



## What? You don't have a Solid State Drive in your PC yet?

A few years ago, replacing your computer's slow hard drive with a modern solid state drive (SSD) was quite the update in speed to be sure. But the price of an SSD with just enough space to hold the operating system and a few programs would set you back \$500 easily.

Well that was then, but now, you can get a new SSD that is not only fast, but has enough space to hold everything most folks need for as little as \$60 for a 240GB drive.

Need even more space, not a problem. You can purchase a 500GB SSD for just \$95.

**YES! 500GB of solid state for under \$100 – VERY WORTHWHILE INDEED!!**

Still not enough space, well you can get a 1TB drive for just \$163 as of late October 2018!

So, once you get your new SSD installed, be sure to keep your old hard drive and use it for a backup! You can either install it in your PC as a second drive, or use it with a \$12 USB adaptor cable for your desktop or laptop.

Having an external backup drive allows you to store your backup drive in a safe place in case of fire, flood, or electrical damage to your computer. In fact, as long as we're on the subject, I would recommend that you have two backup drives and swap them out every other week. Ideally keep one of them at a friend's house, and return the favor for them. Just be sure to backup at least once per month (better yet every week) and swap them out routinely.

Well, what are you waiting for? When you consider all the patches that have slowed down your computer for security flaws, wouldn't it be nice to have the slowest component in your computer three to 10 times faster! Boot your computer in just seconds instead of minutes. Launch programs up to 10 times faster than they did before. Heck they do all this and even save you money on electricity and they run much cooler too.

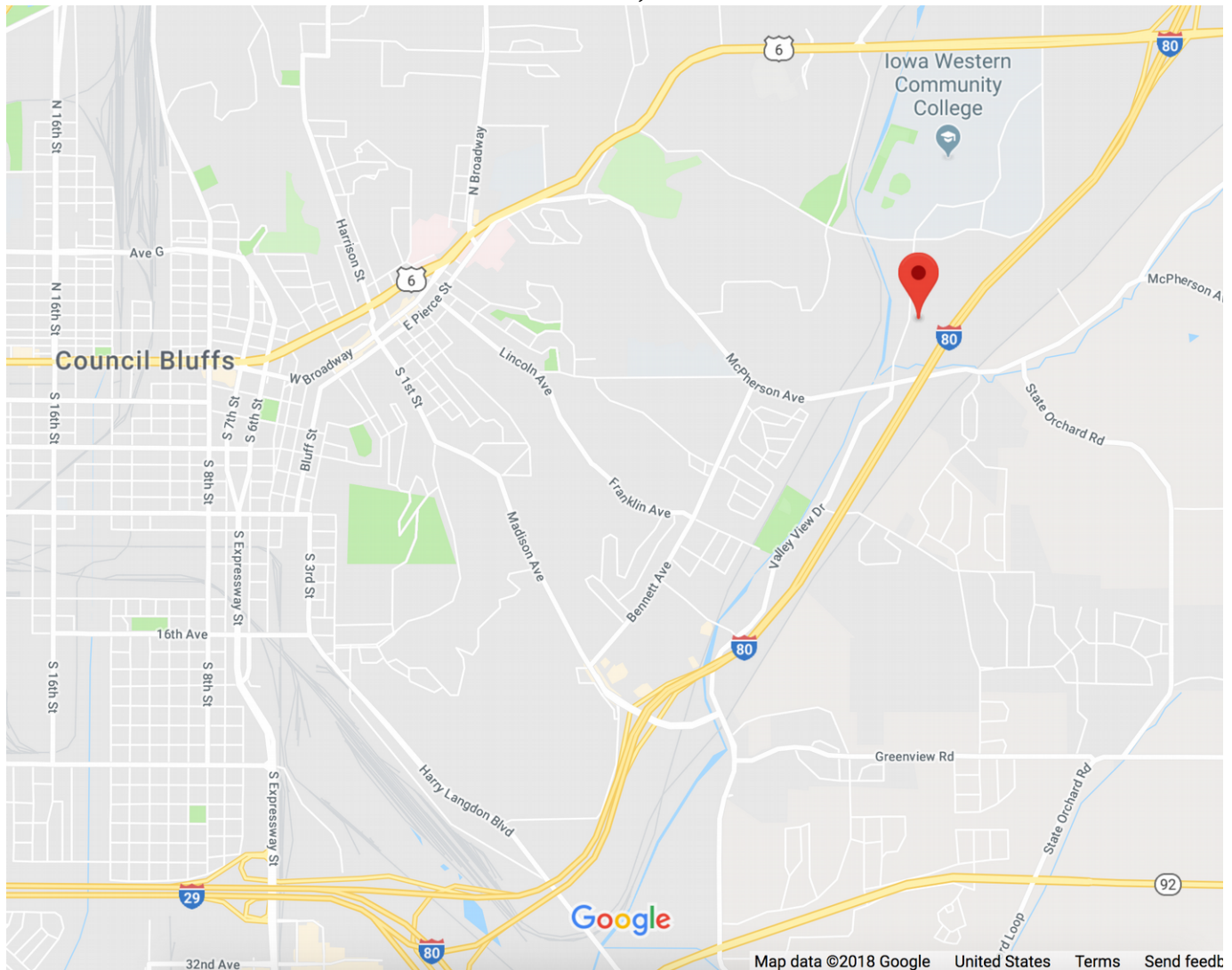
*Amazon link to 500GB SSD mentioned above: <http://a.co/d/bLVdMfs>*

# Presidents Corner

Hello everyone,

Just a final reminder that the Club Christmas Party is **December 9th, 2018 1-5pm** at:

New Horizon Presbyterian Church  
30 Valley View Dr  
Council Bluffs, IA 51501



Geo Coordinates for GPS or Google Maps: 41° 15.840' N 95° 48.200' W  
Google Maps Link: <https://goo.gl/maps/jrWTgvoPJ7C2>

The next club meeting date is November 20th, 2018 at:  
Apple Barrel (at Sapp Bros.) 2608 S. 24th St. Council Bluffs, Iowa

Hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

# **Minutes of October 16, 2018 Meeting**

President David Ladd called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at Apple Barrel Restaurant in Council Bluffs, IA with 10 members present.

## **First Drawing**

Kevin Holloway won the drawing for the \$10.00 check.

## **Minutes and Treasury Report**

Secretary Lynn Fehr read the minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting. Joe Cavallaro Jr. made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and carried. Treasurer May Alice Fehr gave the treasures report. A motion was made to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded and carried by the members present.

## **Old Business**

David Ladd reminded us of the family Holiday Christmas Party on Sunday Dec. 9, 2018 from 1pm – 5pm.

## **New Business**

There was no new business. So the members discussed various products, software, and hardware. The discussions were very interesting. There was a discussion on how smart TVs and cell phones can monitor your interests and activities.

## **Demo**

David Ladd showed us how you could use an OTG (on-the-go) USB adapter cable to attach an USB floppy drive or USB optical drive to copy files to an Android® tablet.

## **Stick-Around Drawing**

David Ladd won the *stick around* drawing of \$6.50 with the club getting the other \$6.50.

## **Adjourned**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

*Minutes recorded by Lynn Fehr 10/16/2018*

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

Established 1982

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.**

Apple Barrel (party room)

2608 S. 24th St.

Council Bluffs, IA 51501

## **Elected Officers:**

President: David Ladd

Vice President: Kevin Holloway

Secretary: Lynn Fehr

Treasurer: Mary Alice Fehr

## **Appointed Officers:**

Newsletter Editor: Bruce

## **Annual Membership Dues:**

Individual: \$15.00 Family: \$20.00

## **Club Motto:**

***“Pass It On”***

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