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Our office is open Monday through Friday from 10 AM to 4 PM. Stop by or reach out – we'll help you find exactly what you need.

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EaZy Tech Talk



July 22nd is Tune-up Tuesday!



Tuning up your computer is important because it helps keep your system running smoothly, efficiently, and securely. [Sign up now!!!](#) Here are some of the main reasons you should tune up your computer:

1. Unnecessary files are removed, memory is optimized, and needless start up programs are disabled.
2. Unused programs, cache files, temporary files, and duplicates that take up valuable storage are removed.
3. Outdated software and drivers that can have vulnerabilities are brought up to date.
4. Security checks are run to help protect against viruses, malware, and hackers.

We can also recommend any upgrades, anti-virus software, or malware software that can help to keep your computer running at it's best going forward.

Computer Upgrade or Replace?

Windows Computers

If your computer is running Windows 11 but frustratingly slow, upgrading may be an option. The upgrade cost can often be a small percentage of the cost to replace. Adding memory and a faster hard drive are the changes that can make a big difference.

Apple Computers

Intel-based Macs can be upgraded but with support for them ending, it does not make sense. Apple Silicon Macs cannot be upgraded after purchase with more memory or a larger hard drive. Because of this, we always recommend purchasing Macs with more memory and storage than you think you need.

Tune-up Tuesday is a great place to start. Even if replacement is the answer, it's better to transfer clean data than a lot of junk! If you can't come to us, give us a call to talk about it!



Apple Conference News

Apple held its annual developer's conference in June, announcing upcoming features and sharing a preview of what's ahead.

Important announcements

- **Software naming logic** has changed to indicate the year of release. This fall major releases will have a '26' in their name making it easier to know how up to date, or out of date, a device is.
- **Intel-based Macs** will get their last MacOS upgrade, Tahoe 26, this fall. In general terms, this means an Intel-based Mac now has a max life expectancy of about 2 years.
- **iPhone 11 and later** only will be compatible with iOS 26 scheduled for release this fall.
- **Added iPhone functionality** in iOS 26 includes hold assist which will allow you to silence hold music and call screening of calls from numbers not in your contact list.
- **iPad 8th generation and later** only will be compatible with iOS 26 scheduled for release this fall.
- **Added iPad functionality** in iOS 26 will give iPads features previously only available on Mac computers. When used with a keyboard case, they will be even more suitable for use as a laptop replacement.
- **Apple Watch 6th generation or later and SE 2nd generation** will be compatible with watchOS 26 scheduled for release this fall.
- **Added Watch functionality** in watchOS 26 includes notifications that are environmentally aware and additional features that use a turn of the wrist for no contact interaction.

If you have devices that will not be eligible for the fall updates, security updates will be available for an as yet undetermined period of time. The standard is no new features. If your devices are currently not on the latest release, start thinking about upgrading.



Streaming Expense Review

Streaming is a great way to save money but it's easy to lose track of all of those services.

- Check your credit card bill for subscription fees.
- Check your Xfinity bill for add-ons.
- Check Prime Video for add-ons.

Google Subscriptions

Check your subscriptions using a browser.

1. Go to myaccount.google.com and sign in.
2. On the left, click Payments & subscriptions.
3. Scroll down to the Subscription section and click Manage subscriptions.
4. Anything listed in the Active section is what you are currently paying for.

Roku Subscriptions

Check your subscriptions using a browser.

1. Go to my.roku.com/subscriptions and sign in.
2. Anything listed in the Active Subscriptions section is what you are currently paying for.

Apple Subscriptions

Check your subscriptions using your Apple device.

1. Go to Settings.
2. Tap your name at the top of the screen.
3. On the next screen, tap Subscriptions.
4. Anything listed in the Active section is what you are currently paying for.

If you are not comfortable doing this or need help, please call us. We are happy to assist!

From the Gadgets Watercooler

Mouse or Trackpad Pointer too small?

You can increase the size!

On **Mac computers**, open System Settings > Accessibility > Display. Under Pointer, drag the slider until the cursor is the size you want.

On **Window computers**, go to Settings > Accessibility or press the Windows key + U to find it quicker. Then, click on Mouse pointer and touch. Move the slider next to Size to the right until it's the right size for you.

You can change the colors too!



Apple's First iPhone

Apple's first smart phone, the 1st generation iPhone ran on OS X and was released on June 29, 2007. OS X was rebranded as iOS in 2010. It was originally priced at \$499 for the 4GB model and \$599 for the 8GB model.

- There was no App Store.
- The camera could not record videos.
- There was no flash or flashlight.
- It had Apple Maps but didn't have GPS.
- It had full iPod functionality built in.
- It was the first cell phone with:
 - A glass display.
 - A web browser.
 - An on screen keyboard.
- It operated on the 2G cell network.
- It operated on the Cingular (AT&T) network only.

Free Streaming movies

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We appreciate you being a part of the Gadgets Made EaZy community. Together, we can achieve amazing things!

Thank You!

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