

# Cove Apple Club

March 9, 2016



# Tonight's Topics

- Apple in the News
- Photos App on iOS and Mac
- Making PDFs the Fun and Easy Way on Mac

# Free Public Wi-Fi from Brighthouse

- 30 days of free access to BHN's 40,000 public Wi-Fi hotspots around Central Florida
  - Several right here inside beautiful Cypress Cove
- Join Brighthouse Networks, then open Safari
- Choose "Request Code" on splash screen, then check your email
- Paste email into sign-on screen



#### Try Our WiFi for FREE!

Just find, connect, and enjoy!

Don't have our Standard Internet or above? Here's your chance to test drive our WiFi while out and about. What's more, it's FREE for 30 days. But hurry, you must activate this free offer by March 15th. Start by making sure your WiFi is "on" within your settings. Select Bright House Networks from your available WiFi options. Choose "Request code" and provide your email address keeping your browser open to provide your access code. Your personal access code will be sent immediately to your email. Then simply copy and paste your code. Confirm code and you're good to go! Find WiFi near you. Learn more.

The First OS X
Malware in The Wild



### The First OS X Malware in The Wild

- Transmission is an open-source P2P "BitTorrent" file sharing app
- 2.90 version is affected; now cleaned; Apple investigating
- How many of you ever heard of Transmission before this minute or this week?



### Transmission Malware Transmitted Through Server Hack, Downloaded 6,500 Times

Monday March 7, 2016 1:42 pm PST by Juli Clover

Over the weekend, the first instance of Mac ransomware was found in a malicious update to the Transmission BitTorrent client. Version 2.90 of Transmission downloaded from the Transmission website was infected with "KeRanger" ransomware.

"Ransomware" is a class of malware that encrypts a user's hard drive and files, demanding money to decrypt it. In this case, KeRanger would have required Mac users to shell out a bitcoin for decryption, equivalent to approximately \$400.







#### Software Update



#### A new version of Transmission is available!

Transmission 2.91 is now available—you have 2.82. Would you like to download it now?

#### Release Notes:

Everyone running 2.90 on OS X should immediately upgrade to 2.91 (or delete this app), as they may have downloaded a malware-infected file.

Using "Activity Monitor" preinstalled in OS X, check whether any process named "kernel\_service" is running. If so, double check the process, choose the "Open Files and Ports" and check whether there is a file name like "/Users//Library/kernel\_service". If so, the process is KeRanger's main process. We suggest terminating it with "Quit -> Force Quit".

### 2.90 App Changes

Improved compatibility with modern OS X

### The First OS X Malware in The Wild

- User's machines infected with "KeRanger" ransomware
- 3-day incubation period
- Phones home to C&C servers
- Encrypts some user files in the Home folder
- Presents users with \$400 ransom demand



## Best Practices



- Keep your Mac up-to-date
- Use Mike's 3-legged data backup program
  - Time Machine
  - Bit-for-Bit Bootable Clone
  - Offsite Whole-Disk Backup



### From "http://helpmacintosh.com":

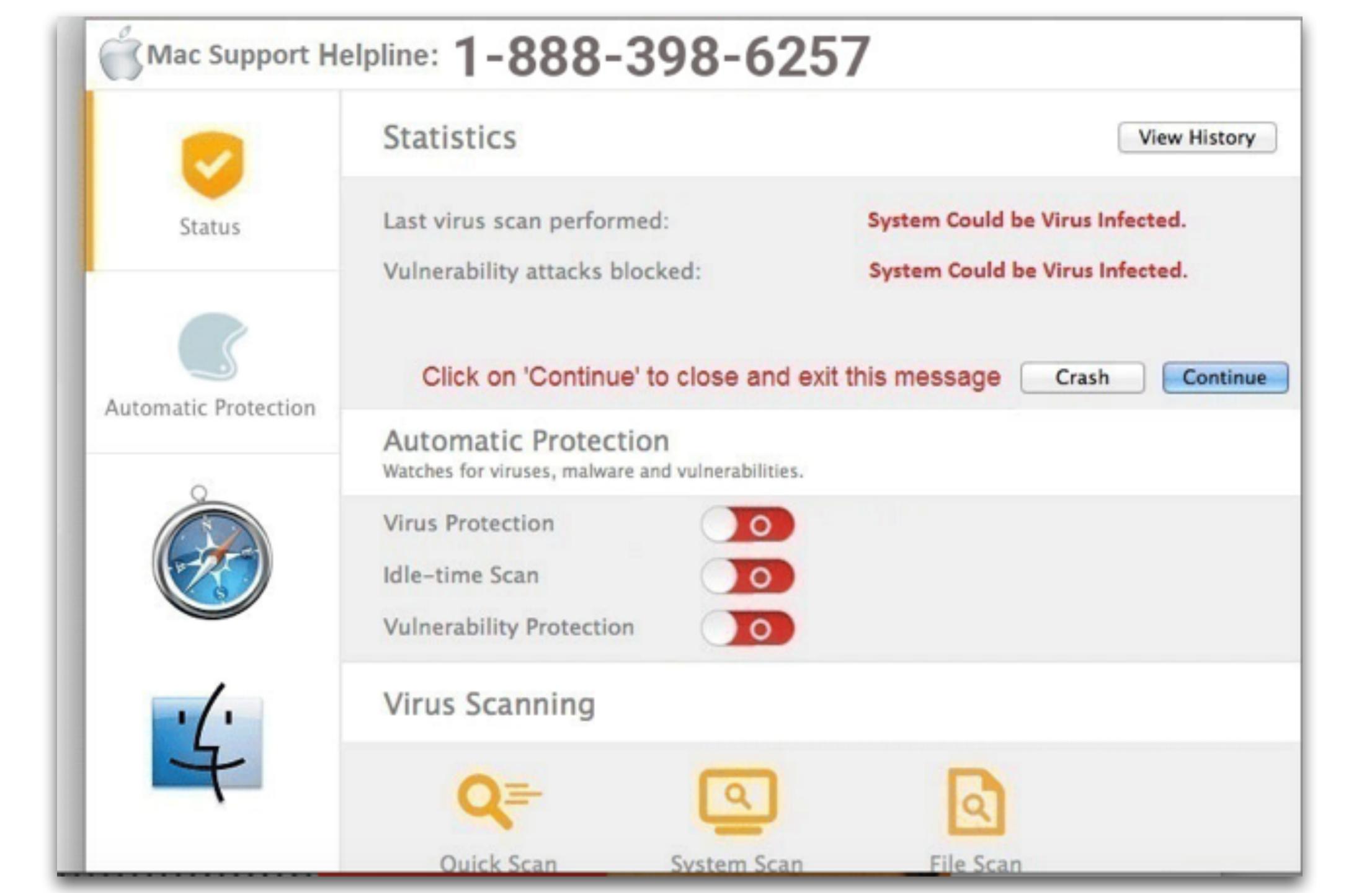
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\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* System Security At Risk \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Critical Security Warning! Your Mac has detected a serious attack on this system, as your IP Address seems to accessed from two different locations at one time. A Suspicious Connection was trying to access Your Logins, Banking Details & Tracking Your Internet Activity.

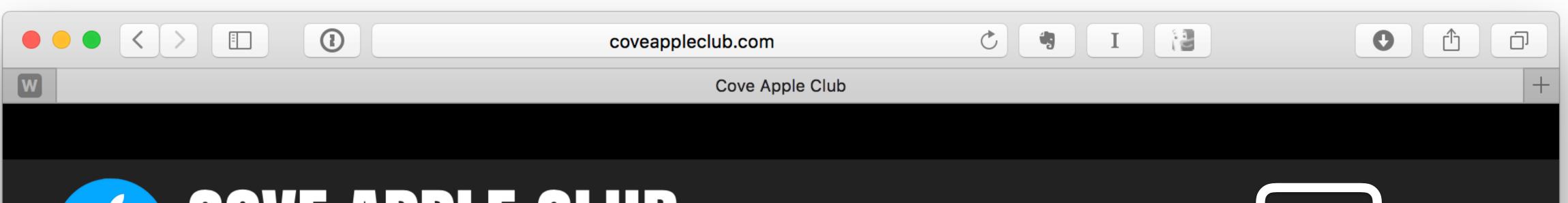
Please contact the Mac Support team immediately at 1-888-398-6257 (TOLL FREE) and provide error code UR97L1DA2TA to scan and resolve the

OK



# Support the Cove Apple Club







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### SHARE. LEARN. LAUGH!

Join over 100 Cypress Cove residents and members in the Cove Apple Club, and you'll learn more and get a lot more fun and productivity out of all your Apple gear!

We meet twice a month, year-round. Check our <u>upcoming meeting schedule</u> and plan to join us at our next meeting!

If you're new to the world of Apple, an old Machead from years back, or even a frustrated Windows user, you will find something interesting and entertaining at each of our meetings. Our meetings are fun and informative, with topics presented covering the range from beginner to advanced.

Our focus is on Apple products, but we often also look at other new technologies not specific to the Apple platform, ranging from computer security to Internet telephony to changes in the industry to neat new tech gadgets of interest to everyone.

All Apple products are fair game at our meetings: iPad, iPhone, iPod and Macs of all sizes, as well as the huge world of Apple software, hardware and accessories.

Find out more about the club, our meeting schedule and how you can get in on the fun. Click the links below for details, and be sure to join our <u>email list</u> for all the latest updates.









## COVE APPLE CLUB

Have fun & do more with your Apple gear!

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The next time you need some new Apple or other tech gear (or anything else from the 20,000,000 items in stock!), start your online shopping session with our link to Amazon.com. Your purchase will earn a little money for the Cove Apple Club, which we save up all year for a big Holiday Party for all members of the club! We update club members on the earnings every month.

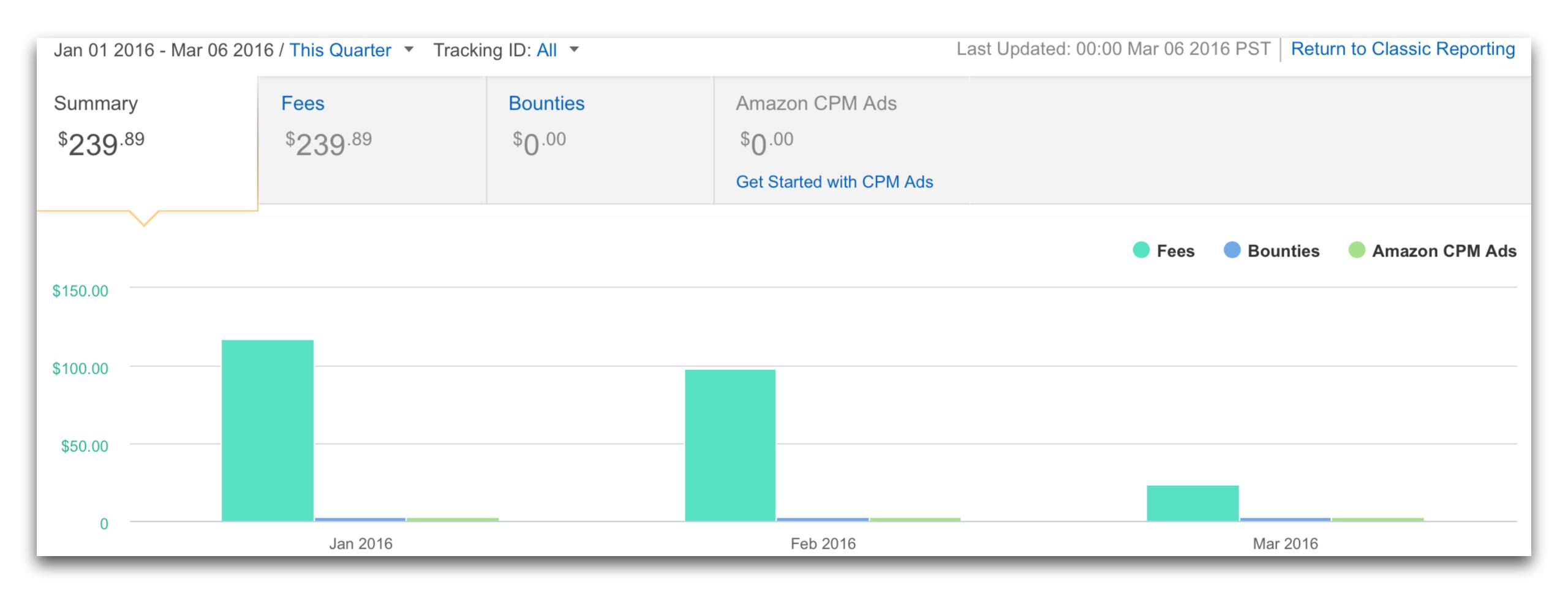
So be sure to click the Amazon logo below when you need to shop for Mac products online...and "give back" to the Cove Apple Club -- without costing you an extra cent! Thanks!

### THREE EASY WAYS TO USE THE AMAZON SHOPPING LINK

- 1. Just click here you'll be sent to the Amazon.com homepage.
  - 1. Once you arrive at the Amazon homepage, BOOKMARK that page:
    - 1. In Safari on Mac, type Cmd-D
    - 2. In Safari on iOS, tap the Share widget, then tap Add to Favorites or Add Bookmark.
- 2. Drag this link to your Favorites bar in your Web browser. Then it's handy anytime you want to visit Amazon.
- 3. Just click the Amazon banner ad below.

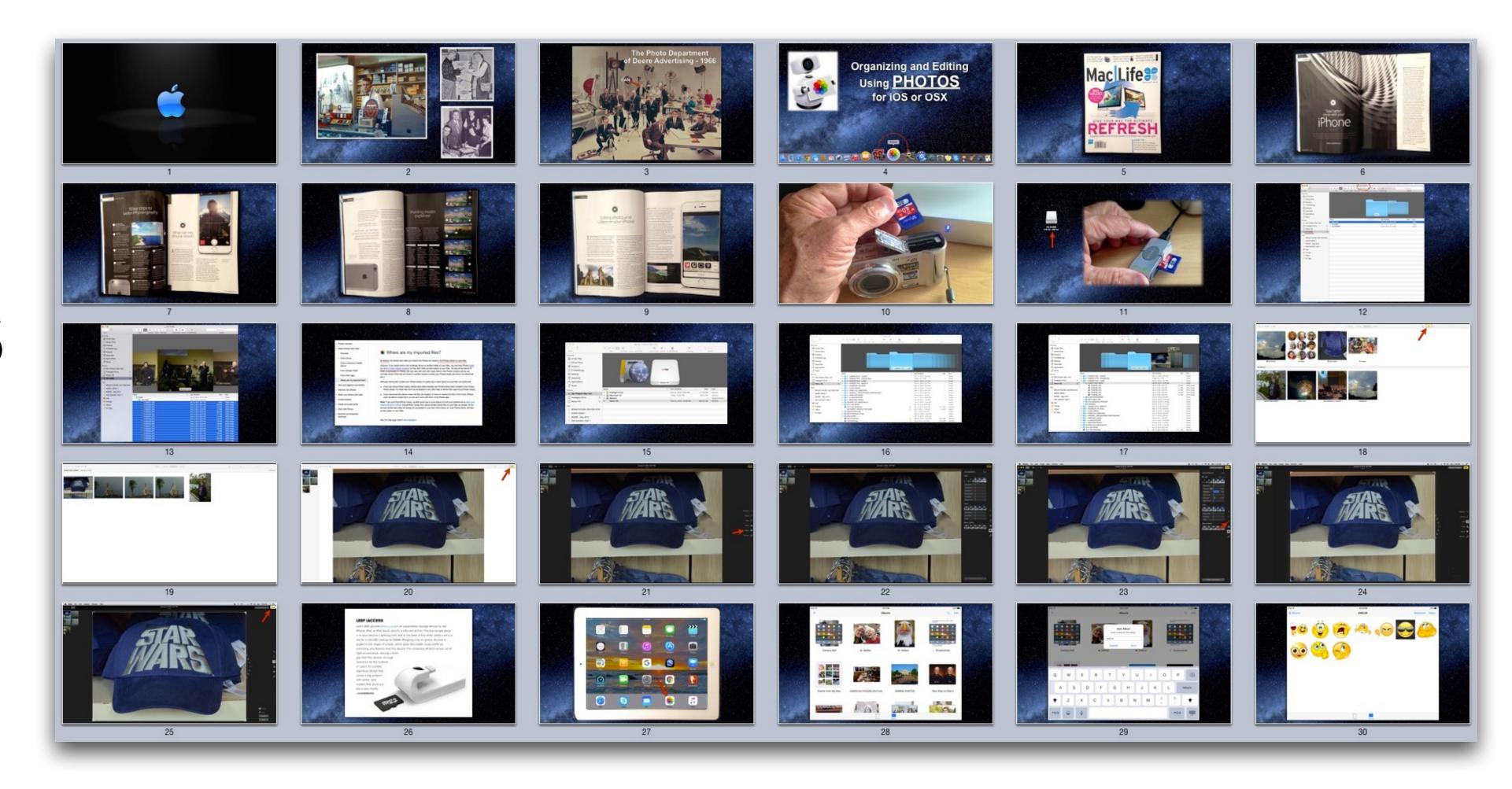


## 2016 YTD



## Photos

on iOS and Mac



Cove Apple Club Office Hours

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- e Thursdays in week between Monthly Meetings
  - e March 17th!
- e 1-3pm in Terrace Room
- e Bring your gear, questions & notes e First-come, first-seven via sign-in Sheek
- e Snacks & refreshements, too!



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### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Cove Apple Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, every month, year-round, except where noted.

We meet in the Clubhouse near the East Pool at the Cypress Cove Resort in Kissimmee, Florida.

Our meetings start **promptly at 7pm sharp**, and we adjourn to <u>Cheeks</u> by 8pm on the dot for more discussion, more laughs and some frosty-cold adult refreshments. Get there early for the best seats!

From **6:30 to 7pm**, we have an optional "**Open Lab**" where members can get help, tips and expert advice from other members. If you have a question about a specific issue with your Mac, iPad, iPhone or other Apple product, drop in between 6:30 and 7pm for the Open Lab and ask away!

### Here are our meeting dates for the next few months:

- March 9th
- March 17th Office Hours -- Our inaugural extra-curricular workshop for 1Password users on January 28th was such a success, we're going to schedule monthly "Office Hours" lab sessions where Cove Apple Club members can drop in for one-on-one help and advice on any Apple-related topic. Hardware, software, apps, Internet security, email -- you name it. First-come, first-served, so mark your calendars! 1-3pm in the Terrace Room, behind the Cove front office. Bring your gear, your questions and your notepad! Free refreshments and snacks, too! Help is offered first-come, first-served, using a sign-in sheet.
- March 23rd
- April 13th
- April 21st Office Hours -- 1-3pm in the Terrace Room, behind the Cove front office. Bring your gear, your questions and your notepad! Free refreshments and snacks, too! Help is offered first-come, first-served, using a sign-in sheet.
- April 27th

# Our Next Meeting

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Cove Apple Club 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM

# Let's Adjourn to Cheeks!

