your computer or device to participate in classes, workshops, open houses and SIG (these are monthly Special Interest Group) meetings.

There are a host of Zoom keyboard shortcuts for Windows and Mac [here](#).

Get the Zoom app

If you need the Zoom app, you can download it [here](#) for both Windows and Mac computers.

Click on the blue “Download” button to start downloading the app. You can also update your app by using that link. The latest version of Zoom is 5.1.2.

Some Mac users may need to give their computer permission to install Zoom. You can read about that [here](#).

Zoom is also available for iPads, iPhones and the iPod touch from the App Store on your device.

Android phone and tablet users may download Zoom from Google Play.



Got solitaire?

In this era when more folks are spending time at home, it might not surprise you to learn that sales of games on all types of computers and handheld devices are soaring.

One of the most popular games is – solitaire.

Lifewire examines a variety of solitaire games for different platforms. See if you find one of your favorite versions [here](#). Check out the app store for your computer or device and there's a good chance you'll find a version of solitaire that fits your game-playing demands.

Some titles available include Free Solitaire!, Microsoft Solitaire Collection, Solitaire Till Dawn, Eric's All-In-One-Solitaire, Freecell Solitaire, Solitaire Pets Adventure, Forty Thieves Solitaire Good, Tripeaks Solitaire, Pyramid: Solitaire Saga, Cleopa-



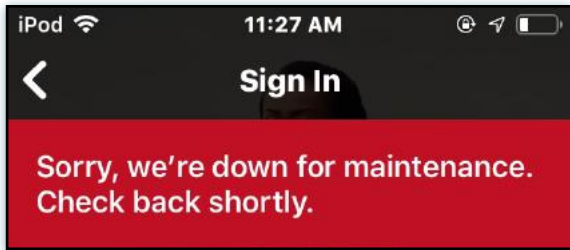
One of the more beautiful versions of solitaire played on the computer. This screen grab is from the Mac version (available through the Mac App Store) of Full Deck Solitaire, designed by a solitaire-loving mother and daughter. Their company, GRL Games, produces Full Deck Solitaire for Windows 10, (available through the Microsoft Store), iPhone, iPad, (available through the App Store), and Android devices (through Google Play).

tra's Solitaire, Avalon Legends Solitaire, and Magic Towers Solitaire.

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Reports: Garmin victim of ransomware attack

By Kurt Jefferson



When I attempted to sync my Garmin fitness tracker

with the company’s Connect app in late July, I kept on getting a “Down for maintenance” alert. After several days of this, I knew something was terribly wrong.

News reports now indicate the company is the target of a ransomware attack – and WastedLocker is responsible for the outage. TechCrunch reports that WastedLocker is a new kind of ransomware. Like similar attacks, WastedLocker infects computers and locks the user’s files in exchange for ransom.

TechCrunch reports that WastedLocker is allegedly led by a Russian national and has stolen more than \$100 million from hundreds of banks over the past decade.

What’s especially troublesome is that Garmin not only sells fitness trackers. Pilots who use flyGarmin, the company’s aviation navigation and route–planning service, cannot download up–to–date aviation data-bases as required by law.

How will this end? The Russian national, Maksim Yakubets, remains at large after the U.S. Justice Department indicted him last year for his alleged part in participating in “unimaginable” amounts of cyber-crime in the past decade.

Meantime, Garmin customers just want to sync their fitness tracker workouts. Aviation customers want flyGarmin up and running – soon.

UPDATE: On August 1, bleepingcomputer reported that Garmin apparently paid the ransom to unlock its computers. WIRED reports this is just the beginning, and we should expect more high–profile attacks this fall. My Garmin fitness tracker has begun syncing again. But I have a feeling we will see more of this.



If you’ve got a Mac, iPad, iPhone or iPod touch, you can monitor how much you (or someone else) uses an Apple device. It’s called Screen Time and it tracks how many hours every week you use your device. It also clocks how many hours you use specific apps, among a host of other options.

The screen shot to the left is from my Mac and was taken on a Tuesday in late July. It shows I used the Mac for just over five hours that day. This includes using ClassicWeather (one of my favorite Mac weather apps,) Zoom (for a CKCS workshop that morning), the Finder, which is the Mac desktop., and more. You can read more about Screen Time [here](#) and [here](#). I find it is a very valuable tool – it’s especially valuable if you want to monitor how much computer time you or a loved one is using (kids, go outside and play!)

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TODAY

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CALENDAR

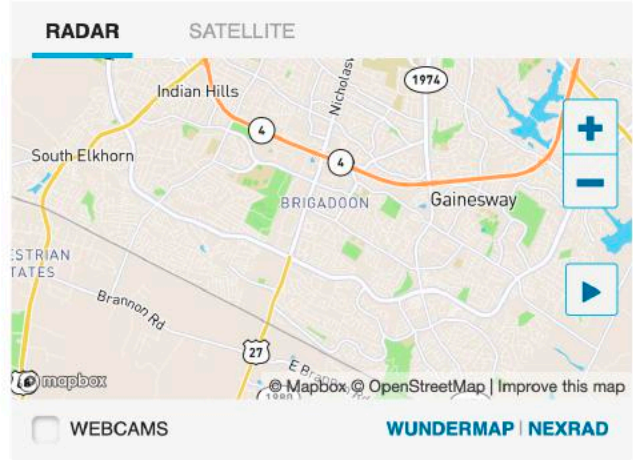
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Today's temperature is forecast to be **WARMER** than yesterday.

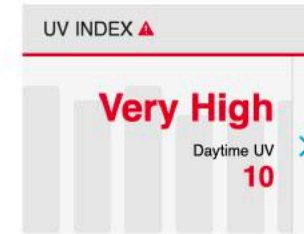
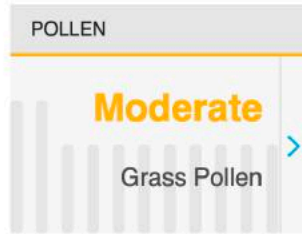
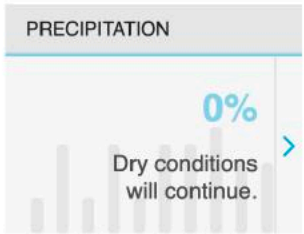


TODAY
☀️ SUN 07/19
HIGH 93 °F
0% Precip. / 0.00 in
Plenty of sunshine. Hot and humid. High 93F. Winds SW at 10 to 20 mph.

TONIGHT
☁️ SUN 07/19
LOW 72 °F
20% Precip. / 0.00 in
Partly cloudy. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. Low 72F. Winds SW at 10 to 15 mph.

TOMORROW
⚡️ MON 07/20
HIGH 89 | 71 °F
50% Precip. / 0.07 in
Partial cloudiness early, with scattered showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Storms may contain strong gusty winds. High 89F. Winds WSW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 50%.

CORONAVIRUS
AS OF SUN 07/19
Fayette County
Confirmed cases: 2062
Deceased: 41
[View on WunderMap](#)
[Coronavirus Preparedness](#)
Source: Kentucky Department of Health



If you want your web browser to show vital weather details for your neighborhood, try [Weather Underground here](#). If you need to choose a personal weather station closer to your home, click on the arrow pointing down next to CHANGE. A map will appear allowing you to select from at least 16 different weather stations. On my iPad and Mac, Safari, Firefox and the Brave browser are all set to open this page. There is a lot of information packed into this web page and it's constantly updating. The map on the upper right-hand side is a radar view showing nearly live precipitation falling near your home. Neat!



I've always been fond of news aggregates – you know, those news websites that pull from a variety of different sources. They most closely resemble newspapers that I grew up reading.

You'd have staff writers reporting on the local school board, city council action, and crime beats. AP, UPI, Reuters, or another wire service would provide state, regional, and international stories. Quirky, off-beat doings would often be covered by local reporters and stringers.

For years, I've relied on the Google News website because it is a very good aggregate. Nowadays, I'm more likely to open the Apple News app on my iPad or Mac. (I still use the Flipboard app on the iPad, which is similar to Apple News.)

To use the Apple News app, you need:

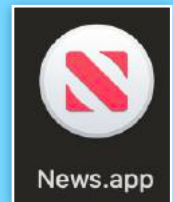
- iOS 12.2 or later
- iPad OS 13 or later
- macOS Mojave 10.4.4 or later

Audio features (such as podcasts via Apple News) are available on:

- iOS 13.6 or later

Local news using the Apple News app. requires:

- iOS 13.6 or later
- iPadOS 13.6 or later
- macOS Mojave 10.15.6 or later



A writer for BGR.com recently mentioned Apple's News app: "Scrolling through the Apple News app on my iPhone XR the other day...it struck me how much I'd come to rely on apps other than Twitter in the age of the coronavirus to keep up with news, as well as pop culture and other things I care about." He calls Apple News and Flipboard, "two must-have apps in the age of coronavirus." He says this about Apple News+: "Is it worth the price? I'm definitely a news junkie, and my answer to that question is that it definitely could be for many people. For example, that price gets you access to hundreds of magazines and a few newspapers, including The Wall Street Journal. And the Apple News+ monthly cost is a fraction of the regular monthly subscription price for the WSJ alone, not to mention Apple also throws in other solid news products like The Los Angeles Times into this offering.

Other great apps for news junkies

If you use an Android phone or tablet (or an Apple product), you have plenty of news options besides the Web.

One of my favorite news apps is Flipboard. In fact, I demonstrated that app several years ago on the NewsChannel 36 noon news when Brooke Thomas asked me to fill in for her and Joe Dietz when they couldn't make an appearance during the tech segment.

Flipboard even runs on the [Web](#) if you want to view your news stories on a Windows 10 computer or a Macintosh. How neat is that?

If you want the app, it's available for Android phones and tablets in Google Play, for iOS devices in the App Store.

If you use a Windows 10 PC, Flipboard is available from the Microsoft Store. Flipboard is free for all of these devices.

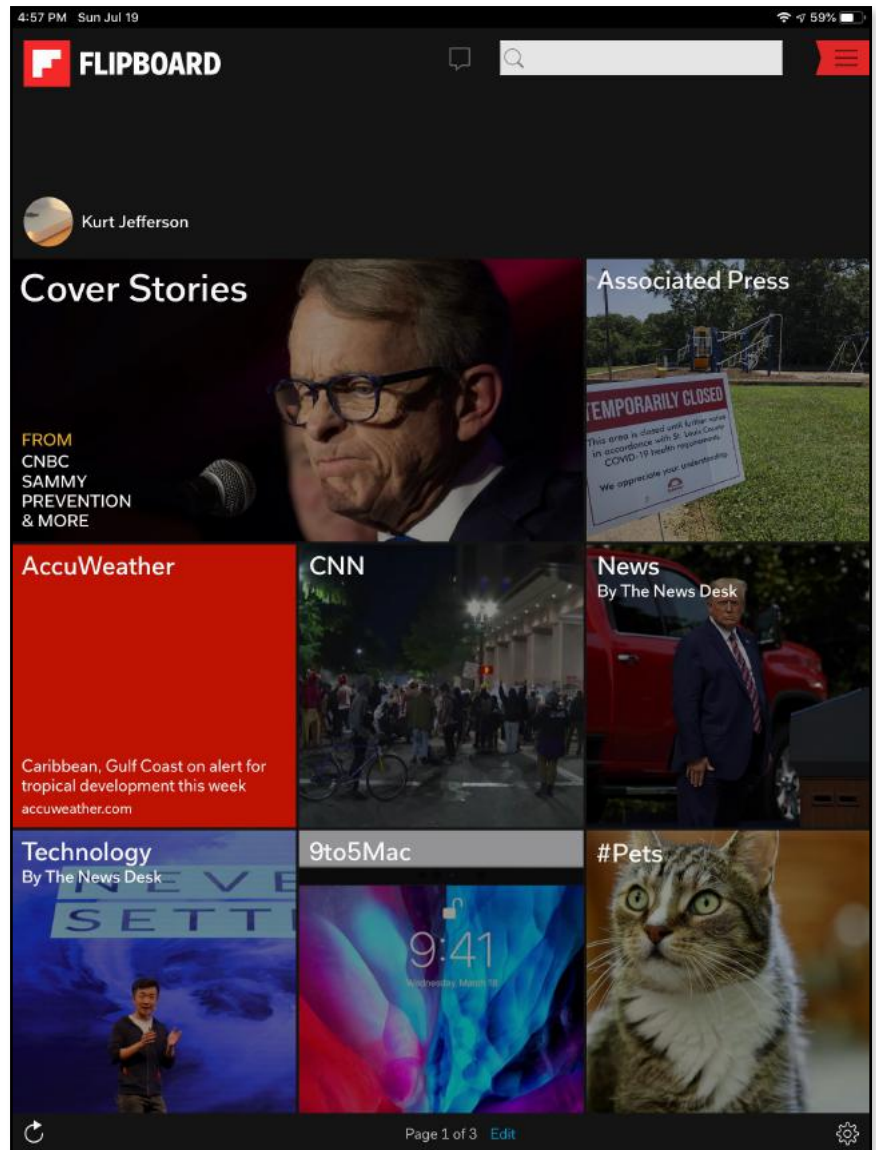
Microsoft makes its own news app (a very good app) and it's available for both Android and iOS.

If you want to look for other news possibilities, the Tom's Guide website has issued its [list](#) of what it considers the "Best News Apps of 2020."

The list includes:

Best news apps for Android & iOS:

- Google News
- Microsoft News
- Apple News
- Flipboard
- AP News (You're getting bulletins and news directly from the wire service. I use this on the iPad and have to say it's great.)
- Reuters News (Again, another wire service with a very good news app.)
- Feedly (RSS news feed app – considered quite good. Free & subscription options)



No, this isn't a newfangled Hollywood Squares game show. It's the tiles I've chosen to populate the home page of my Flipboard app on the iPad. Flipboard lets you populate the app with your own news sources. Flipboard was ahead of its time when it was released years ago – it's still one of the best news apps out there.

- Inkl (For a \$15/month subscription, you get access to The Washington Post, The Economist, Strait Times, The Guardian and many more.)
- Inoreader (A customizable news and news feed reader with both free and subscription options.)
- Pocket (Can't read now? Read it later.)

Covid-19 ‘cheat sheets’

Wired Magazine’s website poses these questions:

- Is it safe to undergo procedures at the dentist?
- It it safe to return to the office?
- To sit in a doctor’s waiting room?
- If you want to exercise, is shooting hoops smarter than tennis?
- If you need solace, is a library safer than a church?

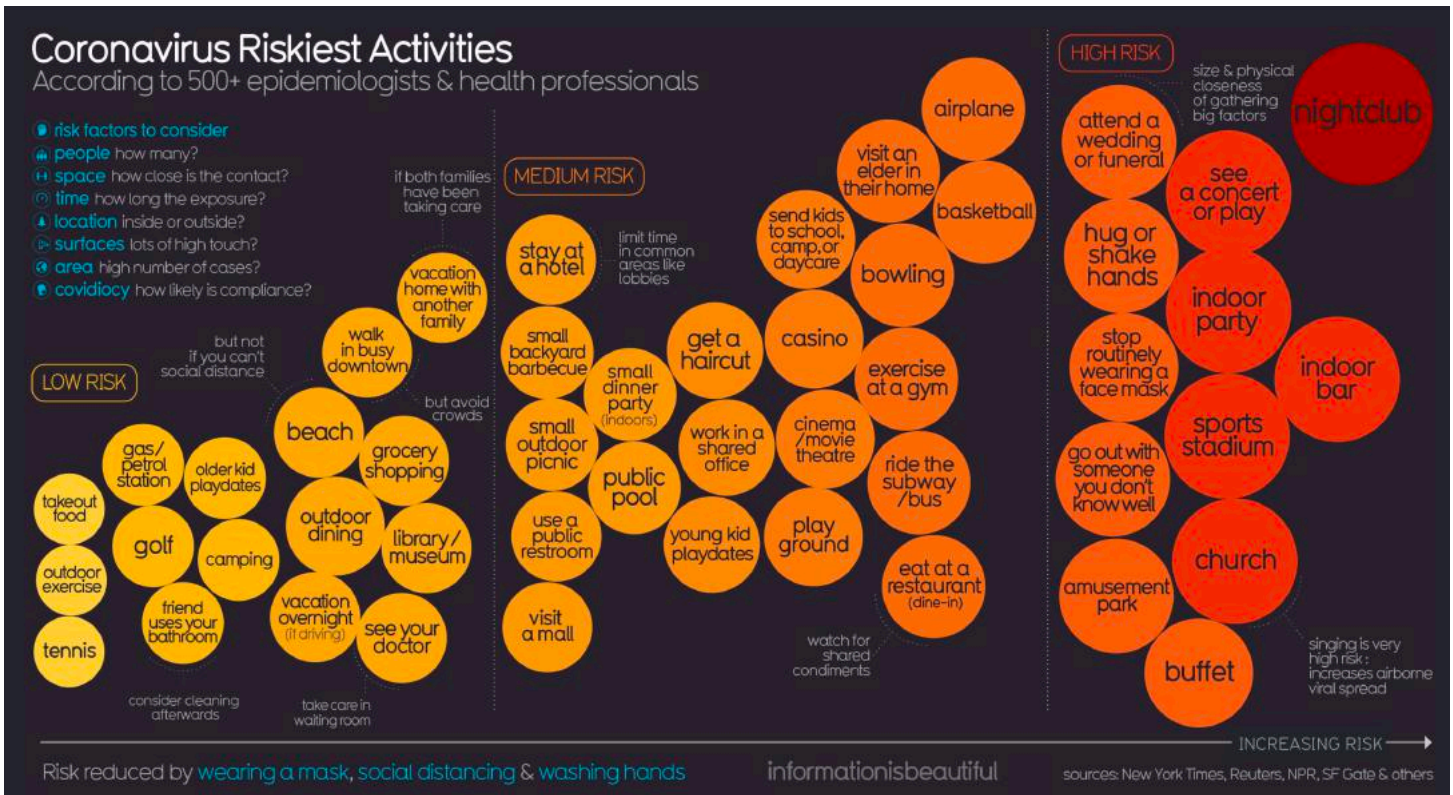
Because so many people were asking the same questions, experts decided it was time to create color-coded charts, you might call ‘cheat sheets’ to figure out what are considered ‘safe’ human behaviors.

The first to be published is the Covid-19 Risk Index. Wired reports it’s “the creation of three public health experts.”

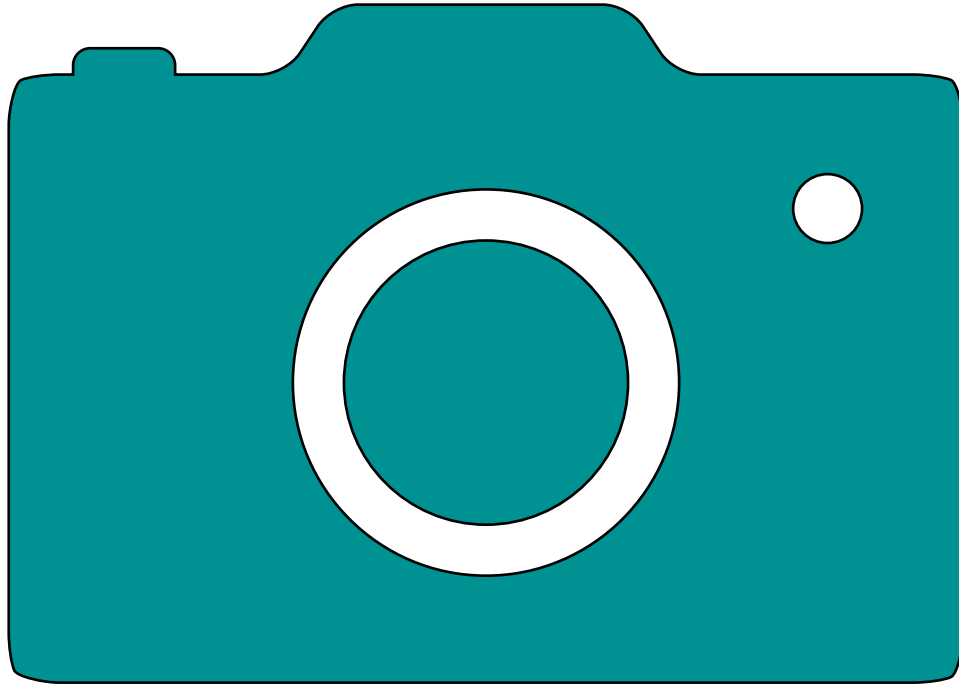
The Texas Medical Association Covid-19 Task Force drew up the second chart.

David McCandless, a journalist and data visualization artist created a series of charts and graphs.

Finally, the Kentucky Dept. of Public Health has its own dashboard widget displaying infection rates.



**Join the Amateur Photography Club SIG
every Thursday at 10 A.M.**



You need the Zoom app to participate.

To request an invitation email:

boone.baldwin@gmail.com



August 2020 CKCS Special Interest Groups (SIGs) Schedule

Larry Trivette prepared the SIG calendar. Print this page for your refrigerator or bulletin board.

While our Resource Center on Moore Drive is still closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, join us ONLINE for selected SIG meetings.

- Zoom Meetings: click the hyperlink in your received email to join the meeting.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Aug	4 Aug	5 Aug	6 Aug	7 Aug	8 Aug
			10 a.m. Amateur Photographers Club via Zoom		
			7 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom		
10 Aug	11 Aug	12 Aug	13 Aug	14 Aug	15 Aug
7 p.m. Tech Night Paul Stackhouse Gmail Accounts via Zoom	7 p.m. Windows 10 MIKE SEILER via Zoom		10 a.m. Amateur Photographers Club via Zoom		
			7 p.m. Mac & iPad KURT JEFFERSON via Zoom		
17 Aug	18 Aug	19 Aug	20 Aug	21 Aug	22 Aug
			10 a.m. Amateur Photographers Club via Zoom		
			7 p.m. Access Database STUART ZAHALKA		
24 Aug	25 Aug	26 Aug	27 Aug	28 Aug	29 Aug
7 p.m. FoxPro Database GARLAND SMITH	7 p.m. Digital Photography JOE DIETZ		10 a.m. Amateur Photographers Club via Zoom		
			7 p.m. Unix/Linux LEWIS GARDNER		

Tidbits you may not know about COVID-19

By Kurt Jefferson

With all of the recent developments on COVID-19, it's hard to keep up. Here are some news articles you might have missed:

- **German study shows dogs can sniff out Coronavirus infections** – [Bloomberg](#)
- **Lions, tigers and house cats: You won't catch Coronavirus from felines, experts say** – [CNN](#)
- **What we know about blood type and the Coronavirus** – [The Cut](#)
- **Chronic conditions put nearly half of US adults at risk for severe COVID-19** – Centers for Infectious Disease Research and Policy ([CIDRAP](#))
- **Here's what COVID-19 does to a child's body** – [National Geographic](#)
- **The best cleaners, wipes and homemade disinfectants for the Coronavirus** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **What masks work for the Coronavirus?** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **Coronavirus FAQ: How do I protect myself if the Coronavirus can linger in the air?** – [NPR](#)
- **Covid-19: Will air purifiers protect you from viruses?** – [C|net](#)
- **Can HEPA air purifiers capture the Coronavirus?** – [The Wirecutter](#)



- **Babies' mysterious resilience to Coronavirus intrigues scientists** – [Scientific American](#)
- **How to sanitize to prevent COVID-19 — and decontaminate after a positive** – [Food Engineering](#)
- **Preventing separation anxiety in pets after the COVID-19 lockdown** – [WIFR, 23, Rockford, Ill.](#)
- **Face masks with valves don't stop COVID-19 from spreading** – [Popular Science](#)
- **All of the COVID-19 data upgrades that cell phone carriers are offering** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **Stay afloat during the Coronavirus recession whether you've lost income or not** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **How to handle packages during the Coronavirus pandemic** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **How to properly care for a sick person at home (and not get sick yourself)** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **You can still use laundromats safely during the Coronavirus pandemic, just take a few precautions first.** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **We tested 14 Coronavirus-related Alexa skills. Don't bother with any but these two.** – [The Wirecutter](#)
- **It's still safe to order food delivery from restaurants. Just take these basic precautions** – [The Wirecutter](#)



Windows 10 update due later this year may include a new Start menu, among other changes

What was expected to be just a service pack upgrade may end up being a major update for Windows 10 users, according to Techradar and other websites following Microsoft developments.

Referred to by Microsoft as 20H2, this update may include a new streamlined design for the Start menu, a change in the way “Alt–tabbing” works in the Microsoft Edge browser, and tweaks for notifications and settings.

The wccftech.com website reports, “We are freshening up the Start menu with a more streamlined design that removes the solid color backplates behind the logos in the apps list and applies a uniform, partially transparent background to the tiles. This design creates a beautiful stage for your apps, especially the Fluent Design icons for Office and Microsoft Edge, as well as the redesigned icons for built-in apps like Calculator, Mail, and Calendar that we started rolling out earlier this year.”

Regarding the Alt + Tab changes in Microsoft’s Edge browser, wccftech asks, “Are you a multitasker? With this build, your tabs open in Microsoft Edge will start appearing in Alt + TAB, not just the active one in each browser window. We’re making this change so you can quickly get back to whatever you were doing—wherever you were doing it.”

Other Windows 10 changes on the horizon include a more personalized taskbar for new users, improvements to the

notification system, and bringing capabilities from Control Panel into Windows settings.

You can read more about upcoming changes in Microsoft’s Windows blog about “Insider Preview Build (20H2).”

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Announcing Windows 10 Insider Preview Build 19042.421 (20H2)

By [Brandon LeBlanc](#) / Senior Program Manager, Windows Insider Program

Hello Windows Insiders, today we’re releasing 20H2 Build 19042.421 (KB4568831) to Windows Insiders in the Beta Channel.

What’s new in Build 19042.421

Theme-aware tiles in Start

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Before

Microsoft’s Windows 10 blog about the 20H2 update previews a number of changes in the beta version of the next Windows update. Changes include a new, streamlined look for the Start menu, tweaks for notifications and settings, a change in “Alt–tabbing” for Microsoft’s Edge web browser, and more.

Windows Special Interest Group

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

7:00 pm

Mike Seiler
Windows SIG Leader



In August we will look at different ways you can tweak your taskbar, that is the bar that goes across the bottom of your Windows screen. If time permits, we will look at a free on-line image converter.

We will be using Zoom for this month's SIG. The link to join the meeting will be sent out via email to everyone on my email list. Also, the link will be in the "Next week at your computer society" CKCS email the week preceding the SIG meeting.

If you are not on my email list and want on it, send me an email with your name and email address to w10sig.ckcs@gmail.com

Please send any questions and/or topics you want me to talk about in the Windows 10 SIG to w10sig.ckcs@gmail.com



Digital Photography Special Interest Group
August 25, 2020



Joe Dietz
Digital Photography
SIG Leader

Cropping

Cropping - How boring – I know how to crop!

NO – Wait - There is more to it than that.

Cropping is a tool that can define your images.

To crop or not to crop-that is the question. Some photographers leave all pictures in tact because they don't want to remove any important details. Other photographers think it's fine to crop out an entire background from a photo and focus on just the faces in the pictures. Which method is best? The answer depends entirely on the situation. Find the perfect balance in knowing when to crop and how to crop by following some basic principles.

Tonight we will talk about the various reasons to crop your picture, cropping to a specific size(4X6, 5X7, 8X10), cropping to a shape, cropping people, cropping to the rule of thirds, cropping for symmetry and more.

Once you know how to crop a picture correctly, you will quickly find that your images begin to look a whole lot better than they used to.



This month's photography contest is about "Moods". Submit your images to joedietz@aol.com no later than Monday, August 24, 2020.

Join us at CKCS Tuesday August 25 at 7 PM.
Invite a friend.



CKCS 2020 Hall of Fame Photo Contest

“Best of Show” winners – There was a three-way tie this year.

Check page 27 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in the contest. Photo topics included these entrees:

- Fishing
- Black & White photos
- Flower macros (extreme close-ups)

The red numbers you see on the photos allow the judges to select a photo without knowing who snapped the picture. It allows those involved to identify a specific photo while keeping the photographer anonymous.



CKCS 2020 Annual Hall-of-Fame Photo Contest



Best-Of-Show 3-Way Tie - Anne Campbell



Best-of-Show 3-Way Tie - Arleigh Kerr



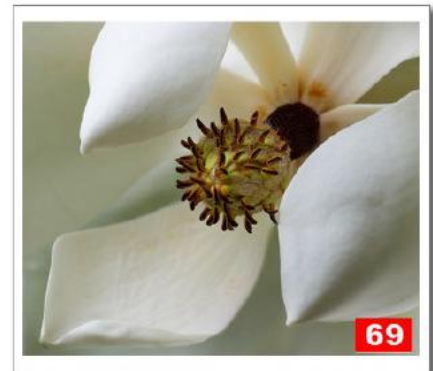
Best-of-Show 3-Way Tie - Ward Ransdell



1st Place Macros - Carolyn Nichols



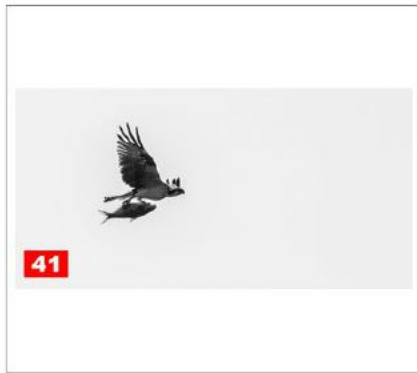
2nd Place Macro - Anne Campbell



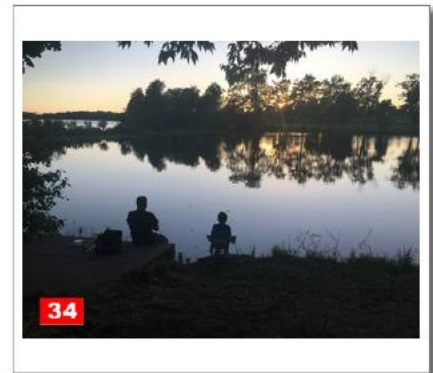
3rd Place Macro - Nancy Dawson



1st Place Fishing - Robert Johnson



2nd Place Fishing - Ward Ransdell



3rd Place Fishing - Deborah Gresham



3-Way Tie B&W - Arleigh Kerr



3-Way Tie B&W - Ward Ransdell



3-Way Tie B&W - Pennie Redmond

Reports: A very busy Fall for Apple

Hold on to your trackpads. It appears we're in for a very busy fall. Tech websites predict Apple will release a slew of new products shortly.

Analysts who await new releases from Apple are making the following predictions:

- Apple will unveil its new iPhone 12 lineup in the fall – possibly September ([Digitimes](#))
- New iPad Pros expected near the end of October
- A new entry level iPad might be released to the public in late October
- New Macs – the first to contain Apple, rather than Intel processors, (MacBooks and MacBook Pros) are due shortly before Halloween
- Sixth generation Apple Watches are expected in early September
- The long-awaited AirPower Wireless Charging Mat expected to be released about the same time as the new Apple Watches
- Apple may surprise everyone with the release of Apple Glass. These would be wearable eyeglasses incorporating Apple's vision of AR – augmented reality. As Wikipedia describes AR, “An interactive experience of a real-world environment where the objects that reside in the real world are enhanced by computer-generated perceptual information.”

An Apple analyst who's been correct in the past says the company is working on two new iPad models, including a 10.8 inch iPad and a 9-inch iPad mini.

Switching from Intel processors to Apple chips in Macs could save you money when you buy your next Mac. One Apple watcher says the move “offers Apple a chance to cut costs dramatically – saving \$100 to \$150 in Mac component costs.” That savings would most likely be passed on to those who buy a Mac.

Most folks who use Macs, iPads, iPhones, Windows, Linux computers or other technology don't take time to consider how vital the processors are in these de-

vices: “Computer processors are some of the most complicated products on the planet, with billions of electronic components carefully arranged to balance performance and power consumption. Apple's A series processors, used in all its mobile devices and members of the Arm chip family, have consistently outpaced rival Arm designs used in Android phones,” reports [C|net](#).

Don't forget Apple's software, used on all of its devices from iPhones to iPads to Macs. From iOS 14, to iPadOS 14, to macOS BigSur, all of these operating systems are being refreshed.


That's millions of lines of software code and dozens of man and woman hours to create new features.

[C|net lists](#) six top features coming to the iPhone:

- Tag someone in a text conversation
- Pin a conversation to the top of message
- Apple now has a Translate app built in
- A more organized home screen with App Library
- Widgets have a new look and new home
- Picture-in-picture is a convenience tool you'll love

 [Apple's iOS 14 iPhone page is here.](#)

 [Apple's iPadOS 14 page is here.](#)

 [macOS Big Sur is highlighted on page 27.](#)



A tablet showing the new version of iPadOS, expected to be released to the public this fall.

Mac users, get ready for Big Sur coming this fall

macOS Big Sur
Version 11.0

What are some of the changes I can expect?

Watch for plenty of new features, including:

- Apple will bring back the Mac startup chime, four years after removing it from a prior version of macOS.
- All new design (“Apple has worked to reduce complexity by introducing unified symbols, rounded corners, and clearer visual hierarchies,” reports AppleInsider.)
- Apple introduces a Control Center, similar to what you find on the iPhone. (“Click the date or time in Big Sur’s simplified menu bar to open the Notification Center,” says Apple Insider.)
- The Notification Center is more streamlined and adds widget support.
- Major Safari changes ([List from Appleinsider.](#))

Includes the ability to translate foreign languages with a single tap, 50% faster page loads than Google Chrome running on Big Sur, better battery efficiency on laptops, password monitoring to alert you to possible data breaches, privacy reports to see who’s tracking you online, new, customizable start screen, improved tabs and more extensions.

- macOS Big Sur will run on these Macs:
 - MacBook (2015 & later)
 - MacBook Air (2013 & later)

- MacBook Pro (2013 & later)
- iMac (2014 & later)
- iMac Pro (all models)
- Mac mini (2014 & later)
- Mac Pro (2013 & later)
- Look for new battery usage tools, as Apple kills Network Utility.

Apple says Big Sur will sport, “*the biggest design upgrade since the Introduction of Mac OS X,*” which was released in March 2001. Big Sur is officially known as “macOS” and spells the end of Mac OS X.

When will Apple release the “official” Big Sur version to the public?

No one knows for sure, but many are looking towards the fall for the official release, possibly during September, October or November.



Mac/iPad SIG

Aug. 13

7 P.M. via Zoom

We'll discuss the new macOS (called Big Sur) as well as iOS 14 (for Apple devices).

The new operating systems are expected soon – the official release possibly this fall.



Apple says 'Big Sur' adds dozens of features to the macOS operating system, including the biggest Safari update yet, new features for Maps and Messages, and more. As AppleToolBox reports, "Big Sur marks the monumental evolution from macOS 10 (which we've been enjoying since 2001) to macOS 11. Apple probably made this change to signify the shift to ARM chips instead of Intel. But there are enough new features to warrant the update anyway."



Digital Trends reports on what it calls the "Nine best new features in iOS 14, including beautiful widgets, cycling directions, picture-in-picture, home screen changes, a big visual interface overhaul for Siri, language translations that work online or offline in the Safari browser, and more.

CKCS Memberships

Submitted by CKCS Board Member
Ben Rice (ben.rice@ckcs.org)

This update is from June 22, 2020 – July 21, 2020.

New Member

- Marilyn Gall

Renewing Members

- Robert & Debra Dicken
- Rita Egan
- Joyce Gilmore
- Lael F. Heflin
- Genie McFall
- Eugene Potter
- Vicki L. Vance

Thanks to new and renewing members. You are helping sustain CKCS during the COVID–19 pandemic. The CKCS Resource Center is closed.

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But CKCS is open and offering fall classes and workshops via Zoom.

- Registration details on page 5.
- Fall class list is on pages 6–8.
- Fall workshops on pages 9–10.

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Virtual Private Network competition is heating up; Mozilla gets into the game

By Kurt Jefferson

When I use WiFi Internet service at a motel, library, coffee shop or another spot where I'm away from home, I always use a trusted [VPN](#) and so should you.

VPN stands for virtual private network. VPNs allow you to create a secure connection over the Internet. It protects you from prying eyes.

That said, there are some VPNs you should [avoid](#). They may offer [lousy service](#), allow monitors in China to track your Internet visits, or even sell data about you (oh, you're looking for a new car?)

When you sit down at a restaurant to enjoy soup and a sandwich, you never know who may be watching the activity on your laptop, tablet or phone.

Even if a business offers password protected WiFi, it may not prevent a rogue employee or another customer from monitoring your screen and tracking your activity. A VPN gives you online privacy and anonymity by creating a private network from a public Internet connection.

It turns out that the world of VPNs is a crowded one. There are dozens of VPN options out there. The review site, [thewirecutter](#), [likes open-source Mullvad and IVPN](#). I have used [TunnelBear](#) for years on Macs, iPads, and an iPod touch.

Enter Mozilla, the folks behind the popular Firefox web browser. Just weeks ago, [Mozilla began offering its own VPN](#) for Windows, Android and iOS.

Support for the Mac and Linux is coming soon. Mozilla's VPN will cost you \$5 a month.

The folks at the tech web site, [ars technica](#), did a little bit of digging and determined that Mozilla VPN is using the Mullvad VPN – a top-rated virtual private network, according to reviewers at [thewirecutter.com](#). While the Mac app and one for Linux are yet to come, [ars technica](#), overall, liked what they saw in Mozilla VPN: "The Mozilla-provided Android and Windows clients are easy and intuitive to use, and the network performance was very good indeed. If you're in the market for a commercial VPN provider and you like Mozilla, this service is well worth a look."

[Übergizmo](#) writes, "According to Mozilla, what makes their VPN service stand out is that they do not partner with third-party analytics platforms, meaning that all your data will not be shared with other companies. They also state that they will not be keeping user data logs, so you don't have to worry about your activity logs potentially leaking or being compromised."

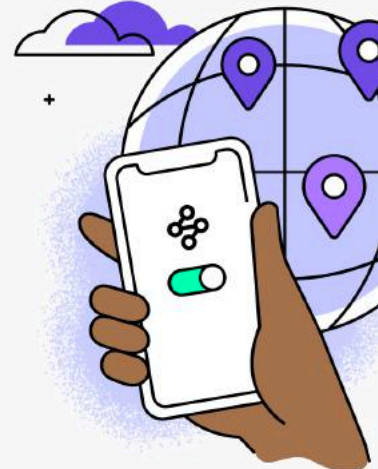
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It's hot — get out a book and enjoy late summer reading!

BOOKS THAT ARE (ALMOST) AS GOOD AS TAKING A VACATION

Selections from Bookbub's Booktalk list:

The Unhoneymooners

By Christina Lauren

After her twin's entire wedding party gets food poisoning at the reception, Olive finds herself the lucky recipient of her sister's honeymoon to Maui. But there's a catch...

Walking on the Ceiling

By Aysegül Savas

After her mother's death, Nunu moves from Istanbul to Paris, where she meets M., a British author who she's admired for years. M. reveals to her that he's writing a book set in Turkey, and the two begin an unlikely friendship.

From Scratch

By Tembi Locke

Locke met her husband, Saro, in Florence, but was not accepted into his Sicilian family as a Black American woman. When he passes from cancer years later...

Sex and Vanity

By Kevin Kwan

The author of [Crazy Rich Asians](#) returns with a creative reinvention of [A Room with a View](#).

Big Summer

By Jennifer Weiner

After their friendship-ending fight six years earlier, Drue surprisingly asks influencer Daphne to be her maid of honor — and Daphne takes the risk of letting her back into her life.

When We Left Cuba

By Chanel Cleeton

The Cuban Revolution stole everything from young Beatriz Perez, but she's determined to get back what she lost.

The Unlikely Adventures of the Shergill Sisters

By Balli Kaur Jaswal

On her deathbed, their mother voices her dying wish: The three make a pilgrimage (together!) to the Golden Temple to carry out her final rites.

Tomorrow There Will Be Sun

By Dana Reinhardt

Jenna can't wait for the trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, that she's planned for her husband's 50th birthday. Excited to relax not only with her own family, but also with their best friends, she believes nothing can go wrong. But when her husband begins taking calls from a mysterious stranger...

Her Last Flight

By Beatriz Williams

One of the summer's most anticipated reads, according to Goodreads, SheReads, and Bookish. "I think Beatriz Williams is writing the best historical fiction out there. It's lush with period detail but feels immediate." — Elin Hilderbrand

But wait — there's more!

The Old Drift

By Namwali Serpell

The Island of Sea Woman

By Lisa See

Leading Men

By Christopher Castellani

Cape May

By Chip Creek

Lost Roses

By Martha Hall Kelly

Red, White & Royal Blue

By Casey McQuiston

Amazon: Best Books of 2020 so far by category

Fiction



The Vanishing Half

By Brit Bennett

"...considers the divergent fates of twin sisters, born in the Jim Crow South, after one decides to pass for white." – *The New York Times*

History



The Splendid and the Vile

By Erik Larson

"Spectacular . . . Larson, as America's most compelling popular historian, is at his best in this fast-moving, immensely readable, and even warmhearted account of the battle to save Britain." – *Christian Science Monitor*

Mysteries & Thrillers



Things In Jars

By Jess Kidd

"This unusual Victorian detective tale is hugely satisfying and beautifully written . . . Kidd gives the world what is instantly one of fiction's great spectral double acts." – *The Times (UK)*

Science Fiction & Fantasy



The City We Became, A Novel

By N.K. Jemisin

"A harsh love story to one of America's most famous places. As raw and vibrant as the city itself, the prose pushes the boundaries of fantasy and brings home what residents already know--their city is alive."

– Library Journal

Biographies & Memoirs



Hidden Valley Road

By Robert Kolker

"*Hidden Valley Road* is a riveting true story of an American family that reads like a medical detective journey and sheds light on a topic so many of us face: mental illness." – Oprah Winfrey

Romances



The Happy Ever After Playlist

By Abby Jimenez

"One trouble-making dog brings together two perfect strangers in this *USA Today* bestselling romantic comedy full of "fierce humor and fiercer heart." – Casey McQuiston, *NYT* bestselling author of *Red, White & Royal Blue*

Teen & Young Adult



The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes

By Suzanne Collins

"It is the morning of the reaping that will kick off the tenth annual Hunger Games. In the Capitol, eighteen-year-old Coriolanus Snow is preparing for his one shot at glory as a mentor in the Games."

Children's Books



The One and Only Bob

By Katharine Applegate & Patricia Castelao

"Bob sets out on a dangerous journey in search of his long-lost sister with the help of his two best friends, Ivan and Ruby. As a hurricane approaches and time is running out, Bob finds courage he never knew he had and learns the true meaning of friendship and family."

Even More Titles:

New & Notable

The Guest House
By Mark Edwards

"A perfect summer. A perfect stranger. A perfect nightmare." When British twenty-some-things are offered the chance to house-sit in NYC, they just cannot say no.

Amazon Charts

The Top 20 Most Sold & Most Read Books of the Week

The Guest List (#5) "An Agatha Christie-like thriller."
By Lucy Foley – (Huffington Post)

On an island off the coast of Ireland, guests gather...

The ‘Match Game’

By Kurt Jefferson

I grew up listening to what used to be called “AM Rock” in the 70’s. *Billboard* and *Cashbox* charted the hits. Disc jockeys from Lexington to Albuquerque to Peoria played Carole King, Gordon Lightfoot, Simon and Garfunkel and Elton John in-between ads for fast food, Pepsi and Stridex.

This time period is long gone in America. Gone are the Top-40 music lists. Gone are radio jingles boasting, “The Best Music,” “More Music,” and “The Big (insert radio station frequency here.)”

Thanks to the Internet and services such as Sirius XM Radio, that music is still alive.

In my opinion, some of the best music lyrics came from that time period. Okay. The 70’s also brought us disco (for good or bad). But the songwriting was often “spot on” as the Brits say.

Here’s your task. Can you match the following song titles with their lyrics? See how many you get right. If you get all of them correct, you deserve your own 45 RPM golden oldie! If you get them all, send me an email: Dig?

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Note: There are more lyrics than song titles.

Each 1970’s song title below matches its lyric shown on the next few pages. Can you match all of the titles with their lyrics? Groovy!

Song Titles	
1. Teach Your Children	23. (They Long to Be) Close To You
2. Operator	24. Your Song
3. Love Train	25. Sideshow
4. Stuck in the Middle With You	26. Grease
5. Smackwater Jack	27. The Long & Winding Road
6. Everybody Plays the Fool	28. Brand New Key
7. If You Could Read My Mind	29. Cracklin’ Rosie
8. What’s Goin’ On?	30. American Pie
9. Seasons in the Sun	31. Baby, Please Don’t Get Hooked on Me
10. Gypsies, Tramps & Thieves	32. Rock the Boat
11. Fallin’ In Love	33. If You Leave Me Now
12. Mockingbird	34. You Light Up My Life
13. So Very Hard to Go	35. Bad Girls
14. I’ll Be Around	36. Love You Inside Out
15. Show and Tell	37. I Will Survive
16. Black and White	38. Brother Louie
17. A Horse With No Name	39. Sunshine on My Shoulders
18. The Boxer	40. Afternoon Delight
19. Me & Mrs. Jones	41. Brandy (You’re a Fine Girl)
20. The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia	42. Me and Bobby McGee
21. Superstition	43. Venus
22. When Will I See You Again?	44. Guitar Man

Song Lyrics

There's a port on a western bay
And it serves a hundred ships a day;
Lonely sailors pass the time away; And talk about their homes
And there's a girl in this harbor town



Then he went off to Andy's house; Slippin' through the backwoods, quiet as a mouse
Came upon some tracks too small for Andy to make
He looked through the screen at the back porch door

When will our hearts beat together?; Are we in love or just friends?; Is this my beginning or is this the end?



My father sits at night with no lights on
His cigarette glows in the dark.
The living room is still;
I walk by, no remark.
I tiptoe past the master bedroom where
My mother reads her magazines.
I hear her call sweet dreams,
But I forgot how to dream.
But you say it's time we moved in together
And raise a family of our own, you and me

We take the pressure and we throw away.
Conventionality belongs to yesterday



Goodbye, Papa, please pray for me; I was the black sheep of the family
You tried to teach me right from wrong; Too much wine and too much song
Wonder how I got along

We meet every day at the same cafe

Six-thirty and no one knows she'll be there; Holding hands, making all kinds of plans;
While the DJ plays our favorite songs

You're a store-bought woman
But you make me sing like a guitar hummin'
So hang on to me, girl,
Our song keeps runnin' on
Play it now, play it now
Play it now, my baby

When you reach the part where the heartaches come
The hero would be me
But heroes often fail
And you won't read that book again; Because the ending's just too hard to take

I sat on the roof and kicked off the moss; Well a few of the verses well they've got me quite cross; But the sun's been quite kind while I wrote this song; It's for people like you that keep it turned on

The wild and windy night
That the rain washed away
Has left a pool of tears
Crying for the day
Why leave me standing here?
Let me know the way

So many nights I'd sit by my window; Waiting for someone to sing me his song
So many dreams, I kept deep inside me
Alone in the dark but now you've come along

On the first part of the journey
I was looking at all the life
There were plants and birds and rocks and things
There was sand and hills and rings
The first thing I met was a fly with a buzz;
And the sky with no clouds

I rode my bicycle past your window last night
I roller skated to your door at daylight
It almost seems like you're avoiding me



Well, I don't know why I came here tonight; I got the feeling that something ain't right
I'm so scared in case I fall off my chair; And I'm wondering how I'll get down the stairs
Clowns to the left of me, jokers to the right

You're the reason for my laughter and my sorrow
Blow out the candle I will burn again tomorrow
No man on earth can stand between my love and I

Now for ten years, we've been on our own and moss grow fat on a rolling stone, but that's not how it used to be when the jester sang for the king and queen in a coat he borrowed from James Dean in a voice that came from you and me. Oh and while the king was looking down, the jester stole his thorny crown. The courtroom was adjourned. No verdict was returned. And while Lenin read a book on Marx, the quartet practiced in the park and we sang dirges in the dark the day the music died.

Song Lyrics

Don't you ever ask
them why

If they told you, you
would cry

So just look at them
and sigh

And know they love
you

There he stood in the
night
Knowing what's wrong
from what's right
He took her home to
meet his mama and papa
Man, he had a terrible
fright

How could we let it slip
away?
We've come too far to leave it
all behind
How could we end it all this
way?
When tomorrow comes and
we'll both regret things we
said today

Now you and me,
we are both the
same
but you call yourself
by different names
now you mama
won't like it when
she finds out
her girl is out at night

At first I was afraid, I
was petrified
Kept thinking I could
never live
Without you by my
side
But then I spent so
many nights
Thinking how you did
me wrong
And I grew strong
And I learned how to
get along

See the number on the
matchbook is old and faded
He's living in LA with my ex
best friend they say
A girl he said he knew well
and sometimes hated
Isn't that the way they say it
goes
Let's forget all that and give
me the number if you can
find it
So I can call just to tell him
I'm fine and to show
I've over come the blow
I've learned to take it well I
only
Wish my words could only
convince myself
That it just wasn't real but
that's not the way it feels

I am just a poor boy though
my story's seldom told

I have squandered my resis-
tance for a pocket full of
mumbles; such are promises

All lies and jest
still a man hears what he
wants to hear
and disregards the rest

When I left my home and
family i was no more than a
boy in the company of
strangers in the quiet of the
railway station running
scared laying low

Now Big Jim the
chief stood for law
and order
He called for the
guard to come and
surround the border
Now from his bull-
dog mouth
As he led the posse
south
Came the cry, we
got to ride
Clean up the streets
for our wives and
our daughters

Okay, so your heart
broke

You sit around mop-
ing, crying and crying

You say you're even
thinking about dying

Well, before you do
anything rash, dig this



On the day that you were
born
the angels got together
and decided to create a
dream come true
so they sprinkled moon
dust in your hair

Listen now and understand

She's gonna find me some
piece of mind

Yeah if that piece of mind
won't stay

I'm gonna get myself a better
way

I might rise above, I might go
below

Ride with the tide and go with
the flow

And that's the reason why I
keep on shoutin' in your ear

Step right up hurry,
hurry, before the
show begins, my
friends
Stand in line, get
your ticket, I hope
you will attend
It'll only cost you fifty
cents to see
What life has done
to those
like you and me

These are the eyes
that never knew how
to smile
Till you came into my
life
And these are the
arms that long to lock
you inside
Every day and every
night

The next stop that we make
will be England
Tell all the folks in Russia,
and China, too
Don't you know that it's time
to get on board



Up to now we sailed through
every storm
And I've always had your
tender lips to keep me warm
Oh I need to have the
strength that flows from you
Don't let me drift away my
dear, when love can see me
through; A love like ours is
love that's hard to find

This is our fork in the
road; Love's last
episode
There's nowhere to
go, oh no
You made your
choice; Now it's up
to me To bow out
gracefully
Though you hold the
key

Song Lyrics

So excuse me forgetting but these things I do
 You see I've forgotten if they're green or they're blue
 Anyway the thing is what I really mean
 Yours are the sweetest eyes I've ever seen

Father, father
 We don't need to escalate
 War is not the answer
 For only love can conquer hate
 You know we've got to find a way
 To bring some loving here today
 Picket lines and picket signs
 Don't punish me with brutality; Talk to me so you can see

I knew the time would come I'd have to pay for my mistake
 I can't blame you for what you're doin' to me girl
 Even though my heart aches
 Your dreams have all come true
 Just the way you planned them
 So I'll just step aside, I'm going to step aside
 And lend a helping hand

Together we learn to read and write
 A child is black, a child is white
 The whole world looks upon the sight
 A beautiful sight



If I had a tale that I could tell you
 I'd tell a tale, sure, to make you smile
 If I had a wish that I could wish for you
 I'd make a wish for sunshine all the while

Started out this morning feeling so polite
 I always thought a fish could not be caught who didn't bite



From the coalmines of Kentucky to the California sun
 Bobby shared the secrets of my soul; Standin' right beside me Lord through every thing I done
 Every night she kept me from the cold
 Then somewhere near Salinas Lord, I let her slip away

Then he comes to town and you see his face
 And you think you might like to take his place
 Somethin' keeps him driftin' miles and miles away
 Searchin' for the songs to play.

Godess on the mountain top
 Burning like a silver flame/
 The summit of beauty and love

Cause I can never make you unhappy
 No, I couldn't do that, love; Only wish I didn't love you so



The fortune queen of New Orleans
 Was brushing her cat in her black limousine
 On the backseat were scratches from
 The marks of men her fortune she had won
 Couldn't see through the tinted glass
 She said "Home James" and he hit the gas

Now if there's a smile on my face
 It's only there trying to fool the public
 But when it comes down to fooling you
 Now honey, that's quite a different subject

You can bend but never break me
 'Cause it only serves to make me
 More determined to achieve my final goal
 And I'll come back even stronger
 Not a novice any longer
 'Cause you've deepened the conviction in my soul

Everywhere I look, I see your eyes
 There ain't a woman that comes close to you
 Come on, baby, dry your eyes



Left standing in the lurch
 At a church where people saying
 My God, that's tough, she stood him up
 No point in us remaining
 We may as well go home
 As I did on my own

I was born in the wagon of a travelin' show
 My mama used to dance for the money they'd throw
 Papa would do whatever he could
 Preach a little gospel
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