

Computers Are Easy User Croup

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Confirmed meeting dates

2022

July 23 August 27

Hybrid Board Room in person OR Zoom

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Check website for dates and meeting info

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PER GLENSIDE Library <u>Late breaking news</u> meeting Board Room is available to meet. Masks are optional.

NO MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 2022

INFORMATION for Saturday July 23rd meeting

The start time at the library is 9:30am or Zoom is 10:00am. This will be a hybrid meeting. We will meet at the library Room A and use Zoom video conferencing software.

In person meeting Board Room OR where you get to stay at home and view meeting via Zoom The library may close due to the covid level in DuPage County.

There will be a meeting invitation e-mail Thursday evening before the in person at 9:30 meeting OR Zoom at 10:00 on Saturday morning. Our **Presenter** for Saturday July 23, 2022 will be TBA **REMINDER:**

\$20.00 Membership dues for 2022 are due. Mail dues to CAEUG, P.O. Box 3150, Glen Ellvn. IL 60138

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Join CAEUG meeting in Library or from Home, Stay Safe! Stay tuned for updates



Lamp Post 247 June 2022 by John Spizzirri

One of the Decorah Eagles (1) north nest eaglets has fledged. The other is still testing its wings jumping from nest to branch. The adults drop off food occasionally so the eaglet gets hungry. The eaglets once fledged will stay near the nest through mid July.

1) https://is.gd/0YqTVG

Facebook (1) and Messenger (2) have been found using a 'large-scale phishing operation' (3) that lured millions of users to enter their account credentials. With those credentials the thieves sent further phishing messages to the friends of the victims, generating additional revenue via online advertising. If you use Facebook or Messenger, you may already be a victim. The research was done by a company called PIXM (4). It has been mentioned in Wired Magazine (5), CSO (Computer Security Online (6)), and TechRepublic (7). It has a free real time phishing prevention add on for the following browsers; Google Chrome, Chromium, Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge, Opera, and Brave. In order to get the add on, click Personal at the top of the PIXM web site, then click install.

- 1) https://www.facebook.com/
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Microcenter (1) has an article on how to manage cables (2). The cable management the article discusses is primarily internal to the PC. If you have added or changed anything inside your PC, this may be a concern to you. Cable management outside the box should also be a concern. Keeping cable and cord runs neat help in keeping house cleaning.

- 1) https://www.microcenter.com/
- 2) https://is.gd/wHBtOy

The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF (1)) has published Surveillance Self-Defense (2) guides to help Internet users keep themselves safe from advertising and government tracking systems. You can go as deeply into this subject as you wish. Each guide is complete but previews what is next. You can

continue at your own pace or stop at a level at which you are comfortable.

https://www.eff.org/
 https://ssd.eff.org/en

Between you, me and the LampPost, that's all for now.

File not found (404 error) by John Spizzirri

Did you get this error looking for an old newsletter on the CAEUG.NET web site? Here's why. This is part of an e-mail sent to me by John Kennedy, our APCUG Region 6 Advisor, on July 5, 2021:

"Today I am writing to you as an "advisor". I am not an attorney, but I need to share some advice with you about what you put on your websites. It has been brought to my attention that there is a company out "there" that sends its "bots" out over the Internet (like Google, Bing or DuckDuckGo does to catalog websites and information) to search out any misuse of copyrighted material. They have gone as far as downloading (or whatever they do) and "reading" anything that you upload to your website in document format. In this particular case that I've become aware of, they downloaded/examined the graphics that were used in a slideshow presented at a meeting that was converted into a PDF so members could download it if they missed the meeting. And there's no timeline for their activities. This particular PDF was posted to a member group's website last October. We've even been informed these types of companies even go back 10 years looking for graphics/pictures that might be copyrighted and totally forgotten by the groups that uploaded them.

The company then starts sending you threatening emails or snailmails demanding money. I'm not going into details about this part of the process other than to mention they are demanding extremely high amounts of "fees" that if not paid they will turn your case over to legal companies (that's because they are not lawyers or a legal firm to begin with).

What I am going to discuss with you is what options you have for what you put up on your website. The bottom line is that your group is totally responsible for what gets put up on your website. It won't matter if you have a recording of a meeting that someone shared a video that's copyrighted, or that you post a PDF from a presenter that might have used a copyrighted graphic; you will be held responsible for what's there, not the creator/user of the copyrighted material. On a side note I will be advising presentation makers to really do a background check on anything they use that they think "might" be free material as following the trail could lead to discovering the graphic is not free.

If you have members that create presentations, you might have a talk with them. I've had this talk with myself.

So what are your options for posting things on the web? If you are posting video recordings, you might want to "test" them by uploading them to YouTube first. They now won't let you upload videos until they have been "through the wringer". That way before you have a chance to violate copyright laws, you will be warned and can stop the upload process.

But how about documents and slideshows with graphics? You basically have two choices, upload them and take your changes [sic] or stop uploading them unless you know for sure (or best make it 120% sure) that there is no copyrighted material included. Hopefully the presenters will now make sure everything they use is completely copyright free before they present it to your group and you share it on the web. But again, the responsibility is totally on the group that uploads it to the Internet.

The other option that is a possibility takes a little work, doesn't allow outsiders to view things, and makes your members jump through a small hoop by creating a private, member's only webpage where you can put things that the general public (and companies like I mentioned) can't access.

As I said in the beginning, I'm not a legal expert; but with two groups I'm associated with having this very issue, I'm just suggesting that you think about what your web posting practice is going to be."
"John Kennedy, APCUG Region 6 Advisor"

After I received this, I took the precaution to remove our older newsletters from our web site. Below are lists of the names of articles in the various newsletters. If you want to view an article, e-mail me at caeug@caeug.net. If you are a member of CAEUG I will send you a copy of newsletter where the article appears. This solves the problem of getting sued for copyright violation by outsiders who usurp the DMCA (1) that protects dead peoples rights.

1) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Digital Millennium Copyright Act

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- John Spizzirri

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