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*August 5th, 2012 General Windows SIG review* by Alan Raul

**What is System Restore?**
http://windows.microsoft.com/en-in/windows-vista/What-is-System-Restore

**Driver Detector Robot**
http://driverrobot.com/

**Secunia**
http://secunia.com/vulnerability_scanning/personal/

**Belarc Advisor**
http://www.belarc.com/free_download.html

**SIW** - System Information for Windows
http://www.gtopala.com/

**Speccy**
http://www.piriform.com/speccy

**Wireless Display** (WiDi)
http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/architecture-and-technology/intel-wireless-display.html

**OOMA**
http://www.ooma.com/

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*September 2nd Programming Schedule* by John Waller

The **First Session** will feature **Alan Raul** moderating a Questions and Answers program from 12:45-2:00 p. m.

The **Main Presentation** begins at 2:30 pm. **Kyle Wiens**, the co-founder of iFixit, will be the speaker. The company's goal is to put a repair manual for everything under the sun on the web. They want to make it possible for people to repair their own devices.

They do this by uploading repair manuals and encouraging visitors to the site to upload any repair manuals they may have. They also sell toolkits which have all of the proprietary screw head formats used by **Apple**.

John Waller

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*President's Message* by Earl Kaplan

I want to make sure to thank all the participants in the very active questioning of everything about Windows 8. I want to give special thanks to the side wall jeering section that added greatly to the information exchange.

The active questioning of something that attempts to change so much of what people are used to can be nothing but good. I hope I was able to convey the basic fact that I wanted to pass on and that was that although much seems new in this release there is much that is familiar. It may challenge you in the beginning but all the things you know and love are there, just below a new interface.

On another matter entirely, I announced at the meeting that we were going to have a drawing in September for two prizes valued at about $400. The board had voted on this and we forgot one important thing, we cannot afford to do this. Unlike the Federal government we have no printing press and so must have income to balance outgo. Strange how that works. We will suspend the drawing program until we find a way to make more money appear in the treasury. The annual December raffle, which has been self-supporting will be held.

Earl Kaplan

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 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**.

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*Treasurer's Report for August 2012 by* Bob Mires

Income for August 2012

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| Renewing members | $150.00 |
| Refreshment Income | 28.00 |
| Sale of unused hamburger patties from BBQ | 16.00 |

Expenses

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| Hall rent | 90.00 |
| Refreshment Costs | 50.27 |
| BBQ costs paid in August | 85.81 |

Bank Statement ending 7/31/2012

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| Checking account | $2,978.26 |
| Savings account | 55.00 |
| Interest YTD | 2.29 |
| Deposits | $105.26 |
| Withdrawals | $217.60 |

**Renewing members**: Ralph Allison, Rreckus/Tarzier, George Shepard, Roger Lyon, Kenneth Stilts, and Bill Holcomb

**Treasurer's Comments**: It appears that the Board Members have reached a consensus that a continuation of the "drawing prizes" for members is just plain not prudent; our expenses for the last couple of years has consistently been exceeding our income. A good reference point is the above listed report of our bank on deposits and withdrawals for the month ending July 31, 2012.

In the near future I will create a report comparing deposits and withdrawals for the prior year, perhaps two, and this will be provided to the general membership in some appropriate manner, as decided by your Board.

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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