

# McHenry County Computer Club

## Users Group for PC-Compatible Systems



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The **September 2011** meeting of the McHenry County Computer Club is [September 10](#), at the Salvation Army Building, 290 W. Crystal Lake Ave., in Crystal Lake.

Our membership is \$26.00 a year. NOTE: This fee offsets the running of the club; membership benefits include help with computer problems. Please pay Lyle Giese, our treasurer, or the designated Board Member in his absence.

### Meeting Agenda

- Introductions & Reports
- Demo: "Odd Ball Internet" - Lyle Giese
- Break
- Q & A
- Anniversary Party

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### upcoming demos

- *September - "Odd Ball Internet" ; Anniversary Party*
- *October - TBA - Bob Wagner*
- *November - Email Roundtable Discussion*
- *December - Word - Lucë York*

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## Questions & Answers

Not available this month.

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### Freeware

*by Al Schrader*

Suggested by Frank McGurn

### Mailinator

Mailinator is a quick way to create a temporary disposable E-Mail Address. Just think up a name and add mailinator.com, such as [al@mailinator.com](mailto:al@mailinator.com), and send any **text-only** email. To retrieve email, just head on over to mailinator.com and type in the created name and there it is: no password, no sign up, no nothing. Remember that there is no password, so do not send or have anyone send anything sensitive. For a throw-away address, it works great and it's free. I give this a thumbs up because it's just that easy.

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### New Computer Recycling Location

The new McHenry Goodwill store is now providing free computer and computer accessory recycling. Dell is sponsoring this program.

I dropped off my first item to the Goodwill PC recycling center: a small printer that stopped working years ago. The McHenry Goodwill store has separate doors for donating items. A young man came out to greet me and asked me whether the printer works. I said "no," that it was a candidate for the PC recycling center. I didn't get to look at the recycling center (pile), as he just walked away with the item.

The store is located at 2006 N. Richmond Road (Rte.31 north) in McHenry. The donation hours are:  
Monday - Friday: 8 AM - 8 PM  
Saturday: 8 AM - 6 PM  
Sunday: 9 AM - 5 PM

Jim Beierle

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### A Follow up Story to Lyle's Discussion about Routers

Sunday I lost my IP address for my Laptop's wireless connection. I got the dreaded "Limited connection" icon. After disconnecting and reconnecting the wireless connection, I finely powered off the ATT U verse router/TV interface (thing), powered on, and presto! - I got a good IP address and was able to browse the outside world.

Lyle's advice does work for us U verse customers.

Jim B

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