

# Sun City Summerlin Computer Club New Member Packet

## Enrollment Instructions

1. **Tear off and complete the blue Member Data Form** (last sheet in this package).

Please clearly **print** your name(s), address, telephone and your 8 digit Sun City Summerlin Community Association ID number(s) as shown on your Sun City ID card.

We would also very much appreciate your email address and information about your past occupation, your level of computer experience, whether you are willing to volunteer in some capacity (computer related or non-computer related), and what types of computer (Windows PC or Mac) and operating software you use.

All this information will be kept confidential and used only for Club membership purposes.

2. **Dues**

From January 1 to June 30, dues are **\$10** per member.  
From July 1 to December 31, dues are **\$5** per member.

**Make checks payable to SCSCC.**

3. If joining at the lab, place your check and the blue member data sheet into a white payment envelope and return it to the lab monitor. If joining by US mail, place your check and the blue member data sheet into a postal envelope and mail it to:

Sun City Summerlin Computer Club  
2251 North Rampart Blvd, Box 111  
Las Vegas, NV 89128

4. The Club's **Bylaws and Constitution** can be reviewed and printed at the Club's Membership web page at:

[http://www.scs-cc.com/REPEAT\\_2008/SCSCCMembership.htm](http://www.scs-cc.com/REPEAT_2008/SCSCCMembership.htm)

The hyperlinks are near the bottom of the Membership page.

# Welcome to the Sun City Summerlin Computer Club

**We are delighted to have you as a new member.**

Our Club is primarily service-oriented. Our basic function is to help our members further their own interests in personal computing. Our main activities and services include:

## **General Meetings**

General meeting of our members are held not less than 9 times per year on the first Thursday of the month at the Desert Vista ballroom. Meeting activities include announcements concerning Club affairs, informal reports from officers and key staff and a topical presentation on some aspect of personal computing. Following the meeting is an open gathering with refreshments.

## **Club Facilities**

The Club maintains and operates a Computer Lab and a Computer Classroom located in the Pinnacle Community Center. Resources include up-to-date computers and extensive software holdings. A library of shareware programs and a library of reference materials are maintained and are available during Open Lab sessions.

## **Newsletter**

The Club newsletter, the Gigabyte Gazette, is published monthly on the Club's web site at: <http://www.scs-cc.com/>.

## **Helping Hands**

A number of our members have developed expertise in a particular area of personal computing, such as word processing, printing, graphics, communications and so forth. Many of these members have volunteered to help others cope with day-to-day crises involving their particular areas of expertise. In most cases, these "helping hands" will try to solve your problem by phone or by email. Occasionally, they will be able to spend some time with you, in person.

This service is free to members of the Computer Club. The names of the "helping hands" are listed on the Club web-site in the "About SCSCC" area. The hyperlink is in the left-side navigation pane. Please note, however, that we do not attempt to solve hardware problems through this program.

## **Formal Classes**

The Club offers classroom instruction on a regular basis in basic computer topics and in the use of popular applications. Currently, only the Boot Camp course charges a modest fee to cover the cost of instructional aids and student materials. Class fees and prerequisites are listed in the Gigabyte Gazette. Registration procedures vary for different classes, but are detailed in the on-line Gigabyte Gazette. Class size is generally limited to 45 for the classroom and 12 for the lab.

## **Free Seminars**

In addition to formal classes, a wide array of special seminars, usually lasting 1½ to 3 hours, are offered each month. Each seminar is devoted to a single topic, such as fonts, clip art, an application and so on. There is no charge for seminars. Seating is first come – first seated.

## **Special Interest Groups (SIGs)**

A SIG is a small group of Club members (10 to 40 or more) who meet on a regular basis to pursue a particular interest topic in personal computing. Currently active SIGs include: Android Devices, Digital Media, Genealogy, Google Programs, Hardware, iPad, Macintosh, Photoshop and Picasa. The Club's Hardware SIG meets each Tuesday afternoon to help members with PC hardware and software installation and configuration issues. Information concerning all the SIGs is posted in the monthly online Gigabyte Gazette.

## **Kaffee Klatches**

The Kaffee Klatches are one of the Club's oldest and most popular activities. The Kaffee Klatch meets Tuesday mornings at 8:30 as a round-table discussion, question and answer forum. Often the discussions are of fairly advanced topics and issues. Members can raise their most vexing problems and hopefully find answers. There is also a Beginners Kaffee Klatch that meets at 9:00 on Saturday mornings.

## **Web Site**

The Club has an established web site that contains the last twelve issues of the Gigabyte Gazette, plus a wealth of useful presentation material from past seminars and classes. The main web site URL is: <http://www.scs-cc.com/>. Handout material for seminars, classes and SIGs is found at: <http://www.scs-cc.com/handouts.html>.

## **E-mail Discussion Groups**

The Club has an e-mail broadcast news list, SCSCC\_News, through which members are kept up to date on schedules, events and other Club news. The Club also has an e-mail discussion group called HelpingHandsOnline. It is a forum for members to post questions, receive answers and also to receive more technical news.