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**Computer Help-
Desk Drop-In
sessions are every
second and fourth
Mondays of the
month 1-3 PM.**

**Mar Help Desk
sessions:
Monday Mar 9,
and Mar 23, 1-3.**

**Help-Desk is a free
drop in program to
assist Seniors with
their tech issues.**

In the News:

- a) [Watch the Atlas robot's bloopers](#)
- b) [Galaxy Unpacked 2026 Live Updates](#)
- c) [Microsoft just forked Windows](#)
- d) [Your PC and phone might start carding you this year](#)
- e) [How Panther Lake redefines the 'basic' laptop](#)
- f) [PayPal Flaw Exposed Email Addresses, Social Security Numbers for 6 Months](#)
- g) [China's Unitree Aims to Ship 20,000 Humanoid Robots in 2026](#)
- h) [Microsoft Unveils Glass Storage That Could Preserve Data for 10,000 Years](#)
- i) [Best of MWC 2026](#)
- j) [The Conduent breach; from 10 million to 25 million](#)
- k) [Apple sets the date for March 4 event and it could be a big one for Macs](#)

Articles for March

a) Don't Call Yourself Stupid by Leo A. Notenboom. This Ask Leo! article tackles a mindset that holds many people back: telling yourself you're "stupid" — especially when dealing with computers or technology. Leo explains that calling yourself stupid actually makes problems harder to solve because it reinforces negativity and self-doubt. He emphasizes that frustration with tech doesn't mean you aren't capable — it means the tools are hard. Changing how you talk to yourself (e.g., "I'm learning" instead of "I'm dumb") can make a real difference in how you approach and solve tech challenges. The point isn't that technology is easy — it's that a negative attitude makes learning and problem-solving much harder. **Why it matters to you:** If you find yourself getting frustrated or thinking "I'll never get this," this article is a reminder that your attitude affects your success. Feeling anxious or defeated makes technology seem more difficult than it is. A positive mindset helps you stay calm, ask questions, and learn more effectively — which leads to better results

a) and less stress overall.

askleo.com/13521

b) Why Scammers Call You, Say Nothing, and How to Respond Safely by Lance Whitney, 03.02.2026. This article explains why some scam calls are silent when you answer. These calls are often automated systems checking whether your number is active. If you speak or stay on the line, it confirms that a real person answers your phone. That information can then be used for future scam attempts. The safest response is to hang up immediately and let unknown numbers go to voicemail. Learn more by reading the article. **Why it matters to you:** Even saying "hello" can signal that your number is valid, increasing unwanted calls. Letting unknown callers go to voicemail helps reduce future scam activity.

zdnet.com/article/why-scammers-call-you-say-nothing-how-to-respond-safely/(cont)

c) Has My Computer Been Hacked? by Leo A. Notenboom. This article helps you understand what really does and doesn't indicate that your computer has been hacked. Leo explains that most signs people worry about — like slow performance, pop-ups, high CPU usage, or excessive internet activity — can be caused by many non-hack problems and aren't proof of a hack by themselves. He emphasizes that there's no single definitive sign of a hack, and that true unauthorized access often leaves no obvious trace. Instead, he focuses on prevention: keeping your software up-to-date, using good security tools, safeguarding your passwords, and practicing

c) safe habits online. If you're truly concerned something malicious has happened, he suggests starting with a full scan using reputable security software and securing your accounts. **Why this matters to you:** It's easy to jump to the conclusion that something "weird" happening on a computer means a hacker is inside your system. That fear can cause unnecessary stress and impulsive decisions. This article shows you how to approach the situation calmly — distinguish likely problems from real security threats, and take sensible steps that improve your protection without panic.

askleo.com/4807

d) The Birthday Invite That Almost Hacked Me by Kristin Burnham,

d) 02.27.2026. This article describes how scammers are sending deceptively friendly digital invitations — like birthday party invites — that carry malware or phishing links designed to compromise your device or steal your information. These messages look genuine and often use familiar event-style language to lower your guard. If you click the link thinking you're viewing party details, you may unknowingly install malicious software or be redirected to a fake site that captures your passwords or personal data. The article emphasizes that even seemingly harmless invites can be traps and that users should always verify the sender before clicking.

Why it matters to you:



d) Scammers are getting more sophisticated by disguising threats as friendly messages you might trust. A birthday invite — something you associate with celebration — could actually be a disguise for a harmful attack. Before clicking on any invitation link, take a moment to confirm that it's from someone you know and that the URL looks legitimate. This extra caution can keep your personal information and devices safe.

theintelligence.com/42408/the-birthday-invite-that-almost-hacked-me

e) How Do I Get Rid of Copilot Everywhere? by Leo A. Notenboom. Because Copilot is increasingly baked into Microsoft software, completely removing it isn't possible. This article walks you through what you can and can't do to reduce the presence of Microsoft Copilot. **Why it matters to you:** You don't have to embrace every AI feature — and this article gives you practical steps to tailor your system to your preferences.

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