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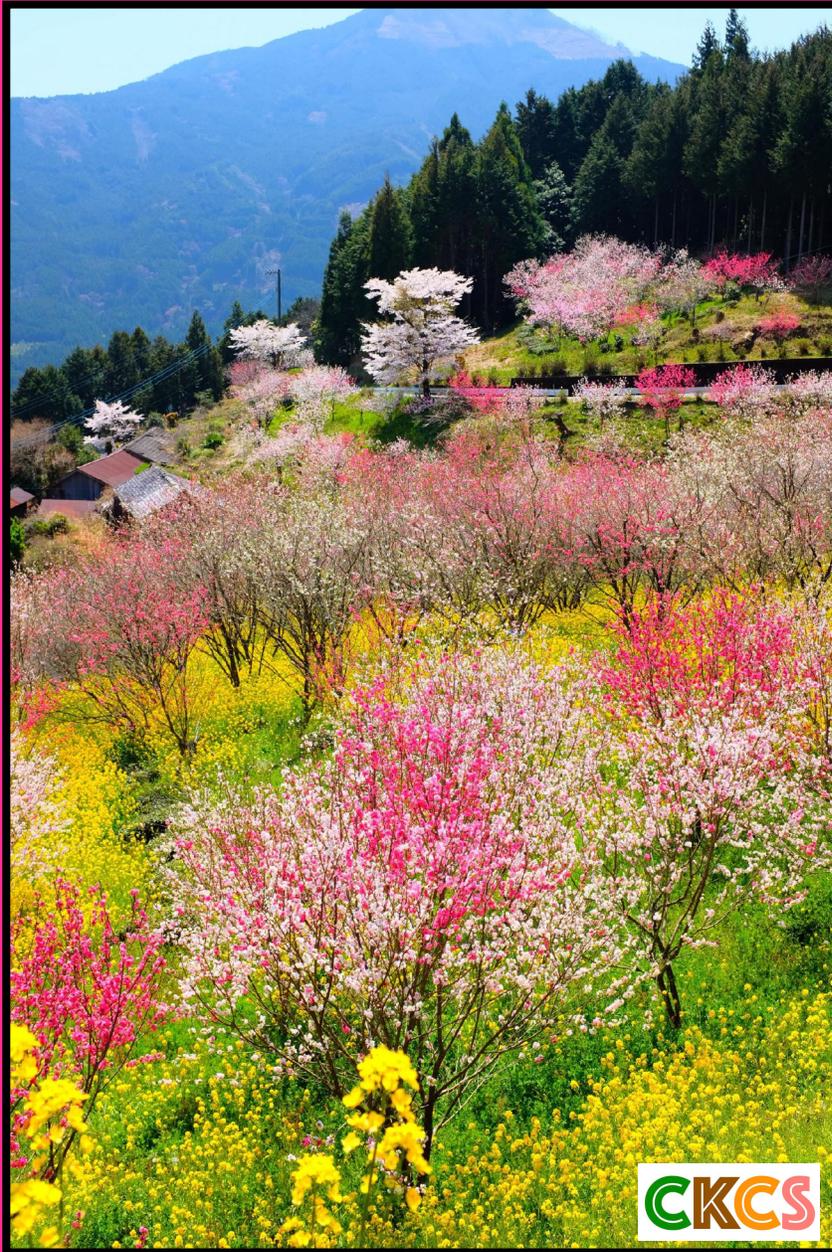


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**April**

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**New Memberships & Renewals**

**CKCS Memberships**

**From Feb. 22 to March 21**

*Submitted by CKCS Board  
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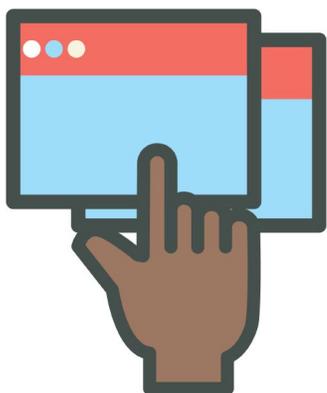
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# How to register online: CKCS Classes & Workshops



Visit the [CKCS store](http://www.ckcs.org) and click on either **Classes** or **Workshops** on the blue menu at the top of the page. Choose the course you want to take and check out on the secure website using your credit card or PayPal account. Here's the CKCS Store website: [www.ckcs.org/store](http://www.ckcs.org/store). Instructions on how to use the online store are on a link at [ckcs.org](http://ckcs.org). You can use any valid credit card or PayPal account to pay for your class, workshop, or CKCS membership fee. A PayPal account is *not* required to register and pay online.



**B**ecause of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all CKCS classes and workshops are taught using the Zoom app.

If you don't have Zoom on your Windows 10 PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device, page 17 of this newsletter tells where you can download the latest Zoom versions.

Page five contains the spring class and workshop schedules.

While visiting the CKCS store website, here are your options:

**Membership** – Join CKCS by clicking on the Membership link. Choose among these options:

- Regular Individual Membership – 1 year
- Regular Individual Membership – 2 years
- Regular Individual Membership – 3 years

After you make a membership choice, you'll be asked to enter the name you want to appear on your CKCS membership card. You can pay by credit card online.

**Classes via Zoom** – Register and pay online by credit card or PayPal. (Click on a link for a specific class to get more details about that class.) Students will receive a Zoom link via email for each class before the class begins. The link will be sent to the email address you provide when you register.

**Workshops via Zoom** – Register and pay for CKCS workshops by credit card or PayPal. (Click on a link for a specific workshop to get more details about that event.) Students will receive a Zoom link via email for each workshop before it

begins. The link will be sent to the email address you provide when you register.

## Register by Phone

**If you prefer, registering for classes and workshops or joining CKCS by making a phone call is still an option.**

**Call CKCS at 859-373-1000 and leave a message. Include your name (spell it), the course you want to take, and a phone number where you can be reached. **DO NOT** leave credit card information on voice mail.**

## Class/Workshop Pricing

**Unless indicated otherwise, classes cost \$48 for CKCS members, \$60 for non-members.**

**Workshops cost \$24 for CKCS members, \$30 for non-members.**

**CKCS members receive a 20% discount on all class and workshop fees.**

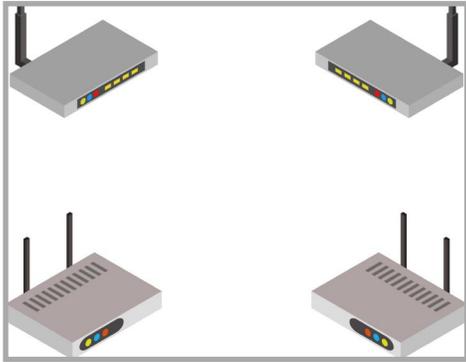


# Spring Classes & Workshops

<p>Mon. Apr 5 &amp; 12</p>	<p><b>Foundations of Photography: Lenses</b> CKCS members: \$32; Non-CKCS members: \$40</p>	<p>This course will present a very detailed study on how lenses work, the different types of lenses, and what to consider when buying a new lens. <b>Class</b></p>	<p>1–3 P.M.</p>
<p>Tues. Apr 6</p>	<p><b>Making a Photo Book Using Shutterfly</b></p>	<p>You will learn how to prepare pictures for a photo book, transfer pictures to the Shutterfly workspace, and then organize the images from the front to the book's last page. Finally, we will go through ordering the book and applying coupons to reduce the price. (This program is on the Internet so that it will work on both a Windows PC and Macintosh computer.) <b>Workshop</b></p>	<p>1–4 P.M.</p>
<p>Thur. Apr 8</p>	<p><b>Using Facebook on a Windows PC</b></p>	<p>Learn how to maintain a Facebook account on a computer. We will explain how to use the Profile and Home pages. 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 are some of the features covered. Students should plan to watch the Zoom presentation on a different device like a smartphone or tablet to leave their computers available to practice the activities on their own Facebook account. <b>Workshop</b></p>	<p>1–4 P.M.</p>
<p>Tues. Apr 13</p>	<p><b>Using Your iPhone Camera to the MAX</b></p>	<p>Using apps already on the iPhone, students will learn techniques to take better pictures and fix them by cropping, lightening or darkening, or adding filters. They will learn how to take videos, time-lapse, and panoramas. Students will also learn how to create albums and learn several ways to share their photos with others. Have your iPhone fully charged for this workshop. <b>Workshop</b></p>	<p>1–3 P.M.</p>
<p>Mon. Apr 19, 26 &amp; May 3, 10, 17 &amp; 24</p>	<p><b>Adventures in Photography</b></p>	<p>This class will include instruction in white balance, depth of field, aperture, shutter speeds to blur motion, and how to stop motion. The instructors will show how to photograph close up with the lens students already have and demonstrate close up and microphotography techniques with other lenses. Students will learn how to use standard filters correctly (polarizers and ND – neutral density). The instructors will also introduce infrared photography with the student's camera using filters provided by the instructors. This six-week course will spend alternating weeks on Zoom and in the field shooting photos. Students should have a basic knowledge of their camera. Students need to have their camera with a full battery, an empty memory card, the camera manual, and a note pad. <b>Class</b></p>	<p>1–3 P.M.</p>

# Should You Turn Off Your WiFi Router at Night?

More and more websites are recommending that you turn off your WiFi router when you're sleeping. It's very simple to do. Just plug your WiFi router into a surge protector and turn it off at night. Or, use the on/off button on the back or bottom of most modern routers.



Why should you consider turning it off? To reduce your exposure to radio frequency (RF) radiation.

The radiation health risks [website](#) points out that, "WiFi devices such as anything Bluetooth or a

WiFi router, emits RF Radiation at its full strength constantly twenty four hours a day seven days a week, whenever it is turned on. And the higher the frequency that your WiFi router uses, the more intense and potentially harmful its RF Radiation remittance is."

The SYB (Shield Your Body) [website](#) writes, "There are literally thousands of high-quality peer-reviewed scientific studies linking this type of radiation to negative health effects like cancer and infertility. In one such study, scientist Dr. Martin Pall calls WiFi an important threat to human health and details seven well-established effects of WiFi exposure, including sperm dysfunction, cell damage, and oxidative stress. The World Health Organization lists EMF radiation as a Class 2B carcinogen. In reality, there is no safe level of EMF."

In addition to EMF radiation issues, some folks suffer from symptoms of EHS (electromagnetic hypersensitivity.)

The EMF empowerment [website](#) indicates these may include headaches, nausea, itchiness, impaired sleep, and difficulty sleeping.

If your WiFi router is next to your computer or iPad desk, you might consider buying a WiFi router guard or cover. These are usually mesh shield covers or cages that act as a Faraday cage for radiation exposure.

Other possibilities include using an automatic electrical timer to turn off your router at a specific time before you go to bed.

When possible, some websites [recommend](#) turning off your WiFi router whenever you aren't using it. In addition, if your computer is close to your router, some suggest

using an ethernet cable to connect directly rather than relying on a wireless Internet signal.

Here's how the website [EMF Risks](#) describes it: "On the rear of the router, you typically have 2-4 10-base-T jacks to which you can attach a standard internet cable to which you can connect your computer. This recommendation is, however, situation-specific in that it assumes your computer will be used close to the router. The decision to use hard cabling connections is up to you."

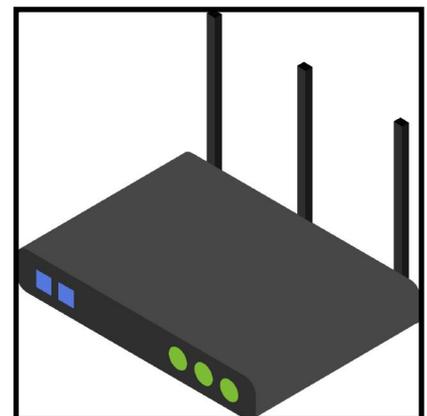
## Spring Storms?

Experts say you need to turn off your WiFi router during spring thunderstorms that strike the Bluegrass, especially in March, April and May. Even if you have the router plugged into a surge protector, that might not be enough during a raging storm just outside your window.

As [How Stuff Works](#) writes, "The family pet might have the right idea when a thunderstorm approaches: Hide under the bed and wait it out, whining nervously. That's not just acceptable behavior; it might, in fact, be quite safe."

It adds, "A surge protector can also help because it limits the amount of voltage the devices can receive. That allows for computers, printers, phones and the like to avoid the current a big surge would produce [source: [Graham](#)]. But don't just invest in 19 surge protectors and call yourself safe. A big surge can bypass the protector, for one, causing a bit more electricity than advertised to get through. For this reason, it's suggested that if you do have the time and wherewithal, it wouldn't hurt to disconnect electronic devices from wall sockets."

In addition, "Now keep in mind that we're not talking tornadoes or hurricanes here. If you're watching a twister approach your house at breakneck speed, please don't take the time to fuss over your iPod dock. Simply get to the safest place in the house (a cellar or -- if you're strictly at ground level -- the most interior room or closet of your home) as soon as you possibly can. The same lesson that applies to tornadoes also applies to your run-of-the-mill storm: Back up all your data religiously, just in case."



# Remembering a CKCS Member Who Made a Difference



Photo by Nature's Beauty from StockSnap

## Betty Lampkin

For nearly a quarter of a century, Betty Lampkin helped CKCS in many different ways. Betty joined CKCS in 1997, learned how to use a computer, and she wrote several books about her family history. She gave copies of her books to family members.

Betty will be greatly missed. She died in early March.

## Mandatory Ten-Digit Local Dialing Coming to 859 Area Code

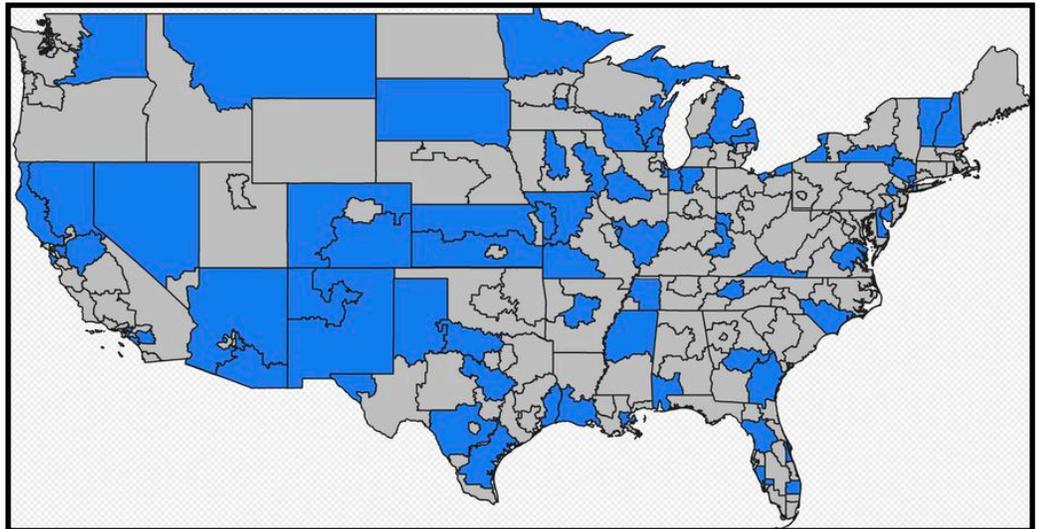
If you live in the 859 area code in central or northern Kentucky, better get ready to dial the area code plus the phone number you're calling starting in late April.

As AT&T [describes](#) it in a billing flyer, "Get ready to change the way you dial your local calls."

"To complete all local calls, you will now need to dial area code + telephone number. This applies to all calls within your area code that are currently dialed with seven digits," notes the second-largest wireless phone company in the U.S. Starting April 24, the switch over to ten-digit dialing begins in selected areas throughout the country. Beginning October 24, you must dial the 859 area code plus the phone number or the connection won't go through. If you dial just the seven-digit number, you'll get a recording saying the call cannot go through.

The F.C.C. says ten digit dialing is designed to "conserve phone numbers and slow the need for new area codes." In other words, we're running out of numbers. Another reason for the switch is a change in the National Suicide Prevention Hotline manned by mental health crisis counselors, to the three-digit number, 9-8-8 (similar to 9-1-1 the nationwide emergency number), starting July 16 of next year.

One interesting note is that Kentucky's Fort Knox army post adopted the ten-digit dialing back in 2014 for off-



**Ten-digit dialing is coming to areas colored in blue on this map. Note that the 859 area code serving parts of central and northern Kentucky will be impacted.**

Source: Wikipedia.org

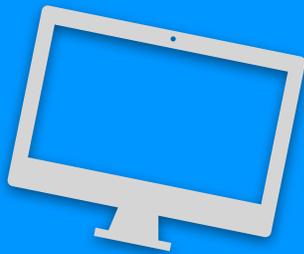
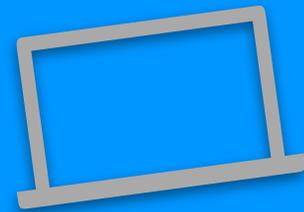
base numbers. The post is actually served by area code 502 (the area code serving Frankfort, Georgetown, Louisville and many other cities), but men and women on the post can make local calls to cities in both the 270 and 364 area codes. Because of that unique situation, Fort Knox imposed ten-digit dialing ahead of many other areas.

The change forces all telephone companies – copper-wire landline service (the system that all of us used to use in the Bell System days), wireless cell phone providers (such as AT&T, Consumer Cellular, Verizon, and T-Mobile), and landline service over the Internet (such as Metronet, Spectrum phone, Ooma, Vonage, RingCentral Office, Dialpad, MessageBird and others) to update their systems.

The ten-digit dialing switch will also force anyone living in a 988 area code to begin dialing a "1" before the area code and phone number.



# iHelp is April 3



## Join us on Zoom

Email your tech questions by April 2 for your Apple devices (iPhone, iPad, iPod touch & Mac).

Email: [CKCSihelp@gmail.com](mailto:CKCSihelp@gmail.com)



We'll do our best to answer your questions live via Zoom, plus offer tech tips and tricks. Join us!



The new **iHelp**:  
Saturday, April 3  
10 A.M. – noon on  
Zoom



Join us for the live April Zoom iHelp session: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81333291320>

If you cannot join us in April, please join us on Saturday, May 1 (May Day), at 10 A.M. via Zoom. Please email your tech questions by April 30 to [CKCSihelp@gmail.com](mailto:CKCSihelp@gmail.com)

# President's Comments

## Despite the Pandemic, CKCS Is Buzzing...with Zoom

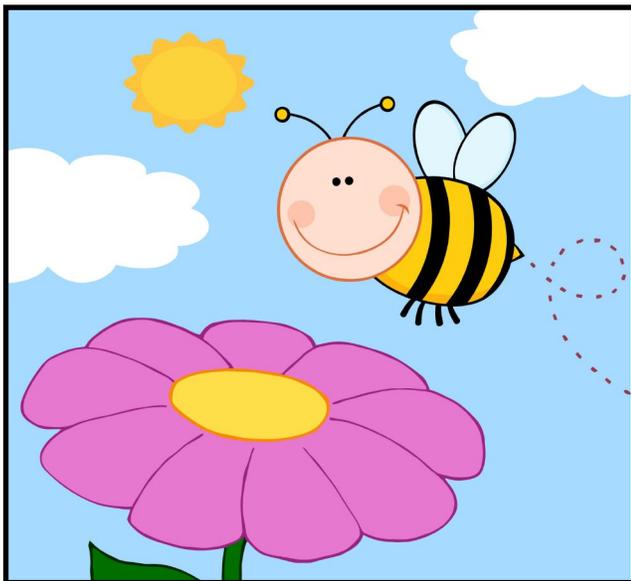
### Springtime, Hope, and Joy

**N**ow more than ever, *what a difference a year makes.*

**Springtime!** This spring really feels so much different than last year. It's as if they belong in different decades in different lifetimes.



Brooke Thomas  
[president@ckcs.org](mailto:president@ckcs.org)



In the last month there has been talk in our Zoom classes and meetings about where to get the vaccine, “did you get a vaccine?” and “when do you get your second one?”

**Hope!** Then the conversations turned to visiting family members and grandchildren and seeing friends again.

I had one student who got to travel to another state to visit her grandchildren and still attend her weekly class via Zoom. **Joy!**

We all know we must still be cautious, but we are seeing movement in a positive direction.

We will be monitoring recommendations from the CDC, along with state and local governments, to guide us with the CKCS policies.

So, stay tuned to our [website](#) and [newsletter](#) to get the latest news on any changes in how we are doing business.

Right now, it's business as usual...zooming.

The pandemic has not slowed us down.

But we have been forced to change how we operate – zoom sessions have replaced in-person classes, workshops, SIG meetings, Tech Night, and more.

Be sure to take advantage of the wide array of events that are happening this month in CKCS Zoom sessions.

Remember that the Zoom links are available in the newsletter, on the website under the Meetings Schedule tab, and the weekly Mailchimp email.

The Zoom links stay the same for the reoccurring meetings, and each SIG has its own unique link and ID.

If you attend Mike's Windows 10 SIG on the second Tuesday of each month, you can use that same Zoom link every month.

Kurt has a different zoom link for his Mac/iPad SIG, but it is the same one for each month. It's true for all of them.

So, keep on Zooming. Here's to a lovely spring with lots of hope and joy! Repeat after me: *Normalcy will return. Eventually.*



# April Tech Night

April 12 at 7 P.M. via Zoom

By Kurt Jefferson

## They're Back! Aviation Summer Camps

You can hear the mother's pride through the phone as she tells about her son enrolling in Purdue University's aeronautical engineering program. "It all started with aviation camp," she says.

A grandmother is surprised when her granddaughter tells her what she wants to do with her life.

"She came to me, asked me to sit down, and gave me the news. This girl, who can never make up her mind, finally chose a career for herself. She wants to be an air traffic controller. It was the trip up the tower at Blue Grass Airport that helped make up her mind...aviation camp really did change her life."

These are two stories of many that camp organizers hear every summer as young people figure out how they want to spend their careers.

The non-profit Aviation Museum of Kentucky (commonly called AMK), located at Blue Grass Airport in Lexington, has been holding aviation summer camps for young people since the mid-90s. Yet many people don't know about them. These camps are unique – young people get to help fly a small plane (weather permitting) during the two-day camps.

After the coronavirus pandemic forced the museum to cancel last year's camps, they are back this summer.

April's Tech Night will focus on the camps.

**Bob Jones, camps director, will discuss the camps and talk about why you might want to register your youngster for camp.**



**Who:** Bob Jones, aviation camps director will speak at CKCS Tech Night in April.

**What:** Aviation Summer Camps

**When:** June in Lexington; July in Bowling Green

**Ages:** 10 to 17. The last camp in both cities is for ages 10 to 80 so that parents and grandparents may attend camp with their youth.

**Where:** Aviation Museum of Kentucky at Blue Grass Airport and Bowling Green–Warren County Airport.

Four camps are scheduled in June at the Aviation Museum of Kentucky in Lexington. Two camps are scheduled in July at the Bowling Green–Warren County Airport. **Details on how to register are on the camps calendar below.**

**Aviation Camps 2021 (ages 10 & Above)**

JUN		
Aviation Museum of Kentucky® at Blue Grass Airport In Lexington		
Dates	Levels	Ages
June 14–15	Levels 1, 2, 3	10 to 17
June 17–18	Levels 1, 2, 3	10 to 17
June 21–22	Levels 1, 2, 3	10 to 17
June 24–25	Levels 1, 2, 3	10 to 80

**Help fly an actual airplane like this.**  
Get a camp T-shirt and flight log.  
Lunch & snacks provided.

**Learn about:**

- Aeronautics
- Navigation
- NASA – Space
- Flight simulation
- Aircraft design
- Careers in aviation

JUL		
Bowling Green – Warren County Airport In Bowling Green		
Dates	Levels	Ages
July 13–14		10 to 17
July 15–16		10 to 80

**Space Is Limited. Register now at:**  
[www.aviationky.org/camp](http://www.aviationky.org/camp)

**Questions?**  
Email: [camps2021@aviationky.org](mailto:camps2021@aviationky.org)  
Call Samantha at: (270) 842-1101

In all camps, students are grouped into squadrons of their own age group so they'll be attending flight sim, aeronautics, and navigation sessions with their peers. Parents and grandparents are welcome to register for camps where ages 10 to 80 are allowed.

• All camp activities are subject to Covid-19 guidelines at time of camp. Email Bob Jones at [BobJones@aviationky.org](mailto:BobJones@aviationky.org) for more details. •

**Tech Night Zoom Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82109235232>

# IF YOU BELIEVE IN CKCS AND ITS MISSION, PLEASE SUPPORT IT BY:

- ✓ • **Becoming a member.** You can phone (859) 373-1000 and request a membership application or visit <https://ckcs.org/ClcsApp.pdf>. Fill out the form and mail it in.  
Or go online: [ckcs.org/store](https://ckcs.org/store)
- ✓ • **Taking classes or workshops.** The spring session of classes is underway. See page 5 for a list of classes & workshops.
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# Warm, Warmer, Warmest? Forecast: A Warm Spring and Early Summer

By Kurt Jefferson

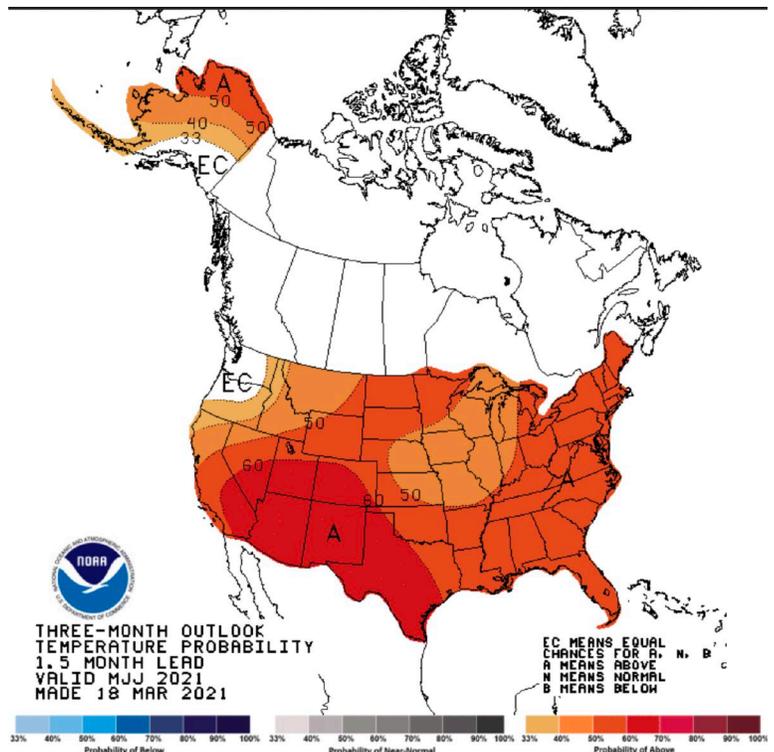
April may be the month when we can store away the coats, hats, and gloves. That's if the prediction from NOAA is correct. Those of you who are weather-wise know that NOAA runs the National Weather Service.

Current predictions show a warmer than normal April, May and June. In fact, there's a 50–60% chance of above normal temperatures for central Kentucky during that period. AccuWeather predicts that La Niña – where the water in the Pacific Ocean near the equator is cooler than normal – will still be in the driver's seat, impacting our weather.

Central and eastern Kentucky are expected to be wetter than normal with a higher than normal severe thunderstorm risk (March to May 2021).

AccuWeather writes, “St. Louis; Little Rock, Arkansas; Jackson and Tupelo, Mississippi; Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee; Lexington and Paducah, Kentucky; and even Indianapolis are all in the area where AccuWeather is projecting the highest risk of severe thunderstorms from March through May.”

AccuWeather adds that the weather pattern this spring somewhat resembles 2011, which was a very active year for spring storms. More than 800 tornadoes were reported in April 2011. That was a record for the most tornadoes in a single month.



**NOAA's three-month outlook for April, May, and June shows a much warmer than normal trend for Kentucky and the eastern one-third of the country, the southeast U.S. as well as portions of the south-central U.S. and portions of the western mountain states.**

## Ask Bob Rankin Columns Inform

Idea Submitted by Mike Seiler, Windows 10 SIG Leader

Despite what you may have heard, the Internet was not designed to withstand a nuclear war, Al Gore did not actually claim to invent the Internet, and when you delete files from your computer they're not actually gone.

You'll find these tidbits and more in the "[Ask Bob Rankin](#)" column. Rankin writes about tech support, boosting your WiFi signal, sending mass email, computer displays, and more.

Rankin has written for *Computer World*, *Newsday*, and a number of other publications.

If it's time to buy a new computer monitor, Rankin recommends not even considering very small computer displays. He writes, "Screens in the 22 to 24 inch range are affordable (typically under \$150), and will serve well for most home and office tasks (email, web browsing, composing documents, online video). If you are into photography, graphic arts, or serious gaming, you'll want a monitor that's 27 or more

inches. Just remember that screen sizes are measured on the diagonal, just like televisions."

One reader asks Bob how to improve the WiFi signal throughout his home. Rankin writes, "Yes, where you place your router does matter. If your wireless laptop or tablet is in another room, the signal has to go through walls and other interference before it reaches you. You can change the positioning and give everyone equal access. For example, in an open office room setting, instead of placing the router in a corner, try putting it in the middle of the room, where the signal should extend out more evenly, giving better coverage to the entire office. If you're looking for optimal wireless coverage in various parts of your home, position the router in the middle of the house. Moving it up off the floor, to a bookcase or shelf, should also help."

Rankin offers a whole slew of tips and tricks in his columns. Check them out if you're troubleshooting your computer or just want to learn more tech advice.



# How Do I Know When It's Time to Buy a New WiFi Router?

Shortly before Halloween of last year, I noticed my Internet connection was getting slower and slower. I would visit [CKCS.org](http://CKCS.org) to check the latest newsletter. Then I would visit [The Animal Rescue Site](http://The Animal Rescue Site) to give free food to shelter pets.

Molasses pours faster out of the bottle than my Internet service. I ran the free Speedtest app on my Macs and iPad. My Internet speed was as fast as usual.



Courtesy: Steven Phillips at [hostreviews.co.uk](http://hostreviews.co.uk) on Unsplash

But the connection was problematic. Pages were quite slow to load. Delivery of email was on the pony express route. I would open my email app and new mail would eventually appear.

I considered what was going on and realized that my eight-year-old WiFi router might be the problem. Most folks don't realize the beating their routers encounter. They can get very warm and have to deal with interference from neighbors' signals, microwave ovens, and even wireless landline phones. In addition, electrical spikes in the home (when the refrigerator compressor kicks on or the dryer is running) can take a toll on the router even if it's plugged into a surge protector.



Courtesy: Ann on Unsplash

After checking everything I could think of, I ordered a new TP-Link router from Amazon (using [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) so CKCS gets a portion of what I'm paying Amazon.)

TP-Link is one of the top-rated routers, according to [thewirecutter.com](http://thewirecutter.com), one of my favorite review websites.

If you're wondering about your WiFi router's performance, here are some signs your device is failing, according to [robots.net](http://robots.net):

- Slow Internet – If web pages are loading more slowly than normal that's a telltale sign that your router is not up to par. [robots.net](http://robots.net) recommends plugging an ethernet cable from your computer into the router (and turning WiFi off on your desktop or laptop.) If the signal perks up and pages load much faster, that's a clear indication your router's performance is failing. If you are streaming a show and the website on your computer or app on your iPad rebuffers constantly (a circular arrow often turns on the screen when there's a signal problem), that's a sign all is not right in router-land.



Courtesy: Saketh Garuda on Unsplash

- Your router stops functioning altogether or the indicator lights stop glowing – This is an obvious indication that your router is unable to function properly. Of course, you want to check your internet service provider first to make sure there's no outage in your neighborhood.
- Overheating – This occurs more often than most people realize. [robots.net](http://robots.net) writes, "Most routers, depending on the brand, are made from quality materials that can withstand minor impacts and heat. However, routers aging from three to five years and up can be damaged by heat. So, if you've been using your device longer than the mentioned average lifespan and it suddenly breaks down, perhaps its internal components are no longer working due to heat. When this happens, try to move your router to a place where the airflow is good or place a fan pointing at the device and see if it exhibits any difference. If not, it's about time to replace your router to a newer version."



# Quiz: Science, Music, Cities & More

Put on your smart cap and get ready to take our true or false quiz. Ready? Circle T or F for each item below.

1. People who live on houseboats are safe from lightning storms since they're inside a boat just as motorists in cars are safe because of the car's tires.  
T or F
2. The most popular classical composers are often shown in this order:  
Bach #1  
Mozart #2  
Beethoven #3  
Tchaikovsky #4  
Wagner #5  
T or F
3. One of singer Dionne Warwick's biggest hits was (Theme from) Valley of the Dolls. She almost didn't record it. It was the "B" side of the hit, "I Say A Little Prayer." When the movie became a hit in 1968, disc jockeys flipped the 45 R.P.M. single and played the movie theme. The record became one of the most popular double-sided hits of the 50s, 60s, and 70s.  
T or F
4. America is unique in that most of the world's motorists drive on the left side of the road.  
T or F
5. One of Hollywood's biggest flops, *Heaven's Gate* (1980), gets a paltry 6.8 out of 10 rating on IMDb (Internet Movie Database). But some critics are now calling the extended-cut version a masterpiece. Scenes that were cut from the movie and never appeared on the big screen are now appearing on streaming services, and the movie's a hit.  
T or F
6. An asteroid and meteor are the same thing.  
T or F
7. One study shows the average coffee drinker in the U.S. downs 3.4 cups a day. The average tea drinker sips 2.7 cups each day. Tea drinkers are more likely to be night owls. Coffee drinkers are more likely to be morning persons, according to the study.  
T or F
8. Americans love their pets. There are currently more pet dogs in the U.S. than domesticated cats. Worldwide, 25% of households own pets.  
T or F
9. Comparing Lexington, Ky., to Richmond, Va., the average home price in Lexington is less, the median age is a bit older, the unemployment rate is a bit higher, the median income is higher, and the average commute time to work is one minute shorter.  
T or F
10. Since Detroit began building cars, Americans dreamed of an interstate system, linking the east coast to the west. The birth of the modern interstate began in June 1956 when President Eisenhower signed a bill funding highway construction. The Missouri Highway Commission awarded the first contract to begin building the interstate along the famous Route 66, 160 miles south of St. Louis.  
T or F
11. You might be surprised to learn this, but Yahoo! Mail has more users than Gmail (Google's Mail system.)  
T or F
12. Pickup trucks dominate America's ten best-selling vehicles in 2020 and so far in 2021.  
T or F
13. Comparing Lexington, Ky., to Dayton, Ohio, the central Kentucky city has more sunny days, a greater elevation, and overall, more rainy and snowy days.  
T or F
14. The U.S. Postal Service introduced the zip code one year before the Beatles first set foot on American soil. A basic zip code has five digits. In 1983, an extended zip+4 code was introduced.  
T or F
15. The geographic center of the U.S. is a spot in South Dakota.  
T or F
16. Oh, you cut yourself shaving! One of the best ways to get blood out of your pajamas is by immediately soaking the clothing in hot water.  
T or F
17. As I type this in late March, five of the best-selling electronics on Amazon's website include the Roku streaming stick, Midland's NOAA Emergency Weather Alert Radio, Kindle Paperwhite, a TP-Link WiFi router, and a 10.2-inch iPad.  
T or F



Continued

# Quiz: Science, Music, News & More

Keep trying. Correct answers to be revealed next month!

18. Comparing Lexington, KY. to Knoxville, Tenn., Lexington has more rainfall, a higher elevation, and colder winters.  
T or F
19. In 2007, Josh Grobin was the best-selling musical artist in America.  
T or F
20. The ten most popular dog breeds (in order) in the U.S. are:  
1. Labrador retriever  
2. French bulldog  
3. German shepherd  
4. Golden retriever  
5. Bulldog  
6. Poodle  
7. Beagle  
8. Rottweiler  
9. German short-haired pointer  
10. Dachshund  
T or F
21. In 1964, Sweden switched from driving on the right side of the road to driving on the left.  
T or F
22. In 2021, the Merriam-Webster Dictionary added these new words:  
• Crowdfunding  
• Gig worker  
• Long hauler  
• Wet market  
T or F
23. Nielsen reports that 93% of U.S. adults 18 and over listen to radio every week – more than those watching TV, using a smartphone, or a tablet.  
T or F
24. Comparing Lexington, Ky., to Evansville, Ind., people living in the city that is home to the University of Kentucky have a longer commute time, are a bit younger, earn more money, and have a greater chance of being out of work (higher unemployment) than people in Evansville.  
T or F
25. Folks living in Finland really love their milk. They consume more milk than Americans, Australians, Brits, Germans, and Norwegians.  
T or F
26. Ceiling fans can help you keep cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter. Just remember to turn the fans clockwise in the summer; counter-clockwise in the winter.  
T or F
27. These places drink more wine (per person) than anywhere else in the world. Norfolk Island (between New Zealand and Australia), Switzerland, Portugal, Macedonia, Croatia and Slovenia.  
T or F
28. Home builders and building contractors will tell you that carpeting has been losing market share to hard surfaces for more than a decade. But there has been growing demand for carpeting after the pandemic first struck in early 2020.  
T or F
29. The most popular smartphone in the U.S. is Apple's iPhone.  
T or F
30. New Hampshire is the only state without a law requiring adult drivers to wear seat belts. It has the lowest seat belt usage rate in the U.S. Georgia has the highest seat belt usage rate in the country.  
T or F
31. 50% of the tea consumed in the U.S. is iced tea.  
T or F
32. Montreal is the largest Canadian city by population.  
T or F
33. Lake Superior is the world's largest freshwater lake by area.  
T or F
34. A man in Michigan accidentally discovered that clay was as good at absorbing cat urine as it was for grease spills. One day in 1947, a neighbor asked him for sand for her litter box because she was tired of using ashes. The sand was frozen so instead, he gave her a bag of granulated clay. She reported the clay did a great job to keep down odors. Soon, she and her friends routinely asked for clay for their litter boxes. Edward Lowe eventually named the product, Kitty Litter, and began selling it to pet stores. It became a huge hit.  
T or F



# Tiny Checkmark Might Mean the Beginning of the End for Spam Calls

If you own an iPhone or Android smartphone, you may begin noticing a new feature over the coming months. On the iPhone, a tiny checkmark will appear in the Recents list in the phone app as well as in call details. On some Android phones, you'll spot a "verified" sign on the incoming call screen.

The tiny checkmark and "verified" sign mean the phone company believes the call was legitimate and not from some scammer trying to sell you snake oil. A TidBits [article](#) provides an overview of the new feature. (TidBits is one of the Internet's oldest Apple-oriented blogs and newsletters.)

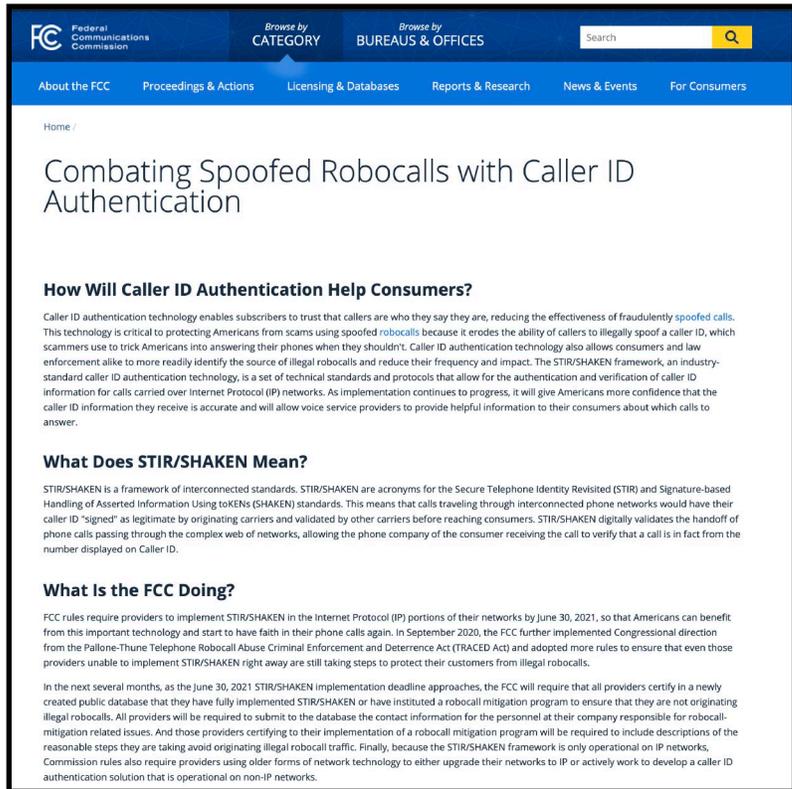
Glenn Fleishman writes, "These tiny checkmarks appear on calls that pass through a new standard implemented on major telephone networks starting in 2019 and gradually being rolled out by smaller ones since."

Carriers are in a race to block spam calls from ever reaching their customers. The deadline is June of this year for major phone companies and those providing phone service over the Internet to implement the checkmark or "verified" sign. These indicate that an incoming phone call is verified by the carrier and is not spam.

The standard is called STIR/SHAKEN, and major phone companies with 100,000 or more lines must implement the new feature by June 30. Smaller phone companies have until June 30, 2023.

"Ultimately, companies and carriers will find their calls dropped or blocked unless they embrace STIR/SHAKEN as it's adopted by mobile phone operating systems and the rest of the phone network," adds Fleishman.

This will force spammers to rely much more heavily on legitimate originating phone numbers. It should make them a lot more vulnerable, able to be tracked, and even more easily arrested. "It could help authorities shut down boiler-room operations much more quickly, too," writes Fleishman.



The screenshot shows the FCC website's navigation bar with options like 'Browse by CATEGORY' and 'Browse by BUREAUS & OFFICES'. The main content area features the article title 'Combating Spoofed Robocalls with Caller ID Authentication'. Below the title, there are sections for 'How Will Caller ID Authentication Help Consumers?', 'What Does STIR/SHAKEN Mean?', and 'What is the FCC Doing?'. The text explains that STIR/SHAKEN is a framework of interconnected standards designed to protect consumers from spoofed robocalls by verifying the caller's identity.

**The FCC's [website](#) describes how the new system called STIR/SHAKEN will work and how it will help phone users. Unwanted spam phone calls are the number-one complaint of phone users worldwide. Mobile phone carrier Verizon says it blocked nine billion unwanted calls in December of last year alone.**

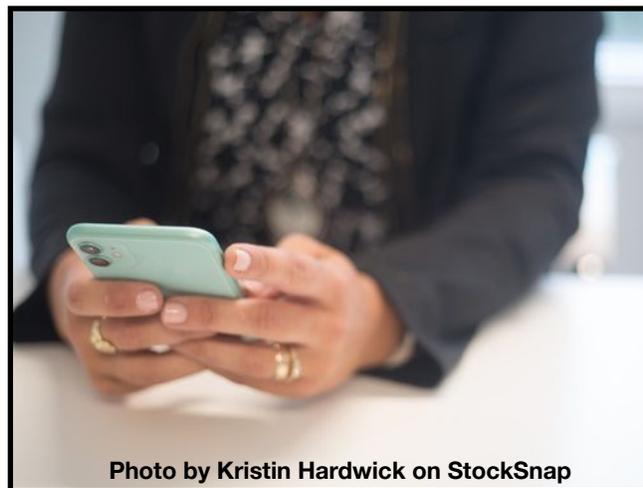


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# April Zoom Links

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

## **CKCS Board of Directors Meeting April 1 at 7 P.M.**

### **iHelp April 3 at 10 A.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81333291320>

### **Mac/iPad SIG April 8 at 7 P.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89152197881>

### **Tech Night April 12 at 7 P.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82109235232>

### **Windows 10 SIG April 13 at 7 P.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82811157647>

### **Word Processing SIG April 20 at 7 P.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83030906264>

## **Amateur Photographers Club SIG Every Thursday in April at 10 A.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89234995079>

### **Digital Photography SIG April 27 at 7 P.M.**

Zoom link to join:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82232057510>

*Zoom links for CKCS classes and workshops will be emailed to students.*

Zoom for Windows and Mac can be downloaded from the Zoom Download Center [here](#).

**The latest Zoom version available for desktops is 5.6.1.**

If you need Zoom for your iPad or iPhone, it's available from the App Store. Zoom is also available for Android phones and tablets through Google Play.

*Get More Out of Your Zoom Meetings* is available [here](#).

ZDNet has created a *Complete Zoom Guide: From Basic Help to Advanced Tricks* found [here](#).



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## April 2021 CKCS Special Interest Group (SIG) Schedule

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

**Our Resource Center on Moore Drive remains closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**Join us ONLINE for selected SIG and Open House meetings.**

- **Zoom Meetings:** Click your invitation email hyperlink to join the meeting.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Mar	30 Mar	31 Mar	1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr
			10 a.m. <b>Photography Club</b> via Zoom		10 a.m. <b>Dr. Fix-It &amp; Android Help</b> <b>No meeting until CKCS re-opens</b>
			7 p.m. <b>Board of Directors</b> via Zoom		<b>iHelp</b> By April 2, email ckcsihelp@gmail.com your Mac, iPad, or iPhone tech questions and we'll try to help <b>via Zoom</b>
5 Apr	6 Apr	7 Apr	8 Apr	9 Apr	10 Apr
			10 a.m. <b>Photography Club</b> via Zoom		
			7 p.m. <b>Mac &amp; iPad</b> KURT JEFFERSON via Zoom		
12 Apr	13 Apr	14 Apr	15 Apr	16 Apr	17 Apr
7 p.m. <b>Tech Night</b> KY Aviation Museum & Summer Camps via Zoom	7 p.m. <b>Windows 10</b> MIKE SEILER via Zoom		10 a.m. <b>Photography Club</b> via Zoom		
19 Apr	20 Apr	21 Apr	22 Apr	23 Apr	24 Apr
	7 p.m. <b>Word Processing</b> JERRY HEATON via Zoom		10 a.m. <b>Photography Club</b> via Zoom		
26 Apr	27 Apr	28 Apr	29 Apr	30 Apr	1 May
	7 p.m. <b>Digital Photography</b> JOE DIETZ via Zoom				

**iHelp:** We will be offering tips and tricks and answering your Apple questions on Sat., May 1 (May Day!), from 10 A.M. – noon via Zoom. Send in your questions ahead of time to [ckcsihelp@gmail.com](mailto:ckcsihelp@gmail.com).



## The next CKCS Word Processing SIG will meet using Zoom on April 22 at 7 p.m.

For those who attend in April, SIG leader Jerry Heaton will provide a working, ready to use, copy of the email thank-you note form that was demonstrated in March.

To finish that subject, we will demonstrate the setup for a formal thank you note suitable for mailing.



Jerry Heaton

Additional topics this month may include:

- Maneuvering within a word document.
- Learn a unique trick to copy a column of text in a word document.
- Setting up and using the Normal template that best suits your needs.
- Should you save everything to the cloud?
- Secrets of creating a table of contents.
- And much more as time permits.

SIG leader Jerry Heaton invites members and guests to join this Zoom Meeting on April 22. Just click on this link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83030906264>

**We will open the Zoom door about ten minutes early so you may chat with friends while you wait. We start promptly at 7 P.M.**



# Windows Special Interest Group

**Tuesday, April 13, 2021**

**7:00 pm**

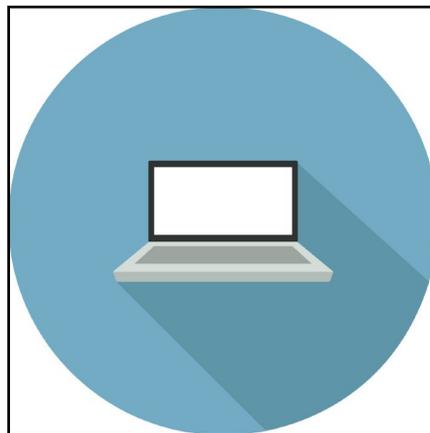
Mike Seiler  
Windows SIG Leader



The Start Menu in Windows 10 can be opened by clicking on the Windows icon in the lower-left corner of your screen or pressing the Windows Key on your keyboard. In the April SIG, I will talk about ways you can modify the Start Menu's appearance. Also, I will demonstrate how to put icons for your most-used apps and files on the Start Menu.

The Zoom link for this meeting is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82811157647>

A link for the handout used in this meeting will be sent to everyone on the Windows 10 Special Interest Group mailing list the day before the meeting. To be placed on this list, send an email to [w10sig.ckcs@gmail.com](mailto:w10sig.ckcs@gmail.com). In the email, state your name, your email address, and the purpose of the email.



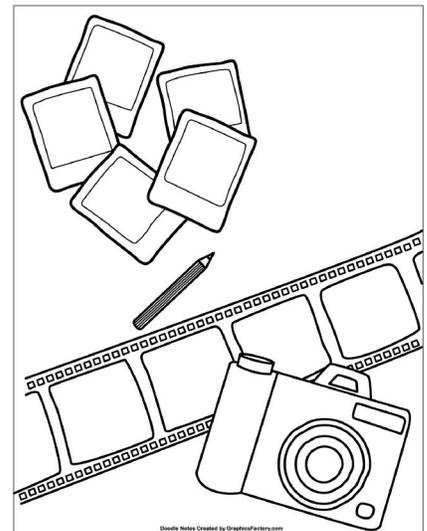
# 2021 Digital Photography SIG Photo Contests



Photos must be emailed to [joedietz@aol.com](mailto:joedietz@aol.com) at least one day prior to the monthly meeting.

## • Photo Contest Topics for 2021 •

- **April** - Wildflowers
- **May** - Trees
- **June** – Places of Worship
- **July** – Annual Hall of Fame:  
*Three topics – Leading Lines, Cloud Formations, Animals That Are Not Pets*
- **August** - Vistas
- **September** – Interesting Clocks, Timepieces
- **October** - Leaves
- **November** – Rock Groupings
- **December** – No contest. Happy Holidays!



**Digital Photography SIG (special interest group) meetings are held the **fourth Tuesday of each month** at 7 P.M. via Zoom.**

**The Zoom link to our meetings is**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82232057510>

# What are you looking at?

By Kurt Jefferson

When I was a child, I wanted to be a vet. Animals amazed me. At the time, I thought *Wow. These guys are smarter than many humans.* (I think a fair number of humans would agree with that sentiment today.)

My career plans changed when I discovered that, as a vet, I would have to put animals to sleep.

But I never lost my fascination with four-legged creatures. If you're having a really crummy day, they can soothe your soul. If you're aggravated, they can calm you.

So it should be no surprise that the first minute I glimpsed *The Yorkshire Vet* on the Acorn TV streaming service, I was hooked. (As I write this, season one is available on Amazon Prime Video for Amazon Prime subscribers.)

The show follows the staff as they treat animals at the Skeldale Vet Centre in Thirsk, North Yorkshire, in northeast Great Britain.

## James Herriot Connection

This is the town where noted author and vet James Herriot worked and wrote his popular series of books, *All Creatures Great and Small*. In addition, this is the veterinary practice Herriot started decades ago.

Vets Julian Norton and Peter Wright, along with the nurses and other employees, make this an engaging series. The vets make house calls to the

Yorkshire countryside, and this makes for long, long workdays as they perform duties saving lambs and calves and working also on horses, mules, pigs, alpacas, and a long list of farm animals.

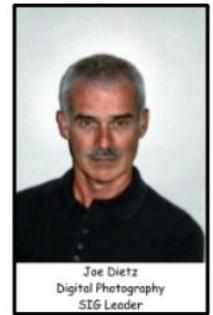


## “Absolutely wonderful”

An Amazon viewer from the U.S. shares this review: *“Absolutely wonderful series that highlights the veterinary practice started by James Herriot and featuring vets James Norton and Peter Wright who care for creatures great and small in Yorkshire. The show shows how the veterinary practice cares for all kinds of animals both large and small by the two vets who often deliver animal babies or neuter animals. Both vets also care for emergency procedures including the saving of alpacas who ate too much food. If you like to take a peek at farm life and the work large animal vets perform, The Yorkshire Vet offers plenty of opportunities to see the vets calm nervous cattle or sheep in distress. Overall, this is a perfectly delightful and often addicting show.”*

If you get a chance, watch it. You might become hooked as I am and want more, more, more. This show has been a major hit in the U.K. It's a jewel of a show, waiting to be discovered by you.

**CKCS Digital Photography  
Special Interest Group  
7 PM, Tuesday, April 27, 2021  
Some Things Every  
Photographer Should  
Know!**



What are these words and what do they mean? **Resample** and **resize** are words we often hear, but what do they mean? Frequently these words are used interchangeably, but they mean entirely different things.

**Batch Process** – reduce the size of many pictures at once to send to someone. Or turn a bunch of photos to black-and-white in a few easy steps.

**Batch rename**- Just took a trip to Africa and all my pictures are identified by img\_.00002 or DCS0789. I want them all to be labeled something like Africa 001, Africa002. How do I do that?

For this meeting, I will be using a free program called **FastStone**. It does a great job of things mentioned above. I will also show you how to get the program. Other programs such as Corel PaintShop Pro, Adobe Photoshop, Irfan view, etc. offer similar ways to do these processes.

**This month's photo contest topic is Wildflowers**



Now is the time for many wildflowers to show their colors. Get out – take some shots and submit your best one for our monthly photo contest! Send your photo to [joedietz@aol.com](mailto:joedietz@aol.com) no later than **Monday, April 26.**



**Zoom with us at 7 PM, Tuesday, April 27. Invite a friend.**  
The Zoom link to our meetings is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82232057510>

This site will open a few minutes before 7 P.M.

## Windows 10 Update Designed to Fix Printer Woes

Got printing troubles with your Windows 10 computer? In late March, a number of tech sites reported a new Windows update was issued to tackle that problem. The apparent cause of the problem was an earlier Windows patch that Microsoft released, creating printing headaches. Symptoms include the dreaded blue screen of death computer crash (BSOD), missing color graphics in printouts, blank pages sent from the printer, and misalignment and formatting issues, according to the Pocket Lint website. “With an increasing number of people working from home and buying and using printers, these sorts of issues are obviously a large concern,” added writer Adrian Willings.

## Redesigned iMacs Coming With Larger Screens?

Apple is expected to launch new designs of its popular all-in-one computer, possibly by late spring. DigitalTrends and several other tech sites report the company is expected to replace its 21.5-inch models with slightly larger 23- and 24-inch screens. The most popular iMac – the 27-inch screen model – is said to keep its larger display. Analysts claim these will be the first iMacs with the new M1 chip, made by Apple. It will replace the Intel processors that began appearing in Macs back in 2006. So far, Apple has installed the new M1 chip in its Mac mini desktop models, as well as its MacBook Air and MacBook Pro laptops. MacRumors first reported that several iMac models had been removed from Apple’s online store, suggesting they have been discontinued.

## Apple Introduces New Teacher Portfolio

Apple is providing teachers with a new product designed to create a collection of their most creative and engaging lessons to share with colleagues and leadership teams. As part of the company’s Apple Teacher Learning Center, the Portfolio contains a series of templates and lesson plans for educators to use in the classroom. Apple also updated its Everyone Can Create Curriculum, which provides new features for the iPad. Apple says more than 5,000 K–12 schools and institutions are using the Everyone Can Create Curriculum worldwide.

## SPOTIFY REDESIGNS MAC & WEB APPS

Spotify, one of the largest music streaming services, has announced it has updated its Mac and web apps to make them easier to use. The move follows a major iOS update. According to the 9to5Mac website, Spotify told its users, “Since the desktop experience served as the original window to the world for Spotify, this was not a task we took lightly. It took months of tests and research, talking to users, and gathering feedback. Now, we’re pleased to deliver a new, clean design, more controls, and a great new foundation for our listeners to use Spotify across our desktop app and web player for the years to come.” Spotify is based in Stockholm and has more than 345 million active monthly users, including more than 155 million paying subscribers.

## New File Explorer Icons Coming to Windows 10

Windows 10 users should look for a visual overhaul to the File Explorer system icons—including the Recycle Bin, Pictures, Documents folders, and devices such as disk drives and flash drives. A Microsoft spokesperson is quoted in The Verge as saying “that should make it a little easier to tell them apart at a glance.” As The Verge notes, “These icon changes are fairly minor in the grand scheme of Windows, but they’re part of a broader effort inside Microsoft to modernize Windows.”



# Brand Loyalty for iPhone at All-Time High

**G**ot an iPhone? If so, when it comes time to replace it, chances are you'll buy another iPhone. A new cell phone brand loyalty survey conducted this year by [sellcell](#) reveals just that.

More than 90% of iPhone users plan to buy another iPhone when they replace their current phone.

8.1% of iPhone users would switch to a different phone brand.

Meanwhile, Samsung Android phone loyalty has dropped to 74% in 2021 from nearly 86% in 2019.

More than one-quarter of Samsung Android phone users say they will buy another brand when they upgrade to a new phone.

Of those leaving Samsung, the survey revealed 53% will switch to an iPhone for their next phone.

The primary reason for the switch? Privacy concerns.

31.5% cited privacy and security as the primary reason why they're switching. 24% say they'll buy a Google Pixel phone next time.

The survey also found that Motorola and LG phone owners were the most likely to switch brands.

71% of Motorola phone users and nearly 63% of LG users are planning to buy a different brand of phone when they upgrade.

SellCell asked those taking the survey to pick their favorite model from a list of major smartphones released in or after August 2020.

Here are the top ten picks of those responding:

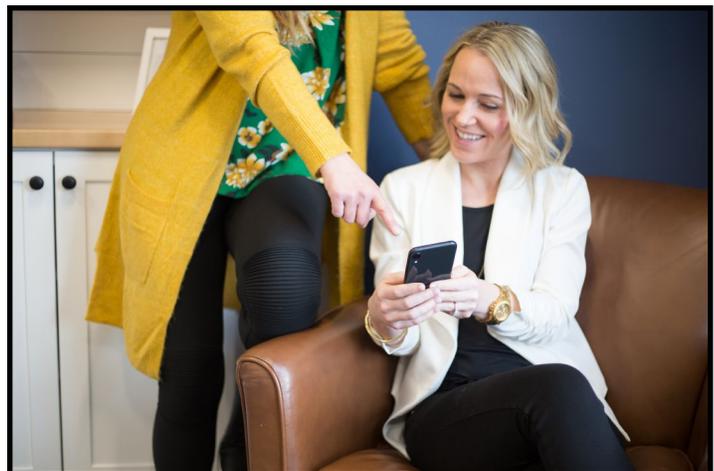
1. Apple iPhone 12
2. Apple iPhone 12 Pro Max
3. Samsung Galaxy S21
4. Apple iPhone 12 Pro
5. Samsung Galaxy S21 Ultra
6. Samsung Galaxy S21+
7. Google Pixel 5
8. Apple iPhone 12 mini
9. Other phone
10. Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 5G

## 2021 SellCell Smartphone Study of Phone Users Owning Five Major Smartphone Brands (Apple, Android, Samsung, Google, LG & Motorola)

### Responses from the 2021 sellcell study include:

- 45% like their current phone better than other options and don't want to switch
- 21% say they are too tied to the Apple or Android ecosystem (For example, Apple Photos app syncs with their iPhone, their Mac, and their iPad.)
- 16% say they've never had an issue with their present phone brand so why switch?
- 10% say changing the operating system (from iOS to Android or Android to iOS is just too much of a hassle.)
- 8% prefer to stick with what they know

**More than 5,000 American cell phone users were interviewed for this study.**



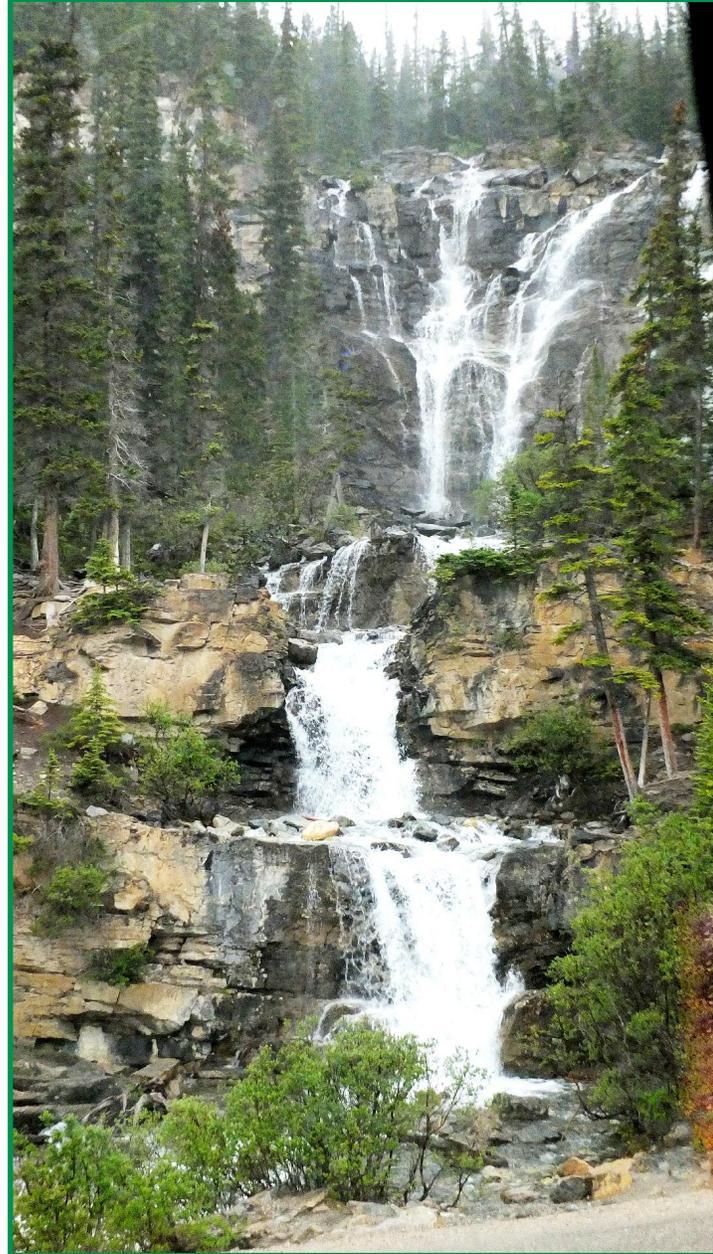
By Kristin Hardwick for StockSnap



# Digital Photography SIG March Photo Contest Winners



**Carolyn Nichols describes her award-winning photo taken in Michigan:** The 110 acre park and Dow Gardens, Midland, Michigan, June, 2018. **Fun facts:** This Michigan Highlights trip with the Lexington Seniors has now provided me with a total of 3 winning photos at CKCS! The other two photos were taken on Mackinac Island (one was a stone bridge at the state park and one was a butterfly at their famous Butterfly House).



**“It was so spectacular to see something like that,” remarked Boone Baldwin** as we spoke on the phone. His award-winning photo was taken in Alberta, Canada; of Athabasca Falls. Boone says he was on a 2015 tour of the Canadian Rockies with the Lexington Senior Center and took a train overnight from Vancouver to Alberta where he spotted the waterfall. Boone says he saw a number of other waterfalls on the trip but he thought Athabasca Falls provided the “best picture.” In addition, the “constant roar of the falls” stayed with him. Boone shot the first-place photo with a Fuji XS-1 camera (a “bridge” camera) used by several others on the same trip.



**Topic:**  
**Waterfalls**

*1st Place Tie*  
**Carolyn Nichols & Boone Baldwin**

**Topic:**  
**Waterfalls**



# Digital Photography SIG March Photo Contest Winners



**A** **anne responds to our email about her award-winning photo:** I took this photo on April 29 last year at Lake Cumberland. It had been raining hard all day and we were enjoying a waterfall in the back of a cove that had appeared after the heavy showers. As I was taking pictures a Great Blue Heron flew in and was kind enough to pose for me! It was still sprinkling when I took the photo as you can see from the water drops on top of the water. I used my Fuji X-T1, F/8; 1/8 second; 200 ISO; at 135mm.

**Topic:  
Waterfalls**

*2nd Place*  
**Anne Campbell**



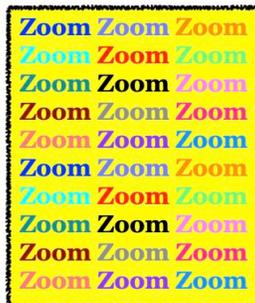
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## Weather Apps & Websites

With spring storms, it's time to examine **Weather**.

Join Us via **Zoom** April 8 at 7 P.M.



**Zoom link to join**

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EVERY THURSDAY MORNING  
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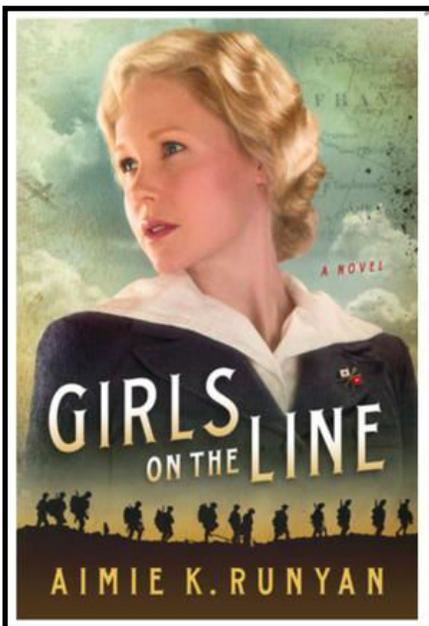
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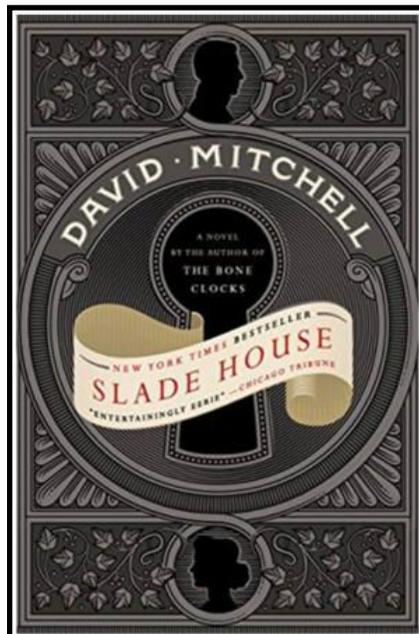
# Spring Reading Is Fun

## Grab A Book And Dig In

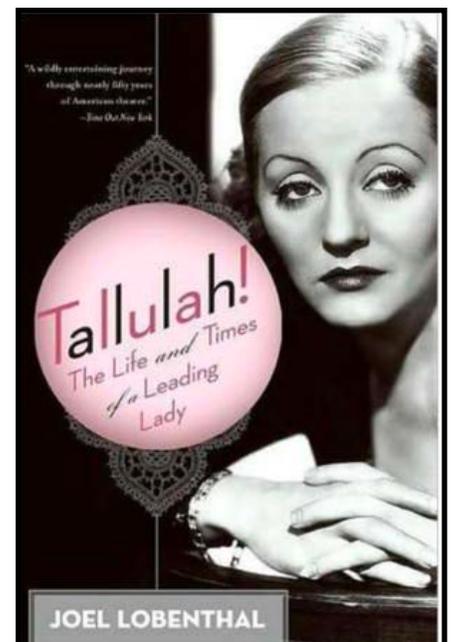
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*Girls on the Line*  
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*Slade House*  
by David Mitchell

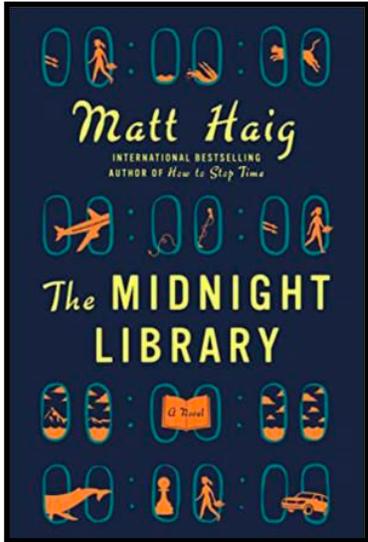


*Tallulah!*  
*The Life and Times of a Leading Lady*  
by Joel Lobenthal

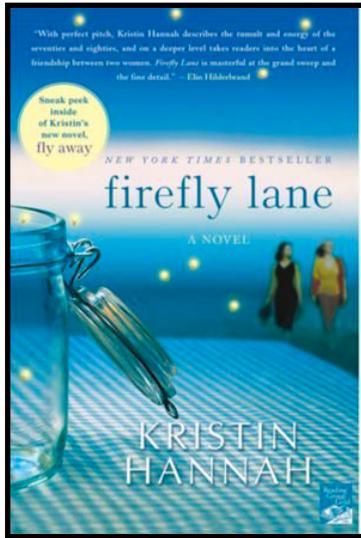
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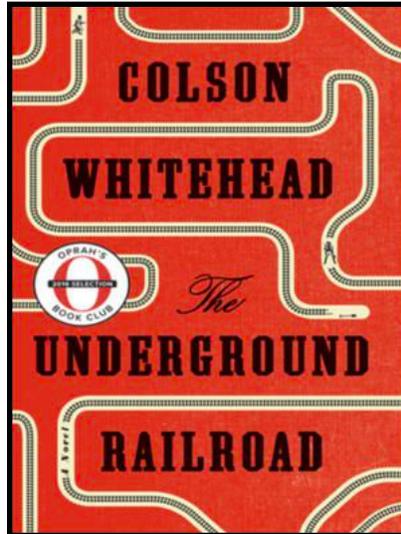
**Books, Books & More Books: Choose Your Favorite**



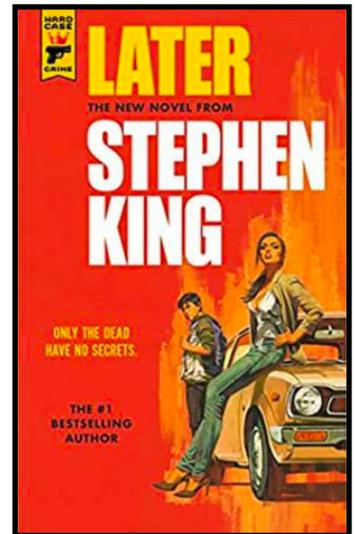
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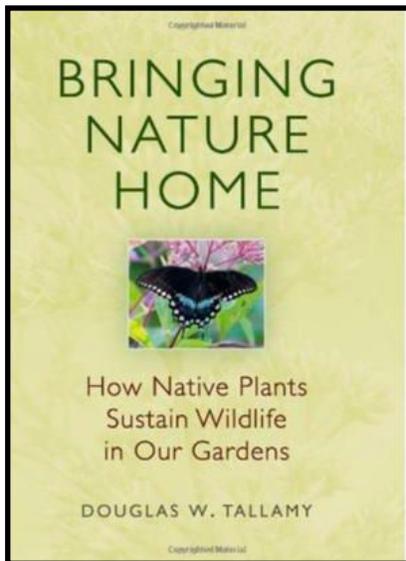
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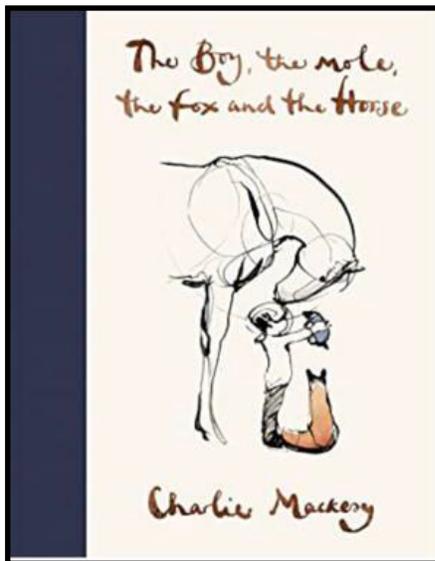
**The Underground Railroad**  
by Colson Whitehead



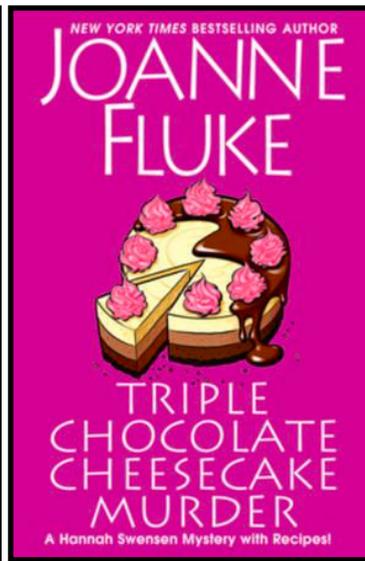
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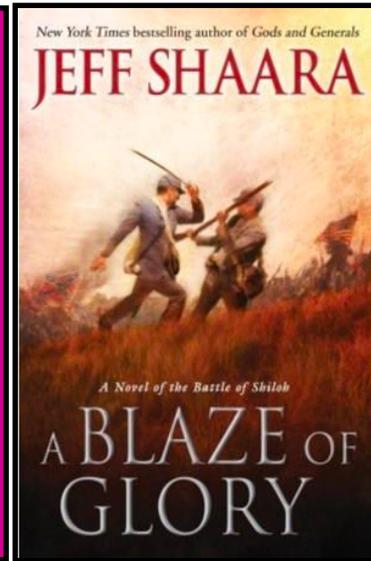
**Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens**  
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**The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse**  
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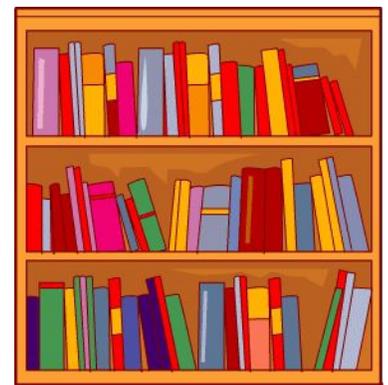
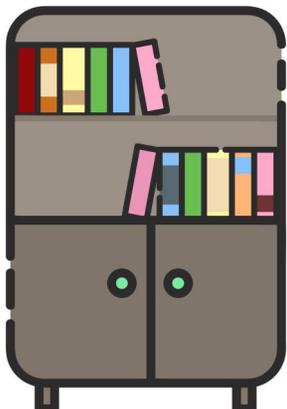
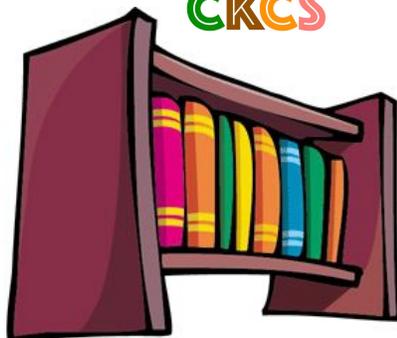


**Triple Chocolate Cheesecake Murder**  
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**A Blaze of Glory**  
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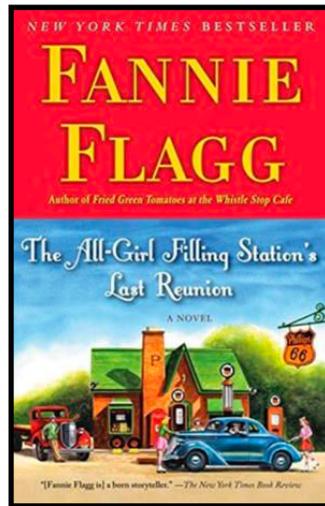


# Even More Book Titles to Welcome Spring

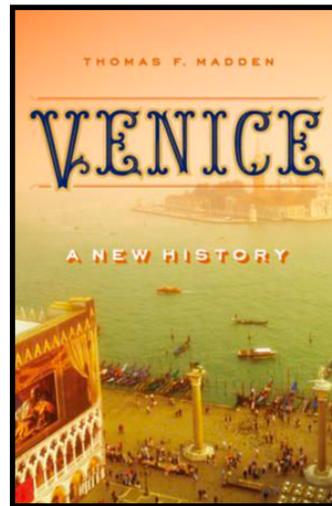
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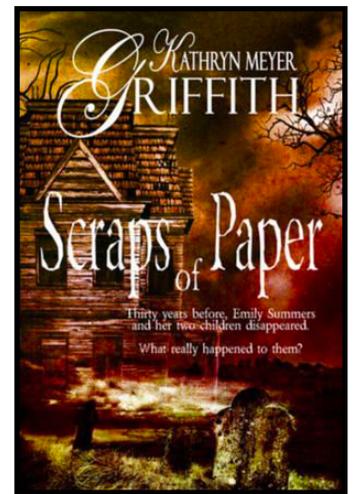
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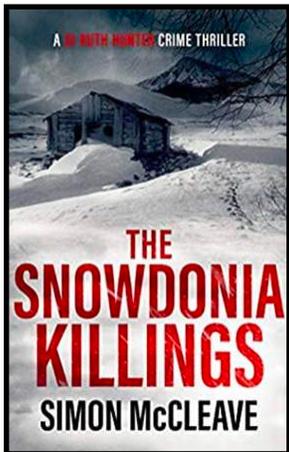
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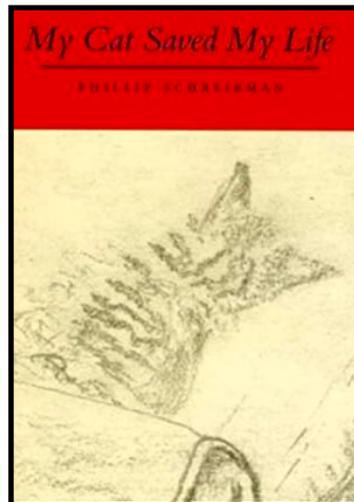
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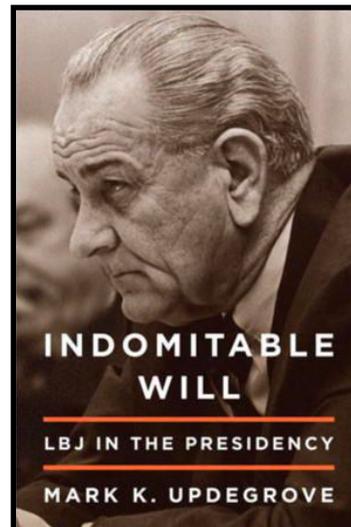
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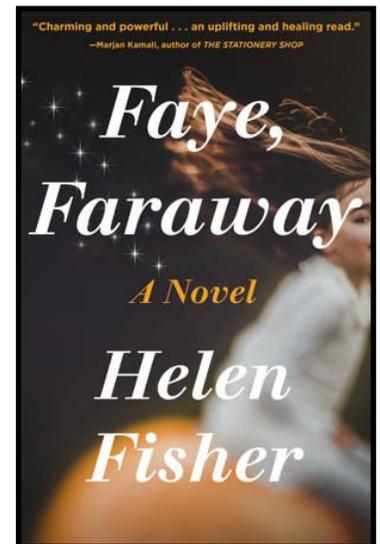
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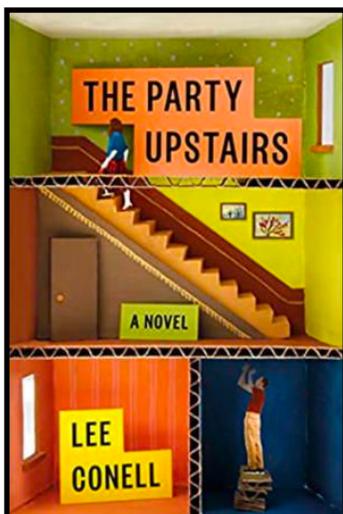
**My Cat Saved My Life**  
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**Indomitable Will: LBJ In the Presidency**  
by Mark K. Updegrave



**Faye, Faraway**  
by Helen Fisher



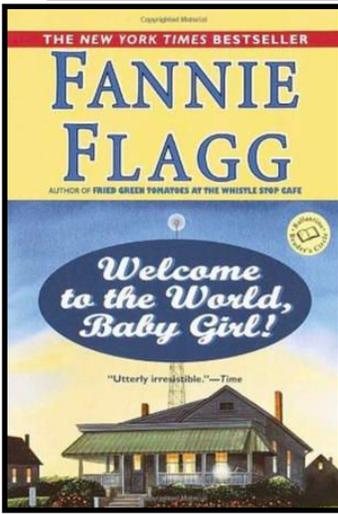
**The Party Upstairs**  
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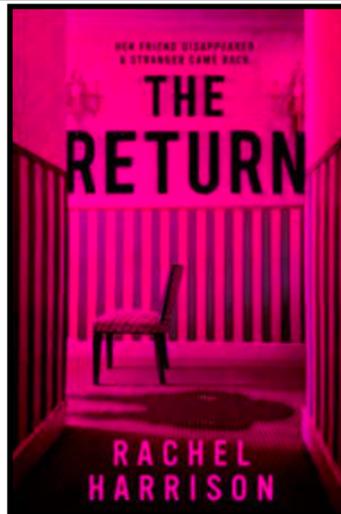
**Modern Comfort Food**  
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# You Asked For More Books. Here They Are.

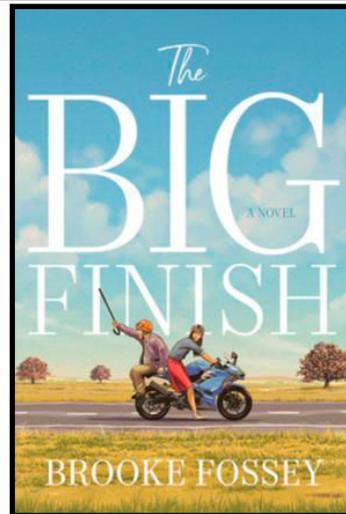
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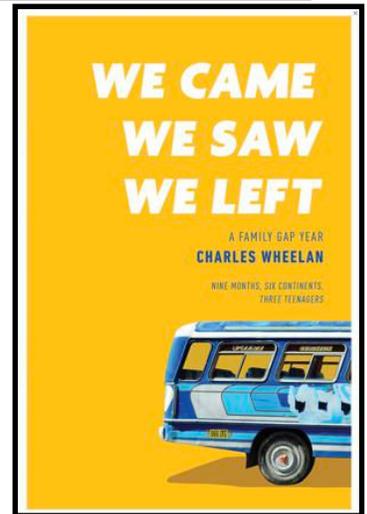
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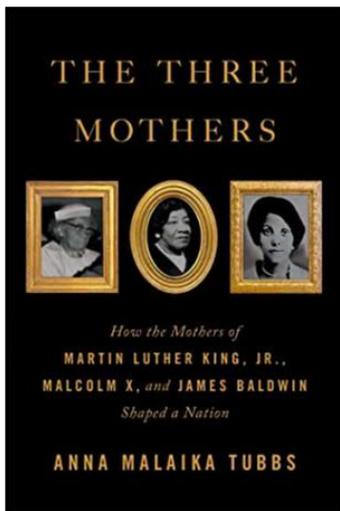
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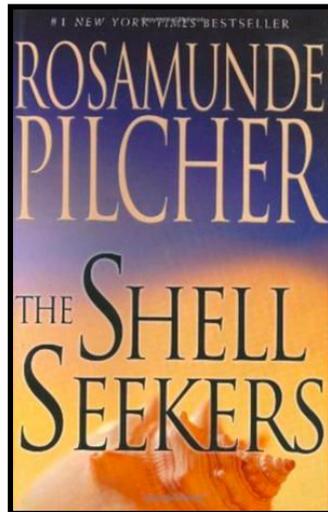
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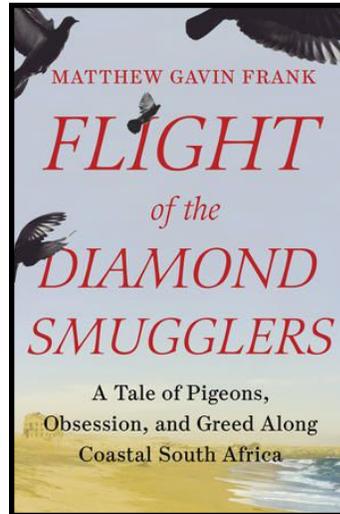
**We Came, We Saw, We Left:**  
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Nine Months, Six Continents,  
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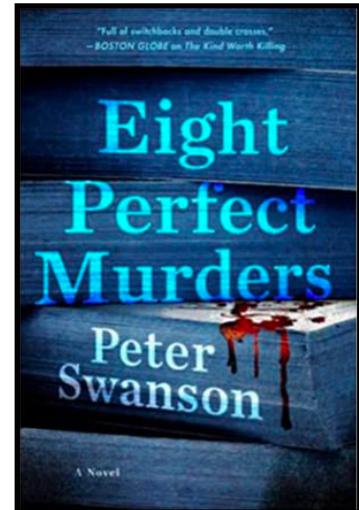
**The Three Mothers:**  
*How the Mothers of  
Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X,  
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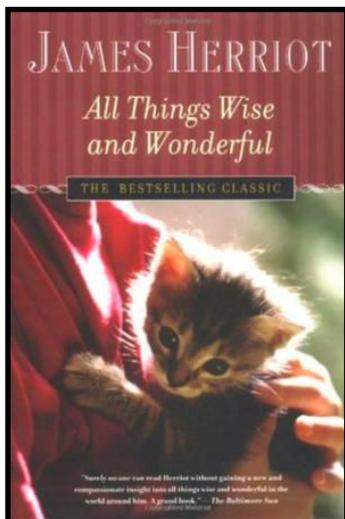
**The Shell Seekers**  
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**Flight of the Diamond Smugglers:**  
*A Tale of Pigeons, Obsession, and  
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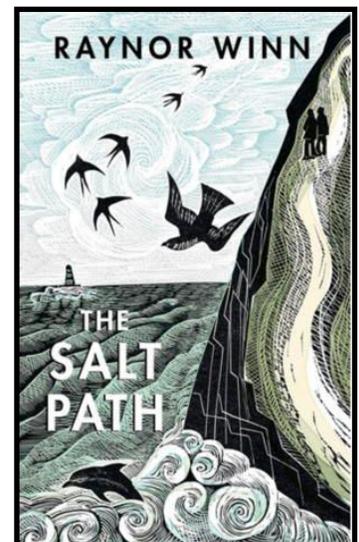


**Eight Perfect Murders**  
by Peter Swanson



**All Things Wise and Wonderful**  
by James Herriot

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**The Salt Path**  
by Raynor Winn

# Amazon's Top 20 Most Popular Books of the Week

**W**ant to follow what others are reading? Check out Amazon's Top 20 [book lists](#). The company calls it Amazon Charts and separates "Most Read" and "Most Sold."

As I type this in late March, the "most read" book according to Amazon is *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah. It's been on the list for seven weeks.

Hannah's best-seller also tops the "most sold" list, showing in that category for nine weeks.

It's fun to compare the lists to see what Amazon shoppers favor.

## Amazon's Top 20 Best-Sellers

- ***The Four Winds*** by Kristin Hannah
- ***Win*** by Harlan Coben
- ***It's Not Easy Being a Bunny*** by Marilyn Sadler
- ***The Midnight Library*** by Matt Haig
- ***Later*** by Stephen King
- ***Mothering Heights*** by Dav Pilkey
- ***Life After Death*** by Sister Souljah
- ***Klara and the Sun*** by Kazuo Ishiguro
- ***Wild Sign*** by Patricia Briggs
- ***Biscuit's Pet & Play Easter*** by Alyssa Satin Capuccilli
- ***Little Blue Truck's Springtime*** by Alice Schertle
- ***The Devil Wears Black*** by L.J. Shen
- ***The Vanishing Half*** by Brit Bennett
- ***The Rose Code*** by Kate Quinn
- ***2034*** by Elliot Ackerman & Admiral James Stavridis
- ***How to Catch The Easter Bunny*** by Adam Wallace
- ***Where The Crawdads Sing*** by Delia Owens
- ***If Animals Kissed Good Night*** by Ann Whitford Paul
- ***I Love You to the Moon and Back*** by Amelia Hepworth
- ***The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse*** by Charlie Mackesy

## Police Procedurals, Anyone?

If you're a fan of police procedurals, then stay with me here. For some reason, I love to read and listen to the audiobook version of police officers, sheriff's deputies, game wardens, park rangers and others in law enforcement doing their jobs.

The TV version? Not so much. In other words, I'd much rather dig into a great [C.J.Box](#), [Craig Johnson](#) or [Linda Castillo](#) book rather than watch *Law & Order*.

Maybe it's the way my brain works. But the book (normally either the Kindle or Apple Books version) allows my imagination to "see" Wyoming Game Warden Joe Pickett, Sheriff Walt Longmire or Painters Mill, Ohio, Police Chief Kate Burkholder.

Believe it or not, "police procedurals" is a recognized book genre. Amazon even [posts](#) its top 100 paid and free police procedural books – updated every hour.

If you're just getting started with this type of book or you're an old hat check out Amazon's site and you just might find your next good read. Here, you'll find a variety of police procedurals such as:

- ***Heartbreak Bay*** by Rachel Caine
- ***Drown Her Sorrows*** by Melinda Leigh
- ***Cut and Run*** by Mary Burton
- ***The Girl in Cabin 13*** by A.J. Rivers
- ***Black Coral*** by Andrew Mayne
- ***A Wicked Snow*** by Gregg Olsen
- ***Transient Desires*** by Donna Leon
- ***Crimson Lake Road*** by Victor Methos

You'll notice most of these books follow the main characters' lives as they mature through the years. It helps to read the series in order (Book 1, book 2, etc.) so you can watch the character evolve. Don't forget to check out audiobooks through more than one library in your area. [audible.com](#) (which Amazon owns) has one of the best collections of recorded books you're bound to find anywhere. Enjoy!





Game Show: Two For the Money (1956)

TV Show: The Life of Riley (1950s)

Funniest Game Show Bloopers

Inventions & New Products: 1950-1979

Radio's First Major Quiz Show: Dr. I.Q.

Song: Classical Gas by Mason Williams

Radio Comedy Show: It Pays To Be Ignorant

Song: No Matter What Shape Your Stomach's In by the T-Bones

Radio Show: Kay Kyser Kollege of Musical Knowledge

Songs: Top 15 Best Instrumental Songs

Game Show: Tic-Tac-Dough (1957 - Probed for Being Rigged)

Song: The Hustle by Van McCoy (1975)

Game Show: 20 Questions (1950s)

Fred Astaire Cuts Loose (1970 Oscars)

Game Show: Treasure Hunt (1950s)

100 Songs Kids in the 70's Grew Up With

Game Show: Strike It Rich (Aug. 1955)

Kids React To Old Computers

TV Show: Dick Tracy (1950)

Evolution of Laptops (1975-2020)

The Jack Benny Program (1950s)

Evolution of the Computer (1930 to 2021)

TV Show: The Adventures of Superman (1950s)

Color TV Comes to the Three Networks

TV Show: Queen for a Day (1950s)

NBC/RCA Identity Logos

70s TV Commercials

Dolly Parton Writes a Song for Johnny Carson

