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March 25
April 22
May 27

MEETING PLACE
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March 26

Identity Theft Phishing Scams Abound

By Ira Wilsker

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WEBSITES:

<http://www.websensesecuritylabs.com/alerts>

<http://www.antiphishing.org>

I have been busy compiling information so I can complete my 1040 for this year. I have also been actively searching for bargains on EBay, typically paying for my purchases utilizing my PayPal account. I frequently use the online bill paying service offered by my credit union. Much to my chagrin, according to a series of emails I received, my EBay account is being suspended, as well as my PayPal account, or somehow I added another email address to my PayPal account that I did not recognize.

I did receive some good news by email from tax-refunds@irs.gov; I have an unclaimed refund at the IRS! Here is what that good news email says: "Subject: Refund notice; You filed your tax return and you're expecting a refund. You have just one question and you want the answer now - Where's My Refund? Access this secure Web site to find out if the IRS received your return and whether your refund was processed and sent to you. **New program enhancements** allow you to begin a refund trace online if you have not received your check within 28 days from the original IRS mailing date. Some of you will also be able to correct or change your mailing address within this application if your check was returned to us as undelivered by the U.S. Postal Service. "Where's My Refund?" will prompt you when these features are available for your situation. To get to your refund status, you'll need to provide the following information as shown on your return: * Your first and last name * Your Social Security Number (or IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number) * Your Credit Card Information (for the successful complete <sic> of the process)." It seemed too good to be true; all I needed to do was to connect to the government website listed in the email, GovBenefits.gov,

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enter my name, social security number, email address, credit card number and expiration date, CVV2 security code on the back of my credit card, and my ATM PIN number, and within 28 days an unexpected \$571 tax refund will be deposited to my account. I think that is just wonderful.

I am very concerned that my EBay privileges may be compromised, as there have been some discrepancies in my EBay account, so claimed an email I received from EBay. All I need to do is verify and reactivate my EBay account by clicking on the link in the email, entering my username and password, and then verifying my identity with either my PayPal address or password, or reentering my credit card number, security code, and expiration date. That is quick and simple, so I will do it to preserve my EBay account.

I buy a lot of "stuff" on EBay, and pay for it from my PayPal account. I was shocked when I received that email from PayPal verifying that I had added another email address to my PayPal account. I did not recognize that email address, so I clicked on the PayPal link in the email, and entered my PayPal email address, password, credit card number, expiration date, and security code. Now that I have verified my identity to PayPal, I can safely remove that unknown email address from my PayPal account.

In another recent email from the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), I was utterly shocked to learn that my credit union account and ATM card would be suspended within five days due to suspicious activity unless I connected to the website listed and confirmed my identity, and reauthorized my account. In a panic, I immediately did so, entering my account number, ATM card number, PIN number, and the routing number from one of my checks. A reassuring "Thank You" from the website relieved me of the anxiety I had about my credit union account, and now I feel better.

All of the emails above are real, but my responses to those emails are not. These types of emails present a very real and growing threat to our financial privacy and security. They are representative of a rapidly growing and dangerous trend of "phishing", a popular method of identity theft. By simply responding to the emails by clicking on the authentic looking link, the user is directed to an authentic looking but counterfeit website which solicits the victims' personal information. Once that information is entered, it has been documented that credit cards can be illicitly charged within seconds, and bank accounts drained via the use of the ATM and PIN numbers.

The Anti Phishing Work Group (<http://www.antiphishing.org>) is a trade group with over 2000 members including the major credit card companies, banks, credit unions, EBay, and financial service companies, who tracks phishing attacks. The most recent figures available as I type this indicate that in the month of November 2005, there were 16,882 individual phishing attacks, each possibly consisting of millions of fraudulent emails sent to people like us. The rate of phishing attacks, and the number of phishing emails has doubled since November 2004, and the numbers still appear to be increasing as it has become an easy method to defraud victims out of their money. These attacks connected to 4630 fraudulent websites, triple the number for the same month in the previous year. The scam sites are short lived, being shutdown either forcibly, or voluntarily, within an average of 5.5 days, with some being active for as long as 30 days. Eighty percent of phishing scams illicitly use the name of just six legitimate companies, such as PayPal and EBay, and the other 20 percent of scams misrepresent 87 companies. While the majority of these websites are hosted in the US, they are actually owned and operated predominately by foreign nationals, often in Eastern Europe, and southeast and central Asia. Criminal prosecutions and recovery of lost money are scarce, making it a high gain - low risk crime, which helps account for its rapid and malicious spread.

A comprehensive list of current phishing scams, predominantly directed against the customers of major financial institutions may be found at <http://www.websensesecuritylabs.com/alerts> . Some

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of the most recent listed financial institutions targeted are Greater Texas Federal Credit Union, Day Air Credit Union, First Bank, The Farmers Bank, Town North Bank, and many others.

As users start to implement updated software of various types, phishing may become more difficult. Newer versions of email programs, such as Outlook, Mailwasher, Eudora, and others show if a link redirects to another address, other than the one listed. The new version of Internet Explorer offers an anti-phishing option which will check internet addresses against suspicious or known phishing sites. Trend Micro's PC-Cillin Internet Security Suite 2006 offers an anti-phishing toolbar for Internet Explorer that shows if a link is being redirected to a suspicious site. Recent versions of the Firefox browser offer some protection against phishing by indicating the real, rather than the apparent web address in the address bar, which should notify the user of a potential scam. In order to bypass many of the new protections offered, some phishers are registering close variations of legitimate domain names in an attempt to trick users into accepting their false authenticity. Another trick is "pharming", which illicitly redirects correct internet addresses to bogus websites for the purpose of tricking the victim into entering sensitive data.

Never click on a link in an email warning about some dire financial risk or reward, as reputable agencies will not utilize that tactic in the event of a problem. A quick call to a known 800 number to verify any such problem will quickly indicate that the email is bogus. Better safe than sorry.

There is no restriction against any non-profit group using this article as long as it is kept in context with proper credit given the author. The Editorial Committee of the Association of Personal Computer User Groups (APCUG), an international organization of which this group is a member, brings this article to you.

**Monthly Meeting of CAEUG
February 2006**

The February meeting of the Computers Are Easy User Group was called to order by President Michael Goldberg at 10:00am on February 25, 2006 at the Glenside Public Library

There were 24 members in attendance. No Guests.

Raffle Items:

- My Holiday Postage (My Software Inc.)
- US Robotics Palm Pilot Professional w/ 2 docking stations
- Thrustmaster Flight Control System Mark I Joystick
- Magee Automenu Software
- Relisys Model RE 767B 17" Monitor
- Speedstream DSL/Cable Wireless Modem w/ 2 Siemens Powerline Ethernet Adapters

Meeting Minutes: The January minutes were accepted as printed in the ARI.

Treasurer's Report: No report this month as there was a death in Treasurer Johnson's family. Our condolences go out to Lynn and her family.

Balance:	Income:	Expenses:	New Balance:
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Officer Reports: President Goldberg asked if any board members had any comments or reports: V.P. Frank Braman announced that the March program will be presented by club member Roger Kinzie. Roger will talk about Thumb drives or removable media. For April, Kathy Long will be here from Epson to show us the latest line in their printers. V.P. Braman does not have a May program lined up at this time.

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If you are interested contact him at frankw@seniorglobe.net for more information. V.P. Braman also thanked Secretary Holste for creating the club brochure. He thought the brochure was done very well. These brochures are passed out at places like the COD Computer Show. We are looking for volunteers to staff the table at the COD Computer show on Sunday February 26th. Webmaster; No Report, Newsletter Editor; No Report.

The business meeting was suspended for the Program presentation at 10:15am.

Program: Michael Goldberg gave a very entertaining and interesting presentation on flight simulation using Microsoft Flight Simulator 2002.

The business meeting resumed at 11:30am.

Old Business: None

New Business:

President Goldberg asked for volunteers to serve on the nominating committee for upcoming elections to be held in April.

Member Roger Kinzie advised that the lamp life in the club projector is running out. Discussion was held due to the cost of the replacement bulb which is over \$500.00 dollars. In light of that information, it was suggested that the club look at purchasing a new projector. V.P Braman advised that he asked Epson Rep Kathy Long to bring a projector or two for her program. Tom Anzalone was volunteered by V.P Braman to head a committee to research the type and cost of a new projector and report at the next meeting.

V.P. Braman asked for another person to help with the set-up and take down of the coffee pot, plates, napkins, etc.

Bill Douglas asked about the possibility of setting up a wireless access point in the meeting room. Discussion was held. Bill Douglas will learn what equipment will be required and present a program on wireless networking at the May meeting.. It was suggested that members could bring their laptops or computers, if properly equipped, to access the Internet. V.P. Braman said that he would e-mail members with a list of what will be needed for access.

Auction: President Goldberg conducted an auction of a D-Link 4 Port USB Hub. The highest bidder was Frank Braman for \$8.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dean Holste, Secretary

March 2006 CDOM

007Password - Displays all passwords of the currently logged in user that are stored in the Microsoft PWL

A-ToolBar - A desktop tool brings you 50 useful tools in one program

ABlword4Thumb - An unofficial modified version of a Word-like word processor for use on USB Thumb/Pen Drives

ActiveXCtrlPad - An authoring tool that lets you add ActiveX controls and ActiveX scripting to your HTML pages

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ActivIcons - Makes it simple to change properties for various icons on your Windows desktop and in Explorer

AdobeReader - Adobe Acrobat Reader 7.0.7 for Windows XP

allSnap - A system tray application that makes all top level windows automatically align

AmazingMIDI - automatically converts WAV files into MIDI files

ARI - March Newsletter

AudioRecorder - Easily record any sound you can hear on your computer

Bazooka - An Adware and Spyware Scanner that not only detects unwelcome guests, it obliterates them

Ccompiler - A C language compiler system for Windows

CIAFactBook - Complete 2005 CIA Fact Book

CintCPlusPlusInt - A C/C++ interpreter aimed at processing C/C++ scripts

dbPowerAmp - Converts your digital music files from one format to another

Dir2Html - Creates an HTML index from a file system directory

EasyMP3AlarmClock - Allows you to choose sounds that gently bring you out of dreamland

EasyOffice - Office suite that features an innovative easy-to-use user interface

EditHistory - Converts regular edit fields to combo boxes to edit most recently accessed documents

ERUNT - Emergency Recovery Utility NT lets you back up your Registry with restore folders

ExtractNow - Extract zipped and compressed files

FermnDesktopTheme - A large array of screensavers, desktop backgrounds, amusing icons, mouse cursors, and sounds

FileSplitter - Easily split large files into smaller ones

FreeBasic - Basic language compiler with tools and IDE (Integrated Development Environment)

GrooveVirtualOffice - Groove Virtual Office synchronizes files and changes made to them on your PC at home

HTMLkit - A multi-purpose tool that has support for several scripting and programming languages

Keyfinder - Program looks in your Windows registry to find the Product Key

MagicalGlass - Program that magnifies things on your screen

MediaMonkey - An easy-to-use music manager / media jukebox for serious music collectors

MultiRes - Quickly and easily switch monitor resolutions

MusicmatchJukebox - All-in-one digital audio management tool

OldTimeRadio - Classic Radio Programs

OpenOffice202 - Updated office suite program

RegistryFirstAid - Fix problems with the Microsoft Windows Registry

Smart NTFS Recovery - Recovers data from hard disks with NTFS

Starter - View and manage all the programs that start automatically when your computer boots up

SwiftSwitch - Audio file format converter for windows

T@Bvideo - A multi-track video editing and compositing system

Tab2Desk - Allows you to switch to the Windows desktop by using the Alt+Tab keystroke

TeamTime - A simple tool that designed for groups of people who work or play together but live in different timezones

VirtualPascal - Pascal language - fast cross-platform compiler

WebFormDesigner - A WYSIWYG interface to visually design complete Web forms

Win32Pad - A great substitute for Notepad

Winkiller3 - A small red button in your system tray that you can click on and your system will restart or shutdown

XnView - A freeware graphics viewer

YaBasic - <http://www.yabasic.de/> Yet another Basic for Unix and Windows. A basic interpreter

ZipCentral - A free and easy to use zip file manager

ZipPassword - A free tool to recover zip archive passwords

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March 22, 2006
by John Spizzirri



This month I will start with how to install Open Office 2.0.5 (<http://www.openoffice.org/>). Open Office is the open source office suite containing a word processor (Writer), a spreadsheet (Calc), a presentation program (Impress), a drawing program (Draw) and a database (HSQLDB). The first thing to do is get the installation file. This can be done in one of two ways. First, you can purchase the basic CD or the month which has OpenOffice 2.0.5 on it. Second, you could go to the OpenOffice Web site and download the 82 MB or 104 MB file. The larger file has JAVA built into it. Some database features require JAVA but the documentation is sketchy regarding those features. There are also a setup guide (2MB), user guide (6MB), and a Writer guide (8MB). All the guides are on the basic CD of the month. The system requirements for Windows are a minimum of 115MB of hard disk space, 64MB RAM, and Windows 98, ME, NT, 2K, or XP. Linux requirements are similar to Windows, while Mac requirements are greater. It is recommended that if you have a previous version of Open Office installed on your machine, remove it before installing Open Office 2.0.5. Read all the instructions in the setup guide. If you have any questions, go to the Open Office Web site, click on any tab except Home, click on FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions). Look through the questions to find an answer. Now to the installation. Click Start, Run, and Browse to the location of the install file. If you are using the CAEUG Basic CD of the month or the March 2006 CD of the month, the file is in the OpenOffice folder. You can select the JAVA (JRE JAVA Runtime Engine) enabled install or the standard install. The JAVA install is only needed if JAVA is not already installed. JAVA is needed for database functionality and for help wizards to work. Once the correct file is in the text box, click Ok. The first screen that appears is the "Thank you for downloading Open Office" dialog. Click Next to go to the "Destination folder" screen. Generally, it is good idea to accept the default destination folder. Click Unpack. The Next screen is the "Welcome to installation". Click Next. Now comes the "Accept license" screen. The license is the standard fair. Accept the license and click Next. The "Customer info - name & organization" screen requests your name and organization. Type in you name. The organization can be left blank. The next screen ask if you want a "Complete or Custom" installation. Select the complete install. The next screen asks if you want Open Office to open Microsoft Office file types for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. If OpenOffice is your sole office suite, select all the file types. If you have more than one office suite, use your own judgment. The final screen is "Ready to Install". Select Install. After a few minutes the installation will complete. If you are installing on a Windows version other than XP, you will need to reboot your PC. I would recommend rebooting XP as well. You will find an Open Office selection under Programs on the Start menu.

Last month I wrote about the cartoons of the prophet Muhammad at <http://blog.newspaperindex.com/2005/12/10/un-to-investigate-jyllands-posten-racism/> . Those same pictures were published in the Daily Illini (<http://www.dailyillini.com/>), the "independent" student newspaper of the University of Illinois (<http://www.uiuc.edu/>). Acton Gordon was the editor-in-chief of the Daily Illini at the time. Shortly, he was suspended from his position followed by his firing via e-mail. It seems the followers of the prophet Muhammad at the university were upset by the pictures. Acton's Muslim attorney, Junaid Afeef, is offended by the cartoons but is "dismayed by the idiotic and shortsighted response to these cartoons by Muslims all over the world." The attorney's statement is published on Beliefnet at http://beliefnet.com/story/186/story_18648_1.html . The Chicago Maroon, the "independent" student newspaper of the University of Chicago, has the story that includes quotes from the offended leaders of the Muslim Students' Association at http://maroon.uchicago.edu/news/articles/2006/02/21/daily_illini_editors.php . The Harvard Salient (<http://hcs.harvard.edu/~salient/>), the "independent" student newspaper of Harvard

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University also printed the cartoons but the editor escaped with his job. I guess Harvard is more liberal than the multicultural U of I.

Its been nearly a year since Larry Bothe mentioned the free annual credit reports in the ARI... They are available at (<http://www.annualcreditreport.com/>).

The Peoples Republic of China (<http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/>) is issuing RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) ID cards to their citizens. They are not involved in a war on terror. The reason RFID ID cards are proposed for U. S. citizens is the war on terror. Why would China do that? The story is on the ultra conservative Prison Planet Web site at http://prisonplanet.com/articles/march2006/090306_b_RFID.htm .

The New Jersey legislature has a bill pending that allows a person to sue an “interactive computer service or an Internet service provider” (ISP) for damages (compensatory and punitive) if they are damaged by a “false or defamatory” posting or postings on a public forum site or a message board. The bill requires an ISP to have message board users “be identified by a legal name and address, or to register a legal name and address”. If this bill passes, name calling on the Internet will become actionable. The story is at the FreeRepublic, a conservative Web site, (<http://www.freerepublic.com/>) along with comments by anonymous message board users at <http://www.freerepublic.com/focus/f-news/1591390/posts> .

Microsoft (MS <http://www.microsoft.com/>) announced an ultra mobile PC nicknamed ‘Origami’ (<http://www.origamiproject.com/3/> or <http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/umpc/default.mspx>). This PC appears to be a small foot print Tablet PC. It has no mouse or keyboard. Nothing new here.

lala (<http://www.lala.com/>) is a new service (in beta) that will probably irritate the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA <http://www.riaa.com/>). The service is a clearing house for trading music CD’s via the mail. The difference between this service and downloading music is that the fee charged goes to lala. The owners of lala pledge to give 20% of their revenue to the music artists - NOT the recording companies.

Slate magazine (<http://www.slate.com/>), in a recent article (<http://www.slate.com/id/2137691/?nav=tap3>) makes fun of the declassified yet recently reclassified documents in the news last month, has a parody of how the National Security Agency (NSA <http://www.nsa.gov>) might handle the Bill of Rights (<http://usinfo.state.gov/usa/infousa/facts/funddocs/billeng.htm>). Surprisingly, the second amendment was left intact.

Accoona (<http://www.accoona.com>), the new (2004) search site, is after Google’s market with a proprietary Artificial Intelligence technology for a finer search. “SuperTarget Your Search TM” is the term used by Accoona to describe the search features that enable you to highlight specific terms.

Department of Justice (<http://www.usdoj.gov/>) has Google (<http://www.google.com>) back in court again to wipe out your right of privacy http://www.cio.com/blog_view.html?CID=19031 . The judge, James Ware, ruled against both Google and the DOJ. Google will have to release records to the DOJ. Google successfully argued that the scope of the records requested was too broad (<http://www.silicon.com/0,39024729,39157220,00.htm>). The DOJ’s original reason for collecting this data was to defend an anti-pornography law and to show flaws in filtering software. The DOJ original request was for 1,000,000 random URL’s (uniform resource locator’s) was reduced to 50,000 URL’s. The DOJ also wanted the text of all queries filed on the search engine during a specific week but will settle for 5,000. Allegedly, this information will not be connected to individual users. If you do not trust the government, perhaps you should use Accoona (<http://www.accoona.com>),

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A9 (<http://a9.com/>), or Ask (<http://www.ask.com/>) until this is over. Who knows, you may just stop using Google.

Nissan Motor (<http://www.nissanusa.com/>) has developed a safety feature that lifts the gas pedal if sensors detect an imminent collision. The story is at <http://www.siliconvalley.com/mld/siliconvalley/business/technology/14099170.htm> . An interesting citation in the article reports that “research has shown that more than half of traffic accidents are caused by inattention, drowsiness and carelessness, rather than error in judgment and or illegalities such as speeding and drunken driving.” The National Safety Council (<http://www.nsc.org/>), MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving <http://www.madd.org/>), and every police department across the country would have us believe that just the opposite is true. The United States Department of Transportation (<http://www.dot.gov/>) would have us believe that not wearing seat belts causes accidents. I wonder who is right?

The Onion (<http://www.theonion.com/>) is a ‘news’ site for adults. The news stories are actually tongue-in-cheek satires. A recent story was of a drug, PharmAmorin, made by Pfizer that helps people have an “affection for drug makers that is found in healthy people”. The story is at <http://www.theonion.com/content/node/46032> . Prepare to laugh.

Ronald Reagan Supreme Court appointee, Sandra Day O’Connor, gave a speech at Georgetown University. She retired from the court last month after serving for 24 years. She predicted that the our country may fall “into dictatorship” because of the treatment of the judiciary. The story is at <http://www.guardian.co.uk/usa/story/0,,1729396,00.html> .

Zimbabwe is suffering from near 800% inflation. President Robert Mugabe, you may recall, redistributed the nation’s farms over the last few years from multi-generational homesteaders to well connected nationals. He then forced farm workers of Malawian, Zambian or Mozambican descent, immigrants and naturalized, back to their countries of origin. The farms could not operate without know-how and labor. The story is at http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20060311/ap_on_bi_ge/zimbabwe_economy;_ylt=ApPKAaMAqSG5JC2pUb0PdDqs0NUE;_ylu=X3oDMTA3ODdxdHBhBHNIYwM5NjQ- Look for famine.

The CBS television show “Without a Trace” (Thursdays at 9 PM Central time http://www.cbs.com/primetime/without_a_trace/) was fined \$3.63 million for “indecent content” by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission <http://www.fcc.gov/>). I think the people at the FCC should get a life. The episode was broadcast in 2004. Howard Stern was fined \$3.5 in 2004. If you ever listened to Howard Stern, you would know how ridiculous this fine is. This is clearly a case of prudes gone wild. Get the story at <http://www.eonline.com/News/Items/0,1,18578,00.html> .

The ARI... editor, Kathy Groce, sent me a URL that goes through all the myths and misunderstandings about e-mail in an entertaining way. The URL is <http://www.softlab.ece.ntua.gr/~sivann/pub/swf/may02-smilepop-soapbox4.swf> . Check it out.

Between you, me and The Lamp Post that's all for this month.

Great Midwest Computer Show has moved to the DuPage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton, IL
Located less than 10 minutes from our former location at the College of DuPage, the DuPage County Fairgrounds is a great new location for the show! The show will continue to offer the same great vendors as well as Free Parking! As a special offer to highlight our move, we are offering FREE ADMISSION with qualifying purchase for the March 26, 2006 show! Simply make a purchase of \$50.00 or more from any vendor, and your admission price will be refunded on the spot! At the DuPage County Fairgrounds, all shows are held in Exhibit Buildings 2 and 3, which are located at the front of the fairgrounds.

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Beginner's SIG

Ask questions and discuss computer experiences
Such as:

1. New to Computers? (basic topics)
2. How to use the Web or download information
3. How to install hardware/software
4. Discuss how to troubleshoot hardware conflicts, learn boot up emergency tricks
5. What do you want to know??

SIG meets before regular meeting from **9:05 to 9:45**

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HAS MOVED TO THE
Dupage County Fair Grounds in Wheaton, IL
9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
FREE PARKING
Admission - \$7.00 Kids 12 and under FREE
<http://www.greatmidwestcomputershow.com>
E-mail address:
info@greatmidwestcomputershow.com
2006 dates
March 26, April 23, June 25

MEMBERS HELPLINE

Any member with a specific expertise can volunteer to be on the Members Helpline.

Beginner Helpline Billy Douglas

Beginner hardware problems . . . Dick Fergus

QuickBooks, Turbo Tax, IBM Lotus, MS Excel, Corel's Quattro Pro Terry Moyer

Hardware problems, Win 9x, 2K, XP & Linux John Spizzirri

CD OF THE MONTH FORMAT: Is now available in **two (2)** flavors. The **Basic CD** will be packed with the standard items, while the **CD of the Month** will have NEW and updated items.

NEW Money Saving Offer for CD of the Month

Pre Order + Prepay = SAVE \$\$

The club will offer the CD of the Month on a pre order, prepaid basis. The charge will be \$70.00 a year for 9 months. This is \$20 annual savings over buying them for \$9 each month. Lynn Johnson, the treasurer, will keep track of anyone placing a 9-month order.

MAIL Request - There will be a \$2.00 mailing charge per CD

Membership Costs.....		
	First Yr.	Renewal
Individual	\$25.00	\$20.00
Family	\$30.00	\$25.00
Corporate	\$30.00	\$25.00
Associate	\$20.00	\$15.00

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Meeting place and date information:

The next REGULAR meeting will be held at the **Glenside Public Library in Glendale Heights** starting 9:45am on **4th Saturday March 25, 2006**

The Glenside Public Library is located at 25 E Fullerton Avenue, Glendale Heights, Illinois. The Library is located on Fullerton between Bloomingdale Road (stop light intersection) and Schmale Road (stop light intersection) on the south side of Fullerton. Fullerton is parallel to North Avenue (Route 64) and Army Trail Road. North Ave. is south and Army Trail is north of Fullerton. Please park away from the building. Thank you. The meeting(s) are not library sponsored and all inquiries should be directed to Mike Goldberg at MikeGold60137@yahoo.com. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this program and who require certain accommodations in order to observe and/or participate in the program are requested to contact CAEUG president, Mike Goldberg at MikeGold60137@yahoo.com, at least five (5) days prior to the program, so that reasonable accommodation can be made for them.

**CONFIRMED Future Meeting dates for 2006 at Glenside Public Library:
4th Saturday March 25, April 22, May 27**

March 25 presenter will be our own Roger Kinzie

Roger Kinzie will present an overview of what USB thumbdrives are all about, Roger Kinzie, our March presenter and long time member, will be discussing USB flash drives and the different types of USBs. Despite the different brands and names you've heard for USB flash drives, they all operate the same way. The difference is price, capacity, design, functions and features. They are all pluggable, portable, and powerful. Changing and upgrading my PC has been my goal and keeping up with the world. Hope to see you there.

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