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Hi members, In the absence of Mike Johnson, Sandy McKenny welcomed 24 members to our Pot Pourri Meeting. She announced that the VR Social Club is looking for someone to upload event photos to the Vista Royale Website this summer. See Diane Zadnoff if you could be of assistance.

In the news from Vicky Getz:

### **Apple Passwords**

A cybercriminal claims to have millions of usernames/passwords, and is trying to get Apple to pay a ransom, under threat of all the iPhones, iPads, and Macs associated with these accounts to be erased.

The user names and passwords appear to be from other sites, where users **reused** their Apple password.

If you are in the habit of reusing your passwords on other sites, it might be a good time to reset your Apple password.

<http://www.zdnet.com/article/icloud-accounts-breach-gets-bigger-here-is-what-we-know/>

### **Last Pass**

Password manager **LastPass** is advising users to avoid using its browser plugins while it battles to fix a "major architectural problem", which could allow an attacker to steal passwords or execute code.

<https://arstechnica.com/security/2017/03/potent-lastpass-exploit-underscores-the-dark-side-of-password-managers/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2017/mar/30/lastpass-warns-users-to-exercise-caution-while-it-fixes-major-vulnerability>

### **IOS 10.3 released for your i-Phone:**

This fixes a Safari browser bug that has allows hackers to hold your phone for ransom.

As it is a 600Mb download, make sure you are on Wi-Fi so you don't eat up your cellular data.

This takes an hour to install so make sure you can spare your i-device for that long.

The straight to phone download has been retracted for the iPhone 5 and 5C.

<https://www.gottabemobile.com/ios-10-3-problems-5-things-you-need-to-know/>

**Bob Elliot** The two travel links Bob demonstrated were TravelZoo and TripMasters. The link he uses for his home page is [www.hotsheet.com](http://www.hotsheet.com) because it has links to everything, and he says he is a lousy typist! Thanks Bob for sharing.

<https://www.travelzoo.com/> is a conglomeration of over 1,000 Travel Agencies and every week it gives you its 20 Top 20 Picks for best trip deals. It is good for researching all-inclusive trips.

<https://www.tripmasters.com> This site makes setting up multi-city trips very easy. You can customize your itinerary and then book your trip, thus paying for all your trip in one spot.

<https://www.hotsheet.com> is a huge directory of news and sports links and you are bound to find a category that you will find interesting. If you follow the link to the conservative site for world news under 'headline' for Drudge it, that link will take you to:

[www.DrudgeReport.com](http://www.DrudgeReport.com) where you will see that the lists are sorted by newspaper or columnist..... it is Free.

[www.RefDesk.com](http://www.RefDesk.com) [Fact Checker for the Internet]: In your lifetime, you will never be able to check out the links on this inclusive directory so pick a couple of their favorites and save the site for when you need it. They have *Fact of the Day*, *Thought of the Day*, *Today in History*, etc. and links to all social media. It would make a good second 'home page'. At the bottom part of this site, click on *Daily Almanac* under **DAILY DIVERSIONS**. You can find a couple more of Bob's favorites: *Quick References* or *Fast Facts* by using the **SEARCH REFDESK: box on the left side of the screen**.

Steve Getz's "Fun with iPhones"

Steve demonstrated some of his favorite apps for his iPhone. For some of these apps to work properly, you must set a 'location' on your phone. All of the following apps are available both from the Apples App Store and Google's Play store and are sometimes a website as well:

<https://www.zyrtec.com> by McNeilPC A must see if you have allergies.

[www.GasBuddy.com](http://www.GasBuddy.com) is a site or app that gives you up to date prices of gasoline in your area.

<https://tidesnear.me/> on your PC or an free app by Randy Meed to get info from your local tide and current stations in just one click.

[www.Weather.com](http://www.Weather.com) The Weather Channel is always there for you and what is happening in your area, whether the local forecast or weather in motion. There is a app for this as well.

BreweryMap apps for your phones; look for them in your App Store:  
by SteadyServ Tech (Apple version)  
by PintLabs (Android version)

or on your PC: <http://www.brewerymap.com>

Here are some things you can do with your phone.....

Contacts List: Put yourself in your contacts list to use when you want to 'share' a message with someone else. Another contact should be ICE "In Case of Emergency" with relevant information on who to contact if you are incapacitated; EMT will look for this.

'Medical ID' would also be helpful as well. Remember that you can also BLOCK a caller every easily.

He also showed how to set up an alarm on your phone plus add an event to your catalog from your email.

Thank Bob Elliott and Steve Getz when you see them for volunteering to present, we need more members to step up to the plate.

Vicky Getz showed the Windows 7 tutorial #4 from [www.Top-Windows-Tutorials.com](http://www.Top-Windows-Tutorials.com)

as a demonstration of the quality of the lessons. For demo purposes, the first 15 lessons are available to watch free on line. Everyone from beginners to seasoned Windows users should watch some of the videos as there is a lot of information that will help you become a better Windows user.

Top-Windows-Tutorials sells Superguides CD's for Windows 7, 8 and 10 that each have more than 60 lessons and sell for \$20 + shipping and handling. Don't forget that you can stop one of the lessons or back it up is you need to.

<http://www.top-windows-tutorials.com/>

Find out at our own website link: [www.vrcc.info](http://www.vrcc.info) >Training >Self-Help>Top Windows Tutorials

This was a lot of info for one morning. Next week Vicky Getz will explain the Window's "GOD Mode" and why you might want to use it. Sandy McKenny will also show several of her favorite newsletters and websites plus anything else that catches her fancy in the meantime. Only two more meetings; last one is April 13 and closing on Friday, April 14.

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