Metro Area Personal Computer Club



Meet: 3rd Tuesday at Godfather's Pizza — 30th & Bdwy. Co. Bluffs 7P.M.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!



This 'ol Club just keeps on keepin' on, doesn't it? Let's see.... We began in 1982 and now it's 2013. How many years is that? (You do the math:o) Is there another computer club in the Metro Area that has been around that

long? I don't think so.

Many of us begin the new year with resolutions, promises, and plans and many times we even keep them until February or March. Well, at least our intentions are good, eh?

One such resolution that would certainly be a good one: Let's ALL try to attend **each of the eleven meetings this year.** On top of that it would be great, besides seeing all the 'old' faces, to see some **new ones**. Let's continue in this new year with determination to grow our club. <u>HOW? Share your ideas and suggestions</u>, attend all 11 meetings, **volunteer** to do at least one demo, and support club functions.

The year 2012 treated us pretty good. We added several new members, we adopted a club logo, now printed on T-shirts and Hats, added a more convenient P.A. system, enjoyed a fun summer Picnic & Auction and great Christmas Party. In addition to all this, we'd like to think some members learned a few more things about their computer that will be helpful and something they can share with others. Let's work to "Pass It On" again, this year, ok?

Check out all the Christmas Party photos inside. Next meeting: January 15, 2013



William presents Lem McIntosh certificate for a Free Pizza. Lem won the drawing at the November meeting.



It's a family affair with the Allen Love family. Member, Allen Sr. is often accompanied by his wife Sandy and sons, Mathew and Allen Jr. They travel all the way from Herman, NE to our monthly meetings. That's dedication. Allen often brings his 'side-kick', (his faithful SLR camera), and other electronic equipment.

Recent Windows Patches / Updates

What Do These Security Updates Do?



These patches from Microsoft update several individual files involved in making Windows and other Microsoft software work. NOTE: ALWAYS set a new 'Restore Point', before making any major changes to your computer, including installing huge amounts of updates.

Do I Need These Security Updates?

You need these updates if you're running any currently supported Windows operating system: Windows 8, Windows 7, Windows Vista, or Windows XP, plus cur-

rent server versions. Both 32-bit and 64-bit versions are affected.

All currently supported versions of Microsoft Office (except MS Office 2013) are being updated as well, both 32-bit and 64-bit versions. This includes Office 2008 and 2011 for Mac, as well as MS Excel Viewer and the MS Office Compatibility Pack programs.

Several of these updates fix problems so serious that if left unpatched, it's possible that someone could gain access to your computer. These issues are given a 'Critical' severity rating.

Other fixes aren't quite as serious but are security issues that should be corrected nonetheless. These are categorized as Important or as Moderate.

Are There Any Recent Non-Security Updates?

Yes, including updates to the Windows Malicious Software Removal Tool and several non-security fixes for most consumer and server Windows versions. There may also be non-security updates included for Microsoft software other than Windows.

Patch Problems

Microsoft provided updates rarely cause problems. That might be hard to believe based on the number of comments by some, but it's true. There's no reason to fear installing them.

However, If the updates installed completely but you're now experiencing a problem, do a System Restore, and you'll revert to where you were before the installations.



Meet Cheryle Pennington, our "Ticket Lady". Cheryle dispenses tickets for many uses including our monthly Free Pizza Drawing.

Good job, Cheryle, Thanks!

Meet Mary Alice Fehr, our Club Treasurer. Mary Alice does more than keep tract of our cash. When there is something needed, she has been right there ready to get the job done. She's great at seeing that our food is right for various occasions too. Thanks, Mary Alice!



Minutes of November 20, 2012 Meeting

Submitted by Secretary, Lynn Fehr

Meeting Called to Order

President Joe Cavallaro called the meeting to order at Godfather's Pizza Party Room at 7:P.M.

Last Call was issued for Free Pizza tickets. Wm. Pennington drew the winning name for the Pizza; Lem McIntosh was the lucky winner.

Reading of Minutes and Treasury Report

Secretary, Lynn Fehr read the past Minutes followed by Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr's reading of the Treasury Report. Both accepted as read, seconded and approved.

Club Shirts

Some discussion took place concerning the possibility of ordering fewer than a dozen T-Shirts. Joe was to check with the firm that printed our shirts.

Newsletter Photos

Joe asked members how many of them read the past newsletter, noticing the nice variety of photos taken by Vice President/Club Photographer, Fred Veleba. Not all that many hands went up. Joe encouraged members to be sure to read the newsletters each month.

New Business

Bob Guthrie will be offering the demo at the January 15th meeting, showing EXCEL.

Joe gave a brief look into our club web site, showing that members can now download the Club Poster which is located in 'Member Files'. He encouraged members to download and print it out to be displayed in any public place allowing it. Good advertisement.

Members not in attendance

Jerry Bell, Dixie Craft, Dee Hindman, David Lee, Tom Kinsella, Larry Puls, Mary Cavallaro and Tammy Cooper, plus our 'out of town' members, Fred Champy and Fritz and Jo Warden.

2012 Christmas Party

The Christmas party is to be held at New Horizon Presbyterian Church, located at 30 Valley View Drive in Co. Bluffs, from 1-5 P.M. Members were invited to bring a side-dish of their choice, (voluntary).

Demo

After the break, David Ladd offered the demonstration, showing some interesting and helpful hints on Computer Care and Maintenance. Good job, David. Very informative for both PC and Mac users.

Stick-Around-Drawing

The lucky winner of the Stick-Around drawing was Lynn Fehr, who split \$17.00 with our treasury - \$8.50 each.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.



Meet Lem McIntosh. Lem is our very dedicated Librarian. He's in charge of all the books, magazines, CD's and DVD's included in our library. Lem checks-out items to members for a month at a time. You better return it on time, or he'll be 'on your case' to get it back! He's very serious about his job and rightfully so. Good job, Lem! We appreciate you.

2012 Christmas Party



With 40 in attendance, the Christmas Party of 2012 was a booming success! We held the event in the New Horizon's church hall at 30, Valley View Drive in Council Bluffs. With more than enough turkey, ham and all the trimmings, no one went home hungry! We played Pokeno for Gold Dollars and there were three- ten dollar drawings spaced throughout the festivities. *Our sincere thanks to photographers, Tammy Cooper, Bob Guthrie and our Vice President, Fred Veleba for photographically covering this event.*



Member, Amy Bogdanovich, (right), invited her Dad, Don Perkins, of Papillion, NE.



Knights of the Round Table? No members and friends enjoying some of the delicious food! L to R:Kris, Jodie & Fred Veleba, Bob & Dorothy Guthrie, MaryAlice and Lynn Fehr.



Hard at work in the kitchen. What would we do without Mary Alice?



Joe prepares to call-off cards for Pokeno, while Tammy distributes marker chips. One Gold Dollar went to the winner of each game, twenty gold dollars in all.



The game is on! Dan Cooper places chip on card during first game of many. Pokeno is like Bingo except it uses a deck of cards instead of numbers.



Will & Dee exchange appreciation hugs.

Christmas Party Activity —- continued



Foreground, L to R: Dan Cooper, Karen Cavallaro, Jamey Severn, Gage, Joe, Taylor, Joe3rd Cavallaro, Don Perkins and Amy Bogdanovich. Background: Velebas, Bob Guthrie, and (far right), Dean & Pat Cumpston.



Joe 3rd checks Sandy Love's 'Pokeno' for accuracy. Allen (behind flower), and Mathew, right.



Kevin and George enjoy conversing while enjoying the delicious food.



Same goes for Bob and wife, Dorothy. "No complaints!"





"CHOW TIME!" Those are always welcome words!.

Lynn Fehr treated the crowd by flying some of his model planes. Can you find them? >>>>>>





... Even more 2012 Christmas Activity



Joe & Tammy treated us to their rendition of "Heart and Soul" duet style, as Mary Alice looks on.



Kris and Jodie Veleba taking part in the voluntary gift exchange. Those who brought a gift, received a gift.



Karen Cavallaro, one of three winners of the \$10.00 drawings. The other two winners: Pat Cumpston and Allen Love.



Lynn Fehr, (left) preparing, and (right) flying the "Bird" It actually flaps its wings as it hovered over the heads of the crowd. Good job, Lynn... no one got it tangled in their hair!





Lynn flying the big Helicopter. He made several successful flights all around the entire area of the hall, without landing on anyone's head:0) Lynn is heavily involved in the flyer's club he belongs to.

And still more MORE!



Enjoying the meal together, Peggy Rood and Dee Hindman, our A-Team Mom. Peggy is Dee's friend and guest.



"C'mon Joe! You could at least call ONE number for my card!", says Fred. Kris, Jodie and Fred Veleba enjoyed playing Pokeno.



Dean and Pat Cumpston savoring a little bit of this, and a little bit of that. So much food to choose from, and all so good!



Morgan and Marcia Montgomery, (granddaughter and daughter of the Fehr's. They were very much help. Thank you, gals!



Joe 3rd eagerly pitched-in, leaving the hall spic & span. Thanks!

(Right): The meeting hall at New Horizon's Church made a great location for our Christmas event this year. Clean, modern and spacious. Our thanks to the Fehr's for suggesting it.



HERE'S HOPING YOU ENJOYED OUR CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY. WE HAD A GREAT TURNOUT THIS YEAR. THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE IT SUCH A SUCCESS!

NOW LET'S GET BUSY, STARTING WITH THE JANUARY 15TH MEETING AND MAKE EACH AND EVERY MEETING OR EVENT JUST AS SUCCESSFUL.

IT TAKES EFFORT FROM EACH AND
EVERY ONE OF US TO CONTINUE
'GROWING' OUR GROUP. INVITE
GUESTS AND ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS.
DON'T HESITATE TO OFFER A DEMO.
EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING TO OFFER.
SEE YOU AT THE JANUARY 15TH
MEETING. HAPPY 2013!