



SEMCAFE Newsletter

December 2016

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank our November speaker, Daniel D. Roberts, Chief of Police, Franklin. His presentation focused the implications for law enforcement of the lessons learned coming out of the Ferguson matter and other recent officer-involved shootings.

I hope everyone enjoyed our guest speaker and that we will see each of you again on Thursday, December 1, 2016, which is our holiday meeting. I would like to extend a challenge to all our members to bring in guests and hopefully they will become future members.

The Southeast Michigan Chapter of Associated Certified Fraud Examiners is an exciting experience and continues to showcase knowledgeable speakers. Our group has outstanding people that attend our meetings and conference. Our meetings and conference provide opportunities to gain relevant knowledge for professional and personal success as well as an opportunity to acquire needed hours of continuous education for various certifications.

The Board is always interested in feedback and any ideas on how we can improve the Chapter. Please let us know if you have a topic you would like or a speaker that would be interested in presenting at a monthly meeting. Thank you for your continued support.

***Barbara Netter,
Chapter President***



The ACFE is the world's largest anti-fraud organization and premier provider of anti-fraud training and education. Together with more than 75,000 members, the ACFE is reducing business fraud worldwide and inspiring public confidence in the integrity and objectivity within the profession. Take advantage of networking and educational opportunities in your own back yard by joining your local ACFE Chapter.

CHAPTER MEETING

Thursday, December 1, 2016

Join us at

St. John Banquet and Conference Center
22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI

Speaker:

Alanna Lavelle
Healthcare Fraud Program Manager
MITRE Corporation

Topic:

Emerging Trends in Health Care Fraud

MITRE has been the designated Trusted Third Party of the Healthcare Fraud Prevention Partnership (HFPP). Launched in 2012, the HFPP was announced by the Obama administration as a “groundbreaking public-private partnership to prevent health care fraud.”

Prior to joining MITRE, Ms. Lavelle spent 10 years as the director of special investigations and enterprise investigations for Anthem BCBS, managing teams for national investigations and predictive modeling initiatives. She also managed criminal and civil healthcare fraud cases and was responsible for helping save millions of dollars for Anthem and its members.

Ms. Lavelle spent 25 years at the FBI prior to her tenure at Anthem. She has managed investigations of complex healthcare fraud cases involving kickbacks, false claims, medical identity theft, and money laundering. She also served as the supervisory special agent FBI liaison for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), working closely with the CDC on bioterrorism matters in the post-9/11 era.

Ms. Lavelle holds a BA in International Relations from the University of Minnesota and a MS in Conflict Management. She is a certified professional coder and is a past board chair of the National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association after serving four years as a board member.

Alanna has been honored by the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association with four National Investigation of the Year awards and earned the National Healthcare Anti-Fraud Association Excellence Award. A nationally respected healthcare fraud expert, she has spoken at public and private venues, including the U.S. Congress.

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Dinner prices : Members:\$30, Students & Retirees: \$25, 3rd time Guests \$40

NOTICE: Our monthly meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. However, after two meetings, you will be asked to join our chapter. Dues are \$50.00 per year in order to continue paying the member price of \$30 for the meeting. If you choose not to join, you are still welcome to attend but will be charged a dinner meeting fee of \$40.00.

Reminder: To help minimize costs to our chapter, please notify us of any cancelations, prior to the meeting date.

The Southeast Michigan Chapter is working to increase our outreach and professional networking at colleges and universities as well as in our community. Join us as we relentlessly strive to promote fraud prevention and detection through educational training programs.

November 2016 Chapter Meeting



*Daniel D. Roberts
Chief of Police, Franklin
“Lessons Learned - Implications for Law Enforcement”*

Chief Roberts discussed the implications for law enforcement of the lessons learned coming out of the Ferguson matter and other recent officer-involved shootings. This topic has drawn much national attention.

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Daniel D. Roberts, Chief of Police, Franklin

Chapter President:
Barbara Netter



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RANSOMWARE VICTIMS URGED TO REPORT INFECTIONS TO FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

What Is Ransomware?

Ransomware is a type of malware installed on a computer or server that encrypts the files, making them inaccessible until a specified ransom is paid. Ransomware is typically installed when a user clicks on a malicious link, opens a file in an e-mail that installs the malware, or through drive-by downloads (which does not require user-initiation) from a compromised Web site.

New ransomware variants are emerging regularly. Cyber security companies reported that in the first several months of 2016, global ransomware infections were at an all-time high. Within the first weeks of its release, one particular ransomware variant compromised an estimated 100,000 computers a day.

Ransomware infections impact individual users and businesses regardless of size or industry by causing service disruptions, financial loss, and in some cases, permanent loss of valuable data.

Threats to Users

All ransomware variants pose a threat to individual users and businesses. Recent variants have targeted and compromised vulnerable business servers (rather than individual users) to identify and target hosts, thereby multiplying the number of potential infected servers and devices on a network. Actors engaging in this targeting strategy are also charging ransoms based on the number of host (or servers) infected. Additionally, recent victims who have been infected with these types of ransomware variants have not been provided the decryption keys for all their files after paying the ransom, and some have been extorted for even more money after payment.

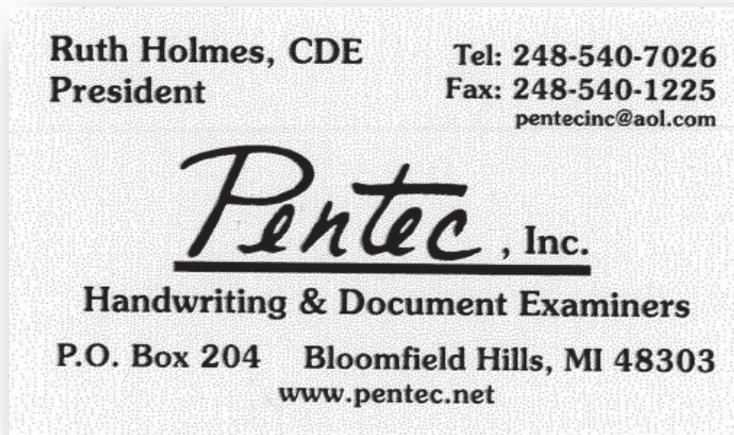
This recent technique of targeting host servers and systems could translate into victims paying more to get their decryption keys, a prolonged recovery time, and the possibility that victims will not obtain full decryption of their files.

FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3)

News and Member

Services

Please visit the chapter web site at www.semcafe.org for more information regarding upcoming events.



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