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Raymond January 6: A: Turkey Ham & White Beans, Herbed Green Peas, Italian Vegetable Blend, Cornbread, Margarine, Mandarin Oranges

B: Stuffed Pepper Casserole, Herbed Green Peas, Italian Vegetable Blend, Cornbread, Margarine, Mandarin Oranges

Evansdale January 7: A: Meatloaf & Onion Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Multi Grain Bread, Margarine, Fresh Fruit

B: Fall Harvest Chicken Salad, Crackers, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Fruit Juice, Salad Dressing

Raymond January 13: A: Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, California Veggies, Wheat Roll, Margarine, Frosted Cake

B: No Alternate

Evansdale January 14: A: Chicken Chili, Sliced Carrots, Mixed Green Salad, Saltine Crackers, Peaches & Pineapples, Salad Dressing

B: Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad, Mixed Green Salad, Saltine Crackers, Peaches & Pineapples, Salad Dressing

Raymond January 20: A: Pork with Supreme Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Wheat Roll, Margarine, Citrus Fruit Cup

B: Turkey Breast with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Brussels Sprouts, Wheat Roll, Margarine, Citrus Fruit Cup

Evansdale January 21: A: Meatballs with Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti Noodles, Italian Vegetables Blend, Breadstick, Margarine, Fresh Banana

B: Split Pea Soup, Sliced Turkey Breast & Swiss Cheese, Multi-Grain Bread, Mustard, Corn Salad, Fresh Banana

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Local Phone Scam! Beware!

Letter from the editor

It has come to our attention that there is a local phone scam going around.

Last week, Creative Impact Co LLC received a phone call from an individual or group pretending to be Mid-American Engery. Our caller ID even identified the number they were calling from as being from Mid-American Energy! When we answered the phone, the man on the other end sounded as if he were in a "boiler room." This man began his scam by claiming our last month's bill had not been paid and if we did not pay it immediately over the phone, they would be at our door in one

hour to disconnect our services.

Hanging up the phone, we immediately contacted Mid-American Energy, who confirmed, some one has been "spoofing" their number and trying to prey upon unsuspecting customers.

Should you receive one of these calls, DO NOT GIVE THEM ANY INFORMATION. Simply hang up the phone, call the number on your Mid-American bill to confirm it was a scam, then contact the police department to report the scam.

When in doubt, check it out!

Top Scam Predictions for 2016

By Scambuster Keith

Issue #679, December 30, 2015

Top Scam Predictions for 2016

Here's our forecast, in Top 10 order, with the actual 2015 outcome in parentheses.

1. (1) *Phishing and ID theft.* We see no real signs of improvement. Even though security software is getting stronger, the crooks seem to stay one step ahead, with new techniques for hacking and for fooling people into giving away their confidential information.

2. (5 & 6) *Imposter scams.* We decided to roll the hit-and-run and grandparent/imposter scams into a single category because they all involve the crooks pretending to be someone they're not.

We think the IRS unpaid tax scam will continue to be strong in 2016, sadly with evidence that crooks are starting to use threats of violence or jail to force their victims to pay up.

In one outrageous case we encountered recently, victims were told they would be beheaded if they didn't pay their

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What To Do With Your Old Holiday Lights

Submitted

Have broken, unused, or unwanted holiday lights? Let Green Iowa AmeriCorps recycle it for you! Just drop your old lights off at the Evansdale Public Library from now until

Friday, January 8th and be entered to win a FREE box of LED String Lights!!!

The Evansdale Public Library is located at 123 N Evans Rd, Evansdale, IA 50707.

Upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive

Submitted

Evansdale Community Blood Drive: Thursday, January 28th from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Located at the AMVETS Hall, 706 Colleen Ave, Evansdale IA.

Tips to prepare for a good blood donation experience:

Healthy individuals are needed every day to maintain an adequate blood supply for patients in need. Once a donor has made the commitment to give blood, it is important to take a few simple steps to prepare and help ensure a good donation experience.

The American Red Cross recommends getting a good night's sleep, drinking an extra 16 ounces of water, eating iron-rich foods to maintain a healthy iron level and consuming a low-fat meal before donating.

Donating blood is an easy way to help others and only takes about an hour. The Red Cross encourages donors to give

blood every time they are eligible – every 56 days for whole blood donations and every 112 days for double red cell donations.

How to donate blood

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

2015 • Calendar of Events • 2015

Saturday, January 2

• Food Pantry at Countryside Vineyard Church, 3467 Lafayette Rd., 10-11:30 a.m

Friday, January 8

• Last day to recycle your old holiday lights at the Evansdale Public Library, 123 N. Evans Rd

Thursday, January 14

• Application deadline for garbage collection exemption fees. See Notice To Public article on pg 3 for more information.

Friday, January 15

• Next issue of the Evansdale News

Saturday, January 16

• Food Pantry at Countryside Vineyard Church, 3467 Lafayette Rd., 10-11:30 a.m

Thursday, January 28

Red Cross Blood Drive, AMVETS Hall, 706 Colleen Ave, Evansdale IA, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 30

• Food Pantry at Countryside Vineyard Church, 3467 Lafayette Rd., 10-11:30 a.m.

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3. (3) *Lottery and sweepstakes scams.* The message isn't getting through! The aging population is simply creating a bigger target for the scammers, and names of susceptible people are being passed around on so-called 'sucker lists.'

These victims may get dozens of calls a day, while others simply refuse to believe it's a scam. It's an area where we all must do more to alert and monitor vulnerable people.

4. (4) *Malware.* As we said earlier, crooks are getting better at tricking people into thinking their messages are genuine.

2015 saw a huge surge in crooks posing as Microsoft support techs wanting remote access to victims' PCs, and the company has recently issued a new warning that the crime is on the increase.

Also, as people increasingly use mobile devices in place of PCs, they're often unaware of how vulnerable some of them may be to malware and so fail to install security software.

5. (6) *Bogus online sites and telesales.* There could be a jump in this category as crooks switch to making random robo-calls to cell phones.

Also, as of this writing, debt-collection robocalls to cell phones are not outlawed, although there's been a move in Congress to do so.

6. (-) *Dating scams.* Out of nowhere, we're seeing more and more reports of 'lonely-hearts' falling for scams in which they pay tens of thousands of dollars to their fake online dates.

In a sense, it may seem like just another imposter scam but there's more to it than that.

As the recent hacking of the Ashley Madison dating site demonstrated, once crooks get

their hands on member details, they potentially could use them for all manner of tricks including identity theft and extortion.

7. (8) *Investment scams.* Interest rates may rise slightly but they'll stay at historic lows, while continuing stock market instability might lure investors into 'sure thing' scams. Ponzi schemes, reverse mortgages, real estate con tricks, and private stock offerings are all on the rise.

8. (7) *Advance fee scams.* Financially hard-pressed students are in the sights of the scammers, with offers of phony jobs, especially 'secret shopper' scams.

Victims are younger, inexperienced and, therefore, potentially more easily fooled.

9. (-) *Social media scams.* They're mostly harmless in the sense that victims may not lose money, but 'like' harvesting, where victims can supposedly win a big car or get a free gift card for 'sharing' a page are rocketing.

Links to supposed sensational stories on social media sites may also lead to malware and ID theft.

10. (9) *Economy-related scams.* With an election looming we might see all sorts of scare stories using the 'get-it-while-you-can' tactic for grants and loans, so this isn't disappearing from our top scams chart just yet!

Alert of the week

Watch out for a new spam attack posing as a tracking notification from UPS.

A Microsoft Word attachment is said to contain a copy of the shipping label but if you click on it, it'll download malware onto your PC.

Even if you're expecting a UPS delivery, don't click — instead, check it at ups.com

Koats 4 Kids Needs Boots!

Submitted

Last week Koats 4 Kids distributed fifty-five coats to the children at Poyner Elementary School. A couple of the children asked if they could keep the coat and take it home and we were happy to tell them, yes! A fourth grade girl wrote in her thank-you note "I would like to take the time and tell you all I love my coat I'm very glad that there are people out there that care about kids in this world. I hope God blesses all of you that had a part in giving the coats to kids. I hope I'm like this when I grow up."

While delivering coats to the schools we were repeatedly asked by the kids if we had boots to share and sadly, we had to say no, not at this time. Our goal is to provide boots to

keep our children's feet warm and dry while they walk to school or wait for their bus or play outside for recess. The children that do not have boots have to stay on the pavement during recess and do not get to go out and play with the rest of the kids in the other parts of the playground. They want to be able to play in the snow like the rest of their classmates.

Please consider making a "gift of warmth" for new winter boots to Koats 4 Kids so we can continue to help our children in need. Thank you for your generous spirit.

Donations can be mailed to: Koats 4 Kids, 1554 Oakwood Drive, Waterloo, 50703. If you have questions contact Julie Ehlers at 232-3795.

Notice To the Public

Submitted

The City of Evansdale is now accepting applications from Evansdale residents for the exemption from garbage collection fees. Approved applications are good for one year, unless your income or number of persons in the household has changed.

Application deadline is January 14, 2016

To request an application form or for income guidelines, call 232-6683 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday. The application can be returned by mail or delivered in person to the Evansdale City Hall, 123 N Evans Road, Evansdale, IA 50707, before the deadline stated above. The name of the person on the application for the exemption must be the same as the person who signed the contract with the Evansdale Water Works for water, sewer and garbage services.

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