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TECHNOLOGY UPDATE
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CyberSecurity Corner

By Mike Gunther

There is still time to participate in the Information Security Awareness & Training program for Fall. Upcoming topics include how browse the web safely and securely, how to connect to the Internet securely using a VPN, how to configure your local firewall to protect you from network threats, and how to protect your home network.

Courses still available for fall

Web Wise—Browse the Web Safely and Securely

Tuesday, November 26, @ 2pm

Wednesday, November 27, @ 11 am

Connect With Care—Connect to the Internet Safely and Securely

Tuesday, December 3, @2 am

Wednesday, December 4 @11 am

Protecting Your Home and Personal Life

Tuesday, December 10, @2 pm

Wednesday, December 11, @11 am ; and 2 pm @ CCC

Upcoming Events—Technology

Date	Event	Start Time	Location
Nov 26	Zoom Online Conferencing	11:00 am	LIBR 224
Nov 27	Info Security—Web Wise	11:00 am	BONH 106
Dec 3	Technology Committee	3:15 pm	BONH 106
Dec 5	eLumen Assessment Open Lab	1:00 pm	BONH 107

See Professional Development for a complete list of workshops.

Updates from MIS

By Mark Garcia

Keep Your Emergency Contact Information Up to Date

With all the recent fire activity and campus notifications, it is important that the college is able to contact you in case of an emergency. Periodically updating your contact information allows us to be able to reach you in case of an emergency. To review and update this information, please log into your my.canyons account. From the Employee menu, you click on the “Change Contact Information” link. At the bottom of this link

are fields to enter your cell phone and email address. Please review your information this week and update as needed. Thank you.

Canyons M coming to Faculty and Staff

This holiday season, MIS will be bringing the gift of the mobile to faculty and staff! The Canyons M mobile app brings information about events on campus, emergency notifications, maps to campus resources and many other items. As we roll out the application to faculty and staff, we would like to hear from you! If you have an idea for a tile in Canyons M,

please fill out the form below and submit to the MIS department through inter-office mail. Your tile will be reviewed and discussed by MIS Staff, the Datatel Standup Committee, and the Technology Committee for acceptance.

https://intranet.canyons.edu/Offices/Comp_Ctr/WRS/Docs%20library/Canyons%20M%20Tile%20Request%20form%202019.pdf

Thank you and we look forward to presenting you with the mobile app in the near future.

Nov / Dec Birthdays

Hsiawen Hull—Nov 8
Mauricio Escobar—Nov 23
Phillip Trujillo—Dec 19
Martin Krueger—Dec 19

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For Technical or Audio
Visual Assistance

Dial:
x3953 (Valencia)
x3533 (CCC)

Or Email:
helpdesk@canyons.edu

CSS - Holiday Tech Buying Guide

By Hsiawen Hull

Can you believe it's almost 2020? Thanksgiving is upon us and Christmas is right around the corner! If you're like me, giving the perfect gift is just as important as being with family. Tech is almost always on everyone's wish list, and if you don't live life as a tech nerd, you often won't know what to get. I'll try and breakdown some good techy gifts that span price ranges for the various groups you may be shopping for.

Under \$60

If you're looking for under \$60, charging pads or battery packs are a great option. If you've purchased a new phone within the last few years, wireless charging has become pretty standard so you have a bunch of options to choose from. My preference are products from Aukey or RavPower, so if you're looking for something off-list, those are my go-to products that you can find on Amazon:

[Wireless Charging Pad from Aukey](#) ~ \$10

[Apple Watch and Phone Combo Charger](#) ~

\$28

[Car Jump Starter](#) ~ \$60 – I always have one of these in my cars.

Under \$100

Accessories are great choices since most of us carry smart devices these days. Think speakers/headphones as an option in this price range since most of us listen to music anyways! To save a good chunk of change, you can also look on Ebay for 'Manufacturer Re-



furbished' products. I've had great luck with these and saved at least 50% in many cases on new. Also, look at LAST year's models, often there's not huge changes to the product, that anyone beyond a technophile would even notice.

[Jabra Headphones \(Refurb\)](#) ~ \$75

[JBL Charge 3 \(New\)](#) ~ \$99

Under \$300

You know that TV that you've been putting off replacing for ages? Tubes are still cool right? The holidays are a great time to pickup something new as companies are slashing prices on outgoing models ahead of the 2020 new product launches. Also, how about upgrading those TERRIBLE speakers on your TV with a speaker bar?

[50 inch TCL](#) ~ \$270

[Vizio Speaker Bar](#) ~ \$150

This is most definitely NOT an exhaustive list, but hopefully it will give you some good options to choose from. For those of you who love doing your research before buying, check out [The Wirecutter](#) for an in-depth, best-of-the-best lists. As always, check out my FAVORITE website, www.slickdeals.net. Here you can find great pricing on everything from toilet paper to home theater systems. They also have a section dedicated to [Black-Friday](#) for you crazy shoppers - [you know who you are](#). The IT Crew hopes all our readers have a safe and happy holidays!

Enterprise System Project Updates

By Michael Dioquino

We are proud to announce that Office 365 is finally coming for college employees. More email space? More security? More reliability? You asked for it and soon you will have it. Enterprise Systems is working with a consultant to help us migrate from our aging Exchange 2010 system to Exchange Online/ Office 365, and incorporated CanyonsID as well. We will be sending out communication

updates to keep you informed and when you can expect to be migrated.

CanyonsID


We have over 1000 registered users in CanyonsID (students and staff). Staff Applications successfully integrated: Adobe Creative Cloud for Staff and CCC Apply Admin Center. We look forward to releasing more applications under CanyonsID.

SharePoint is Going Away

Enterprise Systems will be decommissioning the systems that hosted our old website. We have reached out to online form owners to assist in migrating their forms off the old system. If you are a faculty member who requires assistance pulling your files off the old website, please contact the Helpdesk. The system is scheduled to be shut down before winter break.

IT HOURS

Valencia
M-Th 7am – 9pm
Fr 7am-530pm
Sat 8am – 230pm



CCC
M-TH 8AM – 7 PM
F 8 AM – 5:30 PM
S/S CLOSED
MIS
M-F 7am to 6pm