ISSA Rochester News

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Past Events:

We have had several events over the past few months, including a social event at Mulconry’s Pub in Fairport, and the first part in a multipart series on Kali Linux on February 23rd.

The social event was once again a huge success. We would like to thank our sponsor FishNet Security for providing food and drink to all those who attended. These social events are a great way to meet new people or catch up with former colleagues. There were many conversations abuzz including how to talk to your board about security, new job openings at local companies, product recommendations from actual users, and tales of the old days when security meant locking the data center door and putting your punch cards in a safe!

The first in a line of several Kali Linux seminars, put together by our own Rochester ISSA Chapter President Rich Savacool, was held at Nixon Peabody on February 23rd. The seminar was a great intro to those new to Kali, or refreshing their knowledge of BackTrack. The instruction was superb and the food was great!

There are still two more Kali Linux events on the calendar and attendance at this past seminar is not required to attend the coming Forensics or Pen Testing with Kali Linux seminars, but we will want to make sure you are up to speed prior to the other events. We highly recommend these events as not only a great way to earn CPEs, but a great way to advance your education (Not to mention hopefully get a leg up on the Capture the Flag event in June!).

We highly encourage our members to take advantage of chapter meetings. Extensive work has gone in to creating and managing these events, in an effort to provide better value to our members.

We also encourage non-members to attend and come see what we are all about!

Upcoming Events:

Chapter Meetings

We have several meeting topics lined up for the next 6 months!

March - Forensics with Kali Linux
April – Security Presentation with GuidePoint Security (Topic TBD)
May – Pen Testing with Kali Linux
June – Capture the Flag Contest
July – Social (Engineering) Event with GreyCastle Security
Sept – End Point Security with Bit9/Carbon Black

Check our website (www.rocissa.org) for more details as the dates draw near!

If you have an idea for a meeting, or any suggestions or comments on past meetings for events please let us know 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.

Rochester ISSA is now on twitter. Check us out at @RocISSA and stay up on the latest infosec news.

Need CPEs?

- Attend an ISSA chapter meeting
- Speak at RSS or a chapter meeting
- Volunteer for a committee
- Write a journal article
Rochester Security Summit 2015

Tuesday October 6th and Wednesday October 7th
Hyatt Regency Rochester
www.rochestersecurity.org

Check the site for registration starting in the near future!

Call For Presentations
We will soon be opening up a call for presentations for this year’s summit. If you have a topic you would love to present please email present2015@rochestersecurity.org and they will let you know when the call for presentations opens!

Call for Volunteers
We need your help to make RSS a success!

We have planning meetings scheduled for March 18th, April 8th and April 29th. Attendance is not required however we welcome all who want to help. Email info@rochestersecurity.org to get more details on the planning meetings!

We have plenty of opportunities for volunteers. The time commitment is as small or large as you can handle. Some opportunities include:

- Sponsorship Committee needs volunteers to help manage sponsors
- Speaker Committee needs help soliciting or review presentations.
- Venue Committee needs help working out the details with the Hyatt for the event

Volunteer today and you get a free ticket to this year’s Summit!

Email info@rochestersecurity.org to volunteer today!

What we’re reading…

Who Cares Who’s Behind A Data Breach?
By Kerstyn Clover: http://ubm.io/1DB6QBy

Superfish Compromises All SSL Connections on Lenovo Gear
By Sara Peters: http://ubm.io/1ATWVXv

State Deparment Cannot Get the Hackers Out
By Danny Yadron: http://on.wsj.com/1LiDPff

The Rise in State Tax Refund Fraud
By Brian Krebs: http://bit.ly/1E4gVpV

Gemalto: Our SIM Cards Are Secure Despite Alleged Hack
By Lance Whitney: http://cnet.co/17OD1ce

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