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May7ʰ, 2023, First Session Notes *by Alan Raul*

Rufus is a utility that helps format and create bootable USB flash drives, memory sticks, etc.
With Rufus you can create a Windows installation USB flash drive with the following options:
* Remove requirement for 4GB+ RAM, Secure Boot and TPM 2.0
* Remove requirement for an online Microsoft account
* Disable data collection (Skip privacy questions)
* And more…
http://rufus.ie/en/

 Microsoft starts official roll out of **Phone Link for iOS** with iMessage support - Once you have access, you'll be able to use iMessage and view your iPhone notifications on your Windows 11 PC.

https://blogs.windows.com/windowsexperience/2023/04/26/phone-link-for-ios-is-now-rolling-out-to-all-windows-11-customers/
https://www.reddit.com/r/Windows11/comments/12zluv3/phone_link_for_ios_is_now_rolling_out_to_all/
https://www.zdnet.com/article/microsoft-starts-official-roll-out-of-phone-link-for-ios-with-imessage-support/

 Turn off Windows Welcome Experience for all users in Windows 11/10
https://www.thewindowsclub.com/turn-off-windows-welcome-experience-page
https://i.redd.it/e51c0xagyjta1.png

 Kingston DataTraveler Max 256GB USB-C Flash Drive with USB 3.2 Gen 2 Performance - Write Speed 900 Megabyte Per Second and Read Speed 1000 Megabytes Per Second
https://www.kingston.com/en/usb-flash-drives/datatraveler-max?capacity=256gb&connector=usb-c
https://www.amazon.com/Kingston-DataTraveler-256GB-USB-C-Performance/dp/B09DVPH8NQ?th=1
https://www.bhphotovideo.com/c/product/1655141-REG/kingston_dtmax_256gb_dtmx_datatravler_max.html

The NEW High Yield Savings Apple Card | Does Apple Now Have the Best Credit Card?
https://youtu.be/5lhWjY3oh4w

Learn it! - Flexible learning solutions designed to empower organizations to thrive today and prepare for tomorrow.
https://www.learnit.com/
https://www.youtube.com/@LearnitTraining

Photoshop Full Course Tutorial (6+ Hours)
https://youtu.be/ZbvLJ5XtPpA

NirLauncher 1.30.1 - is a suite of all the portable tools from NirSoft. Currently, it has over 200 tools wrapped into this one package.
https://www.majorgeeks.com/files/details/nirlauncher.html

WSCC - Windows System Control Center 7.0.6.0 is a freeware app that will install, update, execute and organize utilities from suites such as Microsoft Sysinternals and NirLauncher.
https://www.majorgeeks.com/files/details/wscc_windows_system_control_center.html

PCMag Desktop PC Reviews
https://www.pcmag.com/categories/desktop-pcs

The Well-Rounded PC Buying Guide
https://www.makeuseof.com/well-rounded-pc-buying-guide/

100+ Essential PC Building Terms Defined
https://www.makeuseof.com/pc-building-glossary/

Understanding PCIe 5.0 SSD and its Advantages - Overview of PCIe 5.0 SSD: features, advantages, and data recovery considerations. Explains difference from other SSDs, faster transfer rates, storage capacity, lifespan, and maintenance.
https://drivesaversdatarecovery.com/pcie-5-0-ssd-101/

Gen5 SSDs — Welcome to the Future of Data Storage
https://www.crucial.com/articles/about-ssd/pcie-gen5-ssd

First PCIe 5.0 M.2 SSDs Are Now Available, Predictably Expensive
https://www.tomshardware.com/news/first-pcie-gen5-ssds-are-now-available

Best Data Backup Solutions and Practices - back up, back up, BACK UP!
https://drivesaversdatarecovery.com/best-backup-solutions/

Move, resize, and organize windows with Stage Manager on iPad
https://support.apple.com/guide/ipad/move-resize-and-organize-windows-ipad1240f36f/ipados

Organize windows on your iPad and external display with Stage Manager
https://support.apple.com/guide/ipad/connect-to-a-display-with-a-cable-ipadf1276cde/16.0/ipados/16.0#iPad3b881f32

Use an iPad as a second display for a Mac with Sidecar, you can use your iPad as a display that extends or mirrors your Mac desktop.
https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT210380
https://setapp.com/how-to/how-to-use-apple-sidecar

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June 4ᵗʰ, 2023, Program *by Ralph Sutter*

The **First Session** will feature **Alan Raul** offering a Questions and Answers program from 12:45-2:00 p.m. Usual topics include security issues, recent changes in Windows operating systems, tablets and smart phones as well as demos of software and hardware.

We always encourage questions and observations from the audience. There will be a break from 2:00-2:30 pm allowing the audience to sip a beverage, pet the dog or stretch.

The **Second Session** will continue with the format begun recently. Speakers will be members of the SLO Bytes audience. Afterwards, everyone is invited to pose computer issues that they face and/or solutions to them. We will call this segment Potpourri.

View **Zoom** tutorials at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKpRxBfeD1kEM_I1IId3N_Xl77fKDzSXe

If you have any questions, please contact ralph@rsutter.com

Ralph Sutter

Treasury Report by Kaye Raul

Month of April 1 to April 30, 2023

Checking Balance Forward	$	2,264.22
Income		0.00
Expenses - Zoom Renewal		(149.90)
Cash Balance		2,114.32
Business Share Savings		55.03
Total Cash and Savings	$	2,169.35

Kaye Raul

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Photo Group Report *by Ralph Sutter*
Notes from the Meeting of 05/21/2023
TOPIC: Lines
Ralph Sutter opened the meeting with images of row crops, orchards, slatted doors and string trimmer line.

Alan Raul shot ALL his images with a Sony 35mm F2.8 lens. These included images from in and around the Guadalupe, Grover Beach and San Luis Obispo train stations. In addition, he shot a few from the Guadalupe fields, Shell Beach and the 911 World Trade Center memorial located at the San Luis Obispo Fire Station #1.
https://www.kcbx.org/community/2015-09-10/new-central-coast-9-11-memorial-lets-you-touch-history

Alan showed still images extracted from videos from his new dash cam and the Avila Beach Polar Bear Plunge using Adobe Photoshop.

He got the idea from the Tim Gray article entitled "Extracting a Photo from Video."
https://asktimgrey.com/2023/05/02/extracting-a-photo-from-video/ He used VLC to convert the .MOV file shot with the iPhone to a MP4. You can also extract a still image from Adobe Premier Elements and DaVinci Resolve.

Kaye Raul, having figured out the issue that kept her from sharing photos at the April meeting, shared them today. They included crops and fields. Apropos of this month's topic, she presented a Lightroom slide show complete with music. Most notable was her image of the flooded Oceano campground. Kaye used Adobe's tools to erase distracting items and enhance the visual impact.

Stanford Brown found lines in stairways, roads, pathways and power transmission lines.

John Waller visited Lopez Lake to show the changes brought by the heavy Spring rains.

Connie Sutter focused on lines created by pine needles and sedimentation lines in rock.

Linda Styerwalt traced lines in flooring, wainscotting, doors and bakers' racks.

The next meeting will take place on **June 11th, 2023, beginning at 2:00 pm** via Zoom The topic will be Boats.

See the Links page for tutorials and other resources.

Ralph Sutter

Push Library
Look at the **PUSH archives**, http://www.slobytes.org/push/. This is a repository of articles where you will find tips, product reviews, and personal recommendations contributed by computer clubs across the country.
They are provided courtesy of the Association of Computer User Groups, **APCUG**, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated.
The actual **PUSH** articles are hyperlinked from the index located at
   http://www.slobytes.org/push/index.html (All articles on one long page)
   http://www.slobytes.org/push/push-condensed.html (Links to **PUSH** articles by month received)
You can view additional APCUG publications here: http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html

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SLO Bytes Bulletin Board
Everyone can read the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board at http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php?board=1.0 but only subscribers can post comments or respond to the posts of others. Despite the usual connotation of **subscribe**, it costs nothing to join the bulletin board. It is free to all current SLO Bytes members. However, to guard against cyber-mischief by spammers and other ne'er-do-wells, I have disabled self-registration. If you want to be added to the bulletin board, please send your request to me at ralph@rsutter.com.

If you are currently registered with the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board and wish to change your password, you will find a video screen capture of how to do so at
http://www.slobytes.org/documents/change-bb-password.mp4

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Club Information and Meeting Times

SLO Bytes, a PC Users Group dedicated to educating its members in the use of personal computers, digital devices and software, meets on the first Sunday of each month via **Zoom**. Zoom credentials are sent to members twice shortly before each meeting. If you are a SLO Bytes member and don't receive this e-mail, please contact ralph@rsutter.com.

All meetings are open to the public at no cost. A general interest and Q&A session occurs from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **Ralph Sutter** (ralph@rsutter.com) or visit slobytes.org for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation. All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.

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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 comradeship and a voice in the affairs of the club.

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Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)
The Linux Group normally meets via Zoom at 6:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month.
View the web site at www.slolug.com. Contact Alan@alanraul.com for credentials to join the Zoom Session.

The Photography Group normally meets via Zoom beginning at 2:00 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Contact ralph@rsutter.com for credentials to join the Zoom Session.
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