

Bits & Bytes

Arkansas' Premier Computer Club



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Bella Vista Computer Club - John Ruehle Center

Highlands Crossing Center, 1801 Forest Hills Blvd Suite 208 (lower level), Bella Vista, AR 72715

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HOW TO FIND US

All meetings are on the lower level of the Highland Crossroads Center in Bella Vista. You may use entrance A on the West side or entrance C on the South side and take the elevator or stairs to the lower level. Turn left (West) to reach the General Meeting room, right for the John Ruehle Training Center. Additional information is on our web site.

MEETINGS

Board Meeting: January 8th, 6:00 pm, John Ruehle Training Center

General Meeting: January 8th (2nd Monday), 7:00 pm, Community Room A (Rm 1001).

Program: Pete Opland will present "Let's Buy A Computer" understanding what to look for and places to look for it when you need to purchase a new computer.

Bring a guest! New Members and Guests are always welcome at the General Meeting

Genealogy SIG: January 20th (3rd Saturday), 10 am – noon, John Ruehle Training Center

HELP CLINICS

Saturday, January 6, 9am – noon

Wednesday, January 17, 9am – noon

Saturday, February 3, 9am – noon

Help clinics are a free service held in the Training Center for BVCC club members

Bring your tower, laptop, tablet or smartphone for problem solving.

CLASSES

"Why, When and How to Backup Your C Drive" – Thursday January 18, 9am – 11am, Pete Opland. See "The Importance of Backups" on page 2 of the December newsletter.

"Introduction to MS Excel" - Joel Ewing, 4 hours in two parts:

Wednesday January 24, 10am – noon &

Friday January 26, 10am - noon

Pre-register for classes by calling Marie at (479)273-2558. Classes are **free to Computer Club members** and are held at our John Ruehle Training Center.

Check our web site at <http://bvcompclub.org> for the most current information on Training Session Descriptions and Calendar.

MEMBERSHIP

Single membership is \$20; \$10 for each additional family member. Join by mailing an application (from the web site) with check, or complete an application and pay at a meeting. **With free access to Help Clinics and classes, BVCC membership is a real bargain.**

Check your Membership Card to see if it is renewal time. We value each one of you.

RECYCLE CENTER HELP WANTED

The BVCC needs your help. If you have an hour or more of time you can give to the Bella Vista Recycling Center, they need greeters to assist people dropping off their recyclables. Our income is derived from dues and from grants from the Recycling Center based on hours donated and credited to BVCC.

WINDOWS CORNER – FILE EXTENSIONS

By Rosita Herrick, *The Sarasota Technology Users Group, FL, May 2017 issue, STUG Monitor*
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Each file created on a computer gets a file type definition or extension expressed by the characters after the period.

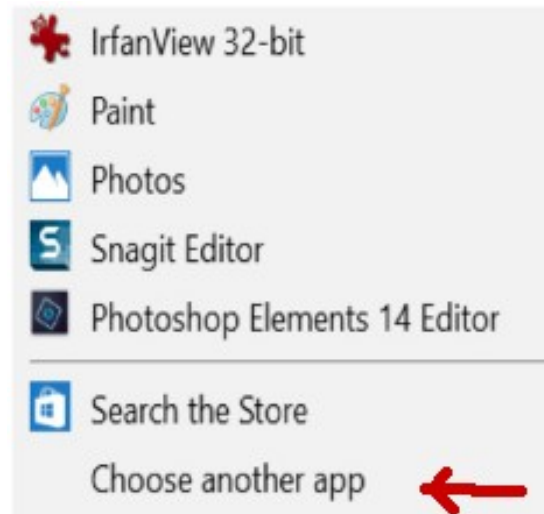
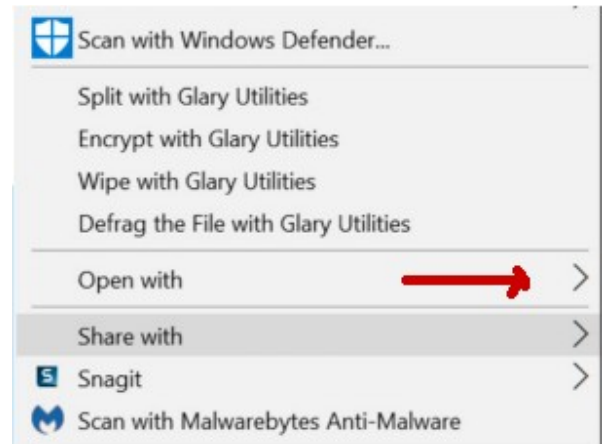
Here are some examples:

- Wordpad creates .rtf files
- Microsoft Office Word 2007 and newer creates .docx files
- Pictures come with different extensions depending on the device that created them. Some of them are .png, .jpg, .raw .tiff, and others.

When a user opens a file, normally there is a default program assigned to the extension that will open the file. In Windows 10 it is the Photos app. However, sometime I want to open a file with another program that I know can open it. In this case I would rather open

a .jpg picture with one of my favorite free picture browser programs called Irfanview. It is a small, fast program that lets me browse pictures fast and even lets me do some quick manipulation.

I know that I can right click on the file and in the popup select “Open with” and will get a number of options.



But if I want to open .jpg pictures with Irfanview by default and skip a few clicks, I need to click on the “Choose another app” link.

How do you want to open this file?

Keep using this app

 Photos
Photos are easily enhanced, organized for you, and ready to edit and share.

Other options

 "c:\program files (x86)\real\realplayer\
\RealPlay.exe" NotAsDefault "%1"

 IrfanView 32-bit

 Paint

 Photoshop Elements 14 Editor

Always use this app to open .jpg files 

OK

As you can see in the picture above, the popup is a little different. I highlighted the program name, and placed a check in the box to always use this app to open .jpg files. By clicking OK I now have changed the default program that opens the .jpg file extension.

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