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It has been our honor and pleasure serving ISSA KC members and cybersecurity professionals this year! ISSA KC held 11 chapter meetings including Security Speaking Series (WIS) half day conference, two networking happy hours, mentored professionals, published 12 newsletters, and represented ISSA KC in various local security conferences. We accomplish a lot with your support. Amazing year!

Cheryl Cooper, Vice President of ISSA will not be serving on ISSA KC board in 2019 and we will miss her. On behalf of ISSA KC members, security professionals and ISSA KC board, I would like to extend our appreciation to Cheryl Cooper for serving on ISSA KC board and her hard work.

If you would like to serve on ISSA KC as board member or committee member, please reach out to me at president@kc.issa.org.

I wish you the best of holidays and a prosperous 2019!!!



Sincerely,
Naeem Babri
President, ISSA-Greater Kansas City Chapter

Chapter Meeting

December 13, 2018
Topic: Identity Theft Ways Thieves Steal your Identity with Risk Reduction Solutions and Travel Safety & Pickpocket Prevention

[Register](#)

Chapter Meeting

January 24, 2019
Topic: *Mobile Security*

Chapter Meeting

February 28, 2019
Topic: *Patch Smarter, Not Harder*

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Chapter News

ISSA 2018 Happy Hour & Networking Event Recap

2018 ISSA KC Happy Hour "meet and greet" for Greater Kansas City security professionals was held on November 8th. This networking affair was held as an evening happy hour at Leawood La Bodega. The event was a great opportunity to become acquainted and interact with ISSA chapter members and other security professionals. ISSA also presented ISSA Officer awards to thank them for serving on the board in 2018. Certificates of appreciation and completion were awarded to mentors and mentees for individuals who volunteered and supported ISSA's 2018 Mentor program.



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Feature articles include:

- The Future of IT Risk Management Will Be Quantified | Jack Freund
- Our Journey in Phishing Mitigation | Jennifer Kinney and Aurobindo Sundaram
- The Impact of Cryptocurrency on Modern-Day Cybercrime | Michael Doran
- Practical Approaches to Overcome Security Challenges in Cloud Computing | Seetharaman Jeganathan
- Did GDPR Revoke the Digital Certificate? | Jeff Stapleton and Stephen Wu
- Staring Down the Future of Cloud Computing | Tim O'Neal

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Webinars & Conferences



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Upcoming Chapter Event

December 13, 2018 the ISSA KC Chapter meeting with ISACA KC.

Topic/ Presentation Overview: Hold onto your watches, folks! Gene Turner will be our guest speaker this month covering the following topics:

- 1). Identity Theft Ways Thieves Steal your Identity with Risk Reduction Solutions and
- 2). Travel Safety & Pickpocket Prevention

Bio: Gene Turner's background gives him a unique perspective on Identity Theft, Travel Safety, and Pickpocket Prevention, as well as Business and Personal Security & Safety Awareness topics. As a professional pickpocket entertainer since 1985, Gene knows firsthand how easily thieves steal wallets/purses, badges, passports, and your online identity to gain access to your money as well as sensitive corporate assets and trade secrets. He explains that often you don't know you're a victim until it's too late.

Date/Time: December 13, 2018, 11:30am to 3pm

Agenda:

11:30AM -12:00PM - Registration and Check In

12:00 PM -1:00 PM - Lunch

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Speaker's Presentation

Location:

Central Exchange

1020 Central, Suite 100

Kansas City, MO 64105

Price:

\$35 members (ISACA and ISSA) | \$50 guests

CPE's: 2 Credits *Please note actual CPE hours granted are dependent upon duration of speaker's presentation and may differ from advertised number of CPE hours.

We look forward to seeing you at the event. If you have any questions about the event or how to register, please email our RSVP email, or contact the venue for directions.

[Register](#)

January 24, 2019 the ISSA KC Chapter meeting with ISACA KC.

Topic Summary: Today's modern operating systems, like iOS and Android, are designed for ubiquitous and wireless access from anywhere in the world, and have very different use cases and security requirements compared with traditional PCs and servers. Mobile devices are on and connected 24/7, and often owned and managed by individuals, dramatically increasing the attack surface relative to PCs. Malicious hackers have shifted much of their attention to these new operating systems that may provide a direct link into large companies with valuable assets worth stealing. Today, their methods are less focused on broad and annoying attacks on consumers and more on targeted attacks on specific individuals in specific organizations who have the right access levels to high-value assets. Well-researched social engineering exploits, combined with system vulnerabilities, make these attacks highly effective, even against smart and educated individuals. In this discussion we will cover the landscape of cyber threats to mobile devices, attacker motivations and steps you can take to protect your mobile endpoint.



Speaker bio: Cory Ronek is a member of the Mobile Security Specialist Team at Symantec based in Chicago. Cory joined Symantec from the acquisition of Skycure, is responsible for the North Central Region, and has 15+ years industry & security experience. Cory's Team is focused on helping customers solve the problem of securing enterprise mobile access to corporate data.

Security & Privacy: Articles and News

Feature Articles

Europe should be wary of Huawei, EU Tech Official Says

By Francesco Guarascio and Foo Yun Chee

The European Union should be worried about Huawei and other Chinese technology companies because of the risk they pose to the bloc's industry and security, the EU's technology chief said on Friday, echoing concerns raised elsewhere in the world. Huawei expressed disappointment at EU tech commissioner Andrus Ansip's comments, saying it had never been asked to install technology that could be used for spying and never would.

"Do we have to be worried about Huawei or other Chinese companies? Yes, I think we have to be worried about those companies," Ansip told a news conference in Brussels, days after a top executive at Huawei was arrested in Canada as part of an investigation into alleged bank fraud.

Huawei, which generated \$93 billion in revenue last year and is seen as a national champion in China, faces intense scrutiny from many Western nations over its ties to China's government.

Ansip said he was concerned because Chinese technology companies were required to cooperate with Chinese intelligence services, such as on "mandatory back doors" to allow access to encrypted data.

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A New Gift Card Email Scam just in time for the Holidays

By Gary Guthrie, Consumer Affairs

Phishing Claus is coming to town! With the Christmas holiday quickly approaching, the digital bandits are out in force and looking for some way to swindle you out of your stocking.

A new report from Barracuda Networks puts the world on high alert in regards to a new "spear phishing attack" gift card scam -- one that's particularly important to consumers who are frequent social media users.

"When sending social engineering-based attacks, attackers have always used context and timing to their advantage," wrote Barracuda's Asaf Cidon. And the holidays are a perfect setting for that style of encroachment.

Here's how the scam works

The new riff attackers are using is a large-scale impersonation campaign involving gift cards. "Attackers use social engineering to trick office managers, executive assistants, and receptionists into sending gift cards to the attackers, claiming it's for employee rewards, perhaps as a holiday surprise," according to Cidon.

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Mentor Program: ISSA Greater Kansas City

The program is designed to formalize relationships between more senior professional individuals in the chapter (Mentors) and the various levels of security professionals seeking entry or moving through the different phases of this profession (Mentees). There are many different types of mentoring partnerships; peer to peer, adult to adolescent, apprentice to master, cross generational, and mentoring within a company or a few. It depends on what type of mentoring relationship you're seeking.

Mentor/Mentee application: [Mentor Application](#) :: [Mentee Application](#)

- Why should I be a mentor?
- Contribute to the professional development of the future workforce;
- Help build stronger community fabric;
- Impart the principles of an experienced security professional; Gain a broader view of your own community; and
- Give something back to the profession!

We had a successful year piloting ISSA's Mentor Program with six mentees participating. The decision to continue the program will be decided in 2019.

Feature Articles - continued

Europe should be wary of Huawei, EU Tech Official Says

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<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/eus-tech-commissioner-says-europe-worried-huawei-105032395--finance.html>

A new gift card email scam just in time for the holidays

Following is the link for rest of the

article. <https://www.consumeraffairs.com/news/a-new-gift-card-email-scam-just-in-time-for-the-holidays-113018.html>

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