

MEMORIES AND MAGIC

Stu Gershon
February 2010

1. **Preserving Photos:**
Save photos (digital or film) in the .jpg format. Save on CD or DVD using **Picasa** or a “burning” program like **EZ Media Creator** or **Nero**.
2. **Restoring Photos:**
Scan old photos into your computer. **touchup scratches, blemishes, fading. enhance photos** (usually **contrast & brightness** if **b&w**).
3. **Using your Scanner:**
Scan photos with software that came with Scanner or, in **Windows XP**, go to **Start, All Programs, Accessories, Scanner & Camera Wizard**.
Scan important documents with **O.C.R. (Optical Character Recognition)** software directly into Microsoft Word or other Word Processor Program. *This requires a powerful computer and a lot of ram memory!*
4. **Scanning for survival!**
Scan jewelry right on flatbed (use ruler to show size/scale).
5. **Use Your Computer as a FAX:**
Scan a document into your computer with your Scanner and then use FAX software in **Windows XP**, go to **Start, All Programs, Accessories, Communications, Fax, Send a Fax**.

The ability to do all these things depends upon the features in your software and your familiarity with that software! No one software has the capability to do all the things in all these situations! I keep six to eight different software titles on my computer and I treat them as “tools in a toolbox!” For success, you should use the correct software for a particular task!