Metro Area Personal Computer Club

Meet: 3rd Tuesday at Apple Barrel, So. 24th St. 7P.M. Co. Bluffs



Volume No. 39 Club Motto: "Pass it on" April 2020

When will we meet again?

Now that we have to follow social distancing and stay away from crowds of 10 or more people... which means *we* should not be meeting until further notice for our safety.

That doesn't mean we can't keep in touch and even ask questions of others in the club.

In fact I encourage we do just that. I also encourage you to take a look at prior club newsletters and see if you missed something that may have more meaning now than it did when it was originally posted.

Can you believe what a gift we have with internet access being available to so many people in the world during this situation? So much better than even a decade ago!

With the increase in internet bandwidth, millions of people are still able to work and save gas money and travel time, and frustrations in doing so. This will certainly become the norm for many going forward. Unfortunately there are many jobs that this does not work for, however, besides being able to spend time with their families, if they get bored, they can always look at all the educational, inspirational, spiritual, and entertaining web sites and even watch the many video streaming services that are available in their homes!

I'd like to applaud the many good people and companies that are doing what they can to help during these strange times! First responders, medical personnel, good neighbors, the cable companies being able to take on the extra load, some even temporarily bumping up the low-end bandwidth tier for free to help with those working from home and some cell phone providers allowing more data use while tethering for the next month or two.

If you want to cut down on screen time, pick up a good book and immerse yourself in a good story, or many stories such as those in the Bible which may provide comfort during times like these.

If you want to go "old school" you could write a letter to your friends, family and neighbors. This can help comfort the writer as well as the recipients indeed. This could still be done on the computer, or to really keep it "old school" try using a pen and paper.

Be extra careful with email or phone scams, bad people seem to attack even harder during times like these. What a great time to get a fresh backup of your computer too.

Stay calm, love one another, pray for us all, have faith, be safe and we'll get through this!

Presidents Corner

Hello fellow club members,

Due to the current COVID-19 issues going on world-wide and locally and restrictions on gatherings:

We will also not be having the April 2020 meeting.

Please check back often at https://www.mapcc.com

For updates as we have them for when we will have our next club meeting.

Thank you for your support.

Meetings - January-November
Apple Barrel (at Sapp Bros.)
2608 S. 24th St.
Council Bluffs, Iowa
MEETING BEGINS: 7 PM (NOT in December)

Minutes of March 17, 2020 Meeting

Meeting was called off due to the health concerns of having crowds of people, etc.

First Drawing

The \$10 drawing was won by N/A.

Minutes and Treasury Report

Minutes and treasury report will be read at next meeting. (we hope)

Old Business

No old business due to no meeting.

New Business

No new business due to no meeting.

Demo

The "demo" was not shown in February, but hopefully will be sometime in 2020.

Stick-Around Drawing

The stick around drawing (\$0.00) was not done for March.

Adjourned

No meeting!

Minutes recorded by Bruce 03/17/2020

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Meetings:

3rd Tuesday of the month at 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: Bruce

Treasurer: Kevin Holloway

Appointed Officers:

Newsletter Editor: Bruce

Annual Membership Dues:

Individual: \$15.00 Family: \$20.00

Club Motto:

"Pass It On"

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