

Metro Area Personal Computer Club



Meeting: 3rd Tuesday at Godfather's Pizza – 30th & Bdwy. Co. Bluffs 7 P.M.
Club Motto: "Pass It On"



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2012 Auction and Picnic



This year's event was held at the Manawa Fish & Game Club Sunday, Sept. 16th and was a booming success! With well over 30 attending, there was no shortage of activity. Joe & Fred, "The OLD Auctioneers", kept busy. Every one ate their fill and there was food left over!

Photos by Tammy Cooper and Bob Guthrie (More Photos inside)

"Going, Going, Gone!" Many items to sell...

This year's event was the club's **27th consecutive year** for such activity. Our very first club party, (a Christmas party), was held on December 8th, 1985 at 'Heitoff Hall', a poorly lighted Council Bluffs downtown meeting hall. SANTA CLAUS, (alias Fred Veleba), visited us during the festivities.

Things have certainly changed since then! How many of us remember that party?

This year, we met at the Manawa Fish & Game Club. The food was delicious, and there was plenty to go around. Mary Alice & Lynn took care of ordering chicken from Hy-Vee, and Mary Alice picked-up a ham and sliced it, so we enjoyed both. Several members were helpful setting things up. **I want to thank each and every one who helped.** I'd like to thank you individually by name, but I'm afraid I might neglect including someone I wasn't aware of who helped, so '**Thank you ALL**', who helped! It was discussed at the September meeting if we should reconsider the location for such an event. Lake Manawa is picturesque but there is a serious problem — **the steep, long steps** leading to the upstairs hall. No problem for you youngsters, but there are some of us who would rather not, or are unable to negotiate that many steps comfortably.

In any event, the Action Auction was very successful! We grossed, (before expenses) a total of \$380.25. Expenses for food, site, and door prizes totaled \$176.41 so we still came out with a little extra for future club expenses. After all the expenses, we cleared **\$203.84** Good going, gang!

From the President's Corner



Well, the picnic and auction activity is over once again, for another year. Summer is finally over and hopefully we'll enjoy a cooler autumn season than what this summer dealt us!

Email to Members

I was made aware, that at least one of our members would rather not receive the 'lighter' (non-club related), email I routinely send out, since their schedule doesn't permit time for anything but 'club business email'. I fully under-

stand, and am happy to comply, so what I've done is create a new, mass club email list, calling it "Fun MAPCC". I will be happy to remove any member's name from the 'fun' list if you would rather not receive such email. Just send me an email letting me know and I'll be happy to remove your name from that list and you will only receive mail pertinent to club activities. It's not my intention to be intrusive, and I apologize to any who feel that I have been.

It's my feeling, that a whole month between meetings is quite a long time to be out of touch with members, and much of the silly, lighter stuff, (and some more serious), mail I send has in turn generated replies, comments, and even thanks from quite a few members. **Frequent contact**; that's my intention, so each month we don't feel like a bunch of strangers coming together again. It's no problem to remove your name if for any reason you would rather not receive such email—just let me know, ok? My thanks to the member who did speak-up... that's what makes for better understanding among us.

CLUB SHIRTS and HATS

As you know by now, we finally received both orders — shirts and hats. Please arrange to contact our 'Shirt Person', Dee Hindman, to receive and pay for your hat, shirt, or both if you haven't already done so. Let's keep it on a 'cash and carry' basis, so we can recoup our treasury expenditure as the items go out to members. It will make Dee's job much easier if she can hand you your order, collect the full amount, and put a GREEN checkmark by your name, (*or maybe she's using Smiley Faces, not sure:o*) It was my hope that we could have had them by Picnic time so we could all have worn them then, but once again, *Murphy's Law* went into effect. The hurricane, 'Eric' messed up timing for our **hat** order from Florida, and a huge order for the City of Co. Bluffs, (Cancer Prevention Week), got in just ahead of our order for shirts from Coberly's. **NOTE: We still have ONE EX LG shirt available, if you need one—\$10.00.**

Tip of the Month (October 2012)

I'm sure you've visited a web site where you had to scroll down, down, and further down, only to learn you had to go back UP to something you may have missed, near the top? Or worse yet, one on which you have to travel repeatedly, up and down? Sure, you can use the 'scroll bar', but there is an easier and quicker way:

You can easily go to the very bottom of a page, or up to the top again, by simply hitting the **Control/HOME** or **Control/End** keys. Home takes you to the top and End to the bottom. This is also true in Microsoft Word and many other applications you might be using. Try it!

Oh, you already knew that, eh? Well, maybe the person next to you didn't, so there 'ya go, that's our October '**Tip Of the Month**'. Works with Mac's too, (Command instead of Control.)

The M.A.P.C.C. celebrates its own ‘September Fest’ - Our Annual ‘Action Auction’ and Picnic. Our thanks go out to Photographers, Tammy Cooper and Bob Guthrie for such good coverage!



The Allen Love family chat before meal time. They drove all the way from Herman, NE. Sandy, Matthew, and both, Allans..Sr. & Jr.



Hard working gals! Mary Alice and Dee



Secretary, Lynn Fehr announces, “Come and Get It!”



Time to eat! There was plenty to choose from



Our youngest guest—Riley, held by Grandma Amy



We had to get Fred all energized and ready for the auction! Dorothy & Bill follow.



Food! -Mary, Joe, Taylor, Joe3rd, Dan, Karen, Tammy, Mark, Dean, George and Tom

**(Right) Taylor holds Riley so she can choose which goodies she wants!
(Far Right) Billy Jean, Joe and Dee chat while enjoying dinner, before getting started with all the auction activity.**



Action Auction fun (continued)



The “Golden Auctioneers”!



Preparations being made before the auction began. Everyone had ample time to inspect the items that were to be sold. Only two items were listed under the ‘50/50’ method, where the amount it brought was divided between the donor and the Club Treasury. Everything else was donated for outright auction—full amount to the treasury.



Joe 3rd & Kevin keeping watch over auction items while the rest ate.



Excellent birds-eye shot Tammy! Shows entire outside auction area



Joe displays a shirt, while Treasurer, Mary Alice records purchases >>



THANKS Bob & Tammy for the pictures!

Minutes of September 18th Meeting

(Submitted by Secretary, Lynn Fehr)

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by President, Joe Cavallaro. Secretary, Lynn Fehr read the Minutes of the past meeting, followed by Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr reading the Treasury Report. Both accepted as read and approved by 16 members.

Drawing

Joe 3rd won the Drawing for the free Pizza.

SMILE

Starting the meeting out with a smile, Joe read some “Blond MEN’ jokes, to counteract the “Blond WOMEN” jokes he read at the August meeting. There! Now is everyone happy?

Posters and Business Cards

Joe handed out more club business cards and several posters for members to place in area stores.

Visitor Welcomed

Visitor, **Bob Nagel**, of Co. Bluffs was welcomed. Bob is a Window’s user who is also entering the Mac world. He and member Bob Guthrie, (also a Mac user), enjoyed some mutual conversation.

Members not in attendance

Members not in attendance were: Jerry Bell, Mary Cavallaro, Tammy Cooper, Pat & Dean Cumpston, Larry Puls, Fred & Kris Veleba and our out of town members, Fred Champy, Allan Love, and Fritz & Jo Warden.

Club Shirts & Hats

Dee Hindman was dubbed ‘Shirt Lady’ with the duty of distributing our shirts and hats while collecting payment from members. Everything has been sold except one shirt, an X LG so if you need that size, get in touch with Dee. Shirt cost:\$10.00 up to XL and \$12.00 for 2X & 3X. Hats: \$12.00.

More Jobs Assigned

In further effort toward wider member participation, two more duties were announced by Joe. Fred Veleba accepted the job of being our “**Meeting Photographer**”, and Kevin Holloway will be in charge of accumulating our “**Tip of the Month**” hints. We hope to eventually publish a listing of the tips, so members can conveniently refer to them when necessary.

Picnic & Auction

Joe offered his thanks to ALL who helped make this year’s Picnic and Auction such a success, especially those who did so much to prepare the meal & auction areas. During the auction, member, Allan Love’s son, Mathew informed us of the drive in progress for funds to help support the **Special Olympics**. Joe asked members if they wanted to make a donation. Affirmative. Dixie Craft suggested \$30.00, which the members approved. Lynn is to handle sending the donation to the address Joe obtained from Allan.

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2012 Christmas Party

Members were asked if they wanted to hold a Christmas party again this year. Affirmative. The Fehr's were to try to obtain a date in early December we can rent the church hall located at **30, Valley View Drive, in Co. Bluffs** for the event. Discussion took place concerning the poor access, (long ramp and steep stairs), we had to contend with at the Manawa Fish & Game Club. It was decided to hold future events at the Valley View site instead of Manawa.

September Demo

After a 10 minute break, Dixie Craft presented the demo, showing a slide show she created in Pinnacle 15, covering many birds and flowers she photographed over a three-month period. Nice job Dixie!

October Demo

David Ladd and George Cuffe will offer the demo for the October meeting. "**Nostalgia Demo**", showing some of the capabilities of the early 1990's Radio Shack **Color Computer 3**.

November Demo

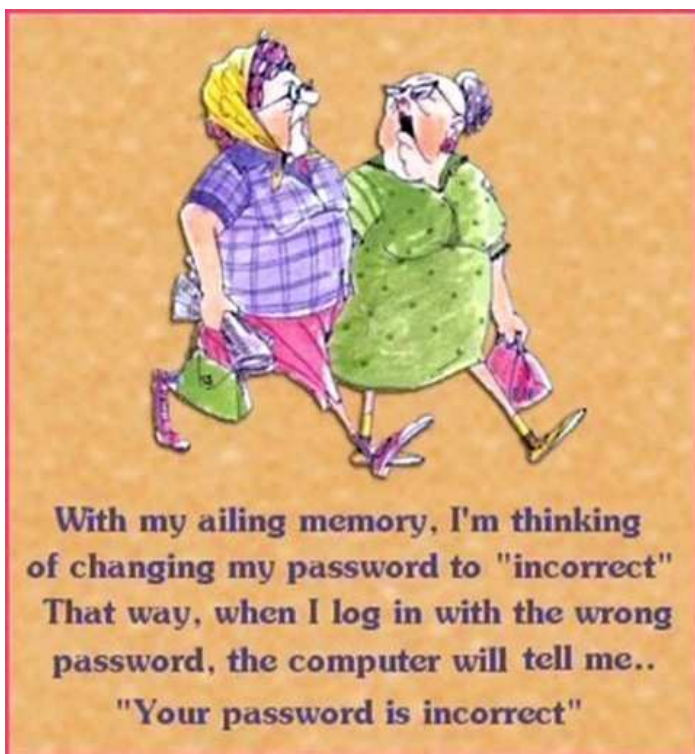
This demo will be offered by David Ladd, demonstrating "**Computer preventative care and routine maintenance**".

Stick-Around Drawing

Kevin Holloway won the "Stick Around" drawing, splitting \$17.00 with the club treasury, \$8.50 each.

Meeting Adjourned

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M. Motion was seconded and carried.

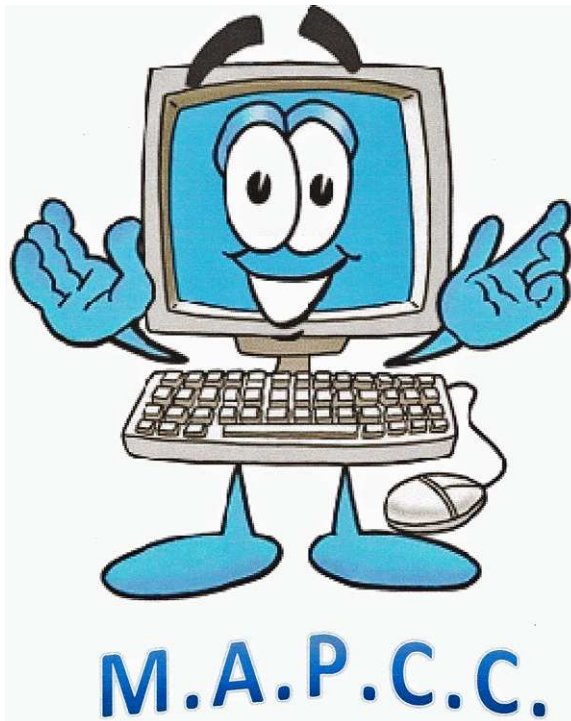


Tip of the Month
Send your 'Tip of the Month' to:
jcavallaro@cox.net



"Wake up. The cat's got your teeth."

What's in a
let's discover
that question.
or want a
our little
We've put a
into creating
displaying
'it', (for those
are gender
our new hats, shirts, and posters, so why not give
'it' a name?



name? Well,
the answer to
Do we need
NAME for
Logo guy?
lot of effort
our Logo, and
'him', 'her',
of you who
sensitive)...on

Give it some thought, and jot down some 'likely's'
we can discuss at the October 16th meeting. Let
your imagination run wild!

There are the obvious possible names, like 'Chip',
'Ram', (NO FRED! Not MAC:o), 'PeeCee', etc.
and I'm sure you can come up with more.

Might be fun to discuss the various names you sug-
gest and then we can eventually make a choice.

It's sure a happy little 'thing', isn't it? **NAME IT!**
(How would you like going through life being
called an "IT"?)