

Random Bits



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Program for Oct. 20, 2019, "Protecting Your Digital Life", by Bob Gostischa, Member of Speakers Bureau for APCUG, and Member of LCCS (ECOTUC)

October is National Internet Security Month. All you need to bring is an open mind. We look forward to seeing you at 2:00 PM, Sunday, 10/20/2019, when our speaker Bob Gostischa will explain dangers of our security and privacy being attacked from many sources.

This presentation will cover how we can protect our computers (Windows and Mac), tablets, smartphones, and other smart devices. He will explain the importance of guarding our online presence. He'll also share what he uses to keep his computers, smart devices as well as connected Internet of Things devices secure.

About the Presenter:

Norbert "Bob" Gostischa, after a successful career in banking, enjoys his retirement as an enthusiastic IT security expert, most notably for Avast Software s.r.o., the global leader in cybersecurity products. The most known product is Avast Antivirus.

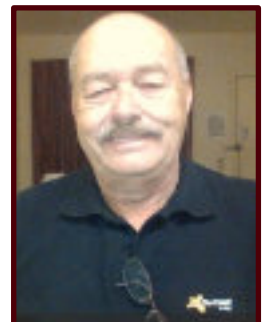
In 2016, Avast purchased AVG Technologies and in 2017 Avast bought Piriform (Ccleaner, Defraggler, Recuva, and Speccy).

Avast has been making security software for over 30 years and has more than 400 million users worldwide. Avast prevents 2 billion malware attacks every month.

Avast Antivirus is the most used antivirus software in the world.

The Avast website has a discussion and help forum, where Bob has been helping with security-related and general computer issues since 2004. He has contributed over 38,000 forum interactions. Bob's presentations are free-of-charge and are not a sales pitch for Avast.

Learn more about Bob's presentations and passions in his Blog and YouTube Channel. Bob is a proud member of the APCUG Speakers Bureau, and a member of our own Licking County Computer Society.



Soap Box



Previous Program Points

To find out more information about a Previous Program, we ask that you click on the LCCS Media link below. This link will take you to YouTube and the LCCS Media playlist where you will be able to find videos of the past presentations.

[LCCS Media](#)



Letter from the Editor

Ladies and Gentlemen this issue of the Random Bits is the first complete issue to have been produced using the club's new Affinity Desktop Publishing program. From the reader's view it may not seem that much different, the graphics are the same, the page layouts are pretty much the same, but the main difference is behind the scenes. For the editor Affinity makes the job of producing an issue much easier and much less time consuming. We hope that you find the new Random Bits as informative and useful as the old version. One new addition is the "Don't Forget" section where you will find information that is ongoing.



News and Events

2019	October	
Club Activity / Event	Day of Week	Date
Repair Help Desk 7pm	Tuesday	1
Internet Help Desk/SIG 1pm.	Friday	4
Repair Help Desk 1pm	Saturday	5
Total Beginners Help Desk 3:pm	Tuesday	8
Word Processing Help Desk 9:30am	Wednesday	9
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Spreadsheet Help Desk 11am	Thursday	10
Linux SIG 1pm	Friday	11
Know More Tech SIG 1:30pm	Friday	18
Repair Help Desk 1pm	Saturday	19
ECOTUC / LCCS General Meeting 2pm	Sunday	20
Total Beginners Help Desk 3:pm	Tuesday	22
Word Processing Help Desk 9:30am	Wednesday	23
Spreadsheet Help Desk 11am	Thursday	24
Linux SIG 1pm	Friday	25

For the latest information on Club Events “Click” on the link below!

[LCCS Google Calendar](#)





LCCS Has Club Info Display Table at Heritage Hall Open House.

LCCS has a club information display table at Heritage Hall Open House, October 3, 2019, 4 to 7 PM.

FREE to General Public. Lots of things to see and do (and eat)!

LCCS hopes every member will drop by for a few minutes and support our club (in person), between 4 PM and 7 PM on Thursday, October 3. We need to make a good show of support. Read the copy of Heritage Times that most of you receive in your homes via computer or by regular mail. You'll be interested to see all the things Licking County Aging Program does for the people in this county, other than offer the finest computer education available, in my opinion. . Only 5 people from our Club have offered to come by and sit and visit with the General Public. Call me right quick if you can come by and sit for a few minutes. That way no one person will have to carry the whole time slot.

Mary Frances Rauch, 740-522-4710.



Don't Forget AmazonSmile Charitable Donations



Amazon offers a complimentary program that supports non-profit organizations like the EastCentral Ohio Technology Users Club ("Licking County Computer Society Inc"). All you need to do is start your Amazon shopping at "smile" instead of "www" (i.e., <https://smile.amazon.com>).

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. They offer the same fantastic products, the same prices, and the same excellent service.

Please consider supporting ECOTUC by making us your charity of choice and doing your Amazon shopping at smile.amazon.com.

Kroger Community Rewards Program

Kroger offers a complimentary program that supports non-profit organizations like the East-Central Ohio Technology Users Club ("Licking County Computer Society Inc."). All you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Kroger Plus Card. Please consider supporting ECOTUC through the Kroger Community Rewards program. Simply visit the Kroger Community Rewards website and make us your charity of choice.

Our Organization Number is JH634.

Kroger Community Rewards Website:

<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>

Raffle, December 8, 2019 (Day of Christmas Party Dinner)

Raffle: Dave Rauch reminds you the \$1.00 Raffle tickets are being sold NOW through 30 minutes BEFORE dinner on December 8, 2019.

1st Prize - Dell laptop computer, with Intel Core i3 Processor.

Screen is 15.6 HD. 20GB Memory (16GB Intel Optane + 4 GB DRAM), 1TB Hard Drive.



Dell Inspiron 15 3583
i3583-3001BLK 15.6"

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There will be 2nd and 3rd Prizes . Look for more info soon.

The prize tickets will be drawn December 8, during the dinner. It's necessary to put your name and phone number on each ticket.

(No free bonus prize tickets, and no free door prize tickets will be offered to members on day of our December 8 dinner.)

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Secretary's Report



2019- 7-11

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

ECOTUC/LCCS

Voting members Present: Jim Amore, Sue/ Ken Bixler, Jim Holton, Bill Toothman & Jim/Nancy Grower.

Excused: John Kennedy, Kenneth Tubaugh

President Amore called the meeting to order @ 4:00pm in the Resource Center.

Secretary's Report: The May 9, 2019 Executive Board Meeting Minutes were posted on the web/bulletin boards and mailed to board members. There were no objections. The report will be filed for audit.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer reported \$16,877.12 in the account. The report will be filed for audit.

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Recycling/Refurbishing: We hope to have an event in September, 2019.

Membership: There are 240 paid members.

Program Chair: No report

Technology/Teaching: John Kennedy was teaching a class. No report.

Hospitality: No report

APCUG: No report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: President Amore reported that someone had entered the grounds and smashed the glass of the picnic table and broke out one of the windows in the shed. Ken Bixler has "patched" the window and will address what to do about the table at a later date.

President Amore adjourned the meeting at 4:16pm.

Submitted by: Nancy Grower, Secretary

2019- 8-18

General Membership Meeting Minutes

ECOTUC/LCCS

President Amore called the meeting to order @ 2:30pm.

Members Present: 30

Secretary's Report: The 2019-6-23 General Meeting Minutes and the 2019-7-11 Executive Board Meeting Minutes have been posted on the web/bulletin boards. There were no minutes taken in July as we held our annual picnic and no minutes were required. The minutes were approved and will be filed.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer reported a balance of \$1,640.57 as of August 8, 2019. The report was approved. The report will be filed for audit.

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Secretary's Report Con't



Correspondence: The Food Pantry sent a note of thanks for our participation in their program.

Committee Reports:

Recycling/Refurbishing: September 6 & 7 has been designated for our Recycle Event; 9-4pm. Food will be provided for the workers. Refurbished computers as well as an APPLE computer have been refurbished and are ready for sale.

Membership: There are 169 paid members.

Program Chair: September 22 will be "GEEKS ON TOUR", a special in-house presentation by Chris/Jim Guld. October meeting will be Bob Gosticha, AVAST Evangelist. Bob Gosticha might be an "in person" event.

Technology/Teaching: School has begun. Information will be in the next Newsletter. There is a need for teachers/helpers for Apple & Android products. This field could be a teaching or a SIG group.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Charles Tisdale, auctioneer, has offered his services for our group.

President Amore explained our building has had our Annual Fire Inspection. We have learned this will be an annual inspection.

We are reminded the September meeting will be a week later on September 22, 2019. Please note.

President Amore adjourned the meeting @ 2:55pm.

Program: Dave Clement, a member presented the program on 3-D Printing.

Submitted by: Nancy Grower, Secretary



Treasurer's Report



Account Balances - As of 8/31/2019

Account	8/31/2019 Balance
Bank Accounts	
PNB Checking	10,741.08
PNB-Savings	1,004.67
TC CD's	0.00
TC Checking (FFCU)	812.10
TC Savings (FFCU)	4,822.55
TOTAL Bank Accounts	17,380.40
Cash Accounts	
Cash Drawer	0.00
Club Cash Acct Tracking	0.00
TOTAL Cash Accounts	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL	17,380.40

Help Desk / SIG

Know More Tech SIG



Meeting Times

3rd Friday 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

The “Know More Tech” SIG met for the eighth time on Friday, September 20th, 2019. There were six members present, and we discussed four diverse topics. We will meet again on **Friday, October 18th, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.**

Since we had so many great questions from the membership in September, we didn’t have time to cover our planned topic. That subject was how to install an operating system (Windows, macOS, or Linux) on an empty hard drive. The process includes “burning” an ISO or IMG file to a CD/DVD or USB Flash Drive (USB Stick/Thumb Drive). We will add this to our agenda for October.

NOTE: If you plan on joining us for October’s meeting, **please bring an empty 8GB (or more) USB Flash Drive with you.** If the drive isn’t empty, we will walk you through how to reformat it.

At the September meeting, we covered the following subjects:

1. Best practices for fixing Word and Excel document compatibility issues when sharing with non-Microsoft Office users.
2. Podcasts – What are they? Why do I want them? What software should I use?
3. Improving search efficiency on the internet. We explored using “Boolean” operators with Google, DuckDuckGo, and Bing to do the following:
 - a. Limit search results (AND)
 - b. Search for synonyms of a word or phrase (OR)
 - c. Exclude text from a search (minus sign, -)
 - d. Get search results only from a specific website (site:)
 - e. Find an exact phrase using quotation marks (“ ”)
 - f. Using browser tabs for efficient research.
4. Before leaving, we walked through how to configure a VPN server on a home router.

At Know More Tech, we explore fundamental issues, advanced subjects, and everything in between during our monthly meetings. We are the catch-all group for technology. In the past, we have investigated various technology topics: Apple iOS, macOS, Microsoft Office, Windows, Android, Chrome OS, and all the applications that enhance those core technologies. Everyone in attendance should find something to meet their needs without feeling overwhelmed.

Please consider joining us on **Friday, October 18th, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.** for the next “Know More Tech” meeting. As always, your questions, and feedback help drive the discussions and expand our collective knowledge each month.

Best Regards,

Kenneth Tubaugh
Facilitator, Know More Tech
Email: knowmoretech “at” lccsohio “dot” org

Help Desk / SIG Con't

Word Processing Help Desk



Meeting Times

2nd Wednesday 9:30 -11:00 a.m.

4th Wednesday 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

During the last two Word Processing help desk sessions, we have had a total of one person come in and the session focused mainly on minor changes to a file and then saving files to the hard drive and thumb drive and how to move files from one to the other. If you have a problem or need some help with a word processing task be sure to join us a the next help desk on October 9th. Hope to see you then.

Lori Brown

Total Beginners Help Desk



Meeting Times

2nd Tuesday 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

4th Tuesday 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

The Total Beginners Help Desk meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 3:00-4:30 PM. We provide help for beginners with their desktop or laptop computers, tablets, and smartphones.

We met in September and helped two people with I-phone questions about blocking unwanted calls. Also, we had one person with a slow running laptop. We ran Malwarebytes which helped and determined the Windows 10 update was in progress.

Featured Articles

How to Create Calendar Events from Mail on iPhone and iPad

By: **KHAMOSH PATHAK**

How-To Geek

If you receive an email that includes a date and time, the Mail app on your iPhone or iPad can recognize it as an appointment request. Here's how to create a calendar event from an email.

The Mail app on iPhone and iPad includes Siri Intelligence technology which can automatically analyze a message on your device to find an appointment.

To view the full article [CLICK HERE](#)



How to handle Windows 10 updates

By: **Preston Gralla**

Computerworld

Confused about how updates work in Windows 10? Join the club. Over the years, Microsoft has transformed what was once a straightforward procedure into an ever-changing, often complicated process that varies according to whether you have Windows 10 Home, Windows 10 Pro or an enterprise or education edition — and that varies according to the specific version number of the operating system. As a result, there have been lots of misperceptions about how Windows Update works in Windows 10, and how to best use it.

To view the complete article [CLICK HERE](#)



Featured Articles Con't

Wi-Fi 6: What's Different, and Why it Matters

By:CHRIS HOFFMAN

How-To Geek

Wi-Fi 6 is the next-generation wireless standard that's faster than 802.11ac. More than speed, it will provide better performance in congested areas, from stadiums to your own device-packed home. It's coming in 2019.

Update: Wi-Fi 6 certification began on September 16, 2019. That's a big sign that hardware is on the way! For example, Apple's new iPhone 11 devices will support Wi-Fi 6 when they launch on September 20.

To view the full article [CLICK HERE](#)



Installing Ubuntu Mate on the Raspberry Pi

By: Emmet

PiMyLifeUp

Ubuntu Mate is an open-source Linux distribution and is regarded as an official "flavor" of Ubuntu by Canonical. The main difference between Ubuntu and Ubuntu Mate is that the mate version makes use of the MATE desktop environment.

MATE is a fork of the GNOME 2 desktop interface, whereas the main branch of Ubuntu has now moved on to the GNOME 3 interface.

There are several reasons you might want to use Ubuntu Mate for your Raspberry Pi instead of Raspbian. One of those reasons is that you gain access to the usually more modern packages available through Ubuntu.

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Club Officers



Below is a list of your Club officers and their contact information.

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President	Jim Amore	president"at"lccsohio"dot"org	740-404-3963
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Linux SIG	John Kennedy / Ken Bixler	linux"at"lccsohio"dot"org	
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Spreadsheet Help Desk	David Rinehart	spreadsheets"at"lccsohio"dot" org	
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* Note: Phone numbers listed are in area code 740, except where listed

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