

Security & Backups - 7.30.13

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer. I just wanted to remind you of two topics that are near and dear to my heart.

Most importantly is BACKING UP!!! The past two months I have had three phone calls about hard drives crashing. One computer was just past the three month warranty period, and two others were less than three years old. Data retrieval from a computer that is NOT backed up can cost upwards to \$1,200. One of my first apples, a laptop, crashed three months after I owned it.

So PLEASE take a minute right now to make sure your computers are being backed up. If they aren't, give me a call and I will go through it with you and make a house call to make sure you are all set. On the top of your screen, click on the circle that looks like a clock with handles. That will access your time machine. Check to see the date of your last back up. If its been a while and you've been using that computer, then chances are there is an issue.

For a desktop, I recommend a dedicated external hard drive. For a laptop, an apple time capsule is great.

Secondly, I've been receiving a ton of bogus emails from Facebook and Apple. I'm including a picture of what they look like. If you are receiving emails that seem suspicious from a website or a friend, put them in the trash. You can also tell by clicking on the address that it's coming from and seeing if it's legitimate. As you can see, the email address is completely bogus. I've also received emails that had my friends name on them and when I clicked the address it wasn't their email address.

Below are a few examples:

From: Apple Inc.

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To: Carol Wolfe

E-Mail Account Closure

July 28, 2013 6:13 PM

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Dear Customer,

Your E-mail account has exceeded its limit and needs to be verified. if not verified within **24hours**, we shall suspend your account. [CLICK HERE](#) to verify your email account now

Thank you,
Apple Inc.



From: [Support](#)

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To: [Carol Wolfe](#)

Here is 2 new notifications received today

July 27, 2013 1:29 PM

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facebook

You haven't been to Facebook for a few days, and a lot happened while you were away.

 **2** new notifications.

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[Go to Facebook](#)

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