



M.A.P.C.C.

Metro Area Personal Computer Club

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each month – 7 P.M. (except December)

Godfather's Pizza – 30th & Broadway – Co. Bluffs



WHERE to picnic? ... That is the question!

We had quite a discussion at the June meeting... wish YOU would have been there so we could have heard your input too. With the flood activity in the area, several choice locations have been ruled-out. We even discussed the possibility of having an 'inside picnic'...by meeting for the occasion at either Godfather's or the Golden Corral. Eventually those ideas were abandoned and we reverted to the Lake Manawa discussion once again. It was finally decided we would rent the 'upstairs' area at the **Manawa Fish & Game location**.

Mary Alice announced the charge for the 'Upper Room' at the Manawa site would cost \$25.00 per hour – 4 hours = \$100.00. We decided that the food, (except drinks) would be supplied at the Club's expense. Bring your own drinks, (no alcohol allowed). The Club will also buy a couple of Sam's huge pies. If you care to bring a different desert, feel free to do so. We have arranged to rent this area on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 28th., 1-5 P.M.** The area is the same location where we held our last picnic/auction, **except in the screened-in area up the steps** from there. (Better for 'rain or shine' conditions.) If no one has utilized the outside area (below), we may be able to use it for our **Auction Activity**. (See Page 2)

Some Hints from Max Secure Software

Remember that the Internet is a public resource

Only post information you are comfortable with anyone seeing. This includes information and photos in your profile and in blogs and other forums. Also, once you post information online, you can't retract it. Even if you remove the information from a site, saved or cached versions may still exist on other people's machines. Good point to remember!

Check privacy policies

Some sites may share information such as email addresses or user preferences with other companies. This may lead to an increase in spam. Also, try to locate the policy for handling referrals to make sure that you do not unintentionally sign your friends up for spam. Some sites will continue to send email messages to anyone you refer until they join.

Evaluate your settings

Take advantage of a site's privacy settings. The default settings for some sites may allow anyone to see your profile, but you can customize your settings to restrict access to only certain people. There is still a risk that private information could be exposed despite these restrictions, so don't post anything that you wouldn't want the public to see. Sites may change their options periodically, so review your security and privacy settings regularly to make sure that your choices are still appropriate.

Be wary of third-party applications

Third-party applications may provide entertainment or functionality, but use caution when deciding which applications to enable. Avoid applications that seem suspicious, and modify your settings to limit the

— amount of information the applications can access.

Annual ACTION AUCTION

Each year, we strive to hold what's been referred to as our, "Action Auction". In the past few years we decided to combine the event with our Annual Picnic, making for a fun-packed activity. We eat, relax, buy items offered at the auction and enjoy the time spent with fellow-members and their family.

TWO NECESSARY FACTORS

There are two very important factors necessary for a successful auction: PEOPLE and ITEMS to sell! This is why it's so important for **each** and **every** member of our club to ATTEND and OFFER ITEMS for the success of the auction.

In the past we have sold items both computer related and non-computer related, such as an outboard motor, lawn mower, TV sets, monitors, household items, garden tools and accessories, yard ornaments, ceramics, toilet seat, etc. etc. The list goes on and on. ANY item in good repair is fair game, so bring some of those 'White Elephant' items you may have that are just taking up space around the home. The old saying, "One man's junk is another's treasure" may be very true.

Of course, we don't encourage bringing actual 'junk'. The City has designated a special place for that... the City Dump! Items useful and in good repair work best. Other very popular auction items are **Gift Certificates** from a variety of businesses, such as Sam's, Walmart, Office Max, Golden Corral, Quaker Steak and Lube, etc. You would be surprised how one can obtain such gift certificates from the various business places, **but you must act NOW**. Sometimes it takes them a while to go through the proper channels to get approval for their donations. Don't just go once... many times it's a case of, 'the squeaky wheel gets the grease' so politely 'remind' them at least a second time that they have a chance to donate to our cause, and have their business mentioned PUBLICLY in our monthly newsletter and/or on our open website. Many grasp the opportunity for some extra advertising. Give them our website address, (www.mapcc.com), and inform them that the monthly newsletter is posted there. Let's strive to make this year's event a very successful and helpful one. It takes input from each and every member. Will you help? Remember: SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 1-5 P.M.

(Note: We are not registered as a 'non-profit' organization, so do not represent our club as such.)

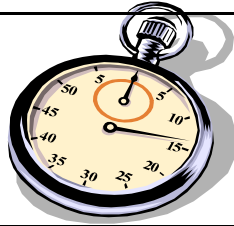


Naturally, we won't complain if we have THIS kind of bidding at our auction either:o) It's called, "Club Spirit!"



Minutes of the

Recorded by Vice



June 21st Meeting

President, Lynn Fehr

Meeting Opened

The meeting opened at 7:02 P.M. by Pres. Wm. Pennington with very few members in attendance. Joe read the previous month's minutes in Secretary Dee Hindman's absence. V.P. Lynn Fehr volunteered to record the minutes of the June meeting.

Minutes and Treasury Report

Treasurer, Mary Alice Fehr read the Treasury Report which was accepted as read. Motion carried. All members present signed a Get-Well card which will be sent to Larry Puls, who is now in the Methodist Hospital, in Omaha. His slow but sure condition was discussed among the members. Keep up the 'get-well' prayers.

Members not present were:

Jerry Bell, Joe Cavallaro 3rd, Tammy Cooper, Esther Edie, Arthur Foley, Dee Hindman, Allan Love family, Roland Lynch, and Larry Puls.

Picnic – Auction Plans Formulated

A long discussion took place of various possibilities for holding the annual picnic and auction. It was finally decided that the Manawa Fish and Game location would work the best, so Joe made the motion to that effect. It was accepted and we plan to hold the event on August 28th in the upstairs facility, and (if possible) utilize the open area below for our auction. Otherwise it will take place in the enclosed area upstairs. It will be from 1-5 P.M. Mary Alice announced the charge for this location is \$25.00 per hour. The Club will furnish all the food except drinks, which members were asked to supply for themselves. (No alcoholic beverages).

Demo

Mary Alice and Lynn offered the demo; a slide program on the Missouri River Flood conditions from Mo. Valley, IA. To Plattsmouth, NE. Very well done presentation. After the presentation, Joe showed Mary Alice how to add music to a project, created in Windows Movie Maker.

Stick-Around Dollars Growing

The "Stick-Around" drawing was held and Mary Cavallaro's name was drawn, but since she was not in attendance, there will be **THREE Gold Dollars** given after the July meeting. It pays to 'stick-



**From the Office of the
President
Wm. Pennington**



Sorry,
No input from the president.
