Home Security



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Discussion

- The first thing I want to say about any Home Security is that if the Power Goes Out, then most if not all security goes with it.
- Many of the new Security Systems do use the internet so if you loose or don't have internet then you have to make choices that support your decision to not have Internet.
- Home Security can be done for a small amount of money and provide you with some level of security.
- It is also important to realize that for most systems you will be needing a smart phone or at least a smart device like a tablet to operate and setup your system.

Discussion

- At my house I have chosen to use Amazon products but there are many others. I like Alexa and the Smart Home was something that I desired and Amazon Products fill that desire.
- I have many Amazon Echo Devices and some can see motion, I also have a number of Amazon Blink Camera's.
- I like the Blink Camera's because they are battery operated, are wireless and this gives me the ability to place and aim the camera's as I need without the expense of putting new wiring.

Discussion

- In the next few slides I will talk about some of the devices and how they help with home security.
- The Amazon Devices and Alexa system have the ability to know when I am home and away and some can see motion. With the use of Alexa routines and IFTTT (interface application) I can have my heat/cooling adjusted when not at home, have lights come on and off as necessary to give the appearance of me being home etc.

Home Security Systems

- If you want a complete Home Security System then I suggest you look at this Web Page and see what is available.
- Safewise Security Web Page.
- This website talks about Alexa Compatibly and there are others like Google Home. I will only be talking about Alexa as that is what I have.

Amazon Devices

- Amazon if always adding new devices to their Echo System (Alexa)
- Check out this link for some of the ones available at this time.
- 4th Gen Speakers like the Echo Dot do have the ability to detect human movement. There are other devices if you so choose.

Amazon Blink Camera's

- There is a wide choice of Blink Camera's to choose from.
- Please be sure to choose a good housing to mount your camera as some of the standard mounts are a bit hard to use.
- By being battery operated for some of the outdoor camera's you can mount them just about anywhere as long as they are in range of your WiFi Sync Module (about 300 feet).
- In my case when one of my camera's that I have set up to see motion (can turn and off with app) my Android Phone will notify me of that motion and capture the image. I can even talk with someone that comes to my front door as I have enabled sound.

Conclusion

- With the new technology of Alexa and Echo Devices along with Blink a person can create a low cost Home Security System that works for them.
- I suggest each user does their own homework and look into this new way
 of thinking about communication, security and function to create a Safe
 Smart Home.
- Using Blink App, IFTTT and Alexa Routines can make your home save on Energy Usage (I have an Amazon Smart Thermostat), Show you your camera's and control your home environment all from your Smart Phone or Tablet.

Happy Ending



I hope this presentation has helped you and been informative as to giving you an idea of what you can do with a Smart Home to stay Safe and Reduce Energy Usage.

If you have any questions or comments please contact us and give some feedback.

A Happy Home is good and can be had for small amounts of money if a person is willing to do a little homework. You might also be interested in my presentation on The Frugal Way that is also on my Website.