## **November Newsletter**

If you are receiving this message, it means that either I have done work for you in the past, I am doing work for you now, or you have expressed interest regarding me doing work for you in the future. If you would prefer to not receive further emails from me, please let me know about it.

Being that it is now November, I will be sending out invoices to any of you for whom I have done work in October, or for those who have not yet paid for September. Please remit your payment when you have a chance.

Since I spent a lot of October "out of town", I had to postpone my advanced classes in Adobe PhotoShop until November. I am looking forward to continuing to learn the finer points of PhotoShop.

<u>Thanksgiving Coming Up</u> - Yes, this is the time of year when we are thankful for our blessings. I would like to use it also as another opportunity to thank those of you who allow *me* the opportunity to be of service to *you*.

<u>Coming Soon</u> - If you have been paying attention, you would know that I've been sending these messages out for a while now. And, as I acquire new clients (thank you, thank you...), some are only now starting to get newsletters. So I am working on setting up an archive, so people can go back and view previous messages. I know in my previous letter I said I hoped to have it ready next time, but I had my "vacations" and I also have been busy (again, thank you, thank you). I promise it will be coming. Stay tuned...

<u>Spyware/Adware</u>- Most people are diligent with anti-virus software, but how about spyware and adware? These are different from viruses in that they don't do real nasty things like delete files but they are still there behind the scenes and they can secretly attach and take control of your computer, resulting in aggressive advertising pop-ups, sluggish computer activity and even identity theft through stolen bank details, passwords, and credit card account numbers. You can download some free software packages that work very well to remove them. Two of the best are <u>Ad</u> <u>Aware</u> and <u>Spybot</u>. Since I am on the internet a lot, there is always the threat of spyware infiltrating my PC. Periodically, I run both of these programs and occasionally find and remove the "bad stuff".

When you launch these programs, they initially ask you to check for new definitions. Make sure you do this, as the weirdos that create this stuff are always making new versions and you need to stay up to date.

Thank you all for your business (and potential business...)

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