# **Metro Area Personal Computer Club**

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



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# 2014 Auction

OK, we have voted to hold an auction again at our Summer Picnic and that's great! Quite a few members have been hoping we would have the auction once again, so now let's all get

behind it and really come up with some super good items to offer! We can generate some very good income for our club, plus provide a truly great experience for all who attend.

As you know, anyone is welcome to attend our Summer Event, in fact it's better with 'the more the better' attitude, especially for the success of the auction, so begin inviting folks NOW.

Be thinking about it now and tell your friends, relatives, neighbors... anyone you think who may be interested in attending.

#### **Pot Luck Dinner**

All the good food is free and we throw-in the fun that they will have at our 'Action Auction' at no extra charge. It's important though to begin NOW in collecting the items we'll offer, plus promoting it to all concerned. Let's all do our part and pitch-in to make this the biggest, greatest and 'funest' Summer Event we've ever held., ok?



This is very good and interesting **Visual Basic Script** Trick that lets your computer speak whatever you type.

There is no requirement of any software. Just follow the simple steps below.

**First** open **Notepad** and copy/paste this:

Dim message, sapi message=InputBox("What do you want me to say?","COOL HACKING TRICKS") Set sapi=CreateObject ("sapi.spvoice") sapi.Speak message

Next, save the notepad file as talk.vbs

**Now** close the notepad file and open it again.

When it opens and asks what you want it to say, simply type what you want and it will 'talk' to you. Done !!!



From Tim Fisher, your Guide to PC Support

For complete report visit: http://pcsupport.about.com/?nl=1

#### AnyDesk 1.0.2

AnyDesk is a free remote desktop tool with all the features you'd expect, like on-demand and unattended access.

#### TweakNow SecureDelete v1.0.0

TweakNow SecureDelete is a free file shredder program that can be used to permanently delete files, folders, or even entire drives.

#### Secure Eraser v4.201

Secure Eraser is a free data wipe program that will permanently erase files, folders, and even whole drives of your choosing.

# Minutes of the June 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Lynn Fehr

President, Joe Cavallaro opened the meeting at Godfather's on  $30^{\text{th}}$  & Bdwy. At 7 P.M. with 14 members present.

### Pizza Drawing Winner

Since the changeover to Godfather's Corporate instead of being locally run as it's been in all the past years, they were unable to issue our usual gift certificate for a pizza, so the winner, Pat Cumpston received \$10.00. By the way, Pat was also the person who drew the winning name out. Hmmm:o)

## Reading of the Minutes and Treasury Report

Following Joe's usual corny jokes, the Minutes of the May meeting were read by our O.M.R., Taylor, followed by Treasurer, Mary Alice reading the financial report. Both accepted as read and approved..

#### **Discussion**

Joe pointed out that new club business cards will need to be created since we have a new Vice President. David Ladd proposed we adopt **Google Voice** to use for a phone number for prospective members to call and we can change the destination number at will, but by the user still using the 'original' number on the card. The members agreed and David & Joe were to implement this method.

It was also stated that the officers need to meet at the bank and remove the old V.P.'s name from the account, adding our new V.P., Joe 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We had three \$100.00 raffle tickets yet to be purchased before we can hold the next drawing.

#### **Summer Picnic & Auction**

Considering three possible locations, (Lynn was to check on them), for our Summer Picnic/Auction, it was decided by members to try for Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 1-5 P.M. and it is to be a Pot Luck dinner. More definite news about location as we learn it.

#### Sad News

Many condolences were offered from members, to V.P. Joe 3<sup>rd</sup> for the loss of his son, Joe Cavallaro 4<sup>th</sup>, who resided in So. Dakota.

# July Demo

Demo for the July meeting will be offered by Joe 3<sup>rd</sup> on Thunderbird email program, and various Web mail options.

# Tonight's Demo

After a 10 minute break, 'Grandpa Joe' demonstrated the club's web site, covering the By-Laws and club history, while using the refurbished club computer which worked flawlessly. Stick-Around Drawing winner: Wm. Pennington split \$12.00 with treasury, \$6.00 each.

### Adjourned

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

# President' Corner

Hello all! Just a word or 299:0) concerning the proposed Summer Picnic and Action Auction. We have acquired SHELTER #5 at Lake Manawa, Ia for SUNDAY, Sept. 21, for the entire day. Our main activities will be between 1-5 P.M.

#### It's YOUR Summer Event

It's not like you've never heard it before, but this year is even more supercritical. WHY? Because last year it was voiced by the group NOT to hold an auction but this year we've decided to have it again. Now if we're not successful with it this year, it may set a precedent that will indicate we don't really need or want to have auctions any more, enough to support them. That's not what the majority of our group voiced, when they voted unanimously at the May & June meetings this year, to re-visit this fun happening.

#### What makes a successful Auction?

Thinking back to any auction activity I've ever attended I can remember some that were super-charged with people, items and activities that one could hardly wait for the actual auction to begin.

On the other hand, there have been those few I can remember that were dull, without many items of interest and sparsely attended. You know those I'm talking about don't you? Not many items that 'pulled' on your "I want that item" strings. You really didn't care if you remained for the action or took-off for more exciting happenings elsewhere.

## **NOT OURS!**

Well, that's certainly not the way we want ours to be. We all know what we like to find when we attend an auction—interesting items that attract our attention and take our dollars! OK, now how do we get those items? In trying to set an example for everyone, I have already acquired FIVE items to offer, and I'm sure they will be ones that you will bid on. Not that each member must contribute five, or even four, or three, but think how successful it 'could' be, if EACH and EVERY member contributed at least ONE nice item! Sure, it may be a little sacrifice on your part, to GIVE an item that you may have been able to sell, but in support of our Club's finances and activities, isn't it really worth it? I believe in our club and our activities. I surely hope you do too! — Joe



# Google Fit platform will make all your fitness apps and devices play together

Jason Cross

The problem with all this smart fitness stuff is that the data always lives in individual silos. RunKeeper has your running data, Nike Fuel has other motion data, your weightlifting stats are stuck in Fitocracy, your weight is tracked by Withings.... Google will attempt to make them all play together nicely with Google Fit.

Just announced at Google I/O, with an SDK to come in a few weeks and a public rollout later this year, Google Fit will provide a set of common APIs that will allow apps to provide their data to other fitness apps.

As an example, Google showed a fitness app from Noom (a company that makes a number of individual fitness apps for weight loss, step counting, and carido training). It provided an integrated view of meals logged, steps taken, and even weight data from a Withings scale. The point is this: With your explicit permission, your fitness apps can share data with each other, giving you a more complete view of your health and activity.

For complete story see source: http://www.pcworld.com/article/2367591/google-fit-platform-will-make-all-your-fitness-apps-and-devices-play-together.html

# How to watch hacking, and cyber warfare between the USA and China, in real time

You've probably read dozens of paragraphs on how the next great theater of war will be online rather than offline, and how China and the US are already battling each other for cyber supremacy. The truth is, though, unless you've actually been hacked, it's hard to appreciate just how real the prospect of cyberwar actually is. Now, though, a security company has produced a fascinating geographic map that shows you hacking attempts in real-time — and sure enough, you really can see China waging cyberwar against the US.

See: http://www.extremetech.com/extreme/185125-how-to-watch-hacking-and-cyberwarfare-between-the-usa-and-china-in-real-time

