



Monthly Meeting September 23, 2026

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CARROLL
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Applied Cyber Career Accelerator (ACCA) Program

An intensive extracurricular program designed specifically for career-focused students in cybersecurity

Matt Day – mday@carrollcc.edu

www.carrollcc.edu/acca

[Carroll Community College Student Mentor Interest Form – Fill out form](#)

Launched this fall - Carroll is looking to expand its list of available mentors for this advanced cyber program.

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Welcome to the August 2026 ISSA Central Maryland Chapter Monthly Membership Meeting

- Welcome New Members
- New Job Opportunities

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Volunteer to Assist VP of Outreach

- The board is seeking a volunteer to assist Bill Zook, our VP of Outreach. Areas of focus include engaging with our current sponsors to ensure they are leveraging benefits of their sponsorship, following up with them close to renewal and interacting with potential new sponsors

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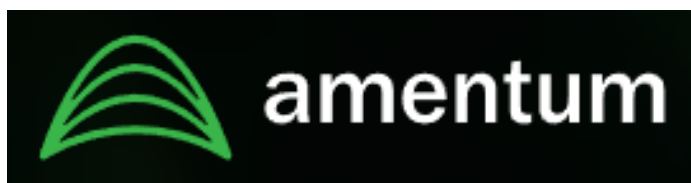




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Certification Continuing Education Units

Responsibility of each member to submit their CEUs

Certificate of Attendance available upon request

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CISSP Study Group

Norseman Defense Technologies | 10981 Guilford Rd | Annapolis Junction, MD 20701

Each Tuesday at 5:00 PM -8:00 PM (EST), September 01, 2026 - December 08, 2026 (skips 3 Nov 26)

Why attend?

Gain credibility as a security expert.

Become a more marketable/hirable candidate.

Become/remain contractually compliant (DoD 8570.01 Manual / DoDD 8140)

Improve IT security skills and enhancing productivity.

Save money over “boot camp” style courses.

Our Study Group fosters a learning environment to better absorb and understand the material.

Our approach simply makes the information more useful and easier to interpret!

You can attend each session in-person in Annapolis Junction MD, or attend virtually on line. Your choice.

Meals are included each night for in-person sessions

Bonus: Pass your exam within 6 months; get a free year of ISSA membership on us!

Cost: just \$450

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ISSA Special Interest Groups (SIG)

<https://www.members.issa.org/page/ISSASpecialInterestGroups>

ISSA has many opportunities for members to form and participate in global initiatives and working groups. As a member, you can choose to be active in one or more of these Special Interest Groups (SIG).

- **Board of Directors Special Interest Group**
- **CISSP Special Interest Group**
- **Cyber Resilience Special Interest Group**
- **Emerging Technologies Special Interest Group**
- **Privacy Special Interest Group**
- **CISO Special Interest Group**
- **Women in Security Special Interest Group**

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Join ISSA-NOVA for an immersive, two-evening workshop designed to equip cybersecurity managers, SOC leaders, IT security professionals, and federal cyber practitioners with the essential knowledge and practical skills needed to leverage generative AI in modern cybersecurity operations.

This workshop provides a comprehensive, manager-focused exploration of how generative AI—such as large language models (LLMs), diffusion systems, and multimodal AI—can be applied to strengthen cyber defense, enhance threat detection, streamline incident response, and support governance and risk management efforts. Participants will gain strategic insights into responsible adoption while understanding the unique risks and emerging threats associated with AI-enabled environments.

REGISTER: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXToy1vLDWSNrWBMDIk0beh5Tx1YV0COGiPbLOUsIIQG_hHA/viewform?usp=header

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Free Security Training

Free training on current topics of interest (i.e. Artificial Intelligence) and certifications (Microsoft, CISSP, CEH, Cloud, etc.) are provided by several companies supporting the cybersecurity community. Links to several offerings can be found on the ISSA Central Maryland Chapter/Training web page:

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Upcoming Summits

Summit & Training events provide an immersive training experience that arms attendees with deep-knowledge and actionable information and has a lasting impact on their careers and their organization's security programs. <https://www.sans.org/cyber-security-summit>

SANS

Event	Location	Dates
SANS DFIR Summit & Training 2026	Arlington, VA, US & Virtual	Thu, Oct 15 - Thu, Oct 22, 2026
SANS Security Awareness & Culture Summit 2026	Virtual	Wed, Aug 19 - Fri, Aug 21, 2026
SANS AI Security Training August 2026	Virtual	Mon, Aug 31 - Sat, Sep 5, 2026
SANS DFIR Summit & Training 2026	Arlington, VA, US & Virtual	Thu, Oct 15 - Thu, Oct 22, 2026
SANS ICS Security Summit & Training 2027	Orlando, FL, US & Virtual	Mon, Jun 7 - Tue, Jun 15, 2027

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ISSA Central MD 2026 Meetings and Events

Date	Speaker	Organization	Topic
September 23, 2026	Jared Sladich	CodeHunter	Behaviors as Artifacts
October 28, 2026	Marcelle Lee	Fractal Security Group	Inside the Infostealer Economy

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Marcelle Lee,

Founder and Principal Advisor of Fractal Security Group

Marcelle Lee is the Founder and Principal Advisor of Fractal Security Group, where she helps organizations strengthen their cybersecurity posture through strategic advisory services, threat intelligence, security awareness, and cyber resilience initiatives.

A cybersecurity leader, researcher, educator, and public speaker, Marcelle specializes in cyber threat intelligence, security operations, emerging technologies, and the evolving tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) used by today's threat actors. Her research focuses on cybercriminal ecosystems, credential theft operations, and the growing impact of infostealer malware on organizations across industries.

Marcelle is passionate about translating complex technical threats into actionable insights for security practitioners, business leaders, and executive audiences. Through conference presentations, workshops, consulting engagements, and training programs, she helps organizations better understand emerging threats and build practical, risk-based security strategies.

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Inside the Infostealer Economy: How Threat Actors Turn Stolen Credentials into Enterprise Breaches

Infostealer malware has emerged as one of the most significant threats facing organizations today. Millions of credentials, session tokens, browser cookies, and other sensitive data elements are harvested daily and sold through a thriving underground economy. These stolen assets frequently become the initial access vectors for ransomware attacks, business email compromise, account takeovers, and large-scale enterprise breaches.

This presentation provides a technical and operational examination of the modern infostealer ecosystem. Attendees will learn how infostealers infect systems, what data they collect, how threat actors monetize stolen information, and how organizations can identify and mitigate risks associated with credential theft. Drawing from current threat intelligence research and real-world examples, this session provides practical guidance that security practitioners can immediately apply within their own environments.

Attendee Takeaways

- Understanding the current infostealer threat landscape
- How stolen credentials, cookies, and session tokens are harvested and sold
- The connection between infostealers, ransomware, business email compromise, and account takeover
- Common indicators of compromise and investigative techniques
- Practical threat intelligence applications for security teams
- Detection, response, and prevention strategies to reduce organizational risk

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Jared Sladich, Senior Solutions Engineer, CodeHunter

Jared Sladich is a cybersecurity expert with deep specialization in automated malware analysis, threat visibility, and technology integration. He works at the intersection of technical depth and practical application, helping security teams move beyond the limitations of manual reverse engineering to identify and understand advanced threats faster.

His expertise was built over a career spanning the Department of Defense, Intelligence Community, and the commercial cybersecurity industry. He began as a Human Intelligence Collector in the United States Army, then branched out into digital forensics and cyber threat intelligence work before progressing into senior technical roles where he built various data analysis and email security products. That foundation in intelligence collection and forensics continues to shape how he approaches malware analysis and threat intelligence today. Across each of these roles, Jared has honed a rare combination of skills: the analytical rigor of intelligence tradecraft paired with hands-on technical fluency in modern threat analysis.

That same hands-on expertise carries into every conversation where he shares it regularly with SOC and MSSP audiences at industry events like Black Hat USA, Pax8 Beyond, and regional Cybersecurity Summits.

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Behaviors as Artifacts

Cybersecurity has traditionally treated software as something to be identified. Hashes, file names, extensions, certificates, and other metadata have become the artifacts we collect, store, and reason about. While these attributes are valuable, they answer only one question: What is this? They tell us very little about what it does.

The same is true when describing a person. We can list their height, hair color, occupation, or where they live, but those characteristics don't tell us who they really are. Identity is ultimately expressed through behavior: how someone thinks, acts, adapts, and responds to the world around them.

Software is no different.

Every application, script, or binary exhibits a unique set of behaviors that can be derived through static analysis, dynamic execution, or both. Those behaviors extend beyond the concept of a traditional fingerprint. They become behavioral artifacts that capture intent, capability, and function rather than simply appearance.

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