

# The Computer Screen

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## Special points of interest:

- It is that time of year again. Tax Time!
- Free Software to help you in the tax season....

## It's that time again....

*Are you ready to face Uncle Sam this new year? Yea me neither... Here are a few tips which can make it easier for you this year.*

1. If you have specific tax question please try TAXMAMA.com. I have personally tried this myself and she really does respond with an answer in a fair amount of time.
2. Go through your accounting system and make sure everything is classified correctly. This can save you a lot of heartburn when it comes to creating your tax reports.
3. Find out more about how you can E-File. Electronically filling your taxes can save you time and money. For more information please contact Maine's local IRS Office by phone at 207-879-4683, or on the Internet at WWW.IRS.GOV .
4. Make sure your computer is running well. I know this may sound like a sales pitch from UpSurf.net, but it really is necessary to make sure you will not be spending time fighting off viruses and such while trying to do your taxes. If you print off tax documents make sure your printer has plenty of ink, you may want to purchase extra



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(Picture source—<http://www.tjakes.com>)

just in case. Also, as a added measure make sure you backup your work often. You never know when your computer is going to fight back

5. Never ASSuME anything. If you have any questions ask a professional, or have your taxes professionally done. This is a very big tip because

## Free Software to help you in the tax season....

### Free QuickBooks 2008 accounting software:

This will help you organize your year and preparing taxes will be much easier. Here is the web address for this software — <http://quickbooks.intuit.com/product/accounting-software/free-accounting-software.jhtml?page=financial>, or you can search for free QuickBooks download using your favorite search engine (Yahoo, Google and so forth).



### DO YOU KNOW?

Which ancient civilization revered the tax professional as the most noble man in society?

- Greece
- Rome
- Egypt
- Incas

Greece

### Free IRS Preparation and filing:

If you made less than \$54,000 in 2007 you can use this link to prepare and file your taxes online — <http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=118986,00.html> .

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