## **Computer Maintenance Procedures**

- 1. Check how your system is doing: Ctrl-Alt-Delete Task Manager
  - a. Sort by Name
    - i. Apps Running
    - ii. Background Processes
  - b. Right-click to select End Task
- 2. Check the installed apps: Search for Apps
  - a. This morning, my desktop found 205 apps
  - b. Right-click an app to Uninstall
- 3. Find out how bad your system is "Hoarding" by doing a "Cleanup".
  - a. Run the apps below
  - b. These apps are favorites of other computer clubs,
  - c. But there are several other good ones.
  - d. I run them before I do a backup

## Click link to the site, download the **FREE** version. There are often ads! Do Not download from them.

## Install it to the default location, giving permissions

- 1. Disk Cleanup
  - a. Search for "Disk Cleanup"
  - b. Select the app
  - c. Select the "C" drive
  - d. All check boxes should be checked
  - e. Delete All Files
- 2. CCleaner https://www.ccleaner.com/ccleaner/download
  - a. Custom Clean: Analyze and Run Cleaner
- 3. **Glary Utilities** http://www.glarysoft.com
  - a. Cleanup and Repair:
    - i. Run Disk Cleanup.
    - ii. Run Registry Repair
  - b. Optimize & Improve:
    - i. Disk Defrag (HDD ONLY)
    - ii. Software Update (very useful)
      - 1. Download
      - 2. Manual
      - 3. "Open when done"
      - 4. Complete the install process
- 4. **SUPERAntiSpyware** https://www.superantispyware.com/download.html
  - a. "Scan this Computer"
  - b. "Quick Scan". (It may need to close browsers)
  - c. If it finds anything other than Adware Tracking Cookies, run it again as a "Complete Scan".
- 5. **Malwarebytes** https://www.malwarebytes.com/mwb-download
  - a. Scanner: Scan (This may take some time)
  - b. If threats are found, you will have the option of removing, repairing or quarantining them.
  - c. When complete, Finish and Close.
- 6. **If** either SUPERAntiSpyware or Malwarebytes find any abnormal files (other than adware tracking cookies found by SUPERAntiSpyware), both apps should be run again until both find no abnormal files.