

Heritage Class Summary 6-3-2016

Disable Skype from opening on startup unless you use it. Even then why have it always running if you only use it once in awhile? You can access the list of programs in startup by opening the task manager. Right click the taskbar and choose it. Then click the startup tab. Disable the program's you don't want to open during startup.

When Windows 10 installs the automatic restore point option is turned off. Open the start menu and select Settings. Type restore in the search box. Then choose create a restore point. Make sure your C: drive shows ON. If not set it to on. You can create a restore point manually and restore your your computer back to a prior date when things go wrong. This does not restore your data.

W10 auto downloads unless you turn off the auto download function. If you don't you may wake up some day with Windows 10 even if you had not planned to do it.

Google photos allows you to store all of your pictures in the Google cloud. You need a google account. Open a browser and go to photos.google.com. Click the cloud icon and upload all of you pictures. It is free and you can store an unlimited number of pictures. Install the app on your PC and all pictures will be added to your photos cloud. Add the app to your phone and every time you snap a picture it will add to your photos in Google.

Glary utilities had a number of good functions but one constantly pops up a notification when some of your programs need updating. When you open Glary, click the Overview tab and uncheck the bottom check mark. This stops the pop up notifications. On the bottom of the Glary window the number of programs needing an update still displays and you can click it to see what programs need updates.

Skype vs Google Hangouts. I have used both and I find that Hangouts works better than Skype when the Internet connection is slow.

Uploading pictures to google photos from an SD card from a camera is not difficult. Take the card out of the camera and put in the slot on your laptop. It will mount as an external drive. Open it in File Explorer and open the DCIM folder. You will find your picture in folders in that folder. Open google photos and at the top of the windows, click the picture of the cloud and then locate your Pictures in the SD card. They will upload to photos. After making sure they are in the cloud you can delete them from the SD card.

I will not be in the area for the summer so our next class will be i October 7th. I will be on Google Hangouts each Thursday afternoon while I am away. I will send you the link in another email so you can participate too.