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### **Membership**

Membership for L.C.A.C.E. is open to all individuals and families interested in personal computing. Annual dues are \$20.00 per individual/family. Associate membership is only \$10.00 (out of state, unable to attend meetings). Membership includes a one year subscription to the L.C.A.C.E. News Journal and access to all club libraries and functions. Applications for membership may be obtained at the monthly meeting, by request on the club Hotline and are now available on our WEB site at <http://inf-net.com/lcace>.

### **Meetings**

L.C.A.C.E. meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the Grant Township Meeting Hall, 411 S. Washington Ave., Ingleside, (Fox Lake) Illinois. The meeting location opens at 11:30 a.m., and the formal meeting begins at noon. All meetings are open to the public. Bring a friend!

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# Presidents RAA



On behalf of the Board and the Members of the Lake County Area Computer Enthusiasts, I want to give an especially big **THANK YOU** to Robin Seidenberg for her fine job of getting our club some much needed PR and an even bigger THANK You for securing our new meeting

place written up in the Waukegan News Sun (did you see it?) and the Lakeland Press Newspapers. The Grayslake Library, I think, will help us bring in some new members and bring back some of our old members.

Linda

## Backup Plus v6.0.6

By Dwight (J.J.) Johnson

I'm primarily a laptop user; therefore, all my important data could easily be lost while transporting my laptop from one location to another. I've found Backup Plus provides an easy way to backup my most important data to my external hard driver or to just about any removable device including ZIP, JAZ, floppy disk, and CDR/CDRW media disks. There is no mention of being able to back up to a DVD, but Backup Plus has the ability to write to just about any device in a single backup archive format and will span multiple disks on removable drives when more than one disk is required. I haven't tried to back up to a hard drive on my network, but I don't see any reason it shouldn't work.

The largest amount of data that can be backed up at any one time in one backup set is 4.0 GB. Therefore, it is important to note that backups should only contain important files and data, such as E-Mail data, important document files, etc.

The backup registry option allows you to quickly and easily backup your important system files. Existing system files will be searched for before this menu loads and will be listed for you. The Registry Backup is designed specifically for Windows 95/98/ME and XP systems only. If you are using Windows NT or Windows 2000,

the Registry Backup will not include all needed files.

I created backup sets of all my important data (Quicken, Family Tree Maker and Outlook .PST files) Sets can include folders, their subfolders, individual files, wild-cards and even exclusions. It even includes a backup set creation Wizard to help you get started quickly.

Also included is a handy Timed Backups Manager which allows me to schedule hands-free backups at any time. I generally perform this task on Saturday evenings when I'm out, so I just leave the computer on that evening. Command line & desktop shortcut backups can also be performed easily. Backup Plus allows full configuration including naming backups according to the system date, password protection, backup tracking and full backup logging. I normally schedule my laptop to scandisk and defrag weekly. Now I can ensure the safety of my data before my weekly maintenances are scheduled.

If disaster strikes and you need to restore your data, my precious data can be restored to its original location or alternate locations. Full folder information is restored if requested as well. Individual files, full folders, sub folders and even entire backups can be quickly restored from any backup.

If you're looking for a powerful and easy-to-use backup product, Backup Plus is the one for you. You can download the Shareware trial version, which allows you to try Backup Plus for 21 days. The full version can be purchased for \$39.95 from AVANTRIX Inc at: [www.avantrix.com](http://www.avantrix.com) or phone 1-877-448-1491.

### Minimum System Requirements:

Pentium 100 or better

Windows 95,98,NT, 2000 and XP

~~6 MB RAM~~

**What is it ?** Be the first one to tell me what it is at the meeting and win a prize. (Mike McEnergy (Must be present at the meeting to win))



Sorry - Board members and their families are not eligible.

# How To Get the Most out of Your Digital Camera

## Part-5

By Pegasus Staff Writer

### VIEW, STORE AND ARCHIVE YOUR IMAGES

As in the working world, so it is in the digital photography arena. It's not what you make; it's what you keep. And, you'll discover how quickly your downloaded images will clutter up your computer and find their way to the nether regions of your hard drive if you don't have a plan in place for safely and neatly organizing and preserving those images.

As a general rule, keep everything, even images that you consider to be mistakes. Organize by folder, giving each folder a subject and date line. The most crucial aspect of image storage is to ensure that original images are kept safe and sound from permanent corruption by image editing programs. Always alter a copy of an image, never the original image itself. And, when working in JPEG format, be aware that each time you alter and re-save an image in JPEG, image detail is being lost due to JPEG's file-compression methodology.

Many digicams include image-viewing, editing, thumbnail, and archiving software. Use it or obtain more powerful commercial software. As multi-megapixel images are fairly large in size, you'll soon have an unwieldy mass of image files taking up an unfair share of your computer's hard drive. At the very least, you should use Iomega's Zip removable media that can store images on 100MB or 250MB disks (depending on the model). Or better yet, use inexpensive recordable CD-R (record once) or CD-RW (re-writeable) media with internal or external CD drives, (*burners*).

Don't rely on your computer's hard drive to permanently house your image collection. Hard drives continue to fail with alarming frequency. So be sure to archive your images on removable media, such as Zip disks or CDs. As a good general practice, download images from your digicam as soon as possible. You don't want to mistakenly erase images from your media card that you haven't off-loaded to your computer yet!

### PRINT YOUR IMAGES

There are several ways of printing images suitable for framing. A growing proliferation of Internet-based photo finishers, as detailed in this magazine from time to time, can take all of the guesswork out of your hands and help avoid the cost of investing in photo-quality ink-jet printers, paper and ink cartridges.

Many photo-finishing outlets also provide this service to digital photographers. There are even customer-operated kiosks in some locations where you can automate the

process on your own. Most likely, though, you will want to own a photo-quality ink-jet printer, retailing anywhere from \$100 to about \$399.

Regardless of printer or paper brand, the best-printed results are obtained by following these good practices: Don't scrimp on paper quality. Choose a name-brand, glossy photo paper. This premium glossy paper is expensive, but you'll be discriminating in your use and will only output your best images on it.

Let the printer's proprietary software determine the sizes and ink settings to maximize the quality of the image.

Print as many images on a single sheet of glossy photo paper as possible. Let the printer's software design the page layout to get the most use out of a single sheet of glossy paper.

Set your printer to output the image at the highest quality possible. Then, when it's printed, let the image dry for a substantial period of time, even overnight.

Don't expect your printer to make up for inferior image quality from the start. A poorly lit, badly focused, or improperly composed photo will only look worse when printed, regardless of how high you set the print quality.

Always *downsize* from the electronic image, never *up* size. Printing an image larger than its original size will result in pixilation, observed as loss of detail and focus.

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## Members



## Helping Members

# Printing Your Digital Photos



Even though we live in the Information Age and almost everything is done electronically, there are many reasons to create “hard copies” of your digital photos. Printed digital photos are much the same as traditionally developed pictures and can be shared in offline photo albums kept in a picture frame and mailed to your non-computer savvy friends, family and co-workers. There are two main ways to print your digital photos: do it yourself or have someone else print them for you.

## Do It Yourself

If you want to print your own digital photos, you are going to need a good printer and photo paper. A normal ink-jet printer will do an average job printing a digital photo (the better the printer, the better the quality of the printout). However, a printer specifically developed to print photos will provide much better quality and longevity.

The most popular photo printers include those by [Epson](#) and [Hewlett Packard](#). Hewlett Packard offers the PhotoSmart printer series which allows you to print photos directly without the need for a computer. Epson ink-jets are known for their high quality and low cost. Be sure to consider both your photo printing and regular printing needs when selecting a printer.

You can find photo paper, both glossy and matte, at office supply stores. There are many suppliers, including Kodak.

## Have Someone Else Do It

Traditional brick and mortar stores are now offering digital photo printing services. The Kodak Picture Maker kiosk or Fujifilm's Aladdin can be found in photofinishers in many cities and towns. Simply take a trip to your local processor and bring along your digital camera media.

Online sites also offer photo printing services. Ease of use is their primary offering: simply upload your digital photos to their site and select your print options. Online providers include: [Ofoto](#), [Printroom](#), [eFrames](#), [PicServe](#) and [Shutterfly](#).

Before choosing an online provider, consider the following:

Print Sizes

Prices

Shipping Cost

Return Policy

Quality Guarantee (do they guarantee the quality of the photo?)

Privacy Policy (will they share your personal information?)

Printing Options (do they print on non-traditional media such as coffee mugs or mouse pads?)

Uploading Options

Printer (what kind of printer do they use?)

Paper (what kind of paper do they use?)

## Resolution is Important

Keep in mind that a higher resolution will mean clearer photos. The minimum resolution to achieve acceptable printed results is as follows:

| Photo Print Size | Suggested Pixels |
|------------------|------------------|
| 3" x 5"          | 1024 x 767       |
| 4" x 6"          | 1280 x 960       |
| 8" x 10"         | 1600 x 1200      |

## Web-Watch

*Kool Sites are informative, weird, stylish, offbeat or unique.*

### **KIDS' SITE OF THE WEEK: LOVE TO COLOR -**

Kids can choose a picture on this site and color it online. Or they can print the pictures and use crayons.

[www.colorpalooza.com](http://www.colorpalooza.com)

**DOWNLOAD CALCULATOR-** Use this calculator to predict how long downloads will take.

Tell this site what type of connection you have, along with the file's size, and it will estimate the download time. [www-sci.lib.uci.edu/HSG/AATimeCalc.html](http://www-sci.lib.uci.edu/HSG/AATimeCalc.html)

**BAD MIDI MUSEUM -** Many midi songs sound like bad synthesizer rip-offs. Here is a

museum of the worst midi songs. <http://litt.leitany.fortunecity.com/vatican/791/midi.htm>

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### Profile of the Month

My name is: Marshia Hobson

My Job is: Admin Assistance

Family: Sister in Los Angeles

My Hometown is: Los Angeles

For entertainment I like: Roller Skating,  
Bowling

A book or movie I would recommend: False  
Memory (audio book)

My Favorite meal would be: Chicken Kiev

My prized possession: Infinite QX3 (SUV)

Someone I admire: My pastor Apostle John  
Eckhandt

I wish I could stop: having slow responses

I want people to remember me as: Ms.  
Gadget

I use my computer for: Desktop Publishing,  
Word-processing

My favorite computer program: WordPerfect

My favorite phrase or expression is: N/A

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## Win Tips - Windows 98/ME

### Delete Images in the My Pictures Folder

If you receive an error message which says: Cannot Delete Filename, Access Is Denied, The Source File May Be In Use, you may have tried to delete an image from the My Pictures folder or from another folder. Microsoft notes that if Web view is enabled, and you open the My Pictures folder or any customized folder that uses the Image Preview template, selected images display in the Image Preview window and are considered in use. So, while the image is being drawn, a Generating Preview...message displays in the Image Preview window, and the file locks up so you cannot delete it. To disable

Web view, select Folder Options from the Tools menu, then click the General tab's Use Windows Classic Folders option.

### Be Sure Borders Print

If a page border doesn't appear on a page when printed, it may be because the border extends beyond the print range allowed by your printer.

To print the border, you may have to increase the size of the left and right margins. To make the borders fall within acceptable page margins, choose Select All from the Edit menu, then Borders and Shading from the Format menu. Click the Page Border tab. Note the width of the border line in the Width drop-down list.

Click the Options button. The Border and Shading Options dialog will appear. Select Text from the drop-down box titled, Measure From. Note the distance (in points) for the left and right margin settings. Click OK, then click OK again to close both dialog boxes. Select Paragraph from the Format menu. Click the Indents And Spacing tab. In the left and right boxes of the Indentation section, type the number of points equal to the combined width of the border and the spacing specified in the Width and From Text boxes.

For example, if the Border width was 3 points (pt) and the right and left From Text boxes specified 4 points, enter 7 pt in each of the Left and Right boxes (If you don't enter Pt, Word will think you mean inches and won't allow the changes). Click OK.

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These are the people who have been nominated for office:

**Jim Rutledge**  
**Linda Busch**  
**Les Larkin**  
**Mike McEnery**  
**Larry Grauzas Sr. (Mr. "G")**  
**J.J. Johnson**  
**Robin Seidenberg**  
**Terri Hanlon**

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**Phil Grimm**

<http://www.public.surf.free.com/pgrimm>

**J.J.**

<http://www.picturetrail/lcace>

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Renewals will be posted on our WEB site which is:  
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If it is time for you to renew your membership, please fill out a new Application and a Member's Profile Sheet. These forms can be obtained at the meetings or downloaded from our WEB site.

If you do not want your name published in the *News Journal* for any reason, please e-mail me and I will respect your wishes.

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## **NEXT MEETING**

April 13, 2002

Grayslake Public Library

1200—3:00pm

This month:

## **Elections**

**Something New**

**Special Interest Group(s)**

**Kick Off**

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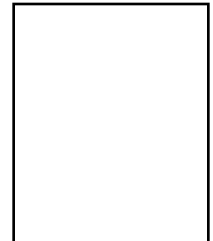
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