ISSA Rochester News

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Past Events:

Thanks to the ongoing effort of our Membership Director, Jim Reilly, we continue to offer some great events once a month for both ISSA members and the general public. In case you missed it there was a networking event at Mulconrey’s in April and an Incident Response exercise in May. Please be sure to continually check out our website for more great events!

Upcoming Events:

**Chapter Meeting**
Monday June 23rd

*Protecting the end-point from itself (and other threats)*
Leo Barella - VP and CTO of Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield
Nixon Peabody, 1300 Clinton Square, 14th floor. (Please RSVP by June 19th to info@rocissa.org)
Sponsored by Invincia and Accunet Solutions

July and August meetings are currently being planned. Check www.rocissa.org for details as they emerge.

Rochester Security Summit 2014

**Tuesday October 7th and Wednesday October 8th**

Hyatt Regency Rochester
www.rochestersecurity.org

Register now at our website or EventBrite (http://bit.ly/1PRq4cm) for the Two Day Super Saver $150 until July 31st, 2014

Summit News

Keynote speakers Ira Winkler, Paul Henry and Jerome Hauer were just announced for the 9th annual Rochester Security Summit! Don’t miss these incredible speakers, and look for Ira Winkler’s latest article later on in this newsletter.

Call for Volunteers

We need your help to make RSS a success! Volunteer today and you get a free ticket to this year’s Summit!

Email info@rochestersecurity.org to volunteer today!

Need CPEs?

- Attend an ISSA chapter meeting
- Speak at RSS or a chapter meeting
- Volunteer for a committee
- Write a journal article

Have an event idea? Please contact Jim Reilly at membership@rocissa.org.

Communications:

Have an article you really enjoyed or are you writing an article you really want to share with everyone? Send it to info@rocissa.org and we can put it in the newsletter!

Have a question you really need help with? Join us on LinkedIn and start a discussion in the Rochester Chapter Information Systems Security Association group.
Call for Speakers

Proposals may be submitted to Present2014@rochestersecurity.org

If you believe you have a significant research or technical presentation that the security community would value and enjoy hearing, we invite you to submit your presentation topic for consideration.

All tracks will consist of presentations in 50-minute blocks, including Q&A. Presentations may be allowed to span two blocks to accommodate topic exploration to different depths if the committee sees the merit in the longer time allotment.

**Targeted Presentations:** These presentations will align with the theme for the summit.
- Submit proposals by July 26
- Acceptances sent by Aug 9
- Draft copy of the slides due Sept 6
- Final Abstracts are due Sept 13
- Final submissions are due Sept 27

**Open Invitations:** If there are track openings available after Aug 9, additional presentations may be submitted. These presentations may be on any topic of interest to the security community.
- Submit proposals by August 16
- Acceptances sent by Aug 30
- Draft copy of the slides due Sept 6
- Final Abstracts are due Sept 13
- Final submissions are due Sept 27

RSS Keynote Ira Winkler

Ira Winkler: My run-in with the Syrian Electronic Army

The hacker group dedicated to supporting Syria's dictator wasted an attack vector on trying to embarrass the writer. Will the SEA's handlers in the Syrian intelligence services approve of such immaturity?

The Syrian Electronic Army may have jumped the shark.

Last month, the SEA, a hacker group whose stated purpose is to support the Syrian government of Bashir al-Assad, hacked the RSA Conference website. The hack was done to express its dislike for me, which stems from a presentation that I gave at the 2014 RSA Conference that detailed the SEA’s tactics, named names and disclosed methods to prevent its attacks.

I have investigated that hack and subsequent ones on The Wall Street Journal's Twitter accounts and BuzzFeed in the U.K., both meant to denigrate and embarrass me.

I'll get to the findings of those investigations, but first let me tell you how I became aware of the situation.

On the evening of Saturday, April 26, a tweet was directed at me from the SEA indicating that there was a message awaiting me at the RSA Conference site. I know better than to trust any links that come from the SEA, so I opened up a browser and typed in the RSA Conference URL. The normal site came up; no message for me from the SEA was visible.

To continue reading Ira Winkler’s article: http://bit.ly/1kcx4el

What we’re reading...

eBay Breach: Is Your Identity Up For Auction?
By JD Sherry: http://ubm.io/1p4PUfm

Outlook.com Android App Leaves Email Messages Exposed
By Kelly Jackson Higgins: http://ubm.io/1ILC4bq

The Only 2 Things Every Developer Needs To Know About Injection
By Jeff Williams: http://ubm.io/1jYk6FQ