Metro Area Personal Computer Club

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

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Top 10 Alternatives to expensive software... **FREE**

Check out this site:

http://lifehacker.com/top-10free-alternatives-to-expensivesoftware-1791300629

Club Motto: "Pass It On"

President's Corner

I hope you've been treated fairly and are enjoying this new, fresh year. Speaking of 'new & fresh'.... I want to drop a word or two to each and every great MAPCC member concerning our Demo's. We've enjoyed a good many demo's

presented by a limited few, and we very much appreciate their efforts... BUT, (always a 'but' eh?)... it would be nice to see new volunteers in order to give Robert, Bruce and Dave a break. Also, we need your input as to what you would like to see demonstrated. Our meetings have only been about an hour long lately and are bound to become even shorter, without input from our members. It's YOUR club. If we want to keep things alive and well.... That's what's going to be needed. 'Just sayin'.... Joe

2017 Club Functions Planned

Summer Picnic ... Saturday, August 19th Shelter #6 at Manawa 1-5 Christmas Party... Saturday, December 9th New Horizon Church Hall 1-5

February 2017 Trivia Questions

From the Trivia Master

- Germany has nine countries bordering it. Name 7 of them! 1
- 2 Name one other country that shares the same time zone with England.

3 If a Thoroughbred horse and an African Cheetah were to race around a racehorse track, who do you think would win?

4 With a face like a pig, a tail like a rat, what American marsupial animal are we talking about?

What iconic voice actor after being involved in an accident in 1981 woke up in a hospital bed after a 5 doctor said to him: "Wake up Bugs Bunny!"

6 With Redwood trees and cacti growing nearby and with Bixby bridge in view, what is this area along the ocean called?

Due to the demotion of the planet Pluto, what planet is now farthest from the Sun? 7

Send your answers to fveleba@cox.net

I'm sure there will be ties but speed in getting the answers to me is not a factor. I want each person to have a chance to win, especially those still working.





Fred Veleba



Joe's 'Drug' Problem

(Article contributed by Wm. Pennington)

The other day, someone at a store in our town read that a Methamphetamine lab had been found in an old

farmhouse in the adjoining county and he asked Joe a rhetorical question, "Why didn't we have a drug problem when you and I were growing up?"

Joe replied, he DID have a drug problem when he was young"

He was drug to school on Monday mornings.

He was drug to church for weddings and funerals.

Joe was drug to family reunions and community socials no matter the weather.

He was drug by his ears when he was disrespectful to adults.

He was also drug to the woodshed when he disobeyed his parents, told a lie, talked back, did not speak with respect, spoke ill of the teacher or the preacher, or if he didn't put forth his best effort in everything that was asked of him.

Joe was drug to the kitchen sink to have his mouth washed out with soap if he uttered a profanity.

He was drug outside to pull weeds in his mom's garden and flowerbeds and pull cockleburs out of his dad's fields.

He was drug to the homes of family, friends, and neighbors to help out some poor soul who had no one to mow the yard, repair the clothesline, or chop some firewood; and had his mother ever known that he took a single dime as a tip fort this kindness, she would have drug him back to the woodshed!

"Those drugs are still in my veins and they affect my behavior in everything I do say, or think", Joe said. "They are stronger than cocaine, crack, or heroin and, if today's children had this kind of drug problem, America world be a better place!".

God bless the parents who drugged us...

-Article from Riverside News. Author Unkown-





Minutes of January 17th Meeting

President, Joe Cavallaro called the meeting to order at 7 P.M.at West End Godfather's Pizza, Council Bluffs with 8 members and one visitor present. Welcome to our 'new' 'old' member Fred Veleba. Good to have you back with us, Fred.

First Drawing

The winner of the first drawing and a ten dollar gift went to Joe Cavallaro 3rd.

Minutes and Treasury Report

Secretary, Lynn Fehr read the November 2016 Minutes followed by Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr reading the Treasury Report. Mary reported that the Christmas Party expenses totaled \$185.35. Both accepted as read.

\$100.00 Drawing

A suggestion was made that we begin another 50/50 drawing, half to the Treasury and half to the winner. Motion followed, seconded and accepted. Several tickets were sold at this meeting.

Godfather's 'Screw-Up'

Because of such a rash of 'rotating' managers, we lost the Party Room to another group for February. We will be on the lookout for an alternate location for Feb. 21st meeting. To be announced....

2016 Charitable Donations

Somehow in all the holiday confusion we failed to mail out the 2016 donations, so they will be taken care of this (January 2017) month. They are the C.B. and Omaha Goodfellows and the Salvation Army.

Tonight's Demo

David Ladd offered the demo, showing and explaining some of the many uses and functions of the 32 Bit Arduino-Compatible Microcontroller. David usually attempts 'dumbing-down' some of his demonstrations so the average laymen can better grasp and understand more about it. On this one, he sure had to do a lot of 'dumbing-down' for this writer:o) Many thanks David for this and many of the past demo's you've volunteered to do.

Stick-Around Drawing

We split \$10.00 for the Stick-Around Drawing; half went to our Treasury and the other half to President, Joe Cavallaro. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Lynn Fehr January 17th, 2016



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President: Joe Cavallaro Vice President: Joe Cavallaro 3rd Secretary: Lynn Fehr Treasurer: Mary Alice Fehr

Appointed Officers:

Librarian: Lem McIntosh Newsletter Editor: Joe Cavallaro

Annual Membership Dues:

Individual: \$15.00 Family: \$20.00

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