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GARY COY:

PREVIEW OF WINDOWS 8

**Tuesday, June 26, 7 P.M.,
4801 SPRINGFIELD STREET**

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All DMA General Meetings are free
and open to the public — bring a
friend!

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A TECHNICIAN with a well-known nationwide electronics installation and repair service recently told this Reporter that he will buy only “odd-numbered” versions of Windows, Microsoft’s widely-used operating system for his own computer.

“Windows XP was a fine OS,” he observed, “but Vista was a clunky resource hog. Windows 7, like XP, is a fast and lean. Avoid Windows 8. Wait for Windows 9 — Microsoft may have bitten off more than it can chew.”

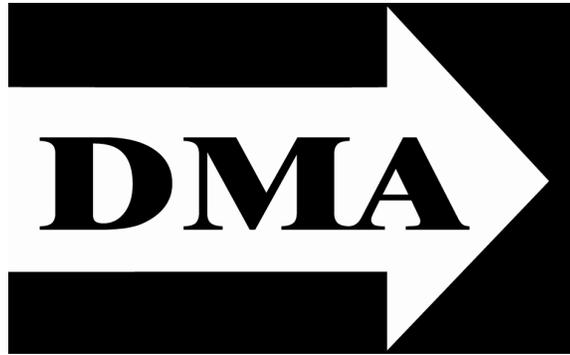
Windows 8 is indeed ambitious. It’s designed from the start to take advantage of the smart phone and tablet revolution. (Windows 7 can be *adapted* for such devices, but Windows 8 handles them natively.)

To upgrade or not to upgrade? Join us in welcoming DMA member **Gary Coy**, who will preview Windows 8’s features for us on Tuesday.

Also, do we want to sell the “DMA.ORG” domain? And *who* wants to buy it? How much will the mystery buyer pay?

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ESTABLISHED IN 1976, DMA is a group of Dayton–area professionals and hobbyists in the field of computing and information technology. General membership meetings are usually on the last Tuesday of each month. DMA has a number of Special Interest Groups (SIGs) in areas ranging from digital photography and geneology to the Linux operating system. Each SIG meets according to its own schedule. DMA is a member of APCUG and ASC. (Click on any of the logos — including our own — to go to that organization’s Home Page.)

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—In & Around DMA—

Minutes are normally published about two months late, because Minutes of the previous month must be approved by the Trustees at their meeting the next month. For example, the Minutes for May were reviewed by the Trustees at the June meeting. Once approved, the corrected Minutes are then published in this month's DATABUS.

DMA Board of Trustees — Meeting of May 4, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Jim Dalley called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Trustees present: Martin Arbagi, Jim Dalley, Ken Phelps, Wynn Rollert, Gary Turner.

Absent: Grant Root. **Excused:** Nancy Christolear, Jim Ullom.

Others present: Gladys Campion, Charles Rockett.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President – Jim DALLEY

No report.

Vice-President — Gary TURNER

The April Linux Installfest went well.

Secretary — Gladys CAMPION

Gladys presented the Minutes from the April meeting. Jim Dalley moved that the Minutes be accepted as corrected, Martin Arbagi seconded, and the motion passed.

Treasurer – Martin ARBAGI

Martin reported on the transactions for April. Martin will get more details on the \$20 charge marked "Auto Insurance".

Dayton Diode has a new treasurer, Charles Rockett. Martin and Gladys will meet with Charles at the US Bank to change signatures on the account.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit — Gladys CAMPION

No report.

Funding — Open

No report.

Membership — Dave LUNDY, Gladys CAMPION

There are no current membership numbers with Dave Lundy out of town. Attendance at the April meeting was 38 and the 50–50 raffle brought in \$30.

Net Administration Team — Ken PHELPS, Gary TURNER

The Web site and e-mail appear to be running smoothly, although certain pages of the Web site are becoming more and more out of date. We need to find someone willing

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to help.

Programs — Jim ULLOM

This month will be a presentation on Digital Photography by Dave Lundy and Nancy Christolear.

In June, Gary Coy will give a review of Windows 8.

Publications – Martin ARBAGI

The April edition of THE DATABUS was not posted. Martin may put up an April/May combined issue.

OLD BUSINESS

DMA Picnic – Martin ARBAGI

Shelter 3 has been reserved at Indian Riffle Park for Saturday, September 15. Tickets go on sale in June.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations Committee — Jim DALLEY

Jim Dalley is looking for someone to act as nominations chair.

Holiday Dinner — Glady CAMPION

Glady talked with the Englewood Holiday Inn.

MVCS Fall Joint Meeting — Glady CAMPION

Glady has been contacted about the start of planning for the Fall Joint meeting. She asked if DMA would like to participate again this year with a tabletop display and door prize. Martin Arbagi moved that Glady be allowed to spend up to \$50 on the display table fee and gift certificate as a door prize. Gary Turner seconded, and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:35, Gary Turner moved that the meeting be adjourned, Jim Dalley seconded, and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Glady Champion, Secretary



5% Discount to DMA members!
(Special orders excluded.)





By jingo, Arbuthnot, I *warned* you
this wasn't Indian Riffle Park !

The DMA ANNUAL PICNIC takes place on Saturday, September 15th, at Indian Riffle Park in Kettering, Noon ... ? (Electric power will be available.) Tickets are on sale NOW — \$3 (cheap!). Buy them at any General Membership Meeting.

Don't be like Arbuthnot — click [here](#) for a map.

—Agloves—

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MANY OF TODAY'S mobile devices are operated by hand or finger gestures made by touching the screen. Smartphones have icons on the screen that must be pressed to operate. Multiple screens are accessed by swiping left or right. Tabular data are accessed by swiping or dragging up, down, left or right.

The screens that allow this type of action are almost all capacitive in nature. The bioelectricity in your hands and fingers are what make the screens move in the desired direction. Body heat is not involved in "moving," just the small electric charge your body accumulates.

One problem with this method is that moisture on your fingers tends to leave a deposit on the screen, so that repeated operation may result in some portions of the screen being slightly marred. The deposits can be removed with a clean moist cloth or other methods.

I watched a fellow typing on his tablet on the pseudo keyboard presented on the screen. I noticed that his screen was marked by fingermarks at the keys on which he was typing.

Agloves allow you to operate normally without leaving any deposits behind. If you try operating your tablet using regular gloves, they don't work because the bioelectric charge cannot be passed through the fabric. Agloves, on the other hand, do work normally because of the silver woven into the glove fabric.

These gloves are functional not just with one or two fingers, but all ten. For those of us who are touch typists, using all ten fingers is essential.

One other benefit of Agloves is their ability to operate touch-screen devices when the temperature is cold. Your fingers tend to lose their moisture when cold. The gloves aren't affected by cold and conduct your bioelectric charge even in frigid temperatures.

The gloves only come in one color: black. They are not solid black, but instead black with white interlacing. The white comes from the silver woven into the whole glove.

And yes, they also keep your hands warm!

[EDITOR'S NOTE: But are they washable?]

www.agloves.com

Price: \$24, \$18 @ Amazon



How to remember your passwords with eWallet by iLium Software

Reviewed by HEWIE POPLOCK, APCUG Director
Hewie's Views & Reviews, <http://www.hewie.net>

I AM A PASSWORD NUT. I try to have almost every program, Web site, email address, etc., use a unique password. That makes it difficult to remember them. Way back in 2000, I found a program to keep track of all of my passwords and account numbers in an encrypted file. I carried a Palm PDA in those days. The program was eWallet by iLium Software, with a version for both my Palm and my PC. I could sync the information as well.

Once the Palm PDA and its successor were finally put to rest, I continued to use the program on my desktop, laptop, and netbook. The encrypted file containing the data was easily copied among them.

I purchased the original iPhone and one of the first apps that I added was the iOS version of eWallet. I could sync it with my PC version via Wi-Fi. So once again I was now able to carry a program with me to access my passwords any time. I was comfortable knowing that it had an encrypted file with a rather long password for access. I have since added an iPad2 to the equation and upgraded to the iPhone 4s, using eWallet on both.

There are many password manager programs available. Obviously, the main reason that I use the eWallet is that I have been using it for twelve years. However, there are other reasons. The biggest is that I can have it on all of my devices, especially on my iPhone & my iPad, which I have with me at all times. The data is protected with 256-bit AES (FIPS-197) encryption.

eWallet is currently available for PCs running Windows 7, Vista, or XP. If you are an Mac user, you need OS X. There are versions for the Apple iPhone, iPad and iPod touch, RIM BlackBerry, Android phones, the Kindle Fire tablet, and Windows Mobile. You must check the version number to be sure it works on your device. The PC version is \$20 and the others are \$10 each. Only one license is needed for both the iPad & iPhone. You can try the PC version free for 30 days, and then it stops working unless you buy it.

Although the program manages your passwords well, it has other features that may not be included in other programs in the same category. They include Live Fields, which enables you to jump to websites or dial phone numbers with just a tap. Auto Pass brings up the webpage and fills in the username and password for you. There is Smart Copy to grab information quickly for on-line forms and PassBuilder that generates passwords for you if you want real security using unique passwords. You can import data from some other programs using the Import Wizard.

eWallet stores your info in a file called a "wallet." You can have more than one wallet. Each wallet contains categories and stores your information using cards in which you designate its category. Cards can be printed as well as the entire wallet. I use the

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search ability a lot. It searches the entire wallet for the letters that you type wherever they appear, so finding an item is easy and quick.

Whether you use eWallet or another password management program, do not automatically open the program at boot up. This would allow anyone to be able to see or use your passwords. Once you have found the password that you need, either close or lock the program so that you must type the password to retrieve another. Otherwise, why encrypt or protect your passwords in the first place?

eWallet is available for download or purchase at <http://www.iliumsoft.com/ewallet>, the iTunes App Store, or the Android Market.

[Editor's Note: Keypass is another program that saves passwords in an encrypted file. It's free, but doesn't have all the features of iWallet.]

Dayton Microcomputer Association

Events for June 2012

For additions or corrections, contact [Dave Lundy](#)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:00pm Dayton Diode 1st Friday	2 3:00-5:00pm Classic Computers
3	4 7:00pm DMA Board of Trustees	5 6:30pm Dayton Diode Amateur Radio SIG *No mtg. tonight - moving from 1st Tue. to 3rd Mon.*	6	7 7:00pm Genealogy SIG	8	9
10	11	12	13 7:00pm Dayton Dynamic Languages Users Group	14	15	16 3:00-5:00pm Classic Computers
17 Father's Day	18 7:00pm Amateur Radio SIG 7:00pm Apple-Dayton SIG	19 7:00pm Software Development SIG	20	21 7:00pm Linux SIG	22	23
24	25	26 7:00pm DMA Main mtg.	27	28	29	30



Click anywhere on the DMA Calendar (above) to go to the Calendar of Events on the main DMA Web site.

Review: Kaspersky One Universal Security

By GEORGE HARDING, Treasurer, Tucson Computer Society, AZ

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There are many programs available to use to protect our computers . It must be a profitable field to have so many players wanting your business. Kaspersky One is a protection service that sets itself apart from all the others. One way it is different is that it is sold in combinations to protect several computers. There are three versions: three computers, five computers and ten computers. For those of us who have more than one computer, this is a boon, being able to acquire one protection package that can be installed in several machines.

A second way it is different is that not just computers can be protected, but also certain smart phones and tablets. Blackberry, Symbian, Android and Windows Mobile phones are currently supported A third difference is that not only the Windows computer platforms are supported, but Macs are also. What's included? A lot!

- Anti-virus — for your mail, your files, and the Web
- Two way firewall
- Anti-phishing
- Anti-spam
- Anti-banner
- Active defense
- Application control
- Mobile security
- Tablet security
- Password manager — and more

This is a good program for protecting all your computers at a single price, whether you have three, five or ten computers. There is a 30-day free trial available.

About: Kaspersky One Universal Security

Vendor: Kaspersky

www.kaspersky.com

Price: Three computers, \$80; five computers, \$85; ten computers, \$150 (download)

[EDITOR'S NOTE: When security experts were trying to figure out the origins of the "Stuxnet" and "Flame" viruses, they turned first to the Kaspersky Corporation, according to *The Wall Street Journal*. Click on the underlined words for one of the articles, with links to another.]

DMA Membership Application/Renewal

PLEASE ALLOW UP TO THREE WEEKS FOR APPLICATION PROCESSING AND INTERNET SET-UP

Name: _____ Birth date: ____/____/____
mo. day yearAssociate Name: _____ Birth date: ____/____/____
mo. day year

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (Home) (_____) _____ - _____ (Work) (_____) _____ - _____ x _____

I wish to have my name and address published in the club roster: YES NO

E-mail address: _____ @ _____

Name of DMA member who recruited me: _____ (only new regular memberships)

Are you a current or recent DMA Member? Yes No Change of Address only? Today's date: ____/____/____

If you are renewing, please give your Membership Number (from your membership card) _____

Type of MembershipApplication is for: New Membership Membership Renewal Associate Membership* If applying for free student membership, please give school name and student ID number: Available only for students under 22 years old. (Student Members *cannot* vote in DMA elections.)

School Name: _____ Student ID#: _____

* A family or associate membership is an additional membership for a member of your immediate family or someone else who is living in the member's household. If this is a family or associate membership, give name of regular member:

Dues/Fees (Dues and Fees are subject to change without prior notice):

Membership (one year — New or Renewal) 1.) \$25.00Family or Associate Membership (must live at same address as regular member) 2.) \$12.50Free Student Membership for students under 22 yrs of age. (Student Members *cannot* vote in DMA elections.)
3.) FREEPlease assign me a user ID for E-mail and Usenet news access one-time setup fee for new E-mail accounts. 4.) \$10.00

Total — Lines 1 and 2 (+ 4 if checked) 5) \$ _____

Make your check payable to Dayton Microcomputer Association, Inc. (DMA), and then send the check and application to:

PO Box 340402

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