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January 6th 2013 General Windows SIG review *by Alan Raul*

Windows 8: A Small Demonstration
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3xnq8d_Tdw

USB Safeguard is a portable software program to encrypt and protect data with a password on your removable pen drive using the AES 256 bits encryption.
http://www.usbsafeguard.com/

LookInMyPC generates a complete, comprehensive system profile that includes information on all installed hardware and software.
http://www.lookinmypc.com/

SyncBack is a FREE program that helps you easily backup and synchronize your files to the same drive, a different drive or medium (CDRW, CompactFlash, etc.), an FTP server, a Network, or a Zip archive.
http://www.2brightsparks.com/freeware/freeware-hub.html

Windows 8 Design Explanation - A long video… 107 minutes and 831 MB
http://uxweek.com/2012/speakers/jensen-harris/

"Failure configuring windows updates windows 8"
http://goo.gl/EAE6m

Alan's new System76 14.1" Lemur Ultra Laptop
http://alanraul.com/76/

Windows 8 basics: Tips, tricks, and cures
http://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2012/11/windows-8-basics-tips-tricks-and-cures/

Logitech Wireless Rechargeable Touchpad T650
http://www.logitech.com/en-us/product/touchpad-t650?crid=1153

Alan

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February 3rd 2013 Programming Schedule *by John Waller*
With the new year, our thoughts turn towards digital housecleaning. With the advent of a new OS we turn our thoughts to security. One of the keystones of good house cleaning and security, is the proper system and file backups. On the first Sunday of February we will be having a webinar on Acronis, presented by **Gene Barlow**, of User Group Relations. You must not miss this as with the advent of **Windows 8**; old questions are now new.

John Waller

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President's Message *by Earl Kaplan*

Our speaker in January was interesting for some unusual reasons. He provided a bit of a look into the operation of big (or medium) box stores in relation to repair and maintenance. Apparently (at least at Staples) the extent of service that you get is dependent upon the personnel at the store. That said I would feel fairly comfortable in having someone with a computer problem see Brandon at the Broad Street store.

We should also remember that we have other resources available to us from APCUG. The references follow.

Go to http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/ to see the PUSH reviews. They come to us from the Association of Computer User Groups, APCUG, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated. Our Webmaster, Ralph Sutter, uploads these articles to our website. The actual PUSH articles are hyperlinked from the index.
You can view the Association of Personal Computer User Groups (APCUG) Publications here: http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html.

Take a look at http://www.kcbx.net/training.html to see if you would like to avail yourself of the various computer related classes available at the KCBXnet Training Facility.

Earl Kaplan

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Webmaster Announcements *by Ralph Sutter*
On February 2nd 2013, SLO Bytes' parent organization, the Association of Personal Computer User Groups, will hold its **Sixth Virtual Technology Conference**. The webinar is divided into two tracks, each with four 50 minute sessions. The sessions begin at 10:00 am local time and run through 2:00 pm. The topics are as follows

Track 1	Track 2
Windows 8 -- Mysteries and Misconceptions Explained!	To 'Cloud' or Not to 'Cloud', that is the Question
Freeware and Shareware	Using Your Smartphone for Everything
Are We Losing This Generation's Photos?	iPad Basics and a Bit More
How to Publicize Your User Group	---

To learn more and to register for this free event, see http://apcug.net/virtual/index_vc6.htm

Ralph Sutter

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Treasurer's Report for January 2013 by Bob Mires

Income for December 2012

Renewing members	$125.00
New members	-0-
Refreshment Income	27.00

Expenses

Hall rent	90
Refreshment Costs	-0-

Bank Statement ending 12/31/2012

Checking account	3,236.64
Savings account	55.00
Interest YTD	3.62
Deposits	524.27
Withdrawals	90.00

Renewing members: Ray Miklas, Fred Cook, Robert & Linda Styerwalt.

New member: none

Treasurer's Comments: Thanks to Ralph Sutter for handling the treasurer's income receipts functions at the last meeting.

Robert Mires, Treasurer

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Club Information and Meeting Times

SLO Bytes, a PC Users Group dedicated to educate its members in the use of personal computers, digital devices and software, meets on the first Sunday of each month at the **Independent Order of Odd Fellows** (IOOF) **Hall** at 520 Dana Street, San Luis Obispo. All meetings are open to the public at no cost. Special interest groups meet from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **John Waller** (johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net) or visit http://www.slobytes.org/index.shtml for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

HardCopy is a monthly publication of **SLO Bytes PC Users' Group** located in San Luis Obispo, California. Information in this newsletter is derived from both our own membership and other PC user group newsletters. The purpose of this publication is to inform our members of meetings and provide information related to the use of PCs and various operating systems.

Membership dues are $25 per year. Membership entitles you to our monthly newsletter via e-mail, technical assistance, raffle gift drawing at the end of the meetings, a voice in the affairs of the club, and comradeship.

Article Submission Deadline for articles is the 20th of each month. Articles should be e-mailed to the editor (ralph at rsutter.com).

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Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Linux SIG normally meets at 6:30 PM on the Thursday following our Sunday's General Meeting at the KCBXnet Training Center, 4100 Vachell Lane, San Luis Obispo.

Photography SIG normally meets at 7 PM on a third Monday of each month at Bob Grover's home in Arroyo Grande. Call Bob at 489-6230 for directions.

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