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Speaker Q&A with Cybersecurity Expert Cory Mazzola

On May 2, Cory Mazzola, a senior member of FireEye's Mandiant consulting services team, will share the emerging cybersecurity risk and how to minimize their impact on your credit union. Mazzola leads the dynamic lineup of speakers featured at NCPCU's Annual Conference later this month in Las Vegas. Mazzola recently commented about the current cybersecurity threats and how credit unions can limit their exposure to the associated risks:

Q. What are the biggest challenges in managing cybersecurity risks today?

A. Today's threat landscape can present a litany of cybersecurity threats, from data breaches to credit card fraud. We can often equate it to the classic game of Whack-a-Mole, as we try to keep pace with malicious hackers by undertaking an array of reactionary measures in response to vulnerabilities or security holes as they are discovered. Advanced attackers are often a step ahead of even the best security systems, resulting in network incursions causing reputational damage or potential financial loss. Fortunately, we're getting better at keeping pace.

Q. Why is cybersecurity still wreaking so much havoc on our organizations?

A. Our annual M-Trends report reveals that the average time from an initial breach, to when the victim identified the breach, was a total of 146 days. However, most breaches are not discovered internally. When third parties discover and report the breach the average jumps to 319 days, more than enough time for an attacker to cause considerable damage to any company's infrastructure, information assets or organization as a whole.

Sometimes breaches are caused by a Zero-day exploit: an attacker finds a flaw, worms his way into a network, and releases malware before a developer can fix the vulnerability. Other intrusions are a result of Advanced Persistent Threats – where attackers gain access to a network and stay there for a prolonged period of time, collecting intelligence and stealing proprietary data.

Q. What kind of information can an attacker compromise while inside a victim organization for 146 days?

A. Conversely, I would prefer to list all of the items they could not compromise in that amount of time. It would most certainly be considerably quicker and much shorter. Given the extended period of time, it's safe to say that virtually all of the companies' sensitive and proprietary information could be potentially put at risk. Fortunately, we have ways to identify, detect, respond and contain these threats – and we're getting better all the time.

Q. If breaches can't be prevented, what can be done to minimize the damage?

A. While it's true that breaches are inevitable, there are ways to even the playing field. Effectively aligning people, processes and technology gives us the best chance to defeat determined attackers. Teams must be able to detect, respond and contain a breach quickly and efficiently to minimize potential damages.

An integrated Cyber Defense Center (CDC) effectively incorporates security monitoring, incident response, use case engineering, incident management, intelligence and reporting, and risk management. This framework provides valuable insight into each stage of the cyber attack chain, ensuring complete visibility and allowing the CDC to detect and respond to cyber threats earlier – reducing exposure and loss.

Mazzola will share the emerging cybersecurity risks and how to minimize their impact on your credit union.

To learn more about today's cybersecurity threats and other thought-provoking topics, sign up for NCPCU's 33rd Annual Conference.

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At NCPCU's Annual Business Meeting on May 3, three incumbent candidates are up for reelection to the NCPCU Board of Directors including Don DeCinque of Atlanta Postal CU, Jim Hankins of Mississippi Postal Employees Federal Credit Union and Will Yarborough of U.S. Postal Service Federal CU.

CU24 Awards Two NCPCU Conference Grants

For the third consecutive year, CU24 has awarded eligible postal credit unions grants to the NCPCU Annual Conference. This year, Kristy Adams of Postal Employees Credit Union (Metairie, LA) and Marie Peet of West Coast Federal Employees Credit Union (Sarasota, FL) were both awarded grants.

Eagle-Image Plastic Card Orders

The next bulk plastic card order is due June 24, 2016. The estimated ship date for this order is July 29 or earlier. If you would like to place an order, please email your request to ncpcu@ncpcu.org, or call 858-792-3883.



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May 1 – 3, 2016
Bally's Las Vegas
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National Harbor, Maryland