

Attention Franklin Library Computer Students

Prices have increased to \$7.50 per class with the same great atmosphere and the same great handouts!

New Class Offerings:

Microsoft Office—Changing Careers Class—Designed for those who are in the workplace-covering Word, Excel, and PowerPoint in a 6-day class. There will also be a more in depth 10-day class.

Computers for Beginners—the refresher course.

Audacity—Turn your records into CD's with a couple of quick clicks!

And, of course, all the regular classes will be offered throughout the year!

Technology Club is Almost HERE!

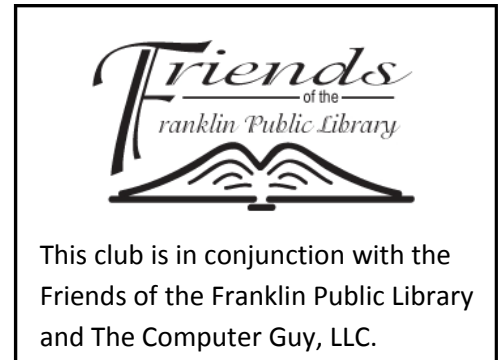
It has been a long time for me to present this idea that has been lingering in my brain since I started The Computer Guy, LLC. I have not seen anything quite like it, or know of anyone or organization that currently does it. So, with the help of the Friends of the Franklin Public Library, I have decided to launch "The Computer Guy Technology Club".

What the Tech Club is about - The general purpose of the club is to give the members an opportunity to learn more about ALL types of technology. We will have ongoing speakers (including The Computer Guy) each month to talk about various technologies that are around us. You will have a chance to ask your questions and create new topics of interest. There is so much more than just computers, such as home audio, home theater, digital cameras, alternative vehicles, to HVAC systems and more!

When will it meet? - Right now it is slated to meet the 4th Thursday night of every month. The first meeting will happen on January 26th from 6:15 p.m.—8 p.m.

Will there be a cost? - Yes, \$7.50 per person.

Is there a limit to who can come? - No.



The first meeting will be about a popular program called **Skype**. This is a great way to communicate with people around the world (potentially) for FREE. In the technology meeting, we will go through an in depth tutorial on how to use Skype-the easiest way to communicate with others across long distances. **Hope to see you there!**

Future Technology Meetings:

February = Digital Cameras/Camcorders

March = Online Banking

April = Home Theater Systems

May = Security of Your Home Computer

Please visit the website or stop by the Library for more details.
www.thecomputerguy-joe.com



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The Library Story-The Next Chapter



South Suburban Chamber Business Members Benefit the Franklin Public Library and Its Patrons

The Friends of the Franklin Public Library participated in the “Trunk or Treat” Halloween event held on October 31st at the Franklin Public Library. Library patrons, library staff, and area businesses decorated trunks of cars and trucks and provided candy or other items to all young participants. Librarians and staff offered Halloween activities inside the library. Both the Friends and the Franklin Public Library are members of the South Suburban Chamber of Commerce. These area businesses deserve our thanks and gratitude for their active participation:

Connect Cell, Cousins Subs Hwy. 100 & Drexel, Cruise Planners, David Insurance Agency, Ebenezer Child Care, Ferch’s Malt Shoppe and Grille, Forest Hill Highlands Senior Community, Forward Dental-Franklin, Johnson Bank, PyraMax Bank, Staybridge Suites, and Tri City Bank-Oak Creek.

30,000 Cookies for US Troops



The Library is full of stories, but the December 2011 issue of *Midwest Living* magazine features a story ABOUT the Library. The “Cookies With A Story” article on page 26 details the efforts of the Friends of the Franklin Public Library working in cooperation with the Books for Soldiers organization to boost the morale of deployed troops. The local effort, dubbed “Operation Home-Baked for the Holidays”, has recruited and registered the bakers needed to create 30,000 homemade cookies that US Service members will enjoy this holiday season. Their message to the troops is “We wish you could be home for the holidays but since you can’t, we want to at least give you something home-baked for the holidays”. You can contribute to this effort with a donation to help pay shipping expenses, which cost 10¢ per cookie. Cash or check donations made payable to Books for Soldiers-Franklin can be delivered to the Franklin Public Library at 9151 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, WI 53132.

Friends of the Franklin Public Library New Web Site

Did you know that the Friends of the Franklin Public Library web site is open 24/7? If you have not checked out our site, the Friends invite you to surf through at friendsofthefranklinpubliclibrary.org. On a weekly basis, the library has 6,000 patrons walking through the doors, accessing materials in print and electronic version. This high volume of patrons shows that the people of Franklin are promoting literacy at all levels. So, the question Web Gal Elizabeth is asking the Franklin readers is—what are you reading? I look forward to posting your book reviews on the web page; however, I need individuals to send me their book reviews. If you enjoyed an interesting book in print or audio, consider writing a short book review or share an article of community interest for the web page. To submit a book review or article, contact Web Gal Elizabeth at fofplwebgal@gmail.com.

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