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How to recognize and avoid COMPUTER BASED SCAMS

By Scott Baeder, Computer tech

S cammers often pretend to represent well-known software companies such Microsoft or Apple.

Or the scammer may display information on your screen that tricks you into calling a fraudulent 'support' hotline. Once they have you on the phone, the goal is to get you to pay, in the form of a one time fee or subscription, to fix a fake problem.



These scammers will often ask for a fee via cryptocurrency or credit card to "fix" the issue. To do this, they will try to get you to install a type of remote access desktop software under the pretext of helping to remove the infestation. They may also install malware on your machine or make other unwanted changes.

It can be difficult to stop them once you let them have remote access. So, NEVER, EVER, EVER let anyone gain remote access to your computer unless you have met them face to face AND trust them.

But if you have been scammed,

- ▶ Change the passwords: to your computer, email, financial institutions and to any other password-protected websites that you visit.
- Run a Full System Scan for viruses on your computer.
- Contact your bank to report that there has been fraud performed on your account.

Now that we have that out of the way, here are the three main ways they lure you into their trap:

Fake phone calls

Pop-up messages

Misleading search results

Fake phone calls

If someone claiming to be from tech support at a reputable company calls you and says they have found malware on your computer, <u>just hang up.</u> Remember, Microsoft will <u>NEVER</u> initiate contact via phone or email messages to fix your computer issues. Microsoft also never includes phone numbers on its error and warning messages.

Pop-up warnings

Tech support pop-up warnings occur when you are browsing the Internet. You may be viewing a website that contains "other content" (usually some sort of advertisement). This "pop-up" can be terribly intrusive, making it difficult (or impossible) for you to close the window, or even shut down the computer.

It will display a message stating that the computer is infected with malware and offer a phone number for help with removing the malware. Do not call them they are never legitimate! Most likely the pop-up will have corrupted your browser settings and even though it says not to turn off the computer, your best

bet is to turn the pc off (or just unplug it). If you need help to reset things,

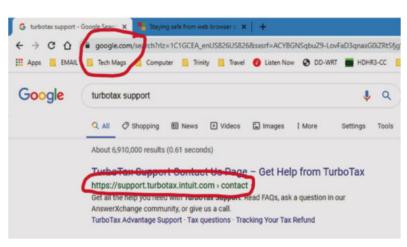
just come visit us any Wednesday.

Advertising, paid search, confusing search results

The most difficult to avoid are fake search results. It is relatively easy for your search results to be "modified". So, whenever you do any sort of a search on the web it is important to double check that the address giving you the results really is "Google.com" (or you preferred search site) and if the result is really pointing to the company you are trying to contact.

It is way too easy to be misled, and call a scammer! So if you call them, and they ask you about remote access, remember it is always safer.

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If you have a Movie suggestion let us know!

Movies begin at 12:45 pm on our BIG Screen

Mar. 7—Life of the Party

When her husband dumps her, longtime dedicated housewife Deanna turns regret into re-set by going back to college...landing in the same class and school as her daughter. Plunging headlong into the experience, the increasingly outspoken Deanna embraces freedom. 2018 **PG** 1h 45m





Join us on Monday Mar. 14th
12:30pm for DESSERT
and at 12:45pm for
"NAME THAT TUNE"
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Mar. 21—The Last Full Measure

The true story of William H. Pitsenbarger, a U.S. Air Force medic who personally saved over sixty men before making the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam's bloodiest battle. Huffman interviews Army vets to learn more about Pitsenbarger's courageous acts — and uncovers a highlevel conspiracy.

2018 **PG** 1h 45m

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All programs are held at the Auburn Senior Center, unless otherwise noted.

Blood Pressure Clinic



Blood Pressure Clinic is offered the first Friday of each month 9:30-10:30am—*No Charge*

First come, first served.

This service is provided by our local Auburn Visiting Nurses and includes checking your blood pressure, your pulse and weight.

Senator Michael Moore's Office Hour

Senator Michael Moore's representative will hold office hours at the Auburn Senior Center

Wed. March 2nd from 11:00am — 12:00pm.

Please stop by with your

questions or compliments.

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ON GOING ACTIVITIES

Canasta



Every Monday 12:45pm

Adult Coloring Club

Join Jessie Harrington for a relaxing hobby.

Every Monday 10:30am —No Charge



Cribbage



Every Wed.—6:00pm



We meet Every Mon. & Wed. at 11:00am at Auburn Mall

Dominos



Fridays at 12:45pm

FITNESS CLASSES are paid from a grant through Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA).

Participants are urged by EOEA to make a donation towards Fitness Classes.

The donations are used to replace equipment, supplies and expenses for programs offered at the Senior Center.

Strength & Balance

with Lin Hultgren Ace certified fitness instructor Every Wed. & Fri. 10:00am - \$3.00 class donation Strengthen & tone your body while improving your mobility.

YOGA Mondays 11:00am

with Ann Ramsey, certified instructor, E-RYT 500 level Every Monday 11:00am - \$3.00 class donation Increase flexibility & improve joint health & mental clarity.

CHAIR Dancing

with Forty Arroyo, instructor Every Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am-\$3.00 class donation Join us for Fun, Energizing & Social activity.

WEEKLY TECH CLINIC

with Scott Baeder & Paul Holzwarth - No Charge Every Wednesday 11:00am -12:00pm

If you're having trouble with email or any questions we will work with you to solve the issue or make it work better.

iPAD Club

How do you use your iPad? Every Thursday at 1:00pm - No Charge Join us as we investigate the world of iPad apps.

MEDITATION CLASS

with Usha Verma - No Charge Every Friday at 11:00am

Meditation creates positive effects on our health, well-being, sleep problems, chronic pain, anxiety & depression.

Blood Pressure Clinic

with Auburn Visiting Nurses - No Charge Every 1st Friday of the month 9:30 -10:30am Includes checking your blood pressure, pulse & weight.

QUILTING—No Charge Every Friday at 12:00 noon

No experience necessary, we adapt to whatever skill levels students bring to class. Ideas for projects welcomed.

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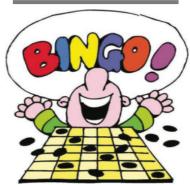
Every Tuesday 1:00_{pm}

Senior Sweat with Dr. Harvey Clermont Mondays at 10:00am

This class emphasizes balance, stretching and strengthening. We will deal with posture, coordination and essential muscle groups, such as upper chest, core and buttocks.

Most of the time, we will be in a chair or use a chair for safety. Bring a water bottle.

\$3.00 class donation



Every Thursday 12:45pm





Tues. 6:30pm Wed. 1:00pm Fri. 6:30pm



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What are these bugs doing in our body?

What's the fuss over gut microbiota?

Dr. Clermont will explain if and when you may need probiotics.

Day: Tuesday

Date: Mar. 22nd

Time: 1:00pm

RSVP 508-832-7799 If you plan to attend Dr. Harvey Clermont will fill you in!



Newly Appointed Program Coordinator

We are excited to announce that Kristen Pappas was hired for the newly created Program/Activities Coordinator position at the Senior Center. Kristen began her new role here on January 24, 2022. Her focus and



goals are to develop and offer relevant programs and activity classes for the seniors. She is also continuing working her current position as the Director of Recreation & Culture for the Town of Auburn. Kristen was the best person to fill the combined position due to her wealth of knowledge, qualifications and many years of experience. Over the past fourteen years she has grown the programs for recreation and culture. We look forward to working with Kristen and hope you stop into the senior center to welcome her.



Free Tech Clinic

with Scott Baeder & Paul Holzwarth

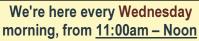


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FASCA Friends of the Auburn Senior Center

FASCA is a non-profit organization run by its members.

If you are not a FASCA member, we urge you to join and help us support projects at our Senior Center.



FASCA members raise money to assist the Senior Center by providing large and small necessities.

The Senior Center would not be able to do all it does without the generous financial help from FASCA.

Dues are \$5 per year for Annual Membership or \$50 for a Lifetime Membership.

The FASCA Trip Coordinators, Lynne Guittar and Rich Hedin also offer Gift Certificates redeemable towards trips.

Disclaimer: Occasionally the center provides speakers to help inform participants regarding current issues. This type of forum is educational and allows participants to ask questions for themselves. At no time is this to be construed as an endorsement by the Auburn Senior Center.

News from SHINE: March 2022

Do you need help with the cost of prescription medications?

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- Under age 65, work no more than 40 hours per month, earn no more than the maximum of \$24,214 for a single person or \$32,750 for a married couple.

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PA members are entitled to a one-time Special Election Period (SEP) each year that allows members to join or switch their Medicare drug plan outside of Medicare's open enrollment period. This will help if you are erroneously enrolled in a plan or you need to change your plan during the year for any reason.

To apply online, go to www.prescriptionadvantagema.org

To apply by phone, call **1-800-243-4636**, press 3

You can call the senior center at 508-832-7799 and ask to speak with a SHINE counselor.

You can also call the Regional SHINE office at 508-422-9931 for assistance.

SHINE Appointments

SHINE (Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders)



Is a state health insurance assistance program that provides free health insurance information, counsel-

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Day: Monday
Date: March 14th

Time: 12:45pm

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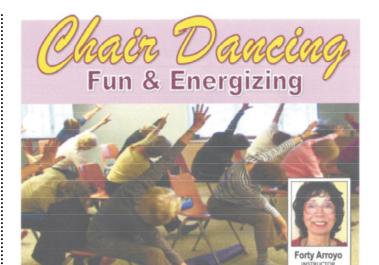
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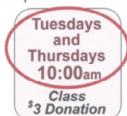


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Find the Word in the Puzzle

Words can go in any direction.
Words can share letters as they
cross over each other.

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RAINBOW	MARCH
ST. PATRICK	WATER
EGGS	ARIES
DAFFODIL	AQUAMARINE
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March Nutrition Menu

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REMINDER

If you would like to join us for lunch, please make your reservation 2 DAYS IN ADVANCE. If you cannot keep your reservation, PLEASE CALL TO CANCEL. Thank you – Judy Gonroff, Dining Site Manager 508-832-7799 x6204.

	1	2 Ash Wednesday	m	4
MENU SUBJECT	Swedish Meatballs	Fish w/Crumb Topping	Chicken/Cacciatore Sauce	Macaroni & Cheese
TO CHANGE	Mashed Potatoes	Rice Pilaf	Gemmeli Pasta	Stewed Tomatoes
	Scandinavian Veg.	Tuscany Style Vegetables	Roasted Broccoli	Green Beans
	Vanilla Pudding	Fruited Ambrosia	Brownie	Fresh Fruit
	Diet = SF Vanilla Pudding	Diet = Pineapple	Diet = Half Piece	French Bread
	Marble Rye Bread	Whole Wheat Bread	Italian Bread	
	8	6	10	11
Chicken Pot Pie	Spaghetti w/Meatballs	Jambalaya	Garlic Herbed Chicken	Potato Crunch Fish
Mashed Potatoes	Marinara Sauce	Steamed Rice	Cranberry Herb Stuffing	Herbed Potatoes
Corn Niblets	Green Beans	Peas	Roasted Brussels Sprouts	Mixed Vegetables
Peaches	Apple Crisp	Fresh Fruit	Lemon Pudding	Cinnamon Streusel Cake
Biscuit	Diet = Applesauce	Marble Rye Bread	Diet = SF Tapioca Pudding	Diet = 1/2 Piece Cake
	Italian Bread		Whole Wheat Bread	Pumpernickel Bread
				Tartar Sauce
	15	16	17	18
Ranch Chicken	Hot Dog	Stuffed Pepper Casserole	Corned Beef	Braised Beef
Wild Rice	Mixed Vegetables	Mashed Potatoes	Boiled Potatoes	Gemelli Pasta
Spinach	Colesiaw	Glazed Carrots	Cabbage & Carrots	Broccoli
Mixed Fruit	Cinnamon Pears	Fresh Fruit	Vanilla Mousse	Pears
Pumpernickel Bread	Mustard	Whole Wheat Bread	Corn Muffin	Italian Bread
	Hot Dog Bun			
	22	23	24	25
Chicken Pesto	Burger	Roast Pork Loin	American Chop Suey	Vegetarian Chili
Rice Pilaf	w/ Chili & Cheese	Gravy	Broccoli	Steamed Rice
California Vegetables	Green Beans	Apple Cornbread Stuffing	Carrots	Green Beans
Yogurt	Sweet Potato Fries	Country Blend Vegetables	Birthday Cake	Pineapple
French Bread	Strawberries	Apple Crisp	Diet = Half Piece	Italian Bread
	Sandwich Roll	Marble Rye Bread		
	29	30	31	
Shepherd's Pie	Greek Chicken	Meatloaf	Turkey Supreme	
Carrots	Steamed White Rice	Gravy	Herbed Stuffing	
Peas	Broccoli	Garlic Mashed Potatoes	Roman Blend Vegetables	
Chocolate Pudding	Peaches	Chuckwagon Corn	Pear Crisp	
Diet = SF Choc. Pudding	Pumpernickel Bread	Fresh Fruit	Diet = Applesauce	
Marble Rye Bread		French Bread	Italian Bread	

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