



## Microsoft Surface Book 2 vs Apple MacBook Pro

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I have to admit, ever since Microsoft released the Surface Pro laptops, I have been a fan of these travel-friendly and light two-in-one machines. I have written about my experience with the [Surface Pro 2](#) from a photographer's perspective a while back, then we wrote a detailed [Surface Pro 3 review](#) and my experience with the first generation [Surface Book](#) pretty much sealed it for me as a very desirable machine for working on the go, thanks to its excellent performance, flexible design, a built-in memory card slot, superb touchscreen experience and plenty of connectivity options. Earlier this year Microsoft finally released the Surface Book 2, a second generation laptop specifically designed to challenge Apple's MacBook Pro. Since it was about time to start replacing my aging Surface Pro 3, I wanted to evaluate both the new Surface Book 2 and Apple's MacBook Pro to see which I would pick for my photography needs. So I bought both laptops and decided to run them side-by-side to see which one would be more suitable to use for traveling and post-processing images. In this article, we will take a look at both the Surface Book 2 and the MacBook Pro and see how they stack up

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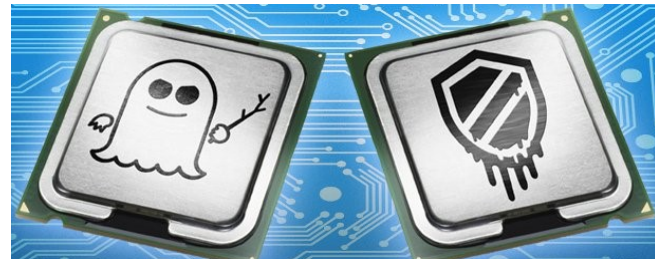
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*He said . . . What have you been doing with all the grocery money I gave you?*

*She said Turn sideways and look in the mirror!*

## How Will the Meltdown and Spectre Flaws Affect My PC?

by [Chris Hoffman](#) on January 4th, 2018



Computer processors have a massive design flaw, and everyone is scrambling to fix it. Only one of the two security holes can be patched, and the patches will make PCs (and Macs) with Intel chips slower.

**Update:** An earlier version of this article stated that this flaw was specific to Intel chips, but that isn't the whole story. There are in fact *two* major vulnerabilities here, now dubbed "Meltdown" and "Spectre". Meltdown is largely specific to Intel processors, and affects all CPU models from the past few decades. We've added more information about these two bugs, and the difference between them, to the article below. **What Are Meltdown and Spectre?**

Spectre is a "fundamental design flaw" that exists in every CPU on the market—including those from AMD and ARM as well as Intel. There is currently no software fix, and it will likely require a complete hardware redesign for CPUs across the board—though thankfully it is fairly difficult to exploit, according to security researchers. It's possible to protect against specific Spectre attacks, and developers are working on it, but the best solution will be a CPU hardware redesign for all future chips.

### Read Full article:

<https://www.howtogeek.com/338269/a-huge-intel-security-hole-could-slow-down-your-pc-soon/>

# Minutes of January 16th, 2018 Meeting

President, Joe Cavallaro opened the meeting at 7 P.M. with 11 members present. Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr read the Financial Report. Club finances are in good shape, even after the Christmas Party expenses and annual contributions to three charities.

## First Drawing / Dues

Mary Alice Fehr was the happy recipient of the 'Ten Dollar' gift, the winner of our first drawing.

## DUES

Joe asked members to monitor their 'due date' for paying membership dues and take care of them on time. He also mentioned that because of on-going illness that Dean & Pat Cumpston are experiencing, had to drop membership. We each need to make a serious effort to increase our membership.

## One Hundred Dollar Drawing

We discussed the \$100.00 drawing program, (which to-date had supplied the club with an additional \$400.00), and it was decided to continue it and make it available if/when members wanted to take part.

## Summer Picnic

Joe announced (again), the Summer Picnic would be held at Lake Manawa, at shelter #6 on August 19<sup>th</sup>, from 1-5 P.M. Mark your calendar and bring family & friends.

## Demo's

The evening's demo was offered by Rick & Kathy Landis showing how, even with very old equipment, he turns-out huge 'Mosaic' posters. Interesting demo and well done, even without the usual projected method due to missing equipment in Apple Barrel's 'kit' for this use.

Jeff Worley will be doing the February demo, showing some of Radio Shack's original computers, even before the CoCo. Even the old 'All in One' models'.

## Add Members

We discussed methods for attracting more members. Bruce suggested running small, free ads in several of the local newspapers. Secretary, Lynn Fehr is to take charge of our Advertising efforts. Bruce also spoke about an existing possible 'opening' for hackers. (More info about this in this issue, front page).

## Business Cards

Club business cards are available for members from Joe. Let's keep offering them to prospective members.

## Stick-Around Drawing

Jeff Worley was the winner of the "Stick-Around" drawing and split \$11.00 with our treasury, \$5.50 each.

## Adjourned

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M. with no further business to be discussed.

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Lynn Fehr Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018

# Do you remember being 'taught' these lessons?

1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE.

"If you're going to kill each other, go outside and do it. I've just finished cleaning."

2. My mother taught me RELIGION.

"You better pray that will come out of the carpet."

3. My father taught me about TIME TRAVEL.

"If you don't fix it up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"

4. My father taught me LOGIC.

"Because I said so, that's why."

5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC.

"If you fall out of that swing and break your bloody neck, you're not going to the shops with me."

6. My mother taught me FORESIGHT.

"Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're involved in an accident."

7. My father taught me IRONY.

"Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."

8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS.

"Shut your mouth and eat your dinner."

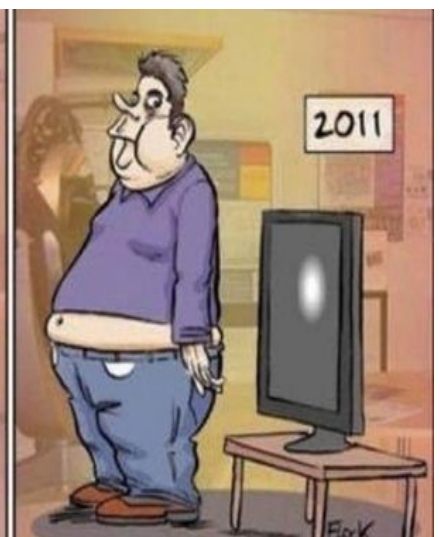
9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM.

"Just you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"

10. My mother taught me about STAMINA.

"You can just sit there until all that spinach is gone."

**Better to light a candle than curse the darkness—Chinese Proverb**



# **M.A.P.C.C.**

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**The Metro Area Personal Computer Club Newsletter is published monthly and posted on the club website: <http://www.mapcc.com>**

## **Meetings:**

**3rd Tuesday each month 7 p.m. at Apple Barrel, So. 24<sup>th</sup> St. Co. Bluffs, IA**

## **Elected Officers:**

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

## **Club Motto:**

**“Pass It On”**

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