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Join CKCS ONLINE for

- **Tech Night**

- **Workshops**

- **SIG meetings**

*We invite you to join us ONLINE as our Moore Drive office remains closed due to the Covid–19 pandemic.*

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Online in
May

Three summer
workshops 'Zoomed'

ONLINE Tech Night: Learn all about ZOOM

ONLINE Workshops: Windows 10, Shutterfly & Facebook

OPEN ONLINE is the new phrase you may be hearing a lot at CKCS. The Moore Drive Resource Center stays closed because of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

But in May, join us online at Tech Night, also for three scheduled online workshops, and for several monthly online SIG meetings.

Online Tech Night: John Kennedy, the APCUG (Association of Personal Computer User Groups) regional advisor, will give us an in–depth overview of Zoom. The app, which allows users to communicate by camera and audio in real time, has soared in popularity since the Covid–19 pandemic hit.

IMPORTANT: If you want to take part in Tech Night, you need to download/install Zoom. Mac install tips are here. *If you want to use an iPad, iPhone or other iOS device, Zoom is available free in the App Store. Zoom is available for Android devices in Google Play.*

ALSO: To take part in online Tech Night you will get a CKCS MailChimp email the Thursday before Tech Night. It will contain a link you'll need to click on right before you join the Zoom Tech Night session on May 11.

- **Online Workshops:** Three summer workshops will use Zoom. You will need the app installed on your computer to participate. More details on page 25.

- **Online SIG (Special Interest Group) Meetings:** Several monthly SIGS, including Windows 10, Mac/iPad and Digital Photography will go online in May. You can watch and listen the night of the SIG by visiting: **https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk**

View the SIG calendar on page 27.

Streaming SIGs in May

- ## Windows 10: May 12 at 7 P.M.
  Stream here: https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk (Using the Nest ceiling camera at CKCS)

- ## Mac/iPad: May 14 at 7 P.M.
  Stream here: https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk (Using the Nest ceiling camera at CKCS)

- ## Digital Photography on May 26 at 7 P.M.
  Stream here: https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk (Using the Nest ceiling camera at CKCS)

OPEN—ONLINE. That's the May motto for CKCS as we alert everyone that we are open for business ONLINE.

Yes, the Moore Drive office remains closed because of the Covid–19 pandemic. But we are offering several SIGs (special interest groups) online in May. And this summer, we're offering several workshops.

The SIGs will be online via the Nest camera in the CKCS ceiling. (See the web addresses above to connect the night of the SIG.)

Workshops will be online via the Zoom app which you need to have on your computer to use.

Tech experts predict a new 'norm'

By Kurt Jefferson

In March, ZDNet contributor Dr. Bobby Huen <u>wrote about</u> what we can expect after the pandemic:

"…Covid–19 will leave an enormous impact on how we consume, how we learn, how we work, and how we socialize and communicate."

Streaming may become the new norm

"Although live events will eventually return after the current crisis," Huen writes, *"I predict that more fans*

and consumers will instead stay in the comfort of their own homes and watch events that are streamed or broadcast live instead of paying for expensive tickets, lodging, and even more costly concessions to attend events in person. Streaming movies at home, already a popular option, will surge in popularity with companies like Netflix and Disney reaping the benefits."

Will sold–out crowds for Wildcat basketball at Rupp Arena be a thing of the past?

What about huge crowds of Kentucky or Louisville football fans packing into stadiums? Will all those fans come back?

And what about moviegoers skipping the theatre to watch streaming movies or TV shows?

The new 'norm' — Americans wearing masks & gloves?

You may have donned masks and gloves – and seen plenty of other people in stores wearing them.

Image: Vecteezy clipart

STOP COVID 19

Some experts believe this will become much more common in the future in the U.S.

Our counterparts in Hong Kong,

mainland China, and elsewhere with especially bad air pollution have worn masks for years.

After Covid–19, they may become much more common in the States.

The CDC recommends Americans now wear basic "non–medical" cloth masks.

No Internet Service

Huge demands for Internet service while workers videoconference at home and students go online to learn have shown gaping holes in Internet availability.

"While many of us who live in cities have Wi-Fi and high-speed internet available, people who live in rural areas do not, leading to a potential gap of information in times of crisis. Furthermore, older adults whose survival depends on adequate information are unskilled in navigating online, leaving them vulnerable to hucksters and false information," writers Huen.

In addition, the share of people working from home may remain quite high. That prediction comes from the Conference Board.

"Until an effective COVID-19 vaccine is available—a state of affairs that is one to two years away—many will fear going to work, and the share of people working primarily from home will remain elevated. Even after full vaccination, with the economy at full capacity, teleworking rates are likely to remain well above pre-pandemic rates, with major economic and real estate implications," predicts the Conference Board website.

Gmail blocks Covid phishing

Hucksters are even taking advantage of the coronavirus pandemic. They're targeting email users with fake pleas from the World Health Organization for donations, among other ploys. Google (Gmail) and Microsoft have stepped up to block Covid–19 phishing schemes.

Google says in one week in mid–April, it blocked 18–million Covid–19 themed scams targeting Gmail users. So, as always, be aware and be cautious about your emails.

Keeping safe during the coronavirus pandemic
Tips, techniques and more to stay healthy

There are so many questions about what humans should be doing to say safe during the Covid–19 pandemic.

Here are some answers from The Wirecutter:

- **Five ways to beat coronavirus anxiety so you can sleep**

- **Should you disinfect your phone? Here's how**

- **Best soap for the coronavirus? Any real soap**

- **How to handle packages**

- **Hand Sanitizer shortage? What to do?**

- **Best cleaners, wipes and home-made disinfectants for the Coronavirus**

- **Stay afloat during the coronavirus recession whether you've lost income or not**

- **Best Videoconferencing Service**

- **Should you sanitize your groceries?**

- **Why there's still so much confusion about wearing masks to combat the Coronavirus**

- **8 steps to use Zoom like a pro**

- **The best home–office furniture and supplies**

- **Out of toilet paper? You have other options. Just don't flush them!**

- **The best meditation apps**

- **How to properly care for a sick person at home (and not get sick yourself)**

- **The best respirator mask**

Apple Maps now shows Covid–19 testing sites for all 50 states and Puerto Rico
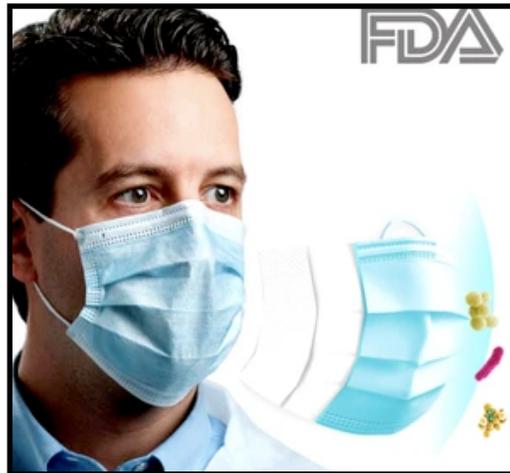
CKCS does not endorse any products. The Wirecutter is a product review website owned by *The New York Times* which actually tests all of the products it rates. So any time you see a Wirecutter recommendation, it provides a benchmark from which you may judge products you might want to buy.

Covid–19: The numbers you might have missed

Have you relied on a grocery delivery service or curbside pickup?

More and more of us are relying on both since the Covid–19 pandemic hit Kentucky.

Gallup found a big jump in the use of both services. 14% responding to a Gallup poll said they had used a grocery delivery service more due to the coronavirus. In late March only 8% said they'd use it.

28% said they'd relied on curbside pickup compared to just 16 percent in late March.

The Gallup poll is an interesting snapshot of how our lives have changed in a short amount of time since the coronavirus struck.

In an article titled, *Increased Use of Low–Contact Services May Prove Permanent,* Gallup sheds light on interesting stats you might have missed.

18% of those polled say they are having virtual visits with a doctor more than in the past. Apparently, it's a hit as 70% say they are likely to continue using telemedicine services.

Pew Research has also crunched interesting numbers. "About nine–in–ten U.S. adults (91%) say that, given the current situation, they would feel uncomfortable attending a crowded party. Roughly three–quarters would not want to eat out at a restaurant. And smaller but still substantial shares expressed discomfort even with going to the grocery store (42%) or visiting with a close friend or family member in their home (38%)," reports Pew.
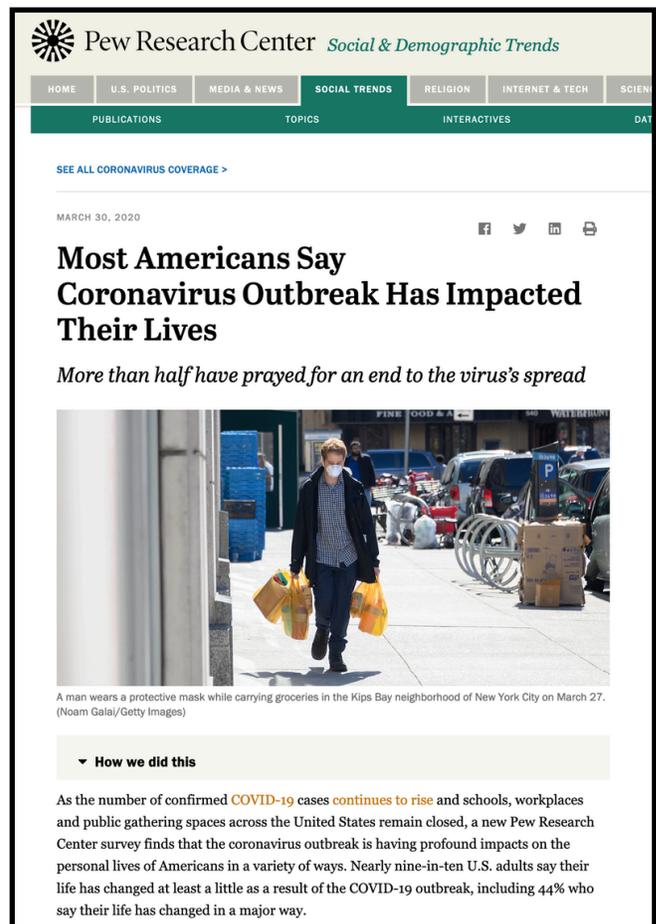
The Pew Research Center website provides an ever–changing snapshot of how the Coronavirus has impacted Americans. More than 90% polled said they would feel uncomfortable attending a crowded party given the current situation.

President's Comments

Our new 'normal' plans for summer and fall

By Brooke Thomas

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The last CKCS Board meeting was March 5 and we were talking about the possibility of the pandemic coming to Kentucky.

Bob Brown mused that it probably would hit Lexington or Louisville first.

Just a few days later the first case was announced. Little did we really understand on that day how much our world would change in a few weeks.

Life is much different now and we can't predict how it is going to change in the coming weeks, months, or year. What we do know is that we have to plan regardless of the situation and stay flexible.

So, for May we are planning our programs using our streaming ability and Zoom. You will notice in this newsletter that we are holding Tech Night, Windows 10 SIG, Mac/iPad SIG, and Photo Digital Imaging SIG on the regular schedule.

The SIG leaders will be streaming from CKCS, but <u>no</u> participants will be allowed in the building.

You will have to watch these SIGs via the streaming link that you can find on the top portion the CKCS Website - www.ckcs.org

The Tech Night Presentation on May 11 is called "Zooming Down the Internet Highway." Tune in to learn the "ins and outs" of Zoom.

Our presenter, John Kennedy from APCUG, will be doing the presentation using Zoom and the link to join the meeting will be provided on Mail-Chimp.

For the summer Workshops session that runs in June and July, we have canceled the in-person sessions, but have developed workshops that will be presented using Zoom.

These workshops and the steps on how to register are listed in this newsletter. If you think you might be interested in taking a class this summer, be sure to attend Tech Night so you can learn Zoom before the Summer Workshops.

The CKCS instructors are in the processes of submitting their Fall class proposals.

We will actually have two plans. One will be a schedule in case there can be in person classes in the building.

The other plan will be online classes in the event that we still will not be able meet in person.

So that's how we are rolling with it!

We will keep you informed using the newsletter, Weekly Mail Chimp emails and the CKCS website.

Please stay tuned! And stay healthy!

Tech Night is back, just not in person...

'Zooming' down the Internet highway

By Brooke Thomas

Long distance communication has been a need for many, many years.

We started back in the days of smoke signals, through the telegraph and telephone, and now we're making use of the Internet.

With many of us living in "stay at home" locations, the need to communicate in person is great, but restricted. So we go to the next best thing, seeing and talking to each other in real time. We just can't reach out and touch anyone.

One of the tools that can be used to keep in communication with our loved ones, or the groups in which we belong, is Zoom.

Join us on the 11th as our APCUG Regional Advisor, John Kennedy (from central Ohio), shares with us the ins and outs of using this program with our group meetings and even how we

John Kennedy

can personally use it for our own family/friends use. Information to help you get connected on that night will be sent out to you at a later time.
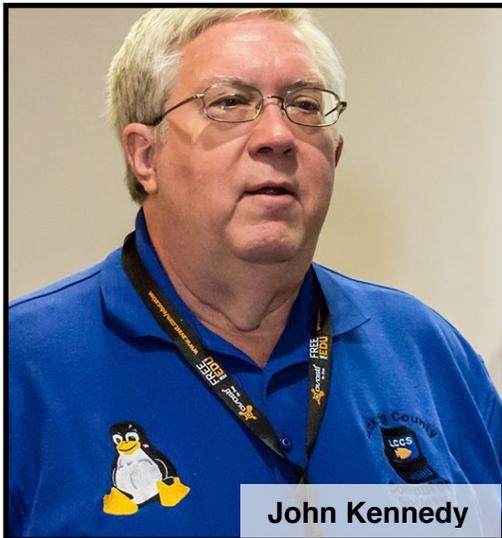
John was an elementary teacher for 25 years at the first grade level. Then he taught computer skills for 10 years at the Middle school level.

He got his first exposure to computers back in the late 70s through school and got his own computer late in 1979.

Over the years he's had a few different brands of computers until he retired from teaching in 2008 and started building his own computer.

Although he began in the Windows world, early in this century he learned about Linux and now that's his daily operating system.

He's part of the APCUG's Speakers Bureau having presented a number of topics around the country (mostly virtually). He's the APCUG Regional Advisor for two regions that cover most of the Great Lakes and Upper Mid-West and includes Kentucky.

Lastly John is Host/Moderator for Track 2 of the APCUG Virtual Technology Conferences (VTC) and a trainer for many computer groups in the use of ZOOM.

To participate in this Tech Night you will need to open your email from MailChimp to access the zoom meeting link.

You will get a MailChimp announcement the Thursday before the Tech Night with the link and then a follow up MailChimp the day of Tech Night. You may want to go ahead on download/install from the Zoom download site or ninite.com so you will be ready for the meeting. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Sign of the Times

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on the playground.

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DEBIDO AL COVID-19.

Photo by Kurt Jefferson

Regular readers of this newsletter might remember last month we published a photo urging Lexington park–goers to practice social distancing.

In addition, parents were urged to wipe playground exercise areas with disinfectant wipes.

Now, the city has taken further steps by closing all playgrounds, restrooms, and parking lots in city parks. Sawhorses block traffic from entering parking lots.

The goal? Flatten the curve and stop the spread of the coronavirus.

Cabin Fever Setting In? Going Insane with the Kids?

Exercise videos designed for kids might save the day (and your sanity!)

If your kids or grandkids and you are ready to scream, UNCLE!, after hours inside, then you need relief. Board games might be one fix (check out last month's newsletter for dozens of board games).

Another potential solution? Exercise videos for kids.

This long period of not hiking to school, lack of social interaction with friends, and too much TV might be just too much.

The Wirecutter has come up with a list of exercise videos designed to get your kid—MOVING.

"On day 11 of sheltering in place, my 5-year-old and 22-month-old spent more than an hour chasing two balloons around our apartment. It wasn't organized. It wasn't planned. But it focused their boundless energy and got them moving—a trickier goal than ever in light of social distancing, remote learning, and inordinate amounts of time at home," writes Ingrid Skjong.

The Wirecutter article outlines the problem:

"For adults and kids alike, that's going to be one of the biggest challenges: finding movement and staying motivated," says Steve Ettinger, a certified strength and conditioning specialist and kids fitness expert.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that children ages 6 to 17 engage in at least an hour of moderate to vigorous exercise a day; preschoolers 5 and younger should aim for at least three hours of active play over the course of the day.

With pent-up energy and emotions running high and with routines in flux, making physical activi-

ty a part of your family's routine can help diffuse tension, lift spirits, and reestablish a sense of normalcy."

The solution might be as simple as EXERCISE.

The article provides a variety of recommendations for younger and older kids, as well as conditioning

Kids Exercise Videos to Help Keep Your Family Moving (and Sane)
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Online videos to get kids moving is one option to fight cabin fever, remain healthy, and keep busy as the coronavirus pandemic keeps kids and adults inside.

strategies for kids who play sports. One of the sites, Fitness Blender, even offers a list of 22 free online exercise options for adults.

Check them out!

Grab that book and dig in! That's the advice from some experts on one way to tackle boredom while the coronavirus pandemic keeps us inside.

Bookbub, the source of discounted eBooks and the way new writers reach new readers, has come up with a list of 12 book series you might want to start reading.

First up: *Seasonal Quartet* by Ali Smith provides recurring characters.

The books are tied together by the seasons.

Autumn — Ali Smith
Winter — Ali Smith
Spring — Ali Smith
Summer — Ali Smith

Bookbub notes there are connections between the novels, including a friendship between a 32–year–old woman and a 101–year–old man.

There are currently three books in the series, the fourth, *Summer,* is due July 2.

Next: *Thomas Cromwell Trilogy* by Hilary Mantel
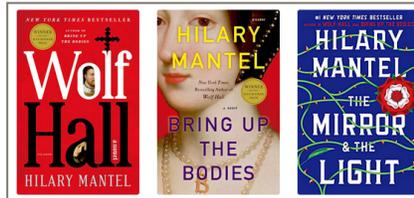
In three books, you follow the rise and fall of the advisor to King Henry VIII, digging into 16th century political intrigue.

The series includes:

* *Wolf Hall*

* *Bring up the Bodies*

* *The Mirror and the Light*

Third: *Highway 59 series* by Attica Locke

Darren Matthews, a black Texas Ranger, is the star of the series. He reluctantly returns to the east Texas town of Lark to solve crimes.

The series includes:

* *Bluebird, Bluebird*

* *Heaven, My Home*

Locke is the writer and producer on the Emmy–award winning show, Empire. Two more books are planned in the series.

Fourth: *Rockton series* by Kelley Armstrong

As Bookbub writes, *"There are small towns, and then there's Rockton. In the heart of the Yukon, the mysterious, off-the-grid town has no cell service, internet, or any of the creature comforts that homicide detective Casey Butler is used to."*

The series includes:

* *City of the Lost*

* *A Darkness Absolute*

* *This Fallen Prey*

* *Watcher in the Woods*

* *Alone in the Wild*

City of the Lost — Kelley Armstrong
A Darkness Absolute — Kelley Armstrong

Two of the four books in the Rockton series written by Kelley Armstrong. The first in the series, City of the Lost, receives 4 ½ stars from readers on amazon.com.

You'll find more series on the Bookbub website. Look for other genres, including romance, science fiction and fantasy, and books for teens and young adults.

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Erik Larson: Read these to keep you company

By Kurt Jefferson

In this time of social distancing and anxiety over Covid–19, it's wise to get away from it all–at least mentally.

One of the best ways to do that is through books.

Erik Larson, the author behind the best–selling 2004 book, *"The Devil in the White City"* (the story of the 1893 Chicago World's Fair and H.H. Holmes, a serial killer masquerading as a charming doctor) recommends five books to keep you company during isolation.

Bill Bryson's *"In a Sunburned Country"* made the list. Larson read the book in the days just following the 9/11 attack.

Larson writes in his Bookbub recommendation: *"I actually found myself laughing out loud – and believe me, if a book can make you laugh after that horror (9/11 attack), it's funny. Bryson's wry wit infuses every page – especially his observations about the myriad strange and deadly creatures he learned about during his journey. Australia, he writes, has more things that will kill you than anywhere else."*
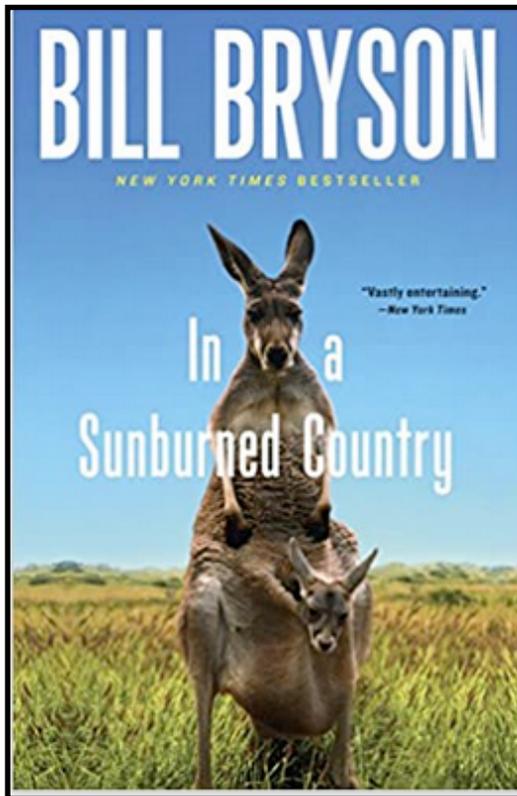
A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

"I don't usually cry when I read, unless it's allergy season, but by the end of "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman, I was awash with tears of joy," writes Larson.
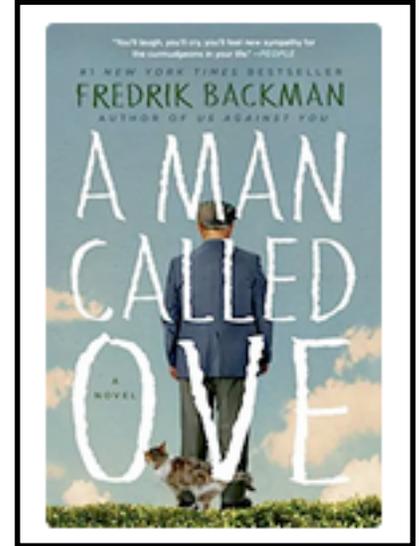
A Total Escape

The Woman in the Window by A.J. Finn

"At the end of a long day reading historical documents or practicing social distancing (two behaviors that are not dissimilar, by the way), I need action: I need a good thriller, and "The Woman in the Window" by A. J. Finn is dynamite," writes Larson.

One Sitting

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy by John le Carré

Larson writes, *"I read 10 pages a night; it was a long book, it took me a while, but it was a comfort as I wrestled with a new job in a new city."*

Currently Reading

Things in Jars by Jess Kidd

"It's about a female detective, Bridie Devine, at work in London in the mid-1800s, who gets hired to investigate the disappearance of a child...excellent book for a dark night, stormy or otherwise," writes Larson.

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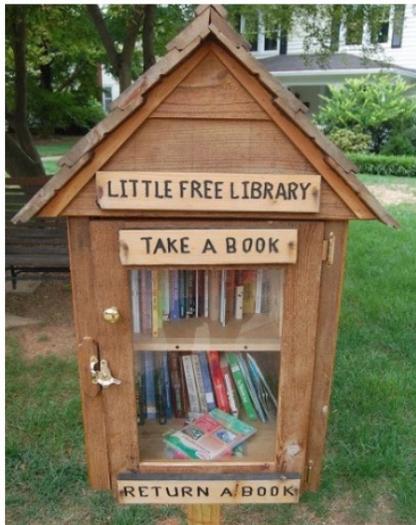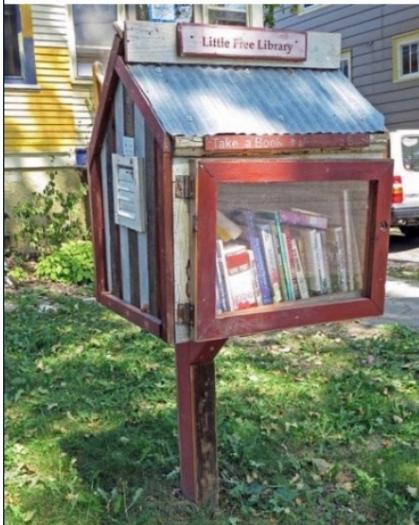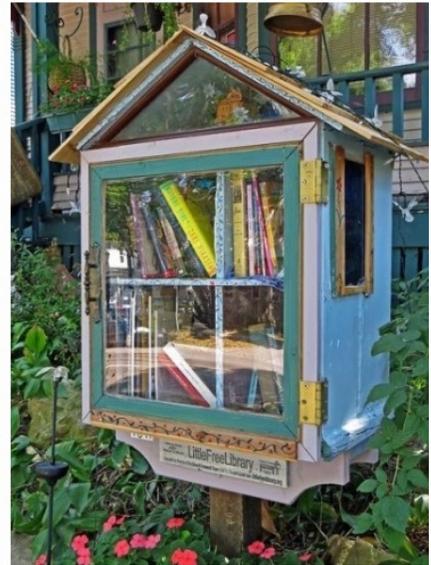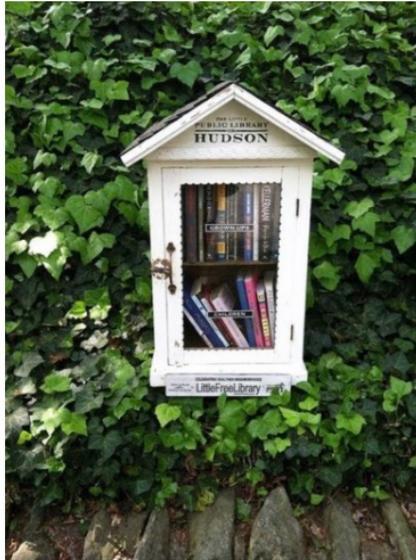
While we're on the subject of books, check out these Little Free Libraries. I found this collection on the Internet. The Lexington Public Library offers "tiny libraries" throughout the city. See if one exists in your neighborhood, park, or favorite shopping area.

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40 most popular mysteries of past five years

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The 40 Most Popular Mysteries of the Past Five Years

Posted by Cybil on April 6, 2020

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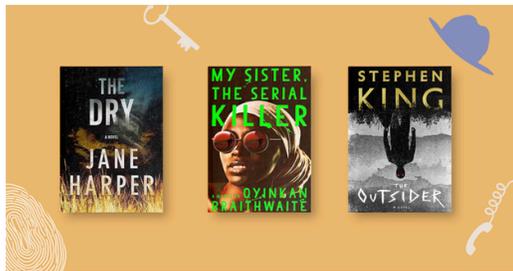
Has it been a while since you've explored the mystery and thriller genre? Well, you're in luck because you are about to discover a lot of great new books and emerging stars of the whodunit!

To help you find a recent page-turner, we examined our data to find the 40 most-reviewed mysteries and thrillers that have been published since 2015.

From runaway debut smashes, including *The Woman in the Window*, *The Silent Patient*, and *My Sister the Serial Killer*, to books from beloved authors, you're sure to find a new favorite read among these mysteries!

Talk about a perfect time to get hooked on a good mystery!

Here are 40 of them—what Good-Reads is showing as the most popular mysteries since 2015.

You'll spot some favorite writers here as well as ones that are new to you. Check out the book jackets on the Goodreads website!

The website, **Goodreads**, has created a list of its 40 top–selling mysteries over the past five years. If you like mysteries, check out the list!

1. *The Woman in the Window* by A.J. Finn
2. *The Woman in Cabin 10* by Ruth Ware
3. *The Couple Next Door* by Shari Lapena
4. *Behind Closed Doors* by B.A. Paris
5. *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides
6. *Into the Water* by Paula Hawkins
7. *Origin* by Dan Brown
8. *The Wife Between Us* by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen
9. *The Outsider* by Stephen King
10. *Then She was Gone* by Lisa Jewell
11. *The Dry* by Jane Harper
12. *All the Missing Girls* by Megan Miranda
13. *The Butterfly Garden* by Dot Hutchinson
14. *The Girl Before* by JP Delaney
15. *I Am Watching YOU* by Teresa Driscoll
16. *Before the Fall* by Noah Hawley
17. *Stillhouse Lake* by Rachel Caine
18. *Lethal White* by Robert Galbraith
19. *The Good Daughter* by Karin Slaughter
20. *The Last Mrs. Parrish* by Liv Constantine
21. *The Lying Game* by Ruth Ware
22. *The Death of Mrs. Westaway* by Ruth Ware
23. *Something in the Water* by Catherine Steadman
24. *The 7 ½ Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle* by Stuart Turton
25. *My Sister, the Serial Killer* by Oyinkan Braithwaite
26. *The Widow* by Fiona Barton
27. *Verity* by Colleen Hoover
28. *The President is Missing* by Bill Clinton & James Patterson
29. *An Anonymous Girl* by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen
30. *Say You're Sorry* by Melinda Leigh
31. *Sometimes I Lie* by Alice Feeney
32. *Fool Me Once* by Harlan Coben
33. *The Breakdown* by B.A. Paris
34. What She Knew by Gilly Macmillan
35. *Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinborough
36. *The Turn of the Key* by Ruth Ware
37. *The Last Mile* by David Baldacci
38. *The Perfect Nanny* by Leila Slimani
39. *A Stranger in the House* by Shari Lapena
40. *Final Girls* by Riley Sager

The website, **Goodreads**, has created a list of 24 new historical fictional novels that are readers' favorites.

Goodreads:

24 New Historical Fictional Novels

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24 New Historical Fiction Novels to Read Now

Posted by Cybil on April 15, 2020

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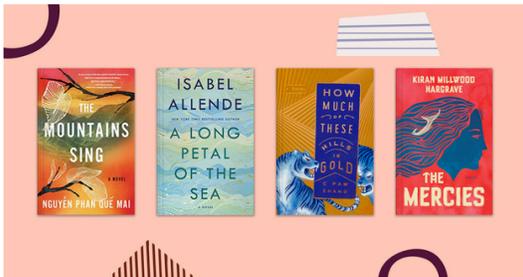
Sometimes the best place to visit as a reader is the past. Luckily for you, this year is already seeing fantastic new historical fiction ready to transport you to many other times and distant story lines.

We rounded up some of the new books Goodreads members have been loving so far this year. These novels explore the California gold rush, a Norwegian fishing village in the 1600s, the flight of immigrants to Chile in the 1930s, Laos in the 1960s, and many more eras and destinations. Be sure to add the books that pique your interest to your Want to Read shelf!

Check out these books for stories on everything ranging from the California gold rush to a Norwegian fishing village in the 1600's. You'll even spot a book about three kids orphaned in Laos in the 1960s and "how their destinies are intertwined across decades…"

View the book covers on the Goodreads website!

Macmillan Digital Publishing books may not be available for download. Kentucky Libraries Unbound has joined the American Library Association and libraries across the country in boycotting Macmillan. This is in response to Macmillan's change in its licensing model.

1. *Conjure Women* by Afia Atakora

2. *The Mercies* by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

3. How Much of These Hills Is Gold by C. Pam Zhang

4. *The Mirror & The Light* by Hilary Mantel

5. *Code Name Hélène* by Ariel Lawhon

6. *Deacon King Kong* by James McBride

7. *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd

8. *Run Me to Earth* by Paul Yoon

9. *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich

10. *All the Ways We Said Goodbye* by Beatriz Williams, Lauren Willig & Karen White

11. *Sin Eater* by Megan Campisi

12. *A Long Petal of the Sea* by Isabel Allende

13. *These Ghosts are Family* by Maisy Card

14. *Big Lies in a Small Town* by Diane Chamberlain

15. *The Book of Lost Friends* by Lisa Wingate

16. *The Yellow Bird Sings* by Jennifer Rosner

17. *The Animals at Lockwood Manor* by Jane Healey

18. *Mercy House* by Alena Dillon

19. *The German Heiress* by Anika Scott

20. *Remembrance* by Rita Woods

21. *The Operator* by Gretchen Berg

22. *Beheld* by TaraShea Nesbit

23. *The Mountains Sing* by Nguyen Phan Que Mai

24. *The King at the Edge of the World* by Arthur Phillips

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As I continue tossing out, packing, and moving to a new home, I am still discovering more possessions from years gone by. No, I'm not a "hoarder." And I don't normally keep items long after their "shelf date" expires. But I did find a few CKCS–related goodies that I held onto. This page contains a shot of floppies – yes, floppies! – that I harbored in a box. I stopped using a floppy drive around 2000, so I have no way to open them. But at one time, this is how most of the world kept its data backed up. I suppose today these belong in a computer museum (or the trash).
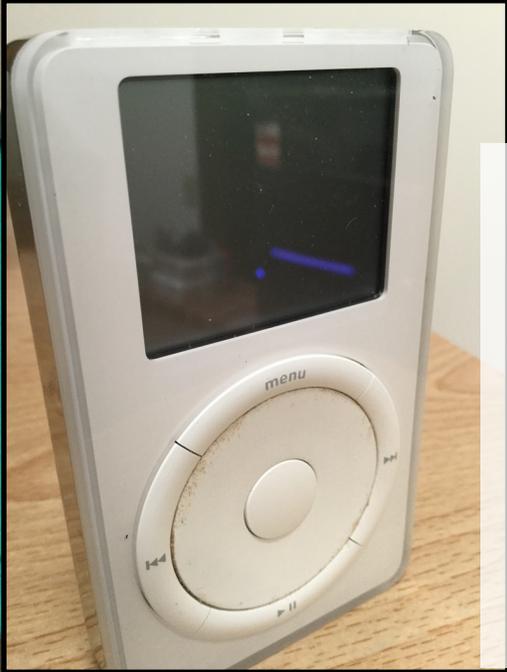
Oh, the possessions we hold for years. This is the first iPod model that Apple ever sold. (I found it in a drawer.) It was October 2001 and the new–fangled device was all the rage. It held 5GB of music (podcasts had not yet been invented) or library books (if you could find them anywhere) and cost $399 (which is $589 in today's dollars). It has a 2–inch black and white display, came with earbud headphones, and a FireWire cable. By the way, it still works and contains my only copy of "Smooth Operator" from 1984 by the British band, Sade. I know. More than you wanted to know.

Apple introduces $399 iPhone SE in middle of Covid–19 pandemic

Press release, rather than flashy event, unveils new iPhone

A new iPhone with the base model costing about $400? You have to go back to 2016 when Apple released the original iPhone SE to find such a low price.

And making the announcement through a press release during a worldwide coronavirus pandemic while Apple's brick and mortar stores are closed? That's what Apple did in late April when it publicly unveiled a new iPhone SE (2).

"The iPhone SE (2) , is by far, the best bet for people who are on a budget and need a new phone right now," writes Todd Haselton for CNBC.

What's quite interesting is that Apple did not dummy down this phone. Most smartphone makers cut costs in their budget phones by using slower processors and cheaper cameras. Not so here. Apple is using its best internal components found in its best iPhones.

The most powerful iPhone chip used by Apple, the A13 Bionic processor, is in the new SE (2) model. (This same processor is in Apple's iPhone 11 ($699) and iPhone 11 Pro ($999).) Experts say this processor is widely thought to be fastest smartphone processor you can buy today. Apple also says the new SE (2) model includes the best single–camera sensor that it has ever sold in a smartphone.

The downside is the new iPhone SE (2) battery drains fast if you're streaming a lot of movies or you play one game after another. Since the phone is smaller than Apple's most expensive iPhones, the battery is smaller.

What about the 4.7 inch screen? It may feel tiny compared with other iPhones or some Android models. Haselton says, "I was fascinated by how small the phone felt given how much power it has inside."

These seems like a really strange time to launch a new iPhone. Smartphone shipments plummeted to their lowest level ever in February – down 38% – as China (one of the biggest markets) wrestled with Covid–19. Nonetheless, Samsung, the world's biggest phone maker, announced six new Galaxy A series phones in mid–April. These are also aimed at budget conscious buyers.

The new iPhone is available through Apple's online store, cell phone provider websites such as Verizon and AT&T, and other online retailers, reports TheVerge.

Ars technica reviews the new iPhone SE: Small screen, huge performance

Fool me once...
By Kurt Jefferson

'Phishing for my data': On a Saturday afternoon in late April, I received this typical phishing email message. There are enough grammatical mistakes to make an English teacher cringe. Most attempts to steal your money by email are quite polished compared to this one. But remember, banks, big tech firms, credit unions and others will not ask for your personal information in this manner. You should send these messages to your Junk folder or hit DELETE.

PayPal

Your Account Need To Update Infos !

Dear Costumer ,

We regret to inform you of this bad new

We have put your account in the list of limited accounts
because your account isn't safe and we need a little bit to a few information to
protect your account.

Click the button below and follow the steps simply

Yours Sincerely.

Update Account

Since late February, there's been a 667% increase in email phishing attacks due to coronavirus fears.

Scammers, hackers, and snake oil salesman are out in force.

They all have one goal:

To get your money by tricking you into giving them your passwords, Social Security numbers, and other personal data.

The tech website, Tech Republic, reports security firm Barracuda Networks has spotted three types of phishing attacks using the coronavirus theme:

- Scamming

- Brand Impersonation

- Business Email compromise

Many of the scams spotted by Barracuda were trying to sell by email coronavirus cures or face masks. In other cases, emails were asking for investments in fake companies to try and tackle the worldwide pandemic.

Tech Republic urges email users to use caution even with trusted non–profits, and find credible charities – then donate directly.

Windows Special Interest Group

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

7:00 pm

Mike Seiler
Windows SIG Leader

Welcome to our "new" way of presenting our SIG's. We are going to stream them. Which is what we have been doing for years. I will be at CKCS using our camera and the TV to do my presentation. Hopefully, you will be at home streaming it to your computer.

Link for streaming: https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk

There will be a "sign-in sheet" for everyone watching to sign. If you are watching please send me an email message to ckcslex@gmail.com. I will be monitoring this email during the SIG. Also, if you have a question send it to this email during the SIG. I will not answer the CKCS phone during the SIG.

The last time we met I started talking about some of the settings in "File Explorer". I will continue looking at some of its settings and then look at some of the problems I had when I started using Zoom.

I hope to "see" you in May.

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

May 26, 2020

FastStone Image Viewer
Creating Quick and Easy Slide Shows

Joe Dietz
Digital Photography
SIG Leader
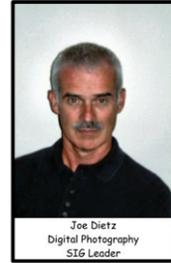
Streaming Live

Since we are all restricted from travel and avoiding crowds, I will stream this presentation from the CKCS office. You can watch it in the comfort of your home. In order to access the presentation, go to our web page www.CKCS.org . Down a few lines from the top of the page you will find the underlined words

Streaming Live

Click on that and you will be able to watch the presentation beginning at 7 PM May 26, 2020

FastStone is a free program and easy to get. If you want to try it out, go to Ninite.com. In the Imaging column select FastStone then click. Allow your computer to download the program. After it downloads, open FastStone. At the top of the page click on help. Click on Download Tutorial. If you choose, save it to your computer.

Two Ways To Create A Slide Show

     1 – Quick and easy – capture some pictures on your computer and quickly show a slide show of them to your friends.
2 – Quick and easy with extra controls that allow you to save and share it.

We will go through the steps of creating the slideshow, adding music, setting transitions, letting it play automatically or with the click of the mouse and lots more.

Photo Contest – Everyone enjoys our photo contests and we still can! The photo contest topic for May is automobiles. Submit your photo to joedietz@aol.com not later than May 25. I will show them on the screen for your evaluation. After the SIG is over (within 3 days), I encourage you to send me an e-mail with the number of your favorite. In the subject line put CKCS Photo Contest. I will announce the winner at a later date.

Joe

Mac/iPad SIG

By Kurt Jefferson

Probably one of the most unused menu items on the Mac is the "Go" command.

When the Finder (the desktop) on your Mac is active, you'll see "Go" in your menu bar. But I've learned through teaching dozens of Mac classes at CKCS that many folks don't know about it, don't use it, and don't realize its power.

In addition, iCloud Drive on your Mac and all iOS devices automatically backs up much of your data if you have it turned on.

We'll talk about the "Go" menu and iCloud Drive and what it can do for you at the **online** Mac / iPad SIG starting at 7 P.M. on May 14.

What: Mac/iPad SIG (special interest group) meeting

When: May 14 at 7 P.M.

Where: Online at

https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk

Click on that link (or paste it into your web browser) and that should link to the Nest ceiling camera at the CKCS office.

If you have questions during the online stream, please email me at: lextown2@gmail.com

I cannot answer the CKCS phone during the stream.

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The Moore Drive office is closed but CKCS is open — online.

Please take advantage of our online offerings as well as online workshops coming this summer.

Memberships

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

This update is from March 22, 2020 – April 21, 2020.

New Member

Susan J. Scollay

Renewing Members

- **Diane Bianchi**
- **Marie Copeland**
- **Lee A & Melinda Edgerton**
- **Jerry W Heaton**
- **Walter J Keller**
- **Fredrick R Kendig**
- **Barbara A Schulz**
- **Susan F Stivers**

A big thank–you to renewing and new members for helping us grow CKCS. Because CKCS is a non–profit, it needs your support to thrive and survive.

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At CKCS, we're getting used to 'Zoom' connections

By Kurt Jefferson
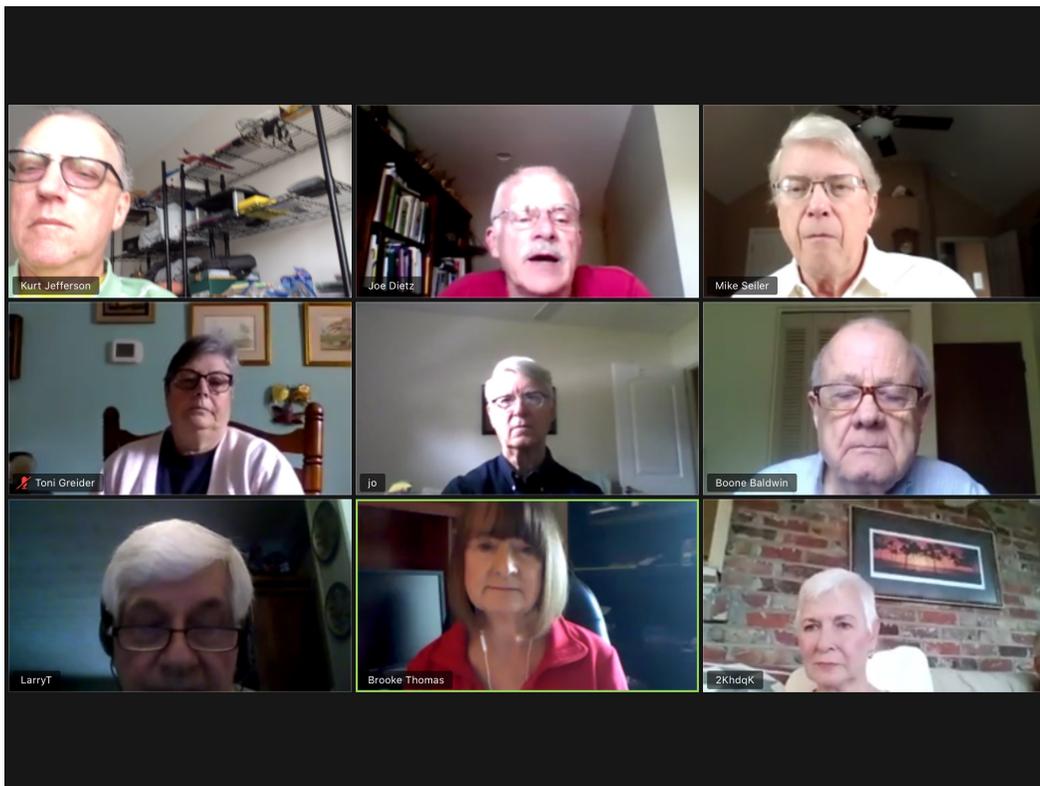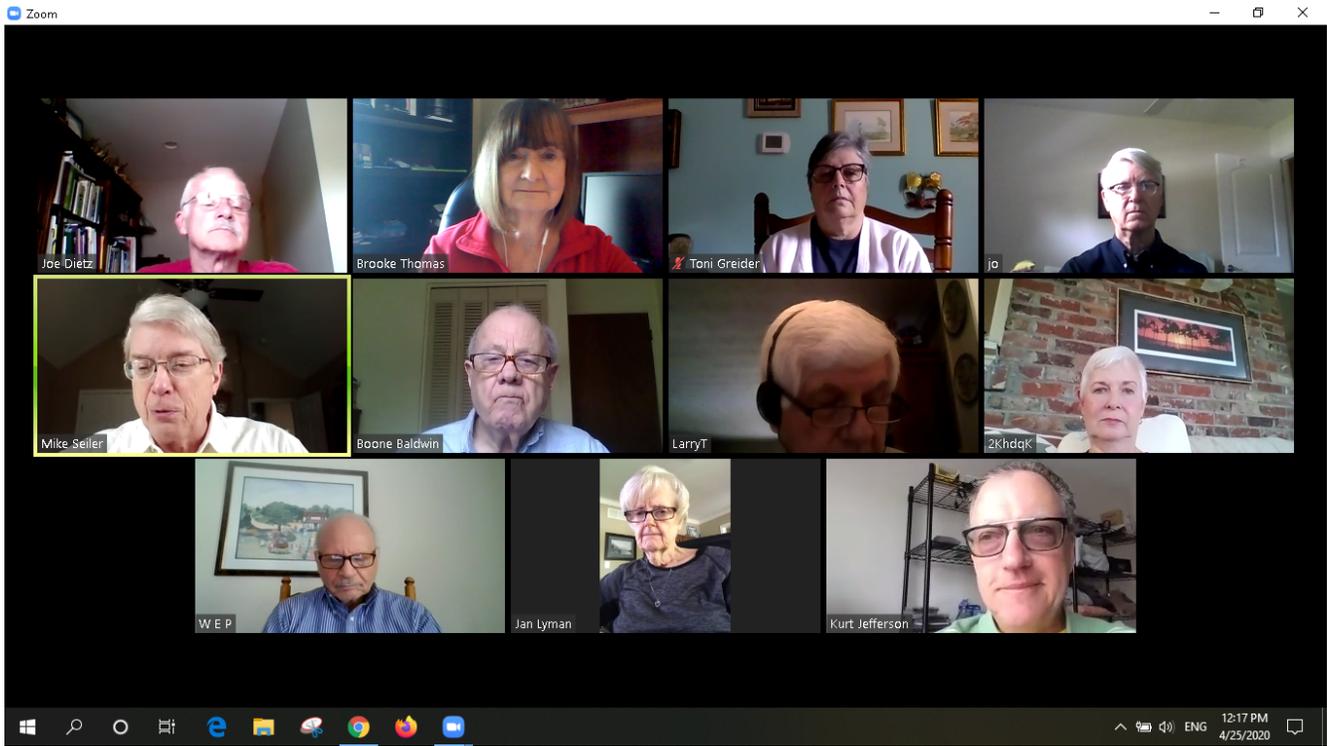
As we prepare to 'Zoom' CKCS summer workshops that we formerly held in person, we're getting more acquainted with the videoconferencing app, 'Zoom.' On a late Saturday in April, Joe Dietz gave us an overview.

Brooke Thomas, CKCS president, snapped the top screenshot of the session using her desktop computer.

Kurt Jefferson took the bottom screen grab on his iPad. Zoom is available for Windows, Mac, iOS devices, and Android.

Note: For any Zoom connection, high–speed broadband Internet is mandatory. The faster Internet speed you have, the better. **For computers,** Zoom requires Windows 7 or above or Mac OS 10.10 (Yosemite) or higher. **For mobile devices,** iOS 7 or later is required; iPad OS 13 or later, Android 4.0 or later, or Kindle Fire HD.

Summer Workshops

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW: Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic, all workshops will be taught using the Zoom app. We recommend that participants practice using Zoom before the workshop occurs. Handouts will be sent to everyone enrolled in a workshop via email.

NEW ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES
Payment will be by credit card only. If you want to enroll in any of the workshops call CKCS (859-373-1000) and leave a detailed message giving us your name (spell it), the workshop(s) you want to enroll in, and a phone number where we can reach you (this must be a phone number where we can reach you directly). **DO NOT record your credit card number on your voicemail message.** We will be monitoring the phone messages daily and ask for your credit card number when we call you.

The cost of a workshop is $30.00 if you are not a CKCS member. The cost for CKCS members is $24.00

Workshop Name	Date & Time	Workshop Overview
Is Windows 10 Driving You Crazy? **This workshop is ONLINE. You need Zoom to participate.**	**Wed., June 10; 1 to 3 P.M.**	Students will learn how they can change the Start window to make it less confusing. Also, they will learn how to change the File Explorer appearance. A free program will be demonstrated that will change the Start Window making it look like the Windows 7 or XP Start Window.
Understanding Facebook **This workshop is ONLINE. You need Zoom to participate.**	**Thurs., July 9; 10 A.M—Noon**	You'll learn how to maintain a Facebook page. The Profile page and Home page will be explained. How to find friends, make a post, edit and respond to posts, prioritize news feeds, check privacy settings, unfriend and block-friends, and delete and deactivate your Facebook account will all be featured.
Making a Photobook using Shutterfly **This workshop is ONLINE. You need Zoom to participate.**	**Tues., June 9; 1–3 P.M.**	You'll learn how to prepare pictures for a photo book, how to transfer pictures to the Shutterfly workspace, and then how to organize your pictures from front to the last page of the book. Finally, we will go through steps to order the book and to apply coupons to reduce the price. Students will be using provided pictures on CKCS computers. We will be using a program called Shutterfly which can be accessed on the internet via a PC or a Mac.

• **You can download Zoom here: https://zoom.us/download (Windows & Mac)**

• **Zoom is available for iPad & iPhone from the App Store.**

• **Zoom is available for Android devices from Google Play.**

Privacy tips for your Android phone

If you own an Android phone (and many, many of you do), check out The Wirecutter's privacy tips.

The article begins, "Being privacy aware on an operating system run by Google—a company that makes money in part by mining data about its users—might seem like a silly endeavor, but the Android OS provides you with a wide variety of tools to control your data. Although you'll never be totally off the grid from your cell provider, and it's nearly impossible to block everything that tracks you across every platform, it is possible to at least approach your smartphone's privacy settings practically."

Tips range from enabling two–factor authentication to auditing your app permissions to giving your Google account a privacy checkup.

Check it out!

Remember, you can click on underlined words to open a website with more details.

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May 2020 CKCS Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

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

Central Kentucky Computer Society is now ONLINE for:
•Tech Night
•Workshops
•SIG meetings

We invite you to join us ONLINE as our Moore Drive office remains closed
due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Windows 10, Mac/iPad, and Digital Photography SIGs
will stream a live presentation this month via the CKCS Nest camera.
Hold down the **Control key** and click this hyperlink **https://video.nest.com/live/Bsy2CvjgCk** .
Or copy and paste this hyperlink into your internet browser URL box for access.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Apr	28 Apr	29 Apr	30 Apr	1 May	2 May
					10 a.m. **Dr. Fixit, iHelp, & Android Help**
4 May	5 May	6 May	7 May	8 May	9 May
			9 a.m. **Photography Chat** 7 p.m. **Board of Directors Meeting** **via Zoom**		**Cancelled**
11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	16 May
7 p.m. **Tech Night** **via Zoom**	7 p.m. **Windows 10** MIKE SEILER **via Nest**		9 a.m. **Photography Chat** 7 p.m. **Mac & iPad** KURT JEFFERSON **via Nest**		
18 May	19 May	22 May	21 May	22 May	23 May
			9 a.m. **Photography Chat** 7 p.m. **Access Database** STUART ZAHALKA		
25 May	26 May	27 May	28 May	29	30 May
7 p.m. **FoxPro Database** GARLAND SMITH	7 p.m. **Digital Photography** JOE DIETZ **via Nest**		9 a.m. **Photography Chat** 7 p.m. **Unix/Linux** LEWIS GARDNER		

Windows 10 turns five

Hard to believe that it was on a sunny day in late July 2015 that Microsoft released its latest version of Windows. Five years ago!

Ed Bott writes for ZDNet that Microsoft's original intent was to make Windows 10 run on hundreds of millions of mobile devices. Windows 10 is alive and well on desktops and notebooks but not so much on the mobile side.

"Windows 10 Mobile is officially defunct, and small Windows 10 tablets have completely disappeared from the market," writes Bott.

Many tech companies, including Microsoft, have discovered that slower and more cautious is better when it comes to software releases.

"When Windows 10 debuted in mid–2015, Microsoft's marketing and promotion were aggressive and insistent. The free upgrade offer was only good for one year, they said, so hurry before it's too late. The first major feature update appeared a mere four months later, and three more feature updates in the next two years brought some major changes," adds Bott.

But he says that "pedal–to–the–metal pace turned out to be too fast," when serious issues arose with the 1809 update. The up-

date was quite buggy, forcing Microsoft to pull it and begin a six–month investigation to track down the problem before restarting the rollout.

Bott says Windows 10 accomplished two major goals: It erased the memory of Windows 8 (which forced many Windows users to stay with version 7). Windows 10 also provided an upgrade path for businesses who were still using Windows 7.

Remembering Windows Versions

Version	Release Date
1.0	1985
2.0	1987
3.0	1990
NT 3.1	1993
95	1995
XP	2001
Vista	2007
7	2009
8	2012
10	2015

Macs with Apple–made chips coming in 2021?

By Kurt Jefferson

Could Apple introduce Macintosh computers containing its own chips rather than those made by Intel?

Analysts who keep a close eye on technology say that's what could happen next year.

Bloomberg writes that Apple is preparing to release its first Mac based on what's called a custom ARM chip in 2021.

Bloomberg adds the new processors will be based on ones used in iPhones.

"Apple is designing more of its own chips to gain greater control over the performance of its devices and differentiate them from rivals. Getting Macs, iPhones and iPads running the same underlying technology should make it easier for Apple to unify its apps ecosystem and update its computers more often. The move would also reduce reliance on Intel, which has struggled to maintain the annual increases in performance it once offered," adds the Bloomberg report.

The report says the "transition to in–house Apple processor designs would likely begin with a new laptop because the company's first custom Mac chips won't be able to rival the performance provided for high–end MacBook Pros, iMacs, and the Mac Pro desktop computer."

Bloomberg says Apple is investigating tools that would make sure apps designed for older Intel–based Macs would run on the new machines.

You might remember that it was 15 years ago Apple's co–founder Steve Jobs stood on stage with the late Intel head, Paul Otellini, to announce that Intel chips would run Macs in the future.

But the pace of Mac upgrades has slowed in recent years, partially due to a slowdown in chip advancement by Intel.

By making its own chips for the Mac, Apple hopes to change that. Stay tuned.

Reports: Apple to make 23–inch iMacs; 11–inch iPad Air

9to5Mac writes that reports in the *China Times* indicate Apple intends to introduce a new 23–inch iMac later this year. A new iPad Air with an 11–inch screen is also coming, according to reports.

The new iMacs could be coming in the late fall of this year, says the report. Apple last updated its Mac computers in March of 2019.

iPad introduced 10 years ago

In January 2010, Apple co–founder Steve Jobs stood on stage and introduced a new–fangled tablet called the iPad.

Some users have replaced their desktops and laptops with Apple's tablet. Others use the iPad as a replacement for their Kindle or Nook.

The decade–old tablet is used in many ways not imaginable just a few years ago. Pilots carry iPads with them on jets – replacing carry–on paper guides the size of a Chicago phone book.

Crime scene investigators use iPads to document evidence and photograph what they see.

Children's Hospital of Central California and many other medical centers use iPads to view x–rays, review patient tests and check on health records.

John Velasco writes for Digital Trends, "Android tablets still exist, but attract buyers almost entirely with their budget pricing. Samsung, the one major backer of premium Android tablets, sells bare-ly more than a third as many tablets as Apple."

He adds, "The iPad's secret weapon is consistency – both in build quality and performance. Through the years, Apple expanded its lineup to cover various price points and various users."

What about the future?

"Apple clearly aspires to make the iPad a straight-up replacement for a home PC. For some few users, it's already there. Not everyone is as receptive. Many people are used to how PCs (and Macs) work, and they won't be easily convinced to switch. Still, given that the iPad has yet to be bested in the last decade, I'm willing to bet on it. The iPad's greatest years may be yet to come," writes Velasco in his article for Digital Trends.
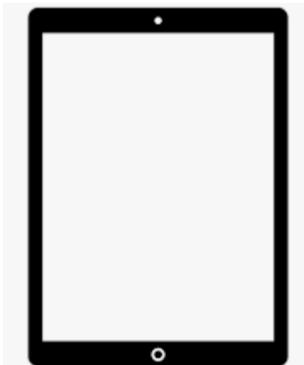
Apple Watch is five years old

What I love and hate about the Apple Watch is the aptly titled article by Kate Kozuch in Tom's Guide.

Five years after the Apple Watch went on sale, it seems like an appropriate time to examine what's good and what can be improved.

 Here's what Kate loves:

- **Cellular LTE support is a game–changer** (If her smartphone dies, she is still connected.) Although this requires a monthly data plan from your wireless provider, it gives you the power to separate yourself from your iPhone for a jog or quick errand.

- **Apple Watch health and fitness features get better every year** (Kate writes, "Apple's edge over competing fitness trackers is how consistently it launches new features.") She says the Series 4's "FDA–approved electrocardiogram can alert you when you experience irregular heart rate readings, while the fall detection sensors

have and can save lives by calling emergency assistance on your behalf."

Here's what Kate would like to see change:

- **How about a new look?** After five years, she says it's time for a new design.

- **All day battery life doesn't cut it.** "The Apple Watch is class–leading in every category except the most practical one," writes Kate Kozuch. "Though its performance might be more demanding than competing smartwatches that last several days, I think the company needs to do better," she adds.

Apple is expected to launch the new Series 6 Apple Watch this fall, alongside the new iPhone 12. Five years after the first Apple Watch, it should be interesting to see what's new in Series 6.

Time for a *Laugh*

As I continue moving to a new home, I stumbled upon a list that I printed years ago. It's from the 1990's, and yet I held onto it because it tickled my funny bone.

It's a list of "winners of the worst analogies ever written in a high school essay" contest.

Mind you, high schoolers who wrote these analogies were not trying to be funny.

They were experimenting with analogies and learning how to use them.

Needless to say, these analogies did not meet the teacher's expectations.

In this time of social distancing, mask–wearing, and shuttered businesses, we need a laugh. Hope you enjoy these as much as I do. You might just giggle as you glance over these. Enjoy!

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"John and Mary had never met. They were like two hummingbirds who had also never met."

"The thunder was ominous sounding, much like the sound of a thin sheet of metal being shaken backstage during the storm scene in a play."

"The red brick wall was the color of a brick red Crayola® crayon."

"They lived in a typical suburban neighborhood with picket fences that resembled Nancy Kerrigan's teeth."

"The politician was gone but unnoticed, like the period after the Dr. on a can of Dr. Pepper."

"Long separated by cruel fate, the star crossed lovers raced across the grassy field toward each other like two freight trains, one having left Cleveland at 6:36 P.M. traveling at 55 m.p.h., the other from Topeka at 4:19 P.M. at a speed of 35 m.p.h."

"The little boat gently drifted across the pond exactly the way a bowling ball wouldn't."

"From the attic came an unearthly howl. The whole scene had an eerie, surreal quality like when you're on vacation in another city and *Jeopardy* comes on at 7 P.M. instead of 7:30."

"He was as tall as a six–foot–three–inch tree."

"Her date was pleasant enough, but she knew that if her life was a movie, this guy would be buried in the credits as something like "Second Tall Man.""

Reader's Digest: Funny quotes about coronavirus quarantine

There is absolutely nothing funny whatsoever about the Covid–19 pandemic. But crazy quotes about being quarantined inside are funny. The *Reader's Digest* has compiled plenty of them.
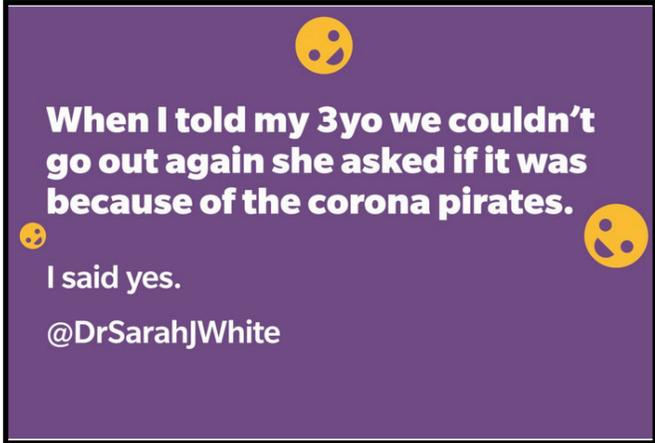
When I told my 3yo we couldn't go out again she asked if it was because of the corona pirates.

I said yes.

@DrSarahJWhite
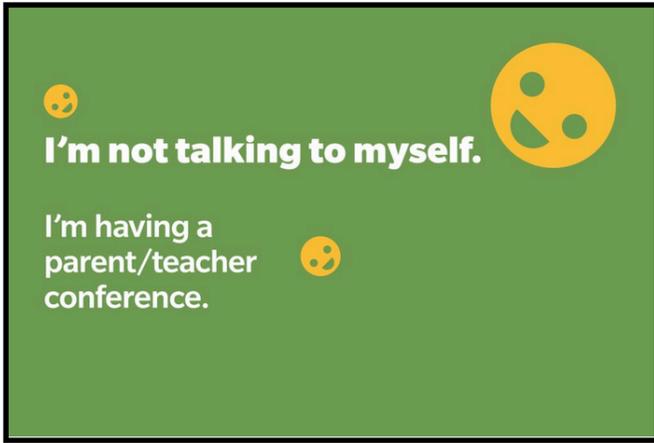
I'm not talking to myself.

I'm having a parent/teacher conference.

People are mad about not being able to go places.

Please. I was grounded about 90% of the time between 7th and 12th grade. I trained for this.

So you're staying inside, practicing social distancing and cleaning yourself?

Congratulations! You've become a house cat.
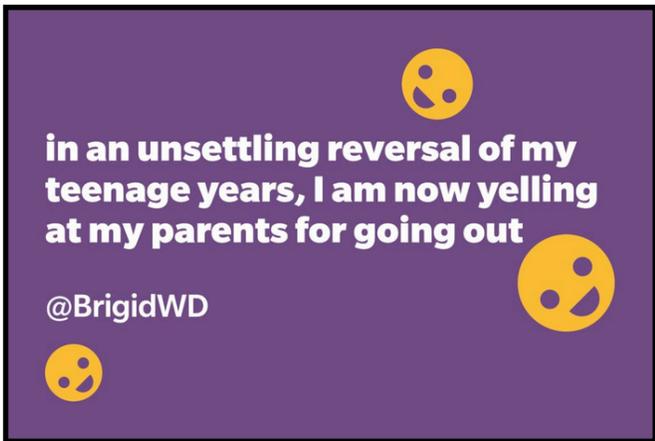
in an unsettling reversal of my teenage years, I am now yelling at my parents for going out

@BrigidWD

Being quarantined with a talkative child is like having an insane parrot superglued to your shoulder.

God save the Queen

And of course, the poster below, adapted from the famous British poster in 1939, preparing Brits for World War Two, says it all. The original poster was intended to raise the morale of the British public facing predicted major air attacks on Britain's largest cities.

Original 1939 British poster

2020 version of the famous poster