



Computer Security – Don't Fall For The Scams!

No doubt you've received a call from "Microsoft" wanting to "fix" your computer. Microsoft is way too busy to worry about YOUR computer! It's a SCAM!

Of course you have anti-virus running on your PC and you keep it current. Keep it up!

Then there's the e-mail "phishing" schemes, where they pretend they are your bank or credit card provider and even include real images so you might be more likely to click on that "convenient" link which of course takes you to www.yourbank.notreally.com where they want you to provide your credentials so the phony web site scammers can take your money. DON'T FALL FOR IT! When in doubt – DO NOT CLICK ON E-MAIL LINKS!

Now they call your cell phone or even "text" your cell phone saying anything to get your credit card account or login credentials. DON'T FALL FOR IT!

Be sure to keep your computer updated to the latest patches so that your computer is not exposed to any new vulnerabilities that could let the bad folks do bad things with your computer. Many PCs get compromised and then they can use your computer to partake in Distributed Denial of Service attacks to other computers and businesses all over the world. Some simply use your computer resources for digital currency mining, which costs you in slower computing and wasting your electricity and internet bandwidth.

Yet another vicious computer hack will secretly encrypt the data files on your computer, then put up a splash screen telling you what just happened and to get your computer files un-encrypted, you have to pay them money. Many times, not even with a Credit Card, but with digital currency such as Bitcoin. Chances are, you don't have any or can't afford to get any, so kiss your files good-bye and the time and effort to get your PC rebuilt.

Still not convinced that you have to be careful and protect your PC and even your internet router from attack? Some sick people out there could compromise your computer and then store their illegal content on YOUR PC, such as pornography and such!

PROTECT YOUR COMPUTER EQUIPMENT & DON'T FALL FOR THE SCAMS!

Click here for more information: www.scam-protection.com

SAVE THE DATE:
Club Picnic (and Auction?)
Saturday August 17, 2019 from 1pm – 5pm
at the Lake Manawa Shelter #6.



Presidents Corner

Hello fellow club members,

It was nice to see everyone at the last club meeting and hope everyone will be able to make the March meeting on March 19th, 2019.

I would also like to see people think of possible demo ideas that they would like to see or demos they might be able to do that would share what they know with others.

See you all at the meeting and have a great day!

Minutes of February 19, 2019 Meeting

Meeting was cancelled due to blizzard like weather!!!

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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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