COMPUTER USERS OF ERIE

CUE Newsletter – November 2022 (Volume 39 Number 11)

November CUE Meeting

The next general meeting is on Thursday November 17th at 7:00 PM, by a Zoom link in your email. Check the CUE website (www.cuerie.com), for more information.

CUE is a member of APCUG

Visit the CUE
Website at:

www.cuerie.com

CUE Calendar

Calendar events are subject to change. SIG stands for Special Interest Group.
(look for notices outside of the newsletter for delays or special news on meetings)

CUE Christmas / Holiday Party
    Thursday December 8th at 6 PM

CUE Membership Meetings (typically 3rd Thursday of each month)
    Thursday November 17th at 7 PM
    NO CUE Membership Meeting in December (other than Holiday Party)

Beginner's User Group (BUG) SIG Meetings
    To Be Scheduled Upon Request

Digital Photo SIG Meetings (typically 1st Saturday of each month except June/July/August)
    Saturday November 5th at 9:30 AM
    Saturday December 3rd at 9:30 AM

Genealogy SIG Meetings (typically 1st Tuesday of each month)
    Tuesday November 1st at 7 PM
    Tuesday December 6th at 7 PM

MAC SIG Meetings (typically 2nd Saturday of each month except June/July/August)
    Saturday November 12th at 9:30 AM
    Saturday December 10th at 9:30 AM

Smartphone & Tablet SIG Meetings (typically 4th Monday of each month) (RSVP John Fair)
    Monday November 28th at 7 PM
    NO Smartphone & Tablet SIG Meeting for December

Windows SIG Meetings (typically 2nd Saturday of each month except June/July/August)
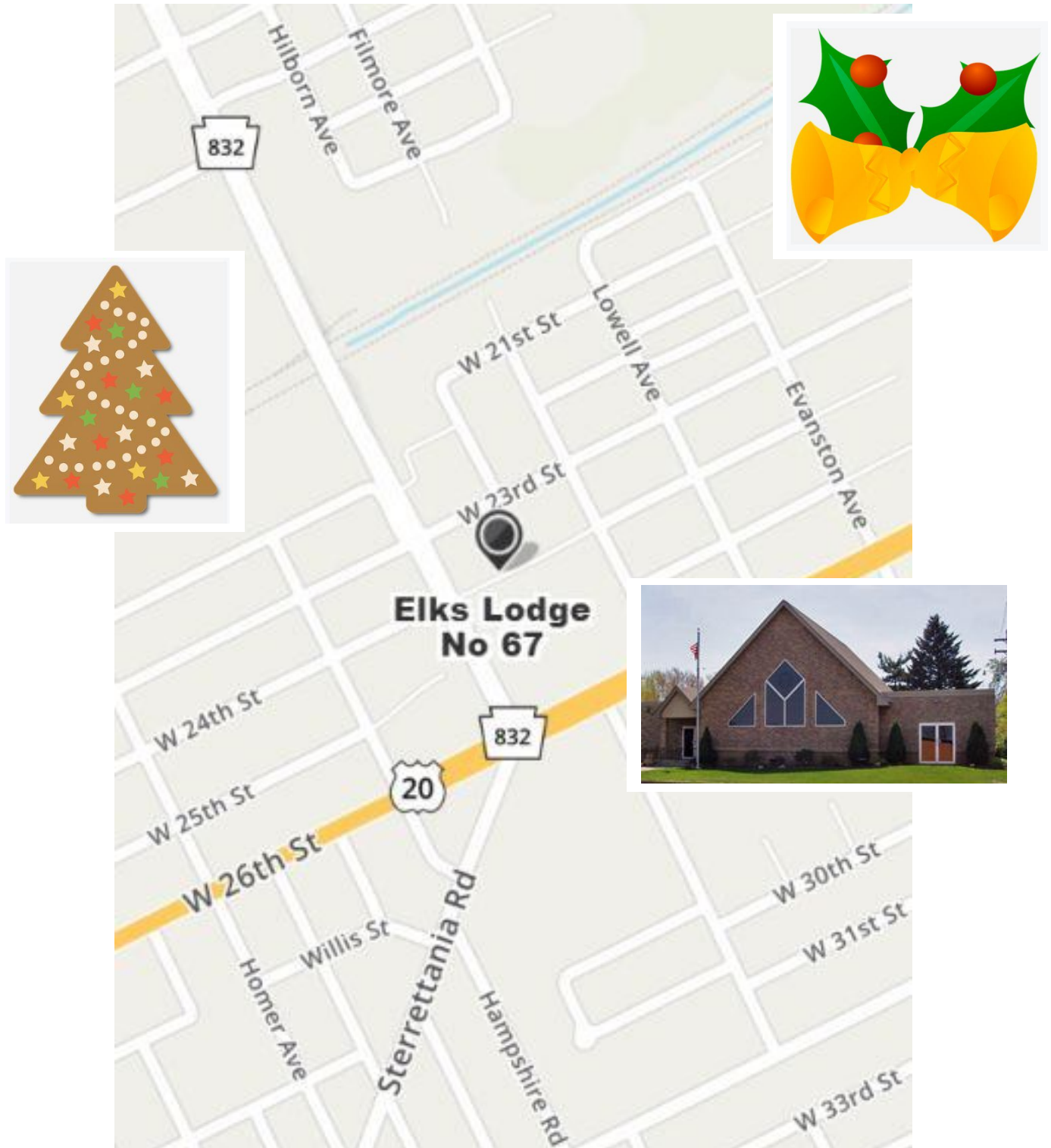   Saturday November 12th at 1 PM
    Saturday December 10th at 1 PM

Save That Date! Thursday December 8th 2022

The Elks Club in Erie is reserved for the CUE Christmas/Holiday Party!
Try to keep that date open for a time of food and fellowship!

Here is the location for the Elks Club:

2409 Peninsula Drive, Erie, PA

CUE Holiday Party!

Save That Date! On <u>Thursday, December 8th, 2022</u>, CUE will celebrate our Holiday Party in a private room at The Elks Club in Erie! Keep the date open for an enjoyable time of food and fellowship! Members voted to keep the party at the Elks Club this year. CUE Members familiar with the restaurant at the club have spoken highly of the quality of the food and service. The club is located at <u>2409 Peninsula Drive in Erie</u> with plenty of parking and a very accessible entrance.

As always, we will have a gift exchange. If you'd like to participate in the annual Yankee swap, please bring a wrapped gift of no more than $10 in value and register for the Yankee swap drawing when you enter the Club that evening.

Members are asked to order their dinner(s) and pay in advance. Once again, CUE members have voted to give a $10 subsidy (paid to you at the dinner) to dues-paying members who attend.

Here's how to order. To save on costs, we are offering a choice of just six entrees. The prices include the meal, sales tax, and gratuity. Each meal comes with a salad and roll.

Stuffed Chicken Breast	$16.75 per meal
Honey-Glazed Salmon	$17.20 per meal
Stuffed Peppers	$16.75 per meal
Vegetable Lasagna	$16.75 per meal
Broiled Salmon (gluten free)	$17.00 per meal
Broiled Chicken (gluten free)	$17.00 per meal

To order your dinner, please mail a check for you and your guest, if you plan to bring one, payable to CUE at:

Computer Users of Erie
PO Box 8941
Erie, Pennsylvania 16505-0941

Be sure to specify your dinner choices.

It will be a sit down dinner with servers.
Coffee, water, and tea are provided.
Iced or hot tea will be available.

A cash bar will be available. Dinner orders and checks must be received no later than November 15. *Please note: If for any reason you do not attend, we cannot offer a refund.*

Chromebook – Five Years Later

By Don Grim at Computer Users of Erie

It has been a fast five years! I bought my first Chromebook as a Black Friday Special at Best Buy in November of 2017. I had heard great things about it. I wrote an article about it right after I bought it. I demonstrated it at the CUE meeting in January of 2018. I still love it. It still powers up in only 15 seconds. It still runs fast and zooms around when I use it. Unlike other computers, it has not diminished in performance through the years.

I predicted it would be a "big success". It was big to me but probably not as big to the general public. It is still very popular for schools and Seniors are attracted to Chromebooks. Five years ago, I thought Microsoft and Apple might copy the Chromebook with something like an Explorerbook and a Safaribook. There is talk about it for an Edgebook by Microsoft. Here is a link about it:

https://www.zdnet.com/article/is-it-time-for-an-edgebook/

Chromebooks may not get super popular because computers, in general, are not as popular as they once were, since smart phones can do a lot for peoples' needs.

One thing that caught me by surprise, after owning a Chromebook, is that Chromebooks have an expiration date, whereupon updates are no longer automatically received. My Chromebook is now past its five years for updates. New Chromebooks, today, can sometimes have up to eight years for updates. I have read that a Chromebook is less risky to use past its expiration date than other computers because of its safe structure. However, computers wear out and hardware gets new innovations. So, it is helpful to change to a new computer every 5 to 8 years anyway.

There are 13 pages from the January 2018 Chromebook Demo at the CUE website.
A Direct Link is below:
https://www.cuerie.com/file/document-page/2432937177/Uvu6CV2vhVvLefMs.pdf

Chromebook Demo - No Ordinary Computer!
January 2018
by Don Grim for Computer Users of Erie (CUE)

Chromebook Prediction

By Don Grim at Computer Users of Erie
(Original Article from November 2017, looking back 5 years)

I am going to make a new prediction. Not all predictions become true. In the past, I predicted Beta (Betamax) would become the standard video tape but VHS (Video Home System) won that battle. I did predict Lionel Richie would become a big star when he left the Commodores to start his solo music career. I remember, at the time of my prediction in 1982, that my wife had not heard of him. I was right about the Lionel prediction!

My latest prediction is that the Google Chromebook computer is going to be a big success! I believe it is one of the best innovations of the computer age. What does it have going for it? I'll answer that with four "S" words, Security, Simple, Speed, and Sellable.

Security - Chromebooks have hardware (TPM Chip, lockable encrypted memory) that protects the computer. It has the preinstalled Chrome operating system (based on the Linux kernel) that is safe. It always has a copy of the operating system on the computer to switch over to in time of attack. It isolates attacks to a tab (called sandboxing) instead of the whole computer. You don't need to install virus protection software since the Chromebook automatically updates the computer for protection. Those updates don't interrupt you since they update on the other operating system on the computer, that switches over at a convenient time. Another added security is you are up and running in minutes if you change to another Chromebook, whether you change by choice or by a worn out Chromebook. You basically go to your settings and files,

already saved on the cloud, and you're back in a flash. That is provided you get in to the habit of saving to the cloud (web). You should still copy important files (to a flash drive or something) just in case the cloud would fail on you.

Simple - As they say, less is more! It has just what you need but not more than you need. You can still do everything that many people do with computers, including web browsing, email, social network (Facebook), programs, games, and even documents (free Google Docs). A new computer user can learn a Chromebook much faster than a Windows or Mac computer, in less than a week (perhaps in a day) instead of weeks. Seniors will love the ease of use of the Chromebook! The Chrome operating system is small, yet has enough, without any bloating or overhead like on certain operating systems. We won't name names!

Speed - Because it is simple and efficient, the Chromebook has speed. It zooms around. It powers on in seconds rather than minutes. So you can use it right away, even if it is powered off, and you get around quickly wherever you go.

Sellable - Chromebooks don't cost much to make so they don't cost much to buy. That is why schools, which always have a tight budget, are replacing laptop computers and tablets (iPads) with Chromebooks. Besides the advantage of the 4 "S" words described above, Chromebooks are associated with a form of Linux that allows the networking that schools need for computers.

I would not be surprised if Microsoft and Apple, for competition and survival purposes, will release their own copycat versions of the Chromebook. Since Google highlights their Chrome web browser for the Chromebook, perhaps Microsoft will release an "Explorerbook" and Apple will release a "Safaribook".

Maybe smart phones could adapt to the Chromebook innovative features for a less expensive smart phone. They could call it the "I Go For That" phone instead of the "I" phone!

The Chromebook is not for everybody. If you have certain software you prefer that is only available for a Windows or Mac computer, go with Windows or Mac for it.

Although, because of the low price, you could supplement a Windows computer with a Chromebook, and be safer on the web with your Chromebook. If the Chromebook takes off like I imagine, perhaps there will be more and more software options for the Chromebook in the future!

In conclusion, I'm not just a chrome fan of the bumpers on cars in the 50's, along with their fins. I'm also a Chromebook fan! If the Chromebook doesn't become as popular as I predict, I guess I'll put some Beta tapes, 8-track tapes, and computer punch cards next to the Chromebook to make it look more obsolete, and play Lionel music in the background!

chromebook

Streaming Surpasses Cable TV as the Way Most People Watch Television

By Kurt Jefferson at Central Kentucky Computer Society (www.ckcs.org)

More people are streaming TV shows and movies for the first time rather than watching cable TV programs. In fact, the total time spent viewing streaming services in July soared nearly 23% over one year ago.

This is a major change in the way most of us watch TV. Nielsen has even confirmed it: Streaming is in. Cable is out. Streaming surpassed broadcast TV viewing in the past, but this is the first time the number of Americans streaming has topped those watching cable TV programming.

Streaming's share of TV viewing hit 34.8% this past July, while cable fell to 34.4%. Broadcast TV stood at 21.6%.

Nielsen monitors monthly TV consumption and says more than one-third of all TV viewing is via streaming.

These figures are for people two years of age and over and tracks monthly viewership between September 2021 and July 2022.

Note that these figures only include streaming programming viewed on a television set.

Folks who stream using a web browser on a PC or Mac computer or an app on an iPad, iPhone, or Android phone or tablet are not included in the Nielsen count. Experts say that's a sizable number of individuals not counted by Nielsen.

A Streaming Snapshot

The Most Popular Streamers
(in order of subscriber numbers)

1. Netflix
2. Amazon Prime Video
3. Disney+
4. Apple TV+
5. hulu
6. Peacock
7. YouTube Premium
8. HBO Max
9. ESPN+
10. CBS All Access

Source: Zippia

Cable TV, combined with traditional over-the-air TV with a UHF or VHF antenna, still has the most viewers overall.

But both are dropping, and experts predict streaming will replace that type of viewing over the next few years. Sports viewing on cable TV slid 15.4% from June and 34% from one year earlier when the 2020 Summer Olympics started.

Cable subscriptions have dropped for many years – with increasing prices cited as the number one reason. **Zippia writes that adults between 18 and 29 are the**

Streaming Continued

largest group with no cable in their homes. More than one-third of them have no cable TV or satellite TV subscriptions. Many don't watch TV at all.

According to Zippia, 69% of those surveyed say "cable and satellite subscriptions simply cost too much, and 45% say they don't watch TV very often in general."

Other Streaming Tidbits:
Most of us now subscribe to a streaming service (69%), while the number of people worldwide subscribing to cable TV has fallen below 50%, and the number of cable subscribers continues to fall.

CordCutters News reports the biggest cable TV providers lost about 825,000 video subscribers in the first three months of 2022. That compares to a loss of about 780,000 subscribers in the first quarter of 2021. These figures are from the Leichtman Research Group, which tracks video subscription trends.

While many Americans grew up with TV, 44% of all adults alive today have never had a cable or satellite TV subscription. Furthermore, 61% of those are between 18 and 29. Zippia writes, "Not only is cable TV actively losing subscribers, but it also isn't gaining young new subscribers who are moving out on their own and separating from their parents' subscriptions."

Well, then, who is watching cable TV?
Not younger people. Adults in the U.S. who are 65 and older make up the largest percentage of cable and satellite TV subscribers.

While streaming services are growing in popularity among all age groups, Zippia reports that Disney+ is the fastest-growing streamer, luring more than 100 million subscribers since it launched in November 2019.

Zippia Cord Cutting Statistics

Pew Research: Cable and Satellite TV Use Has Dropped Dramatically in the U.S. Since 2015

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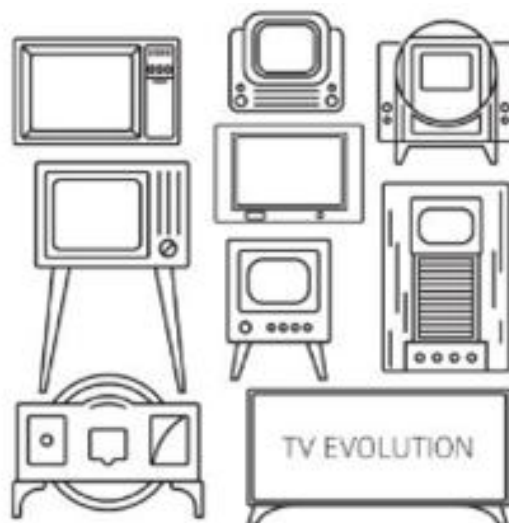
Genealogy Report for 10/3/22 SIG Meeting

We met on the first Monday this month because our leader had another commitment on Tuesday. Paul Francis introduced new member, and Paul's cousin, Julie Hamilton, and her husband Jim. Jim was born in Scotland, and the Hamiltons want to get to work on their family history. Toward that end they have joined our ancestry group and will be participating in our monthly SIGs. This month we also had a visitor from the (Maryland) Area Technology Society (CATS) —Dave Carlson.

As you may know, Sue has joined the APCUG speakers bureau for which she shares her zest for, and knowledge of, genealogy. When she talks to a computer group, she always mentions both our genealogy SIG and our cost-savings shared ancestry account. This piqued Dave's interest, and he is hopeful that he might get a genealogy group going with his computer group.

We watched a youtube video about using the features of the randymajors.org historical maps site (US maps only). This video can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DnxvRrs72l0&t=342s

When Jim Hamilton asked about world maps, Sue suggested that he try the David Rumsey site (davidrumsey.com). We also discussed the finding of genealogy books as well as family and county histories online. These books were particularly popular in the late 1800s and early 1900s. As such, most are out of copyright (dated before 1925) and are readily available for free online. Sue shared a handout for finding these books online with participants. Contact Sue directly if you would like a copy of this handout.

We will meet next month on Tuesday, November 8, via Zoom. If you are just starting to research your family history, or you are an accomplished researcher, you are welcome to join the group. Our goal is to share ideas to help one another smooth out the challenges tracing our heritage. Genealogy is a very active part of CUE. If you are interested in learning how to find your family roots, then this is the SIG for you. This SIG has members at various skill levels, always ready to share their knowledge and experience to help others in the group. New members are always welcome.

Reporting--Sue Mueller

Chesapeake

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Smartphone & Tablet Report for 10/24/22 SIG Meeting

In honor of Cyber Security Awareness Month (October) we started the meeting talking about how my wife's acquaintance complained about receiving spam emails from my wife. It turned out to be a case of someone falsely using my wife's name and asking the recipient to click on a link. That's never a good idea if you don't know the sender. That's why they pick a name the recipient knows. The sender's email address was from an email service provider in Peru. We don't know how the sender linked my wife to the email recipient. Several of our members related cases of similar email spoofing and cautioned to always check the sender's email address if something seems off.

Both iOS 16.1 and iPadOS 16.1 were released the day of our meeting. I had no problems downloading them but had no time to look at the features they contain. They will be the subject for our next meeting. We did review last month's discussion of iOS 16 features since few had updated their iPhones at that time of our September meeting. One feature of Photos we added to our discussion was the ability to change the metadata for a number of photos at once. Select the photos you want to change, long press on one of them and choose Adjust Time and Date or Adjust Location. This is handy for photos you scanned or took with a camera without auto date or location features. I have copies of our wedding album photos that I changed one at a time and would like to have had this feature at the time. We viewed an excellent YouTube video on the value and capability of the image extraction tool in the iOS 16 Photos app. Here is the link and it is well worth your time to watch:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7kNiDxMeHZ4

Users sending text messages can now Edit a message up to 15 minutes after it is sent or Unsend a message within 2 minutes after it is sent. These features only work with iMessage (blue bubbles) and not with SMS (green bubbles) and require both sender and recipient have iPhones updated to iOS 16. Another limit to the edit function is that the recipient can see that the message has been edited and can see a history of the edits. If you unsend a message, it disappears from your thread and the recipient's thread within the 2 minute timeframe, just be aware that the recipient could have seen the message before it was removed.

Mail has Undo Send, Delay Send, Remind Me and Follow Up features. You have up to 30 seconds to undo a Send command in Mail, but the default is only 10 seconds. The undo interval can be changed in Settings/Mail. Mail also can remind you about an attachment you mentioned in the body of the email but forgot to attach. Delay Send is a very useful capability that other apps have had before Apple. Just long press on the blue Send arrow and choose when the email should be sent. Of course your iPhone will have to be turned on and have a cellular or wireless connection at the time chosen to send the email. Remind Me is used when you don't have time to deal with an email but want to look at it again at a later time. Choose Reply, scroll to Remind Me and choose when you want to be reminded. At that time the email will be moved to the top of your inbox with a "Remind Me" label.

Camera can now use Live Text to translate a variety of languages. Open Camera, frame the text, touch the Live Text icon and then touch Translate. This is handy for reading signs, documents, etc. However, if your have a page with a lot of text to translate, it is better to use the Translate app.

The Notes app has had a number of organizational enhancements. In the gallery view, Notes are now grouped in chronological order according to when they were created, using terms like Today, Yesterday, Previous 7 Days, Previous 30 Days and then the name of the month. Quick Notes can now be added from within many apps using the Share Sheet and choosing Add To Quick Notes. The Quick Notes will appear in the Notes app and if you choose Save, will be added to a Quick Notes folder.

Smart Folders were introduced in iOS 15 but simplified in iOS 16. Notes are automatically added to a created Smart Folder according to a set of rules or filters. We demonstrated by creating a folder labeled "Important Stuff" then choosing Make Into Smart Folder and then Choose Scans and Choose Attachments. We saw that all notes containing Scans and Attachments were automatically gathered into the Important Stuff smart folder. Further, any new notes containing Scans and Attachments will also be automatically added to this folder.

Notes had never been secure if someone had access to your unlocked phone. However, Notes can now be locked and then unlocked with your iPhone passcode or Face ID. To use this feature, you must have iCloud Keychain turned on, then open the Note you wish to lock, select the three dots in a circle icon then select Lock. The first time you lock a Note, you have to enter your passcode and choose to use Face ID if available on your iPhone.

We will cover the features of iOS 16.1 and iPadOS 16.1 next month. The next virtual meeting of the Smartphone and Tablet SIG will be on Monday, November 28.

John Fair

Beautiful Peru!

Secretary's Report for 10/20/22 CUE Meeting

Business meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Vice President Paul Francis.

Members Present: Larry Brown, Kim Conti, Tim Donlin, John Fair, Paul Francis, Don Grim, Ed and Nancy Group, Suzanne Matthews, Sue Mueller, Lee Williams, Carl Zalewski, and guest speaker Bill James.

Quorum (at least 20% of members): The number of member attendees does not meet the quorum requirements (18).

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the August 2022 general meeting as published in the September newsletter.

Reports:
Treasurer's Report, John Fair: Our current balance is $4,111.44. Transactions since the last meeting include $1,151 received for dues and expenditures:
  HOA (web hosting) $307.80
  Picnic expenses $198.77
  Bank service charges (2 months) $4.00

Membership Report, John Fair: Last year we had 79 members and 8 associate members, but our current membership has dropped to 68 members and 7 associate members. As of this date, 13 former members remain unpaid, but one of those is planning to pay.

Special Interest Groups:
• Genealogy, Sue Mueller reporting: Meets first Tuesday of each month via Zoom. In October we discussed maps for genealogy. Dave Carlson, a member of another APCUG group, attended our SIG and plans to attend next month. See full report in newsletter.
• Smart Phones, John Fair reporting: Meets fourth Mondays of the month via Zoom. We discussed some of the new features of IOS 16, which most of our members had not yet downloaded. Spotlight search, hidden files, new photo features, and the weather app were some of the features discussed. See full report in the newsletter.
• Mac, Windows Help. No report.

Unfinished Business:
• September picnic: Special thanks to Janice Castro and Don and Betty Grim for another successful and enjoyable picnic.
• Holiday party, Thursday, December 8, at 6 p.m. at the Elks Club. We will have seven items to choose from, and prices will be the same as last year.

New Business:
• The club has been contacted by a former member who lives in an over 55 community in Girard. Conrad is still working on arrangements for a meeting to assess their needs and interests.

The meeting was adjourned, and Bill James spoke about home automation and security.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan B Mueller

Sue Mueller, Secretary

A Note from the Editor

As usual, feel free to contribute information for the CUE newsletter. Whether it is small, large, an article, a tip, information, or pictures, you can send it to me and I will plan to include it in the newsletter. You can reach me at grimcyber@yahoo.com.

Remember that you can find recent news at the CUE website (cuerie.com). At times, the website will have more recent news than the CUE newsletter since the website is updated continuously and the newsletter is updated monthly.

Stay Safe!

Editorially Speaking, Don Grim

CUE Membership Renewal Season

This note is to remind you that it's time to pay your annual membership dues so you can remain a valued member of Computer Users of Erie. Thank you to everyone who has already paid for the coming year. If you have just joined Computer Users of Erie, Welcome!

As a reminder, immediate family members living in the household of a dues paying CUE member may become an Associate Member by submitting a Membership Application. Associate members pay no dues and are entitled to the benefits of CUE membership, except that they may not vote or become an officer of CUE. Associate members, however, may serve as At-Large Board Members and vote in board meetings in that capacity.

Dues are $24 per year. Checks for dues can be mailed to:

Computer Users of Erie
PO Box 8941
Erie, Pennsylvania 16505-0941

Whether you are a Member or an Associate, please fill out and include the application form below with your check, so that we can be sure to have your current contact information.

COMPUTER USERS OF ERIE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

TODAY'S DATE _____

LAST NAME _____   FIRST NAME_____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____   MOBILE _____

EMAIL _____

ANNUAL DUES ARE $24 AND ARE PAYABLE IN AUGUST.

COMPUTER USERS OF ERIE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Today's Date_____

Last Name	First Name
Address	
City, State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone
Your Email	

The yearly dues are payable in August of each year. The dues are $24 annual.

For NEW members only, when you join outside the annual cycle your initial dues are based upon the month you join. Follow the schedule below.

August $24	September $22	October $20	November $18
December $16	January $14	February $12	March $10
April $8	May $6	June $4	July $2

Information provided on this form will be placed into a CUE Membership Directory

What is your Computer or Device: (Circle)
Windows   Mac   Android   iPhone   iPad
Tablet   Linux   Other

Send your completed application to:

Computer Users of Erie

PO BOX 8941

Erie, Pa 16505-0941

What is you level of expertise? (Circle)
Novice   I know some   I want to learn more
Expert   Geek

What do you wish to gain by joining Computer Users of Erie?

Student membership is just $15 per year (provide proof of student status)

CUE Officer Information

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Other Resources:

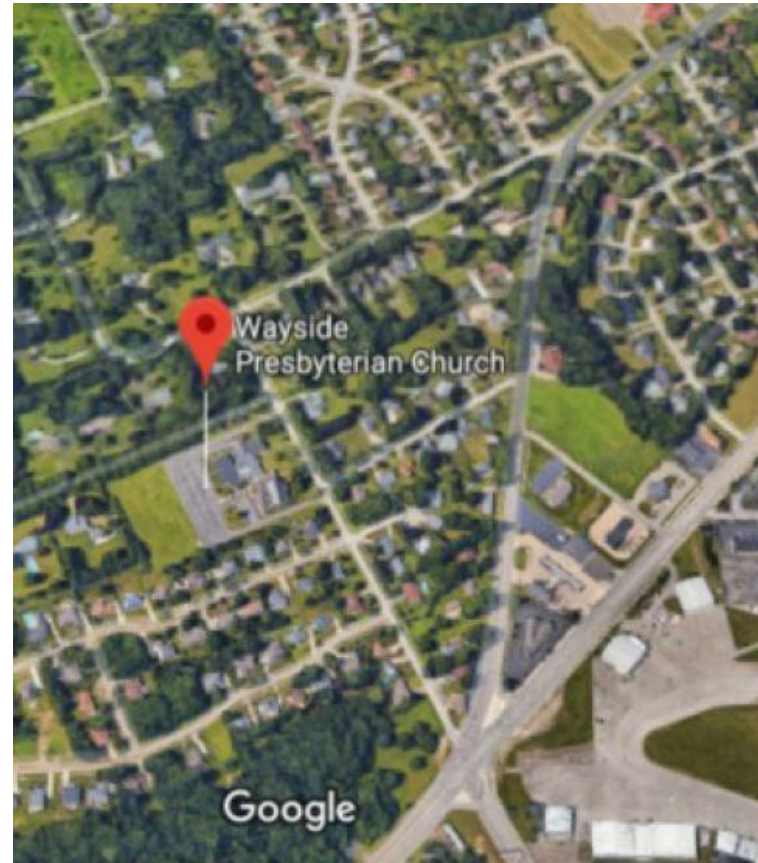|			
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CUE Disclaimer

Directions to Wayside Presbyterian Church for CUE Meetings

Wayside Presbyterian Church, at 1208 Asbury Road, is approximately three blocks north of the intersection of Asbury Road and Route 5. This intersection is at the northwest corner of the Erie International Airport property. Following Asbury, turn left at the first marked driveway for the church. During the afternoon winter schedule (10:00 AM for the months of November, January, February and March), entry is through the two sets of blue double doors. Use the buzzer to gain entry if the doors are locked. During the normal evening schedule (7:00 PM the remaining months) use the double doors on the south side of the Christian Education wing. Signs are posted in the building to direct you to the meeting room.

From West of Erie International Airport: Follow Route 5 to the intersection of Asbury and Route 5. Turn hard left onto Asbury Road. Look for the church on the left approximately 3 blocks north of the intersection.

From South of Erie: Take Interstate 79 north to the 26th Street (Route 20) Exit. Bear left onto 26th Street (Route 20) west. Follow Route 20 about 3.4 miles west to Asbury Road. Turn right (at the Sheetz Gas Station) onto Asbury and follow it straight across Route 5. Look for the church on the left approximately 3 blocks north of the intersection.

From East of Erie International Airport: Follow 26th Street (Route 20) west to Asbury Road. Turn right onto Asbury and follow it straight across Route 5. Look for the church on the left approximately 3 blocks north of the intersection. OR, follow 12th Street (Route 5) west past the airport to Asbury Road. Turn right onto Asbury Road. Look for the church on the left approximately 3 blocks north of the intersection.

About the Newsletter

CUE Membership Benefits

As the largest computer users group in northwest Pennsylvania, CUE has served Erie and surrounding communities since 1982. CUE provides a forum for people to learn about computers and have fun doing so. The group meets the third Thursday each month, with the exception of the months of July and December. In July the group gathers for a picnic and December is the annual holiday party (dates vary). CUE meetings are at Wayside Presbyterian Church, 1205 Asbury Road, Erie. Meetings from April through October are at 7:00 p.m. From November through March, the meetings are at 10:00 AM in the morning, except it will stay at 7:00 p.m. during the Caronavirus Pandemic.

Our monthly meetings are open to the public regardless of age or ability. Many of our members are senior citizens who span a wide range of capabilities and interests but share a desire to know more about how to use computer related technology. Our role is to provide a forum for continuous learning from each other. CUE has a closed Google gmail group that is used to communicate with members and to post questions/problems to seek answers from the membership. Members pay an annual membership fee of $24 to receive a membership directory, monthly newsletter, availability to monthly general meetings, and any of the Special Interest Group (SIGs) meetings, usually held in a member's home. Locations and times vary, so check the online EVENTS Calendar on the website for the latest information. SIG topics include:

- Digital photography [and photo safari]
- Genealogy
- Macintosh computers

- Computer troubleshooting
- Beginners users group (BUG)
- Handheld smartphones and tablets

CUE is a member of the Association of Personal Computer User Groups (APCUG). APCUG is an International, platform-independent, volunteer-run, non-profit organization devoted to helping member User Groups offer enhanced services to their members. Some of the membership benefits include:

- Speakers bureau
- Free virtual technology conferences
- Regional conference

- Push newsletter articles
- Discounts and special offers from vendors
- User group newsletters online

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