Metro Area Personal Computer Club

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



Volume No. 33 Club Motto: "Pass It On" January 2014



"Happy Campers", who attended the 2013 Christmas Party held at the New Horizon's church hall on Saturday, December 7th. A fun time was had by all and the Pot Luck dinner went over with great success. No one went home hungry. We played Pokeno for gold dollars and we even sang Happy Birthday to Mary Cavallaro, who turned '39' again that same day.

Photos by Tammy Cooper and Fred Veleba

HAPPY NEW YEAR! 2014

It's hard to believe, but another year has slipped past us and now we're entering another new and exciting year. Our Club history is mounting-up, isn't it? We began back in 1982 so the M.A.P.C.C. is no 'youngster'! There were years when we were a larger group true, but it's not the size of a club that causes it to continue to be successful. No, it's the individual effort put forth by each of its members, and the dedication and interest demonstrated by the entire group that makes it successful and a 'survivor club'. Many computer clubs have come and gone over the past thirty-odd years but we remain. That in itself tells a powerful story. We're here, and we're going to stay here! Our Club Motto, "Pass it On" is not just an empty expression — no, it's the actual backbone of our club. That's the main reason we exist, to literally 'Pass it On" to those in need and do what we can to make it entertaining, fun and fruitful. This is more than a hobby... it's almost an obsession with some of our folks, and that's good! When you have something good, it's just natural to want to share it, distribute it all around, yes, to Pass it On!

First Meeting of 2014

On the 21st of this new month, our first meeting of this year, let's begin the year with resolve to grow the club and to, each and every one of us, do what we individually can to advance the cause of the entire club, ok?

Minutes of November 19th, 2013 Meeting

President, Joe Cavallaro called the meeting to order at 7 P.M. at Godfather's Pizza on West Broadway. Attendance was very light, with only 12 members present.

Members NOT present

Jerry Bell, Amy Bogdanovich, Tammy Cooper, George Cuffe, Dee Hindman, Richard Hopp, David Lee, John Pinkerton, Lin Stowell, Mary Cavallaro, Fred Champy, Fritz & Jo Warden and Vice President, Fred Veleba.

Reading of Minutes and Treasury Report

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

Free Pizza

Winner of the free pizza was Mary Cavallaro. Kevin Holloway drew the winning ticket for her.

Christmas Party

It was noted that the Christmas Party was to be held at the New Horizon Church hall, at 30, Valley View Drive from 1-5 on December 7th. Joe was to look into getting ham for our main meal. We'll play Pokeno for entertainment.

Fund Raising Drawing

It was decided that we begin another Fund Raising Drawing, starting with our Christmas Party. Tickets are \$5.00 each and when twenty tickets are sold, the drawing will be held and \$100.00 will be split 50/50 with our Treasury and the winner. This was to be our 3rd such drawing.

Charitable Contributions

As we have done in past years, the membership decided that we will give \$20.00 each, to the Council Bluffs Goodfellows, Omaha Goodfellows and the Salvation Army.

DEMO

After a ten minute break, Dean Cumpston offered the demo, showing the attributes of the LINUX operating system. Good job, Dean. In order to test the projector we purchased for \$50.00 from Joe 3rd, we used that projector for Dean's demo. Worked fine. Will make a handy backup unit.

Future Demo's

January 2014 Demo will be given by David Ladd, covering Basics of Windows.

February 2014 will be given by our youngest member, Taylor Cavallaro, using a Mac 'all in one' computer, showing Photo Booth. You won't want to miss this light-hearted demo! Guaranteed to make you smile, (if not laugh out loud!) Special Demo coming for March.

Stick-Around Drawing was won by Mary Alice Fehr, who split \$11.00 with our Treasury.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Minutes recorded and presented by Sec. Lynn Fehr – Nov. 19th, 2013

2013 Christmas Party Activity









If you missed our 2013 Christmas Party, you missed a fine time! Plenty of food and Pokeno GOLD dollars!





We all enjoyed a casual meal, conversation, then more food! Mary Alice and Lynn's family were a great help in the preparation and setting-up of the food presentation. We all pitched-in at clean-up time.







Dee, Bill, Cheryl & Mary Alice were a great help and Joe 3rd was our 'Official Pokeno Card Checker'! Below Right: Lem was pleased to yell "POKENO", when he was the first one to complete 'frames'.







.... A few more Christmas Party Photos

Our thanks go out to both Tammy Cooper and Fred Veleba for taking the time to document this, our 2013 Christmas Celebration. Also to Mary Alice & Lynn Fehr, whose grandchildren all volunteered to help in the kitchen and/or with whatever needed to be done. They were a great help... THANKS!

BELOW: (Old) Joe 'plunked' at the piano, playing Happy Birthday for his wife Mary whose birthday fell on the same day as the party. We all joined-in and sang Happy Birthday, (to drown-out Joe's playing:0) We enjoyed playing Pokeno again, as Fred & Joe took turns calling out the cards.









Everyone enjoying the food, fun and company of fellow-members, friends and family. The New Horizon's Hall is spacious, clean and bright. A fine location for such an event. We had lots more room than we needed, but maybe that will give us the incentive to FILL it next time—y'think?

Well, we now have Christmas 2013 and New Year's Day behind us, so now we need to get serious about what we can do in 2014 to enhance our meetings, events, etc.

We have Demo's lined-up this year for January, February and <u>March</u>. That leaves the remainder of the year available for YOUR demo... what will it be?

THANKS to EVERYONE who pitched-in to help make this event another success. You're appreciated.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!—2014