# **Metro Area Personal Computer Club**

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



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## Microsoft Announces Windows 11 (yes eleven!)

Microsoft has officially announced **Windows 11**. What does this mean? Well first off this means that Microsoft will end support for Windows 10 on October 14<sup>th</sup> of 2025. So we have time.

Lots of drama on the subject, especially on the hardware requirements! Microsoft wants Windows 11 to be more secure, which is great, but they want your computer to have a TPM (Trusted Platform Module) version 2.0. They also want you to have computer chips that are no more than a few years old. Although the features Microsoft claims they are wanting to use are not only in the new processor chips but also in the chips going back several years. Because there was no concrete reason for trying to force users to newer hardware, people are getting upset at these requirements, to the extent that Microsoft has temporarily removed their web page that showed the hardware system requirements. Speculation is that they are reevaluating things.

#### So what will Windows 11 have over Windows 10?

As mentioned, Windows 11 is supposed to be more secure than Windows 10 was. Using the required TPM 2.0 module for encryption stuff is one way they can do this. Also the 'features' of the processor chips such as Virtualization.

There's a slightly different look. Window panes are a bit more modern looking with rounded corners. An expandable "START" menu that is centered on the bottom of the screen. Some say that both of these make it look a little bit more Apple Mac OS-like. Don't worry, as of this writing, the "START" menu can be tweaked to be flush left so it looks more like Windows 10 if you want to.

More changes include:

The new Windows logo is no longer skewed, so now it's squared off.

The OOBE (Out Of The Box Experience) Windows Setup screen has been revamped.

There is a new Windows Search experience.

There is a new Task View (Windows Timeline) Experience.

As well as some new icons on the Desktop, File Manager, and Control Panel.

When will this new Microsoft Windows 11 be available?

Possibly before the end of 2021.

Should I start saving for a new computer now?

Well, yes, but unless you want the excitement and pains of a fresh build of Windows and all that comes with it (good and bad), I would wait until the middle of 2022 at least, especially with the computer chip shortages! (Also, price hikes of the TMP 2.0 chip add-ons for current computers have tripled or quadrupled in price just since the announcement of Windows 11!).

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### **Presidents Corner**

Dear Members,

Well another month gone and time to start a new month. So far we have found out we still can not get the party room, as it is not available yet.

So at this point this means we will have to push the club meeting off another month. We can wait and see if August will be available.

Sincerely, David Ladd

So, we will not be having the July 2021 meeting... However, we are looking into the possibility of meeting as early as August of 2021 if things progress with the vaccine distributions and lower case counts, etc.

Please check back often at <a href="https://www.mapcc.com">https://www.mapcc.com</a>
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 Meeting...

Meeting was called off due to the continued 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, but hopefully we will be able to sometime in mid-late 2021.

### **Stick-Around Drawing**

The stick around drawing (\$0.00) was not done due to not meeting.

### Adjourned

No meeting!

Minutes recorded by Bruce 06/15/2021

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

#### Meetings:

### 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. (WHEN ALLOWED TO)

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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