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Dear Officers and group members,

MEETING IDEA

New hearing-aid technologies are all but mini-computers for your ears. A representative from the hearing aid department at Costco gave a presentation at one of the Golden Gate Computer Society meetings and demonstrated how they link to Skype, smartphones, and TVs with Bluetooth connectivity. One of my members has a device that links her hearing aids to different devices and it has really enhanced her life. No Costco in your area? How about asking for a presentation from a rep from an audiology/hearing aid provider in your area.

FAMILYTREENOW.com

When Bob Gostischa gave presentations during his March SoCal tour, one of the first things he talked about was the familytreenow.com website and that everyone should take a look at it to see how much personal information is on the site. He recommended everyone opt out. I was one of those people who had a lot of personal information on the website. There was also a lot of information about my children and their extended families.

Information about the website was featured in many magazines in mid-January as well as news reports. Every once in a while, I see another article about the website. You can opt-out at:
<http://www.familytreenow.com/optout>

This is the best article I've read about the website: <http://bit.ly/2mUS8U3>

I put a mini PowerPoint presentation together about the website and have given it to several groups. If you would like a copy, please let me know.

Thanks to the Hawaii group's editor for sending info about the web site to their members.

I've heard from several people in my area (SoCal) that they have received the below call:

MEDICARE SCAM ALERT: New Medicare cards are on the way - Changes are coming to your Medicare card. By April 2019, your card will be replaced with one that no longer shows your Social Security number. Instead, your card will have a new Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) that will be used for billing and for checking your eligibility and claim status. And it will all happen automatically – you won't have to pay anyone or give anyone information, no matter what someone might tell you. Read more of the blog post by Andrew Johnson, Consumer Education Specialist, FTC, at: <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/blog/new-medicare-cards-are-way>

Lynda.com FREE at Libraries

Although several groups have a Lynda-com membership their members can use, many libraries have the Lynda.com training videos for free when you have a library card. Check with your local library to see if they have this library card perk.

I uploaded this to APCUG's website – **Jere's Tech Tips**. Some of us haven't even downloaded the Spring Creators Update (my Toshiba laptop won't install the download and MS and local techs don't know why – on to a new laptop) and now we're finding out the neat stuff Microsoft is including in the Fall update.

THE 11 MOST INTRIGUING FALL CREATORS UPDATE FEATURES IN WINDOWS 10 BUILD 16215 - Microsoft just revealed a service pack's worth of additions as part of Windows 10 Build 16215: dictation, predictive typing, a "Find My Pen" mode, full-screen Microsoft Edge, and tons more. Microsoft's blog post lists dozens of changes, so PC World picked 11 especially cool features you definitely need to know about. Read more at: <http://bit.ly/2sAW7Ix>

HEWIE POPLOCK STARTS A VIRTUAL CHROMEBOOK SIG - Are your members interested in Chromebooks? Hewie (former APCUG Board Member and leader of the virtual Windows SIG offered by the Central Florida Computer Society) is starting a virtual Chromebook SIG. The SIG will be available live to groups, individual members, and will be recorded. If the TBD time of the live event is held when your group meets, you are welcome to use it for your general meeting. The meetings will be recorded and uploaded to YouTube; you will be able to access the recordings from the SIG website.

But, Hewie needs your help! In order to determine the best time for the live meeting, he would like those interested in the SIG to complete the survey at <http://bit.ly/2sq7lJ2>. Final day and time will be sent to all interested groups, members, and those responding. Information will also be posted on the website <http://cb4s.net> - Chromebooks 4 Seniors.

Survey: <http://bit.ly/2sq7lJ2>

Special intro video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ddr7vye4TUw>

SIG website: <http://cb4s.net>

On APCUG's website soon -- **Apple Tech Tips**. It will be located below Jere's Tech Tips.

Happy computing,

Judy

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