

AZACC Local Speakers

Local Speakers

The following local speakers have indicated a willingness to give presentations to user groups. Not all speakers are available in your area. We have listed their travel restrictions for your convenience.

We have found that all presentations do not have to necessarily be about computers, software or hardware. Therefore, there are some other speakers listed who discuss other educational topics.

We appreciate your input regarding our listed speakers or any speaker that you may have secured on your own. Please fill out the [Presentation Feedback Form](#) on the AZACC Home page regarding a speaker. This information will go to the Local Speaker Advisors so they will know how our speakers are doing or follow up on new ones that you recommend.

Please send additions and deletions to [President, AZACC](#).

“Most Speakers will need the use of a Projector, Screen, Microphone and Internet Access. When scheduling a speaker, please check with them for equipment needed”

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General Computer Information

Computer Performance Specialists

www.careyholzman.com

Carey Holzman

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Credentials:

- Author of “The Healthy PC”
- Co-Host of “Computer America Show”
- The nation’s longest running nationally syndicated
- Radio talk show on computers.

Carey builds, repairs, and upgrades computers. He gives excellent presentations, tailored to your specific user group. It

isn't a canned speech. Carey says, "My specialty is a unique presentation based on the questions each User Group members have. Most recently my discussions have been on free software alternatives to paid software's.

Travel restrictions: Limited to West Valley. Carey would be willing to travel to the East Valley if compensation for his time and travel has been arranged. Carey is not available for evening presentations, except weekends.

8/10 Confirmed

COI Computers (Captain of Industry)

www.coicomputers.com

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Business card reads: Custom Computers, Networking Services, Home Theatre/Automation, Parts, Service & Upgrades, High Speed Internet Access, Web Site Design, and Award Winning Support.

Joe provides an excellent custom presentation. He prefers to talk about new technology but is good on many topics. His presentation talents are limited to the Northwest Valley as he has a thriving business that rightfully claims his time

8/10 Updated

Data Doctors Computer Services

There are franchises throughout the valley. If you are interested in having a Data Doctor presentation, please go to their website:

www.datadoctors.com/locations.

Choose one in your area and call that store Manager to see if they have someone that would be willing to come out to your club meeting to do a presentation.

7/09 Updated

Kate's Computer Clinic

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Topics can be just about anything pertaining to the computer with the exception of web site design. I can cover topics from specific applications, computer repair/maintenance, social networking, capturing audio/video or converting it to various formations, ITunes and apple products, etc.

Travel Restrictions: Katie is now devoting all of her time to her Computer Business... therefore will travel across the Valley. Will travel to outlying locations in the state under special arrangements.

8/10 Updated

My Computer Works

www.mycomputerworks.tv

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TOPIC: My Computer Works is a leading provider of help desk and personal computer support services for thousands of small businesses and home consumers nationwide. The company's friendly, Phoenix based technicians connect directly and securely to your Microsoft Windows PC using a high-speed internet connection to answer your questions and solve your computer problems immediately. With a number of affordable service plans, including one-time support and unlimited support memberships, you too will remain stress-free with My Computer Works.

Our presentation will be brief, no more than 15 minutes. We will hand out flyers and then describe our service after which we will answer any questions and see if anyone would like to sign up.

Travel restrictions: Presentations limited to the Phoenix Metro area

8/08 Updated

RedSeven Computer Company

www.redsevenlinux.com

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Topic: The overall topic of our discussion will be on the Linux operating system and open source software. We believe it's a viable alternative to Microsoft Windows for most people. We'll start off by giving a brief description about our business and our experience so that the audience knows that we are experts in our field.

We'll then discuss the reasons why Linux and open source software are better, what options are available, and how people can convert if they're interested. We'll provide resources for learning more after the presentation, as well as offering our own services to those that might be interested. You may also check our website for store locations.

Travel Restrictions: Limited to the state of AZ

8/10 Confirmed

Serving On-Line Seniors

www.mesasos.com

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Serving On-Line Seniors (S.O.S.) is a company dedicated to providing low-cost computer assistance, repairs and training to seniors.

We have been giving presentations at computer clubs in the East Mesa area for over 6 years now. There is no sales pitch, just one or two hours of fun, information and entertainment!

Our main intention with presentations is to teach. Most of the time a Q & A works well. We also do specific subjects if requested by the clubs.

Travel Restrictions: We prefer to stay in the Mesa, Gilbert and Apache Junction areas.

7/09 Updated

Social Security Administration

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Topic: Social Security Administration Online Services

There is always new and updated information available from the Social Security Administration and one of the best way to keep current is to visit our website. This presentation will guide you through our award winning website; www.socialsecurity.gov and provide your group with detailed instructions on how to find the answers to your questions. The presentation will provide information on other services available online including:

- Retirement, Disability and Prescription premium extra help applications
- Retirement estimator.
- Social Security Statement request.
- For current beneficiaries: address change, Medicare card and 1099 replacement, and benefit statement request.
- Online W-2 filing for employers and tax professionals.

To schedule an event, email Kari well in advance. Presentations are approximately 30 minutes in length with time for questions and answers.

Travel Restrictions: Depending on attendance, restricted to Phoenix Metro area. Decisions are made on a case by case basis.

8/10 Confirmed

SoftQue

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Chris Hayes, Primary Speaker

SoftQue's 2nd store location: 1155 S Power Rd Ste 107 Mesa, AZ 85206
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SoftQue is the oldest full service computer store in the East Valley, specializing in computer repair (including Laptops).

Presentations can include any topic to do with the PC... security being the subject of greatest importance"

Travel restrictions: East Valley only

8/10 Updated

Stanley Computing

Technology Solutions

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Topic: Gary's current presentations are "**Secrets to Safe Computing**" and "**Digital Photography**".

On his website, he publishes "**Cyber News**" where he passes along some useful tips and information about your computer, the Internet, computer products, digital photography, other related topics, and some stuff that's not related at all. Gary says "*If just one thing you read here can help you in your computing life then it's all worthwhile*"

You can subscribe to this monthly newsletter (it's free) if you wish.

Travel Restrictions: None

Gary does not have a product that he sells, nor does he expect a gratuity, but if your club is so inclined, he would accept it graciously.

8/10 Updated

Genealogy

Denise Crawford

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Topics: Denise is a volunteer at the Mesa Regional Family History Center. She is not a professional, but loves genealogy and has given presentations to many clubs and Senior Retirement Resorts as well as local family history fairs. Her most popular topic is Internet Favorites, but she will also cover Immigration, Census Records for US – England – Wales and British Isles Civil Registration. Also Family History - problem solving.

Travel Restrictions: Denise is willing to travel as far away as Tucson and around the Metro Phoenix area.

8/10 Confirmed

Lauri Massey

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Topic: Family History – How to get started!! We will take a look at 8 websites. Lauri volunteer's at two Family History Centers in the Tucson area. She loves genealogy and has given presentations at family history functions since 2003. Her presentation covers "where to go to get started". She travels to 8 different websites and covers topics at each stop.

Travel Restrictions: Lauri would be willing to travel..."all things negotiable" she says. Please consider a token gratuity for her time and travel.

10/09 Added

L. D. S. Mesa Regional Family History Center

<http://www.mesarfhc.org/guest-speaker.htm>

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Mesa, AZ 85204

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(Only in the Office Tues & Wed)

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TOPIC: Can be anything from getting organized, to the basics & advance files, or searching the Internet and using the US Census, Vital records Land Records and etc. Most of these topics are PowerPoint presentations and will require projection equipment.

For topic suggestions go to <http://www.mesarfhc.org/guest-speaker.htm>

Travel Restriction: Phoenix Metro area

*** Since no product is being sold, a gratuity for the speaker's time would be graciously accepted.

8/10 Confirmed

Internet Access - Broadband / Cable / DSL

COX Communications

www.cox.com

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Cox Communications is bringing high speed Internet to a computer near you! Cox representatives are available to present the features and benefits of our J.D. Powers Award winning internet service and answer any questions that you might have. Special offers and savings will be made available.

To arrange a presentation, please email Chuck McQuarrie at chuck.mcquarrie@cox.com or call at 623-328-3813.

8/09 Updated

Qwest Communications

www.Qwest.com

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Robert is part of the "feet on the street" team to enrich the Spirit of Service for Qwest residential customers. His expertise is high-speed Internet connections; i.e. difference between cable and DSL, security and performance, and the different types of modems that are used. Presentations are 15 - 30 minutes in length.

Robert says "It is a highlight of my month when I get to come out and speak to a computer club, and explain the benefits of faster and cheaper Internet service"

8/09 Updated

Online Investing, Financial Planning, & Taxes

None.

H & R Block

There are Franchises throughout the valley. If you are interested in having an H & R Block Consultant Come to your club and speak about the tax changes, please go to their website www.hrblock.com ,click on "office" and enter your zip code

for nearest offices. This will give you a choice of offices to call. Remember, January through April is busy months for H & R Block, so consider having them come October through December.

10/09 Updated

Security, Virus Education

Arizona Attorney General's Office

Crime, Fraud, and Victim Resource Center

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Program Manager for Community Services
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602-542-2123

Topic: Identity Theft: This PowerPoint Presentation provides useful tips to help reduce the risk of identity theft and minimize the damage if an identity thief strikes. An "Identity Theft Repair Kit" is available on the Attorney General's Office Web site www.azag.gov.

Travel Restrictions: None

8/10 Updated

Arizona Better Business Bureau

www.arizonabbb.org

BBB Savvy Senior Program
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Topic: The objective of the Savvy Senior program is to connect senior citizens and their caregivers with valuable information concerning housing, health care, insurance, fraud prevention, estate planning, and funerals, and to equip them with the tools to make wise choices when presented with issues. As part of its Savvy Consumer Program, BBB Foundation provides presentations on a variety of marketplace topics, including but not limited to – Internet Safety and Online Scams – Using the Internet to find reputable businesses. For more topics ask Erin for a complete list.

Travel restrictions: None:

8/10 Confirmed

Maricopa County Attorney's Office

<http://www.maricopacountyattorney.org/community-programs/speakers.html>

Community Program Speakers Bureau
602-506-7799 or 602-506-3411

Sponsored as a free public service by the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, the Speakers Bureau provides basic, useful information in an effort to keep the citizens of Maricopa County aware of public policy, social issues, crime trends and the criminal justice system.

Our experts speak to elementary schools, high schools, colleges, civic organizations, and other business and professional associations throughout Maricopa County. All speakers, who are Deputy County Attorneys and/or members of our staff, volunteer their time and discuss topics like organized crime, constitutional law, sex crimes, drug laws, victims' rights, graffiti, Identity Theft, Computer Crimes and many more.

Topics: Please go to our website and consult our [Speakers Bureau Brochure](#), available for download in PDF format.

To schedule a speaker, please fill out the form on our website, giving us the topic you would like presented. Please give us four (4) weeks notice before your event.

Travel Restrictions: None

8/10 Updated

LifeLock - #1 in Identity Theft Protection

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Topic: The free identity theft educational programs have reached more than 16,000 consumers across the country since 2008, ranging from national conferences and companies to financial firms and computer clubs.

The educational presentations are delivered from a consumer advocate, law enforcement official or certified identity theft risk management specialist.

In this program, attendees will learn:

- Identity theft statistics in their area and nationwide
- "Old school" identity theft and the new generation methods
- Online identity theft techniques and scams
- Options to help protect themselves from the crime (options include; free services, credit monitoring and identity theft protection services)

To request an expert or for more information email speakerrequest@lifelock.com or call 480-457-2032.

Travel restriction: None

8/10 Updated

Hardware & Accessories

Cartridge Technologies

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Topic: Michael will give a presentation covering the following area's: How to select the printer to do the best job for your needs, Ink Jet or Laser? How to fix common problems, and get the best use of your printer, fax, or copier. What supplies to buy, The real truth between OEM and after market products. Do you print photographs or do Giclee printing for art work, The in's and out's, and how to create a new stream of revenue for sales. This is just a few of the main area's he can cover.

Travel Restrictions: Anywhere in the Phoenix Metro Area

10/09 Added

Cartridge World-Chandler

www.cartridgeworldusa.com/store20

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Printer Fixer: printerfixer@wydebeam.com

Topics: Printer recommendations, service, troubleshooting and repair. Inkjet and laser cartridge refill and remanufacturing trends.

Everyday printing and the rise of digital printing. How to get the most out of your printer investment.

Charyle now has a second business specializing in service and repair for HP and Canon printers. She can cover both topics during her presentation.

Travel Restrictions: Prefers East Valley, but willing to travel throughout the Phoenix Metropolitan area.

7/09 Updated

Cartridge World-Surprise

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Tim says, "My presentation is a straight-forward description of who Cartridge World is, what we do, and how it differs from the "squirt and a prayer" fillers like Walgreen's and Office Max. I also give a brief technical explanation of what a cartridge really is and how it works, using cartridge cut-a-ways to illustrate. Technology is always changing, so I will cover any new information on cartridges and ink."

Tim will also touch on what to look for in a printer according to your needs and which ones to avoid because of issues like poor workmanship or high operating cost.

He is also open to any other specifically requested topics

Travel restriction: West Valley.

10/09 Updated

CCS Presentation Systems

17350 N. Hartford Drive
Marketing Department
Scottsdale, AZ 85255
480-483-0100

Topic: an educational presentation for club Officers and or board members when a need arises for new Visual or Audio Equipment. The Co. has training classes for their equipment as well

11/08 Updated

GPS Systems

Don Cook
Mesa, AZ
480-264-9513

Topic: Don has updated his PowerPoint presentation with additional information. His presentation has embedded videos from an on-line site, so he will need High speed Internet access. He will describe all the functions of a GPS system, from the satellites to uses for today's consumer.

A second presentation is available for **Garmin Users Only**. This presentation will walk Garmin users through a how-to presentation on using a Garmin Automobile GPS. Designed for the novice and experienced user.

Don is available from approximately October 15 through April 15 for a one hour presentation.

Travel restrictions: Don prefers to stay within 25 miles of Mesa. He will need to be reimbursed for mileage over that 25 mile limit. Don is not selling any product nor getting any income from these presentations, just sharing his knowledge about GPSs. Gratuity is not expected by would be graciously accepted.

8/10 Updated

Ink Toner Tech

www.inksavers.net

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Mesa, AZ 85204
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480-986-3042 (Office)

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TOPIC: Printers, replacement cartridges and refill inks

7/09 Updated

Medical Information

Card4Life, Inc.

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TOPIC: Card4Life is a USB device that plugs into any computer running Windows XP and higher and has a built-in program that allows you to enter your health information. It is password protected so the information entered is as secure as the cardholder desires. This device is compatible with any medical facility. Go to www.card4Life.com for more information. The presentation is a PowerPoint about 15 minutes long, then will do a Q & A.

The Card4Life website states: We are dedicated to providing a product that will benefit the individual user by giving you and your loved ones piece of mind. With Card4Life your medical information is always with you. In case of an emergency the medical staff will know how to give you the most effective treatment possible

Travel Restrictions: East Valley. However he will consider the West Valley if meetings are late morning or afternoon.

8/10 Confirmed

Identification Devices, L.L.C.

www.identificationdevices.net

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TOPIC: Identification Devices introduces “iD” - a personal electronic identification device that utilizes a custom USB flash drive to store your complete emergency and medical information. The device features an auto-loading “form” which the owner completes to store critical, life-saving information that can be utilized by emergency personnel at the scene of an accident. Detailed information can be entered through the use of the form’s expansion fields.

Information such as medical conditions, allergies, medications, and even DNR and Living Will documents can be stored on the device to ensure that proper care is given to those in need. In addition, the form includes a photo of the owner, and the device itself is easily recognized by police, fire fighters, and EMT members because of the universal medical symbol found on its exterior.

“iD” requires no special software, and can be read using any Windows computer with a USB port (sorry, “iD” will not work on a Mac).

“iD” speaks for you in emergency situations, even when you can’t!

Travel Limitations: East Valley (Apache Junction, Chandler, Gilbert, Mesa).

8/10 Confirmed

Music, Video, and Photo

Aleck Dabney

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aleckbod@yahoo.com

Topic: Enhancing and improving Photographs using Adobe Photoshop Elements 7.

Aleck is not a Company Representative for Adobe Photoshop, but he is a photographer who uses the program and will give a verbal presentation on how to improve your photos. He will have samples to show.

For those who would like to have more in-depth lessons, Aleck has compiled a 14 page Users Manual and is willing to come to your club and go through this manual step by step. It will take 4 to 5 - 1 Hr sessions. The club will need to purchase Adobe Photoshop (approx. \$80.00), have it installed on a club computer, and have a projector and screen. He will need a minimum of 5 students and a maximum of 20 – 25 depending on the classroom. The Users Manual will be for sale at the first lesson for \$10.00 and a gratuity to cover his traveling is most graciously accepted at each lesson.

Travel Restrictions: Limited to the North and Northwest Valley area. (For those clubs in the East Valley, you may forgo the first verbal presentation and arrange for the Lessons as outlined above, covering his traveling expense)

09/09 Added

Ashley Hall

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TOPIC: Media conversion... (Music, video & Photos)

Ashley is an Intel employee with a degree in and enthusiasm for music. Ashley discusses how he converted his extensive CDs, records and tapes collection into computer files and organized his library so he can find any piece. He will also

show you how to transfer videos to your computer.

No travel restrictions

10/09 Updated

A–V–E Audio Video Editor

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A-V-E is a full service audio and video post-production facility. They are a franchise Business and have several stores throughout the Valley.

He is available for evening presentations.

Topic: Our service is that we transfer anything that is audio or visual by its nature to dvd or cd. I discuss the various formats that can be used. In addition, we offer professional audio and video editing, digital video transfers to DVD, 8mm and Super 8 movie film transfers, DVD and VHS duplication, and even slides to video!

Travel Restrictions: Prefers to stay in the East Valley, but willing to travel to the West Side if compensation for gas and travel has been arranged.

8/10 Updated

Creative Memories Digital Scrapbook

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Kelly Grant – Unit Leader
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Kelly will present the Creative Memories “Memory Manager software” to organize, categorize and personalize your pictures. From the creation of digital images to the completion of keepsake albums, this software is a one-of-a-kind tool specially created for the album maker. She will finish up with the Story Book Creator. This free download software lets you create storybook pages online or offline. When complete you will be able to order a professionally printed, hardbound photo book.

Kelly says, “I try to stay focused on what is the safest way to preserve precious memories. For those who already have Memory Manager and Storybook Creator, there are updates available now that makes the programs even better!”

No travel restrictions.

8/09 Updated

Webcast Presentations

AARP

Health Care Law Webinars

<http://www.aarp.org/healthlawwebinars>

Don't miss these free, 60-minute webinars hosted by AARP Education & Outreach. All you need to participate is a computer with Internet access and audio capability. (An audio bridge will be provided for Mac users.)

Please visit the website to see the current webinars being offered

Registration Information:

Pre-registration is required for participation. After you register by following the registration links, you will receive instructions on how to join the online event. Each webinar will include a question-and-answer period with experts. In addition, you can download resource materials and take online polls. For more information about the New Health Care Law webinar series, e-mail NewHealthCareLaw@aarp.org.

8/10 Added

Senior Awareness Programs

AARP - Arizona State Office

<http://www.aarp.org/states/az/>

Arizona Speakers Bureau

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TOPIC: We welcome the opportunity to have one of our speakers present to your group. Our speakers are all experienced volunteers and have backgrounds in the areas in which they present and are available to speak at your meetings at no charge. There are many topics to choose from.

To obtain a listing of the topics and the speakers Bio, please contact the AARP AZ State Office/Speakers Bureau or send Connie or Donna an e-mail and ask for the document.

AARP now has Webinars available as well. Please see detailed information on the website:

<http://www.aarp.org/healthlawwebinars>

and under our category - Webcast/Webinars Presentations

8/10 Added

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http://www.azacc.org/Benefits/benefits_localspeakers.htm

READABILITY — An Arc90 Laboratory Experiment <http://lab.arc90.com/experiments/readability>