Today’s world is so much different than just 5 years ago. Each of us wake up, and before we even eat breakfast, we are connecting electronically to the world. We turn on our TV’s or radios, but most of us, especially anyone under 30 years old, hop on their computers or cell phones to check emails, our Twitter or Facebook accounts, or see sports scores or the latest news or financial reports. It is a new and exciting world we live in.

But all this new technology takes us into the “Wild West” of our internet technology world today. Uncharted waters where the “pirates” aren’t on ships but lurking inside your computers or phones watching your every move online. That’s the scary part.

So what do YOU have to do to protect yourself? And what do YOU need to know NOW? That’s what we heard last week from one of our best speakers in a long time. **Mike Spee, who is the Special Agent for Cyber Crime Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation here in Kansas City.**

Mike and his staff are very serious when it comes to deterring crime. They are looking for the big, bad guys – their target market takes into account crimes that involve dollar amounts over $100,000. Yes, serious cash! Many times though, they combine lots of smaller crimes being committed by a group of people to make a case against them.

As time permitted, Mike took us through several categories of internet crimes and how they are involved. They range from the highest dollar amounts of activity to lesser / smaller amounts.

Today the largest amount of lost dollars comes from what is called Internet Romance. Both women and men fall prey to relationships with “someone” they meet online, but often never talk to. People have sent out millions of dollars to what they thought were legitimate requests for money.

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UPCOMING SPEAKERS SCHEDULE

Here is a list of our upcoming speakers. Please note some events are evenings or away from Deer Creek CC.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING PROSPECTORS?
Give Chris Pickering, our Membership Chairman a call at 913-647-9019 or email at cfp@pickeringlawfirm.com before you visit our group so we can make sure there are no category conflicts with our current members.

Sept. 10 – Phil Giordano of Grade-A Tree Care at Deer Creek CC

Sept. 17 – Darryl Hawkins of Innovative Design and Renovation at Deer Creek CC.

Sept. 24 – Janine Terstriep – The Decorative Touch at Deer Creek CC.

Oct. 1 – NO MEETING TODAY

Oct. 2 – Annual Prospectors Golf Tournament at Deer Creek CC – After Hours at Coach’s South Bar & Grill
Trivia Question:-

Who won the 1976 Nobel Prize for his novel “Humboldt’s Gift”? 

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

IF YOUR DREAMS DON'T SCARE YOU THEY AREN'T BIG ENOUGH

The two states that have the most states with a common border to them are Missouri and Tennessee.

SOMETHING NEW AND FRESH -

ROCK STAR STATUS !!!!

This is ALL about YOU. We are all ROCK STAR’s in this group. So now’s YOUR chance to tell us why you shine. What projects you are working on, or what makes your business stand out from the rest. So get your ideas ready - you’ll be called soon to hear YOUR STORY !!
Who Knows What Evil Lurks in the Hearts of Men? It’s Not Just the Shadow that Knows – It May Also Be the Federal Bureau of Investigation

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The scenarios that are created to get this money range from a 25 year old model, a wealthy individual, someone using bad grammar, one which is geographically a distance apart from you, or lastly, someone who has been in a disaster or needs financial assistance. All are requesting money to help get them out of their situations.

Next is what he called non-delivery of payment. An example of this would be using something sold on eBay or Craiglist and they tell you that you can pay through this site that they provide a link for. Be sure to check the seller’s ratings and reviews to verify who they are.

Then there is the business email compromise. Here there is usually a note of urgency listed, and they need you to click on an attachment or a link to learn how to gain something of value. What is the immediate result is having Malware go onto your computer, allowing them to take control of it, or worse, start to steal your identity information and use it to obtain other monetary benefits. They can take over your computer, send your passwords to the bad guys. It is here that Mike stressed this one point – DO NOT UNDER ANY CONDITIONS CLICK ON A LINK OR OPEN AN ATTACHEMENT THAT YOU ARE NOT SURE OF. Many times they can change an email that with a quick look by you, it appears the same as the regular correct email, but they have left out one letter (ex. – mspee@spreeconsulting.com vs mspee@speeconsultng.com - this one missing the “i” in consulting, and it redirects you to a bogus website and begins asking you for information (passwords, accounts, etc.) They change just one letter, and you don’t even notice the difference.

The next area of concern was what they call investing / get rich quick schemes. You need to ask yourself and check out to see if they are registered with any public agencies, or are they licensed through the state? Be sure to use common sense – if it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Next would be where they can actually take over your account at a bank or financial institution. There is common knowledge among thieves that they can set up a fake Login page for your bank / financial institution and send you to it so you would have to log in using your username and password, and access your information that way. This also occurs inside human resource departments of larger corporations.

Mike then talked about how one could send what he called phishing emails to your employees as a way of seeing who is trustworthy and who goes ahead and clicks on them.

What appeared to be the worst part of the Internet was what he called the “Dark Web”. Here you can do such weird things as hire somebody to kill someone else, create fake identities, buy anywhere from one to hundreds of fake credit cards that can be used online to buy merchandise and cheat businesses out of their inventory. Nowadays, it is all done on shopping cards with names like CVS, Starbucks, Walgreens, etc.

And as if that was not bad enough, there is a demon out there called Crypto Locker that gets onto your computer by clicking on an attachment or link you are not familiar with and it begins to encrypt all of your files, and eventually makes it impossible for you to do anything on your computer. Some even send you an email saying that if you want to gain control of your computer again, you need to send them hundreds of dollars and they will send you the code to remove this malware.

And then he spoke to us about those treacherous evil people that just set themselves up inside your computers and servers and they do it quietly never letting you know they are there. You have seen and heard about those in foreign countries doing this and stealing tons of data to use for their benefit.

So what do you do if YOU have been effected by these internet thieves? You can file a report with the Cyber Crime Division itself by going to www.ic3.gov and clicking on “File a Complaint” and you can also get all the latest schemes and activities that are going on, as well as Frequently Asked Questions. This site is your source for all the latest tips and trends relating to internet crime. Thanks so very much to Mike Spee and his vast expertise that hopefully will keep us all safer and better informed about what is going on all around us every day.
BE A PART OF THE BEST NETWORKING GROUP IN JOHNSON COUNTY – COME JOIN YOUR FELLOW PROSPECTORS THIS THURSDAY.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Several After The Facts are being organized for the near future – watch for details soon.

PBC Annual Golf Tournament – Friday, October 2nd at Deer Creek CC. (There is no meeting on that Thursday, Oct. 1st). Tee times will be announced closer to date. Plan on joining us for a great After Hours at Coach’s South after golf (around 5:30 pm). SIGN UP NOW FOR GOLF AND SPONSORSHIPS

Christmas Party Saturday, December 5th, 2015 – SAVE THE DATE
At 1520 Grand on Downtown KCMO !!

What limits you? I know, not a fun question, yet we all have a better chance of conducting our life’s business in our Zone of Genius if we know what to do about our “upper limits”.

Come join the conversation: THE BIG LEAP: Conquer your hidden fear and take life to the next level.

Where: at Dolce’s Bakery farm table; the conversation is ongoing.

Joining us? Call 913-706-7053 or email sheri@livelikeyoumeanit.com
You are invited to our...

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Saturday, September 12, 2015
Noon to 4
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• Cool refreshments...to wash down hot-off-the-grill hamburgers & hot dogs
• Cool bouncy games for the kids
• Right down the street — 100's of cool cars at the Turkey Creek Car & Motorcycle Show

A hot time to say THANK YOU to all our customers and friends.
We appreciate your continued support. Hope you can join us.

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Mike Kopplin of Kopplin’s Wardrobe Management and Design is having a Summer Sample Sale and will be having some great deals on men’s clothing and accessories. If you want more details on what is available, give Mike a shout at 913-927-3482.

Jeff Morgan along with Morgan Miller Plumbing will be organizing a coat drive in the near future for those that do not have a winter coat and desperately need one. More details will be forthcoming, so as you begin cleaning out your closets for fall, set a few gently used coats aside for Jeff’s cause. And Kathleen Cussen at Hanger’s Cleaners will be providing dry cleaning for those coats before they are donated.
BROWNIES + ICE CREAM NIGHT THIS THURSDAY
Sept. 10th from 6-8pm
(or whenever we sell out!)
Join us for our FIRST brownie + ice cream night!!
Brownies: bittersweet || espresso || boulevard dark truth stout
ice cream: glace artisan ice cream
toppings: warm ganache || soft caramel
coffee: oddly correct will be here pouring! PLEASE RSVP so we can try to bake enough!
Email, Facebook, text, or call.

Bryan Rapp is walking in this year’s event - Be sure to check out Light The Night Walk that supports the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society this year located at the Cleveland Chiropractic Campus this coming Friday night – September 11th. Give Bryan a call if you want to donate to his team or participate in some way.
Prospector’s Breakfast Club

Attendance and Thank You’s

Meeting Date: Sept. 3, 2015

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Airey, Douglas

Ashurst, Chase & Amy

Beckner, Pat

Bell, Jim

Belzer, Dan

Boehringer, Kevin

Bovard, Zach

Brossett, Mike

Brown, Erin

Cocherl, Stephanie

Cunningham, Rick

Cussen, Kathleen

Darby, Mike

Dayal, Vivek

Douglas, Kyle

Eckinger, Bill

Eidson, Ken

Emerson, Bill

Felton, Dr. Sean

Foster, Rod

Galbraith, John

Gardner, Dave

Gordy, Dan

Hansen, Bill

Hutchinson, Phil

Johnson, Dan

Keller, Bill

Koepke, Jerry

Koepke, Tom

Larkey, Emily

Lobdell, Jack

Lowe, Robert

McClure, Bill

Mendenhall, Jim

Miller, Ken

Miller, Mike

Moseley, Chris

Montgomery, Tom

Nelson, Dave

O’Hara, Mike

Olson, Lee

Owens, Jim

Patton, Jim

Peters, Steve

Rahn, Jerry

Robb, Mike

Rowland, Ken

Ryman, Dan

Sargent, Tim

Schier, Bob

Scott, George

Schweitzer, Peter

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Stegeman, Larry

Steele, Steve

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X Hutchison, Ed
X Kennedy, John F.
X Kopplin, Mike
X Mellott, Mike
X Morgan, Jeff
X Mortko, Sheri
X O'Bryan, Cliff
X Pottmeier, Dr. Bert
X Phar, Matt
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X Heriford John Kennedy Janet Stone Mike Brosseit
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X Sirna, Richard

X Spencer, Neil

X Steiniger, Keith

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X Terstriep, Janine

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