September Meeting: AVAST! ANTIVIRUS

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Presented by: BOB GOSTISCHA

7:00 P.M. Tuesday (the 24th) at the Regional Center, 4801 Springfield Street, about one mile west of the Air Force Museum — Click <u>here</u> for a map. All DMA meetings are free and open to the public. Bring a friend. Plenty of free onsite parking, too!

By Dave LUNDY, Staff Reporter

Lunified approach to your computer security. Long gone are the days of the quirky interface. Avast is accessible and robust, with an impressive list of free features and strong performance benchmarks

Avast offers variety of products for both home and business. Avast software versions for the home include: Free Antivirus, Internet Security, and Premier. All versions come with features that enhance their malware scanning, usability, and performance. The scanning engine protects against viruses and spyware, with little impact on your computer's performance. The software updater maintenance tool shows an overview of all your outdated software applications. Streaming

virus database updates keep your protection up to date in real time. Browser cleanup is a new tool that helps delete annoying toolbars and plug-ins from

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—Trustee Elections— Flections for vacant seats on DMA's Board of Trustees will

Elections for vacant seats on DMA's Board of Trustees will be held at this month's meeting. Think about running. Duties are light: one meeting per month, held at a restaurant, starting at 7:00 P.M., and almost always over by 9. Ask any current Trustee or officer (see the list on page 13) about qualifications.

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Using the Social Security Death Records

By Bill ELLIS, Member, Computer Users of Erie, PA www.cuerie.com willardellis8 (at) gmail.com

THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION'S DEATH INDEX (SSDI) can be a boon to beginning genealogists. The Social Security number is the most valuable piece of information when seeking a number of other documents. It is essential for ordering paper copies of original death records, obituaries, and more. The SSDI is the first step in obtaining this information.

If you can only trace your U.S. ancestry back to your grandparents or possibly great-grandparents, the Social Security Administration can help you find where they were born, the names of their parents, and more. The SSDI can be especially helpful for those researching immigrants as the data often shows where the individual was born in "the old country."

The Social Security Administration was created by an act of law in 1935 as part of President Roosevelt's New Deal program. The act laid out a retirement system for many Americans, although not all. The act also created a new governmental agency to manage the program. In the following 69 years, the Social Security Administration has become one of the largest agencies in the federal government.

The Social Security Administration started computerizing records in 1962. This made it possible to produce an index of people who had Social Security numbers and are deceased. The information in the Social Security Death Index for people who died prior to 1962 is sketchy since SSA's death information was not automated before that date. Persons who died before 1962 are rarely listed in the SSDI. Some of the online Web sites advertise that the data they possess will contain information about deaths "as early as 1937," but that claim is a bit misleading; 99.9% of the information is for 1962 and later.

Initially, the Social Security Administration only recorded the deaths of individuals who were receiving retirement benefits from the Administration. Those who died before reaching retirement age were not listed. Neither were those who had different retirement systems, such as railroad workers, school teachers, and other municipal, state, and federal employees. In the 1970s the railroad and many other retirement systems were merged into the Social Security system. Deaths of those retirees then started appearing in the SSDI.

In the late 1980s and after, all deaths in the U.S. were reported to the Social Security Administration and recorded in the SSDI. You can find deaths of children and non-retired adults listed for the 1990s, but not for earlier years.

Because legal aliens in the U.S. can obtain a Social Security card, their names may appear in the SSDI if their deaths were reported, even if the death occurred overseas.

The online SSDI databases contain the following information fields:

- Social Security number
- Surname
- Given Name
- Date of Death
- Date of Birth

- Last Known Residence
- Location of Last Benefit
- Date and Place of Issuance

You can access the Social Security Death Index at no charge on a number of Web sites, including:

- New England Historic Genealogical Society (this database was updated just a few weeks ago with the latest data through June, 2004):
 - http://www.newenglandancestors.org/research/database/ss/default.asp
- Family Tree Legends (this version has several search capabilities not found on other sites):

http://www.familytreelegends.com/records/ssdi

•Ancestry.com:

http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/ssdi/main.htm

•The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (the Mormons) offers the Social Security Death Index on its popular Family Search site.

Keep in mind, however, that the online SSDI database is only an index — an abbreviated listing. The Social Security Administration holds additional information that can be a genealogical jackpot. The index listing of an ancestor is merely your ticket to this jackpot.

From 1936 on, anyone who has applied for a Social Security card filled out an application form (SS-5) that the U.S. Government keeps on file. This application form (SS-5) contains the following information:

- Full name
- *Full name at birth (including maiden name)
- *Present mailing address
- Age at last birthday
- Date of birth
- *Place of birth (city, county, state)
- * Father's full name "regardless of whether living or dead"
- * Mother's full name, including maiden name, "regardless of whether living or dead"
- *Sex and race
- *Ever applied for SS number/Railroad Retirement before? Yes/No
- * Current employer's name and address
- *Date signed
- * Applicant's signature

The items marked with an asterisk (*) are not available in the online SSDI database.

The SS-5 form is obviously much more valuable to the genealogist than the limited information shown in the online death index. The Social Security Administration makes copies of the original Social Security application form (the SS-5) available to anyone who requests information on a deceased individual. You can obtain a photocopy of the SS-5 form by writing to the Social Security Administration.

The SSA charges \$27.00 for each individual SS-5 copy (\$16 for an abbreviated NUMIDENT form, but most genealogists will prefer the SS-5 itself). The SSA is not in the business of doing

genealogical research and cannot, by law, expend Social Security Trust Fund money for purposes not related to the operation of the Social Security program. The \$27 fee is intended to offset the cost to the government whenever SSA provides information from its files for non-program purposes.

There is no standard form to fill out when requesting a copy of the deceased's SS-5. Instead, you must write a letter. You can "copy-and-paste" the following sample letter into your favorite word processor, then change all the information shown inside the curly braces { }:

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Social Security Administration
Offfice of Earnings Operations
FOIA Workgroup Re: Freedom of Information Act Request
300 N. Greene Street
P.O. Box 33022
Baltimore, Maryland 21290
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Dear Freedom of Information Officer:

I am writing this request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Section 552. I hereby request a copy of the SS-5, Application for Social Security Card for the following individual:

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{first name} {last name}
{Social Security number as obtained from the online SSDI}
Birth: {Date of birth}
Death: {Date of death}
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This individual is deceased, having been listed in the Social Security Administration's Death Master File. I am requesting a copy of this person's original SS-5 form. I understand the fee for this service is \$27.00. Included is a check for \$27.00 made out to the Social Security Administration to cover any administrative costs required by this request.

Please respond to my request upon receipt of this initial correspondence. Thank you for your attention and assistance.

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Sincerely,
{Your name}

{Your full address}

Daytime Phone Number: {Your telephone number}
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If you want to obtain the SS-5 forms for more than one person, it is suggested that you write separate letters and separate checks, and mail them in separate envelopes. Be patient. You may have to wait several months for the response to your letter(s).

If you cannot find a person in the SSDI, the Social Security Administration may still be able to help. You may request an "SSN search." The SS will try to find the person's Social Security Number, even for those deaths before 1962. To request this service, you must send \$29 and provide the person's full name, state of birth, and date of birth to:

Social Security Administration, OEO FOIA Workgroup, 300 North Green Street, Post Office Box 33022, Baltimore, Maryland 21290–3022

Providing names of parents is also helpful, especially with common surnames. Be sure also to provide proof of death as the records of living individuals are not publicly available.

Social Security Numbers

It is interesting to note that you can tell where a Social Security Number was issued simply by looking at the first few digits of the number. This does not tell where the person was born, only where he or she was living when the number was issued. Nonetheless, it can be a valuable clue as to where to look for additional information.

The Social Security Account Number (SSAN) is divided into three sets of digits. For example, let's take 123–45–6789. The three digits in the first group indicate the state or territory in which the number was originally issued. The second group of two numbers is used to define the people within the state. The third group of four digits is simply issued in numerical sequence.

The following list shows the area indicated by first three digits:

001-003 New Hampshire	425-428 Mississippi					
004-007 Maine	429-432 Arkansas					
008-009 Vermont	433-439 Louisiana					
010-034 Massachusetts	440-448 Oklahoma					
035-039 Rhode Island	449-467 Texas					
040-049 Connecticut	468-477 Minnesota					
050-134 New York	478-485 Iowa					
135-158 New Jersey	486-500 Missouri					
159-211 Pennsylvania	501-502 North Dakota					
212-220 Maryland	503-504 South Dakota					
221-222 Delaware	505-508 Nebraska					
223-231 Virginia	509-515 Kansas					
232-236 West Virginia	516-519 Idaho					
237-246 North Carolina	520 Wyoming					
247-251 South Carolina	521-524 Colorado					
252-260 Georgia	525 New Mexico (see also 585, below)					
261-267 Florida	526-527 Arizona					
268-302 Ohio	528-529 Utah					
303-317 Indiana	545-573 California					
318-361 Illinois	574 Alaska					
362-386 Michigan	575-576 Hawaii					
387-399 Wisconsin	577-579 District of Columbia					
400-407 Kentucky	580 U.S. Virgin Islands					
408-415 Tennessee	581-585 Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa					
416-424 Alabama	585 New Mexico (some 585 numbers)					
586 699 Unassigned						

586-699 Unassigned

700-729 Railroad Retirement Board 730-899 Unassigned

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A few Social Security Numbers beginning with a 9 have been issued, but these are very rare.

For more information about obtaining information from the Social Security Administration, look at: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/foia/foia_guide.htmTDB





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The user interface has been redesigned for modern navigation styles. Enlarged buttons make Avast software easier to use with touch-based Windows 8 devices. Boot-time malware scanning checks your computer for infections before it starts, before any viruses become activated. Intelligent scanning uses a white list of safe files, reducing the number of required scans for faster scans.

This month, we're pleased to have Norbert "Bob" Gostischa (AKA Bob G.) from Avast! Software join us. Bob is a field evangelist and IT security expert who has been active in the computer field since 2004. Bob will join us to explain how we can protect our computers and ourselves on the Internet. If you missed Bob's presentation at the APCUG Regional Technology Conference Sept. 14 and 15, or at NASAC earlier that week, you should definitely catch this one — it's not your typical boring antivirus talk!

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER: After a successful career in banking, Bob enjoys his retirement as an enthusiast IT security expert, most notably for Avast Software.

Avast is the creator of avast! AntiVirus software. The Avast website has a <u>discussion and help forum</u>, where Bob has been helping with security-related and general computer issues since 2004. He has contributed over 20,000 forum interactions.

Bob is proud that his presentation has been approved by the AARP: avast! antivirus is currently the most used antivirus software in the world. Avast has been making security software for over 20 years and has more than 160 million users worldwide.TDB

-Investment SIG-

Is there any interest in reviving the *Investment* Special Interest Group? Financial periodicals such as *Barron's* or *Forbes* have had columns with titles like "The Electronic Investor" for several years now, and there's no question that digital technology plays an increasingly important role in investing, if for no other reason than keeping track of one's securities in real time. Please contact Trustees Ed Skuya, Wynn Rollert, or Martin Arbagi if such a SIG appeals to you. Whether you're a novice or an expert, we'd like to have you!

Reviving Your Laptop's Battery

By Bill SHEFF, Novice SIG Coordinator, Lehigh Valley Computer Group, PA September 2012 issue, The LVCG Journal www.lvcg.org / nsheff (at) aol.com

If YOU NOTICE that your laptop is starting to run sluggishly and pages load slower, along with other general slowness it could be the battery. So before you run out and replace your laptop battery try this trick first.

First, charge your laptop's battery all the way to 100%. After being fully charged, unplug it and let the battery drain. Using the laptop during this period will help it drain more quickly. Once you see that the battery is almost empty, save your work and close any open pages. Then let the laptop shut itself off. Let the dead battery sit for about five or six hours, or even overnight. This will help eliminate any leftover charge the battery may have, and lets the battery start over from zero. After you've let your laptop sit, plug it back in and let it charge all the way to 100% before using it again. This can extend battery life and possibly postpone purchasing a new battery

Energy Consumption

Since we started with the battery let's continue with some energy consumption hints for both laptops and PCs.

Conserving laptop battery power or simply managing the energy consumption of any PC can easily be accomplished by making adjustments in Windows Power Options. To access the Power Options you can use Run and type in powercfg.cpt. However in Vista and Win7 run can be skipped by just typing in "Power Options" in the Start search.

In the Power Options dialog box, the three choices are: Balanced, Power Saver, and High Performance. Power Saver offers the most conservative use of energy; Balanced combines the Power Saver plan and High performance. High Performance is the gas guzzler of the three. Other settings options are available at the left. Clicking the Change plan settings link opens the Edit Plan Settings dialog box for the selected plan. There, settings can be tweaked to provide the desired mix of effectiveness and efficiency.

In Power Options, you can also control what happens when the lid on a laptop is closed. Just click the "Choose what closing the lid does" link. Settings can be individually adjusted for when the laptop is running on battery, or for when it's plugged in. The choices are: Do nothing, Sleep, Hibernate, or Shut down. Clicking the "Change settings that are currently unavailable" link offers the opportunity to change what happens when the computer wakes up. It is also possible to make more advanced power settings. Be a little cautious here since it is for the more advanced user. Any changes made, can be undone by clicking the "Restore Default Settings for This Plan" link. ...TDB

Did you know ...

Any current DMA member is entitled to a business card—sized advertisement in The DATABUS?

Note: Since this is a combined August and September issue (the Editor was out of town for much of August), Minutes for two Trustees' meetings are published here.

MINUTES

DMA Board of Trustees — Meeting of July 1, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Grant Root called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Trustees present: Martin Arbagi, Glady Campion, Ken Phelps, Wynn Rollert, Grant Root, Ed Skuya, Gary Turner, Jim Ullom. Absent: Wynn Rollert. Excused: Jim Dalley.

Others present: Dave Lundy, Charles Rockett, Andrew Linnell.

GUESTS and PRESENTATIONS

Charles Rockett, Treasurer for Dayton Diode, told of plans to switch to AT&T U-verse for Internet access at their Front Street location. The Trustees were of the opinion that Dayton Diode did not need permission for this purchase.

Jim Ullom moved that DMA contribute up to \$200 for the cost of internet installation. Martin Arbagi seconded and the motion passed.

Charles also introduced his guest, Andrew Linnell of the Greenville Makers of South Carolina who is visiting for a few days.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President — Grant Root

Grant offered best wishes to Jim Dalley who is dealing with health issues and Eric Ottoson who is recovering from a broken foot.

Vice President — Gary Turner

Gary noted that we had very good presentations from the SIG groups at the June meeting, even though attendance was unusually low.

Secretary — Glady Campion

Glady presented the minutes from the June Board meeting. Jim Ullom moved the minutes be accepted as corrected. Gary Turner seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer — Martin Arbagi

Martin reported on the transactions and account balances for June.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit - Glady Campion

Glady needs to set a date.

Bylaws Review - Grant Root

The non-discrimination clause for our Bylaws was announced again at the June general membership meeting. Jim Ullom made a motion that the clause be added to the DMA bylaws. Martin seconded. A vote was taken of the members in attendance and the motion passed unanimously.

ARTICLE XIII - NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the policy and commitment of DMA that it does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religious creed, sex or gender expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, or disability in any of its activities. These activities include but are not limited to meetings, membership, volunteer opportunities, selection of vendors, and provision of services. We are committed to providing

an inclusive and welcoming environment for all participants.

Funding – Open

No report.

Membership - Dave Lundy, Glady Campion

We currently have 105 Regular, 5 Associate, 0 Student, and 2 Life members for a total of 112. Attendance at the April membership meeting was 18 and the 50–50 brought in \$8.

Net Admin Team - Ken Phelps, Gary Turner

The DMA phone number is not in service; it gives a fast busy signal. Grant Root talked to Mike Carr. Mike transferred the number to a T-mobile account in Gary's name. Gary will check on the status.

Gary suggested we put all DMA meetings on Meetup. He will look for someone to maintain the account.

The Web site and e-mail continue to run smoothly.

Nominations – Wynn Rollert

Wynn Rollert volunteered to head the Nominations committee. Terms will expire at the end of August for Jim Dalley, Grant Root, and Gary Turner. Glady will send Wynn a copy of the membership file.

Programs – Jim Ullom

July: John Radenheimer will talk to us about the new Microsoft Store at the Kenwood Mall.

August: Gary Coy will explain the updates in Windows 8.1.

September: Bob Gostischa is to talk about the new Avast antivirus software.

Publications – Martin Arbagi

The Databus has been posted online. Martin is working on a special article.

OLD BUSINESS

APCUG Regional Conference – Jim Ullom

Jim and Bob Vance are working on the schedule and confirming speakers. The APCUG conference is scheduled for September 13–15 at the Englewood Holiday Inn. Martin Arbagi is putting together a booklet for the event. Ken Phelps suggested online education such as Udacity would be a good topic.

Summer Picnic - Martin Arbagi

The picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 24, at Indian Riffle Park in Kettering. The shelter will have power for those who bring laptops. DMA will provide the burgers, brats, ho tdogs, and beverages. Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Tickets are \$3 and are available from Martin Arbagi and Gary Turner.

NEW BUSINESS

Domain Name - Glady Campion

Our domain name, dma1.org, expires August 27. Glady will call DataYard (Donet) to transfer ownership of the domain name to DMA and to ask renewal for 5 years.

Reimbursement of mileage for speakers - Jim Ullom

Jim Ullom moved that DMA establish a policy, that any speakers who travel more than 20

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miles round trip to present at a general membership meeting will be offered reimbursement for their mileage at the current IRS rate up to \$100. Ed Skuya seconded, and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20, Jim Ullom moved the meeting be adjourned, Martin Arbagi seconded, and the motion passed.

MINUTES

DMA Board of Trustees — Meeting of August 5, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

Grant Root called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

Trustees present: Glady Campion, Ken Phelps, Wynn Rollert, Grant Root, Ed Skuya, Gary Turner, Jim Ullom; Excused: Martin Arbagi, Jim Dalley.

Others present: Charles Rockett.

GUESTS and PRESENTATIONS

Charles Rockett, Treasurer for Dayton Diode, reported on his SIG. Charles has been invited to talk about Dayton Diode at the APCUG conference in September. Dayton Diode has been using their 3D printer to make molds for molten aluminum using a kind of "lost plastic" method. They may soon be offering Arduino classes. Dayton Diode will be participating in the upcoming Pecha Kucha event, where each PPT presentation is 20 slides long, 20 seconds per slide.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President — Grant Root

Grant noted that the July program on the Microsoft Store at the Kenwood Mall was well presented. The speaker did a great job.

Vice President — Gary Turner

Gary reported business as usual with most of the SIGs.

Secretary — Glady Campion

Glady presented the Minutes from the July Board meeting. Jim Ullom moved the minutes be accepted as corrected. Grant Root seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer — Martin Arbagi (absent)

Martin e-mailed a report on the transactions and account balances for July.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit - Glady Campion

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Bylaws Review - Grant Root

Grant is looking for more volunteers for this committee.

Funding – Open

No report.

Membership - Dave Lundy, Glady Campion

We currently have 102 Regular, 4 Associate, 0 Student, and 2 Life members for a total of 108.

Attendance at the July membership meeting was 42 and the 50-50 brought in \$28.

Net Admin Team - Ken Phelps, Gary Turner

The website and email continue to run smoothly.

The DMA phone number has been disconnected; it gives a fast busy signal. Gary will check on the status of the account.

Nominations - Wynn Rollert

Terms will expire at the end of August for Trustees Jim Dalley, Grant Root, and Gary Turner. We are very grateful for their service. Wynn will be contacting members directly about running for these positions.

Programs – Jim Ullom

The July program about the Microsoft Store at the Kenwood Mall was well attended and well received.

- August: Gary Coy will explain the updates in Windows 8.1.
- September: Bob Gostischa is to talk about the new Avast antivirus software.
- October: Jim is talking to Barnes & Noble about a presentation about the Nook readers.
- December: Watch for details on the Holiday Dinner.

Publications - Martin Arbagi

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NEW BUSINESS

MailChimp – Jim Ullom

Jim is looking into the possibility of using MailChimp, an email marketing service, for sending emails to our membership. They have a fermium version.

Miami Valley Computing Societies - Glady Campion

MVCS are holding their 25th annual Fall Joint Meeting on Tuesday, September 24, the same night as our General Membership meeting. Brent Cox from Team Bastech will demonstrate one of their 3D printers. The event will be held at Sinclair Community College. The program and dinner will cost \$20. Reservations are required. See ASQdayton.org for details. Glady will e-mail the brochure to the Trustees.

Ohio Linuxfest - Glady Campion

Ohio Linuxfest will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center on September 13-15.

The Linux SIG often has a booth at this event. See OhioLunux.org for details. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10, Jim Ullom moved the meeting be adjourned, Wynn Rollert seconded, and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, Glady Campion, Secretary

Dayton Microcomputer Association

Events for October 2013

For additions or corrections, contact Dave Lundy

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
				6:30pm Genealogy SIG		3:00-5:00pm Classic Computers
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	7:00pm <u>DMA</u> Board of <u>Trustees</u>		7:00pm <u>Dayton</u> Dynamic <u>Languages Users</u> <u>Group</u>			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	7:00pm Dayton Diode Mtg.	7:00pm Software Development SIG		7:00pm Linux SIG		3:00-5:00pm Classic Computers
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	7:00pm <u>Amateur</u> <u>Radio SIG</u>					
	7:00pm Apple- Dayton SIG					
27	28	29	30	31		
		7:00pm <u>DMA</u> Main mta		Halloween		



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President
 *Grant ROOT

Vice—President
 *Gary TURNER

Secretary
 *Glady CAMPION

Treasurer

*Martin ARBAGI

Trustees:

Jim DALLEY
Ken PHELPS
Wynn ROLLERT
Ed SKUYA
Jim ULLOM
* Also trustees.

Webmaster:

Dave LUNDY

Submissions ...

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Editor@DMA1.org

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DMA Membership Application/Renewal

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

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I wish to have my name and address published in the club roster: YES \Box	NO 🗖		
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If applying for free student membership, please give school name and student ID num Members <i>cannot</i> vote in DMA elections.)	-	students ur	nder 22 years old. (Studen
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Dues/Fees (Dues and Fees are subject to change without prior notice):			
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Family or Associate Membership (must live at same address as regular member)	2.) 🗖 \$12.50		☐ Cash☐ Check
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