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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Last month I mentioned that we all needed to do Spring cleaning on our computers. Several people asked about software to do that. Since I primarily use a Mac, I went looking to find a PC utility to share.

First I found an Open Source program, WinMerge (<http://winmerge.org/index.php>). Open source means that the program is maintained and developed by volunteers. They accepted contributions to help pay for the servers where the code is maintained.

To see several reviews and select software, I usually go to <http://cnet.com>. There you can search for software, see the reviewers' ratings and then see how other users rate the same software. There are several free utilities to find file duplicates listed there.

Another site I use to find software is <http://PCWorld.com> in their Downloads section. There are articles listed every month with free software. They also have the top lists of software worth a donation here. Let me know what new software you have discovered from these sites. Do you have other sites to share with the members? Send me email at President@bgamug.com so that I can share them with membership.

February Program

This Month's Meeting Presentation:

Phishing emails.....

What you can do with them!!

Fight back and turn in the bad guys!!

By : Joe Easterling

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Happy Birthday



Shirley Sublett 2/5
 Jerry Phelps 2/11
 Jeri Steele 2/16
 Gary Wickliff 2/24

Neva Gielow 3/12
 Raymond Hunton 3/12
 Ann Parson 3/18
 Truman Muse 3/24
 Elizabeth Sheppard 3/24



Happy Anniversary

No Anniversaries in February



Patricia Vincent 3/3
 Elizabeth Rose 3/18



BGAMUG February Treasurer's Report 2012



Paula Niece, Treasurer


December period: 1/1/12 – 1/30/12

Starting Balance.....	\$	1,183.47
Income.....	\$	495.17
Expenses.....	\$	10.00
Ending Balance.....	\$	1,668.64

KROGER REPORT

It is a new year and our uploads as of 1/21/12 are \$850.00. Keep uploading your cards and purchasing new ones for gifts. You can get some great savings at Krogers.

Thank you,
 Paula Niece, Kroger Card Representative



BGAMUG DOOR PRIZE WINNER

“Paula Niece”

\$

\$\$\$Door Dollar\$ Winner\$\$\$

The January \$20.00 Winner was NOT Present
 (Sorry , Linda Todd)

The pot is \$30.00 for February.
 Remember you must be present to win.

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Gift Card



BGAMUG General Meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of each month. These meetings are at the Bowling Green Technical College, Bldg F, at 6:30 PM. See the map. The entrance to the BGTC campus on Loop Drive is clearly marked. Building 5 is the last building on the left, down the road through the campus.

BGAMUG Board Meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month. The next board meeting will be on Tuesday, **March 6th**. The location will be at the Guadalupe Grill.

The business meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

The February meeting will be in the F Building...

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The Genealogy SIG meets at 5:30 PM just before our regular meeting on the 4th Tuesday. Last month we talked about how to find Ancestors in Historical Collections. When you find digital archives or rare Manuscript collections online, how do you go about finding information? First read about what is in the collection. You're looking for records such as loose Court papers, correspondence and diaries, attendance logs such as for schools, churches or unions, Journals from the local historical societies, research papers from a college on local history, lists of Individuals such as Membership lists of Masons, Odd Fellow, Rotary and Lions' Clubs, information on a specific locality such as a county history, and information from Professional associations such as Doctors, Lawyers, Teachers, Union or Trade Guilds. These records were not generated specifically for genealogical research but can give you valuable material on your ancestors and related kinfolk.

Anytime you have some spare time go searching! No matter how far away the library or repository, you still may find something of value! The example I presented was looking in Cornell University's manuscript collection. I found information related to the MKT Railroad in Denison, Texas within the Stevens Family Papers at Cornell in New York. Never assume a repository doesn't have anything that is related to your family! Don't leave any Biographical Sketches, Diaries, Photographs or Newspapers unsearched. Always keep a list of surnames, localities, and families associated with your Ancestors handy just in case you get time to do some research. For instance, in searching the Tennessee State Library and Archives I found one of my ancestors mentioned in Governor Sevier's papers and I found the information to determine that a man that was in Roane County, TN was NOT related to me by a diary entry at an archives in California.

The other topic presented was Linkendium. If you have never tried searching <http://linkendium.com>, take time to search by surname as well as by locality. If Cyndi's list is the card catalog of the Genealogical Internet, then Linkendium is the index. They have over 2 Million pages indexed!

This month the SIG will hear more on Rootstech 2012 in Salt Lake. One attendee to Rootstech went to the familysearch.org booth in the exhibit hall to find out about indexing the 1940 census. The person doing the demonstration pulled up a page to show how the indexing was done. On the page was this ladies' ancestor! Where will your Genealogical Serendipity happen?

What is the difference between spam, malware and phishing? As cybercriminals turn their attentions to social networks, a variety of attacks can be expected. But what do the terms mean and how do they differ?

By [Emma Barnett](#), Digital Media Editor

According to Sophos's annual Internet Security Threat Report, malware attacks, phishing and spam reports, are all on the rise across social networks.

Sophos analysts define the terms in the following ways:

Spamming

Spamming is when a cyber criminal sends emails designed to make a victim spend money on counterfeit or fake goods. Botnets, such as Rustock, send the majority of spam messages, often advertising pharmaceutical products or security software, which people believe they need to solve a security issues which doesn't actually exist.



Malware

A malware attack is a piece of malicious software which takes over a person's computer in order to spread the bug onto other people's devices and profiles. It can also infect a computer and turn it into a botnet, which means the cyber criminal can control the computer and use it to send malware to others.



Phishing

Phishing attacks are designed to steal a person's login and password details so that the cyber criminal can assume control of the victim's social network, email and online bank accounts. Seventy per cent of internet users choose the same password for almost every web service they use. This is why phishing is so effective, as the criminal, by using the same login details, can access multiple private accounts and manipulate them for their own good.

APCUG/CAMUG 2012 Regional Computer Conference Friday, July 13, 2012 at 8:00am To Saturday, July 14, 2012 at 5:00pm(ET)

The **Canton Alliance Massillon Users Group (CAMUG)**, co-host of the 2012 Regional Computer Conference have identified more than 20 different topic sessions and are currently lining up presenters.

Whether you are a computer user or a mobile device user you will find a session that will be beneficial to you. It could even be said that APCUG might stand for Alternative Platform Computing Useful Gadgets. Additionally, the co-host CAMUG might stand for Computers and Mobility Unique Gadgets. If you are using a Windows-based, Linux, Mac or mobile device many programs and applications have cross platform functionality.

The early bird registration has begun. The fee for the early bird registration is \$50, the regular registration fee is \$60, and an on site or registration after the 1st of July 2012 will be \$75.

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A special rate has been negotiated through the: [Hampton Inn & Suites Canton](#)

RootsTech 2012 Report

by Jeri J. Steele

President BGAMUG, Bowling Green, KY

February 2-4, 2012 I was fortunate to attend RootsTech in Salt Lake City, UT. This conference brought together everyday genealogists, professionals, and developers to learn from each other and find innovation new solutions for family history research. Many sessions were recorded and are available at <http://rootstech.org> and the complete syllabus is at <http://rootstech.org/downloads>.

Several major announcements were made at RootsTech. The most important to me was the announcement of a formation of Family History Information Standards Organisation (FHISO) (<http://fhiso.org>). This is an international organization created to develop standards for the digital representation and sharing of family history and genealogical information. The standards coming from this organization will solve issues in exchanging information between computer programs. They want the new standard to be independent of technology platforms, genealogy products or services and easily extended. They hope to cover all aspects of user requirements such as search, capture and research administration. The only current standard is GEDCOM and it was created in February of 1987. If you have every tried to exchange a GEDCOM file you know how important it is that we have a new standard!

Attendees were also excited about the so to be released 1940 census. Unlike previous census this one is to be release on April 2, 2012 in digital image form! However, there will be no index! A major effort between several companies and familysearch.org has been started to recruit volunteers to do the indexing. See <http://the1940census.com> to volunteer. This census will contain questions about where people lived 5 years before and who in the household answered the survey as well as income and occupation. If you are lucky your families were part of the 5% that answered the long form. If so you will get the place of birth of their parents and about female's marriages and children.

Another new announcement was FamilySearch.org indexing volunteers can now do indexing on their iphone and ipad. Big news was that BrightSolid the company behind FindMyPast (<http://www.findmypast.co.uk>), Scotlands People (<http://www.scotlandsperson.gov.uk>), and British Newspaper Archive (<http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk>) has launched a family history service in the US. Although this firm is based in Dundee, Scotland, they will be opening a Santa Monica, CA office. They release a new website <http://Censusrecords.com> which allows customers to search all available US census records. They will be the first to offer pay-as-you-go access to US records. They believe this will give a greater choice and affordability for access to genealogical records. They also announced that they will be launching later this year flagship US site [findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com). For those with British ancestors we sure to check out <http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk>. It has 200 newspaper titles from every part of the UK and Ireland published in the 18th and 19th centuries. They will be collaborating with the British Library to digitize 40 million newspaper pages over the next 10 years.

For you programmers check out the developers challenge which was won by Jimmy Zimmerman. He wrote NoteFuser. It connects your Evernote® notes to Geni.com or new.FamilySearch.org person records. (new.FamilySearch.org is only available to church members currently) It also allows you to easily create Evernote® powered research logs and other notes with one click. Check out the NoteFuser Demo video on <http://notefuser.herokuapp.com>.

The Second place was Brooke Schreier Ganz with LeafSeek. It helps you turn your genealogical or historical record collections into searchable online databases. LeafSeek includes features such as built-in geo-spatial searches, pop-up Google Maps, Phonetic matching, name synonyms, and language localization to help turn your spreadsheets of names and dates into a full-featured genealogy search engine. Check it out at <http://leafseek.com>.

For you gamers Funium LLC, of Lehi, Utah announced the launch of Family Village Premier on Facebook. The social media game is about helping people have fun building their family tree and help them discover interesting information concerning their ancestors and family members. Check out the game at <http://FamilyVillageGame.com>.

For someone like me who is a programmer and a family history nut, RootsTech was a heavenly experience. They put the syllabus online rather than print them. We had a Rootstech App for our smart phone (iphone, ipad, [Android](#), and [BlackBerry](#)) The Events section listed both the developer and users track, or you could view them all. All speakers bios and all sessions they are presenting were also available. It was so nice not to have to carry a heavy syllabus or program around to all the sessions.

Many of the sessions were recorded and are available at <http://rootstech.org>. If you are interested in attending next year it will be a bit later on March 21-23, 2013 and again in Salt Lake City, UT.

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"I signed up for the *Understanding Relationships* class and enrolled you in *Romance for Dummies*."

BGAMUG Rule Changes for Approval

To Be Voted On This Month

From time to time it is necessary to fine-tune our Constitution and Bylaws according to the needs of the organization. The Rules Committee has submitted and the Executive Committee, (Eboard), has approved the current changes. They are now ready for the membership approval at this months meeting, 2/28/2012.

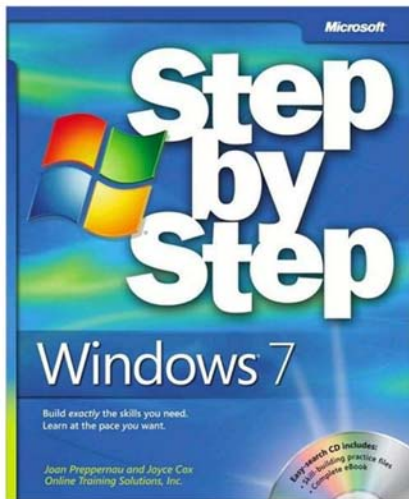
In brief this month we will be recommending these three amendments;

- Organization name change to "BGAMUG Computer Club"
- New duties for the VP of Membership
- A new Meeting Cancelation Policy

We have emailed all members the complete details of all changes.

Jerry Gillette
BGAMUG VP of Protocol

Thanks to O'Reilly Books, this month we will have a new and special prize drawing for the following titles;



If you are interested in BGAMUG's O'Reilly Book program, contact our VP of Technology, Joe East-erling, WKComputers@bellsouth.net and be sure to visit O'Reilly's website, <http://oreilly.com>

SPAM I AM

My name is Spam.

Spam I Am.

I have some stuff I'd like to sell.

Take a look! It's really swell!

I do not want your worthless spam.

I do not want it, Spam I Am.

Spam I Am:

\$500 software that really rocks!

Just 20 bucks--still in the box!

You are really full of bunk.

I do not want your bootleg junk!

I do not want your worthless Spam.

I do not want it Spam I Am.

Spam I Am:

How about some fast cash?

Fifty Thousand in a flash!!!

How stupid do you think I am?

I won't join your shady scam.

You are a sucker, you silly gitch.

If it worked, we'd all be rich!

I do not want your worthless spam.

I do not want it Spam I Am.

Spam I Am:

Check out this great idea of mine!

For Web Hosting and Design!

I went to your site; it really sucks!

For this you're charging lots of bucks?

You could at least learn to spell.

Why don't you just go to hell.

I do not want your worthless spam.

I do not want it Spam I Am.

Don't pretend your ads are new.

You insult us when you do.

I won't buy your worthless stocks.

Our heads are not full of rocks

Stop it Spam. Enough's enough.

I do not want your trashy stuff!

I do not want your damn spam!

I do not want it Spam I Am!



the web master corner



Betsy Sheppard
Webmaster

BGAMUG sends out our deepest sympathy to our Webmaster for the loss of her mother.

A celebration of her life was held Saturday, February 18, at the Pots Place in Bowling Green, Kentucky. A graveside service was held at 3:00 at Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Hirst was a potter and owner of [The Pots Place Co-op Studio and Gallery](#) in downtown Fountain Square in Bowling Green, Kentucky. She was the daughter of Mark L. Hooper and Helen Powell Hooper of Manitowoc, Wisconsin. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, David R. Hirst, and a brother, M. Lansing Hooper of Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Mary Hooper Hirst, 80, of Bowling Green, Kentucky, died Wednesday, February 1st, 2012, at 3:30 a.m. at McKendree Health Center in Hermitage, Tennessee after a long illness. Her husband, David R. Hirst, who died in 1990, was a past Plant Manager in Bowling Green, Kentucky at Cutler-Hammer and Eaton Corporation.

Mary Hooper Hirst, a Wisconsin native, was born August 10, 1931 in Manitowoc, later attending the University of Colorado at Boulder and graduating from the University of Wisconsin. She loved gardening, her friends, making pottery, and helping with both her and her daughter's Girl Scout troop. She was a student in Milwaukee under the well-known Wisconsin potter, Abraham Cohn, who now has a pottery studio and gallery in Fish Creek, Wisconsin called [The Potter's Wheel](#).

Mrs. Hirst was also one of the first women to take welding classes in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She made welded found-art assemblages, garden art sculpture and some as unique artistic bases for pots, as well as all kinds of other pottery. She long emphasized the importance of making art accessible to all, and loved the "beauty of imperfection" found in original artwork of all kinds.

The Hirsts moved from Shorewood, Wisconsin to India in 1971, and stayed until 1974, then moving to Bowling Green, Kentucky. Mary loved India and the friends she made there; and often said that the time she spent there was a major highlight of her life. She also loved Bowling Green, Kentucky and the great friends she made there.

Mrs. Hirst attended the University of Colorado at Boulder and graduated from the University of Wisconsin. She was a past member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, a lifetime member of Girl Scouts, U.S.A., a member of the D.A.R. and the Colonial Dames of America.

You can leave a comment that may be on this page by submitting it at the bottom of this page.

Survivors include a sister, Nancy Horvath of Lake Waynoka, Ohio, and Manitowoc, Wisconsin, three daughters, Elizabeth Sheppard of Bowling Green, Kentucky, Sarah Scanlon of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Helen Hooper-Hirst of Nashville, Tennessee, a sister-in-law, Jacqueline Hooper of Edgerton, Wisconsin, four grandchildren, Jacqueline Hoyle, Hannah Scanlon, Mark Scanlon, and Ginevra Heric, ten nephews and nieces, and other special members of her and her husband's family who live in Idaho, Arizona, and across the country.

Mary will be remembered by many much-beloved family and friends in Kentucky, India, Wisconsin, across the country, and around the world.



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BGAMUG holds regular presentation/membership meetings the fourth Tuesday of each month (except December) at the Bowling Green Technical College (BGTC) on Loop Drive in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

The public is invited to attend our regular presentation meetings. To join, our annual membership dues are \$25 for an individual and \$35 for a family.

Loop drive intersects Morgantown Road just West of Warren Central High School. There is a stoplight at the intersection. The access road to BGTC from Loop is clearly marked with a sign. The meeting building is Building F .

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**Don't forget our next meeting at
the B G Technical College,
F Building, February 28th, 6:30 PM**