



Bearly Bytes Newsletter

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

During our last meeting (April 16, 2019) we considered doing a one-day conference sometime this summer. The conference would be on a Saturday running from 9am—3pm with a sandwich, chips and drink luncheon menu. This schedule will allow one-two morning presentations and the same for the afternoon. The conference fee would be set at \$25.00.

Topics of consideration, in no special order, are: Raspberry cheap computer kits and accessories, modern types of TV products, types of TV media services that are available, cryptocurrency—what is it?, electronic home products, and ending the day with a Question and Answer (this has been called RAM sessions in the past) session based on questions submitted throughout the day.

The challenge is where can we do the conference? Maybe the Discover Center would be available but maybe not roomy enough, the senior center would need to be rented, as probably would be any other location In Big Bear. I wonder where to go?

If you have any conference suggestions to offer, here's my contact info: treadwell@bigbearcc.org

Bill Treadwell



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Free - APCUG Virtual Technology Conference May 4, 2019 10am - 1pm Pacific time

Attend using your computer, tablet or phone with the Zoom.us app.

Download the app for the device you will be using at: <https://zoom.us/download>

- Sessions are 50 minutes with time for Q&A
- Register once via Eventbrite: [Register at Eventbrite](#)
- You do not need an Eventbrite account to attend the conference
- Before the event, you will receive an email with directions and links for attending both conference tracks.
- Day of conference, after connecting via Zoom, it is very helpful if you sign into each presentation you attend via the Chat Box; first and last name you used to register at Eventbrite.
- Why? If all of the questions aren't answered during the session, the rest of the answers will be sent to you. Or, there might be a handout.

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10:00 AM

WordPress Introduction for Creating Websites Mark Zinzow, Member, Rochester WordPress Users Meetup

Mark's presentation will cover:

- Contest Management Systems
- Why choose WordPress, or not?
- Hosting, DNS, and software expenses
- WordPress jargon
- How to create a WordPress site
- WordPress plugins
- WordPress help, tutorials, documentation, etc. General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)



11:00 AM

Are Your Bits Flipped?

Joe Kissell, Author and Publisher, Take Control Books

Just as a single "flipped bit" in computer code can bring an otherwise reliable app crashing to a halt, a single misconception in your understanding of personal computing technology can cause all manner of problems—including lost data, wasted time, and frustration as you live and work in today's increasingly digital world. In this presentation based on his book *Are Your Bits Flipped?*, author and publisher Joe Kissell untangles common confusions surrounding the high-tech products and services we all rely on every day. Find out why conventional wisdom is often wrong, why you might be worried about all the wrong things, and how improved knowledge of topics like privacy, web browsing, email, and encryption can make you smarter and more efficient.

3:00 PM ET

Windows 7 Sunset

Greg Skalka, President, Under the Computer Hood User Group

Windows 7 extended support and consumer security updates will end on January 20, 2020; no more updates or fixes, including security fixes. Greg will discuss options for those who are still fans of Windows 7.

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TRACK 2

10:00 AM

Google Photos: 7 favorite features

Chris and Jim Guld, Geeks on Tour

Join Chris and Jim as they take us through their 7 favorite Google Photo features: Editing, All your photos in one place and searchable from any device, Shared Library – automatically save partner's photos of you, Shared Albums, Make Movies, Google Lens for reding business cards, and how to Navigate to a Photo's Location.

11:00 AM

Youth and Technology

Bill Crowe, 1st Vice President

Sarasota Technology Users Group

What will the world look like in 20 years? It seems that all the youth are so engrossed with their technology that they do not even know how to really socialize or communicate face to face. That is not all together true. They will most likely not have hunched backs and be couch potatoes at the age of 25 from hunching over their smart phones and playing computer games. That said what will happen to our culture.

We will learn about how our youth are using technology, how it can have both a positive and negative affect on them and what we as adults can do to encourage the positives and discourage the negatives. Bill has done substantial research on the subject and will be presenting his conclusions.

12:00 PM

What's an App?

Jim Glass, President, Glendora's Computer Club

What's an App? Where do I get them? Are they secure? What can I do with them? Jim's presentation will cover all of the above and more during our exploration of Apps AKA applications, programs ...

1:00 PM

ROUNDTABLE

Let's talk about Websites. Do you use it as a recruiting tool? Or is it just for your members. Will a prospective member find information that will encourage them to attend a meeting and join? Bring you ideas to share....



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A Survey about Social Media Impact

The American Association of Individual Investors

Do you think social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) does more to bring us together or does more to divide us?

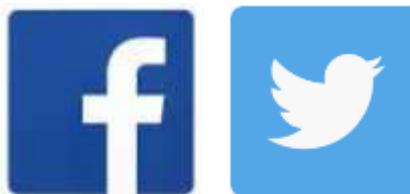
Does more to divide us : 46%

Does both : 41%

Does more to bring us together : 6%

Not sure : 4%

Does neither : 3%

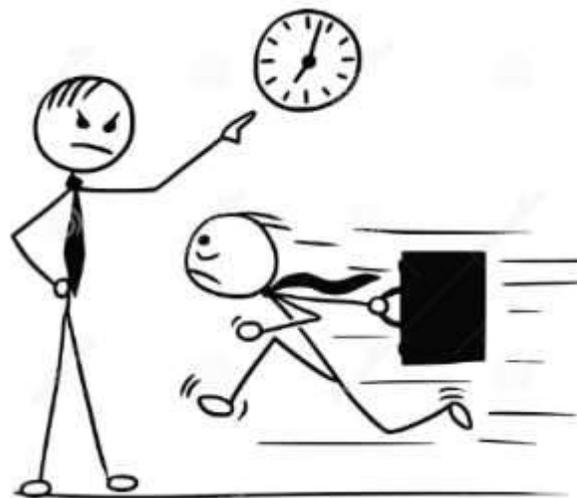


Poll results are as of 9 a.m. (Central) on Monday April 15, 2019. 1,962 respond-

Who Decided to Put 60 Seconds in a Minute?

One highly influential ancient Middle Eastern civilization established some of the essential systems we still use today. Think you know which it is? Here is a 2:33 minute video answering the question. Click [here](#)

Resource: smithsonianmag.com



A lot can happen in a second; you could meet a stranger, snap your fingers, fall in love, fall asleep, sneeze. But what is a second, really — and is it as precise as we think it is?

Right now, the most-precise clocks used to tell global time have an error of about 1 second every 300 million years — so a clock that started ticking in the time of the dinosaurs wouldn't be off by even a second today. But scientists think we can do better. [Read more](#)

Resource: livescience.com