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**August 5th, 2018 First Session Notes** *by Alan Raul*

Google made the Titan Key to toughen up your online security  
<https://www.cnet.com/news/google-made-the-titan-key-to-toughen-up-your-online-security/>

Google pledges to foil phishing attacks with new Titan Security Key  
<https://www.zdnet.com/article/google-pledges-to-foil-phishing-attacks-with-new-titan-security-key/>

Google Product Forums  
<https://productforums.google.com/forum/#!home>

5 ways to protect your privacy while using Amazon products and services  
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/2018/07/27/5-obscure-settings-amazon-update-your-privacy/827840002/>

The Race to a Trillion  
<https://www.aboveavalon.com/notes/2018/7/11/the-race-to-a-trillion>

How to create a bootable USB drive for Windows 10  
<https://mspoweruser.com/how-to-create-a-bootable-usb-drive-for-windows-10/>

Rufus - Create bootable USB drives the easy way  
<https://rufus.akeo.ie/>

**Alan Raul**

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**August 5th, 2018 Second Session Notes** *by Ralph Sutter*

View slide shows of the BBQ taken by photographers Alan Raul and Bob Styerwalt at [www.slobytes.org/photos/2018bbq/](http://www.slobytes.org/photos/2018bbq/)

**News Sources and Objectivity Presentation – 08/05/18 Second Session**

What I use

AP News: <https://www.apnews.com/> (My first choice for on-line news)

The Skimm: <https://theskimm.com/recent> (light weight irreverent sampling of news)

Telegram Tribune: <http://digital.olivesoftware.com/Olive/ODN/SanLuisObispo/default.aspx>? (Easier to read on line than walk to my rural mailbox; Online app is free to subscribers of the printed version)

How to Detect Bias in News:   
<https://fair.org/take-action-now/media-activism-kit/how-to-detect-bias-in-news-media/>

Reviews of News Services for Windows 10:   
<https://www.windowscentral.com/best-news-apps-windows-10>

Microsoft Store: News and Weather:   
<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/store/top-free/apps/pc?category=news+%26+weather%5Cnews>

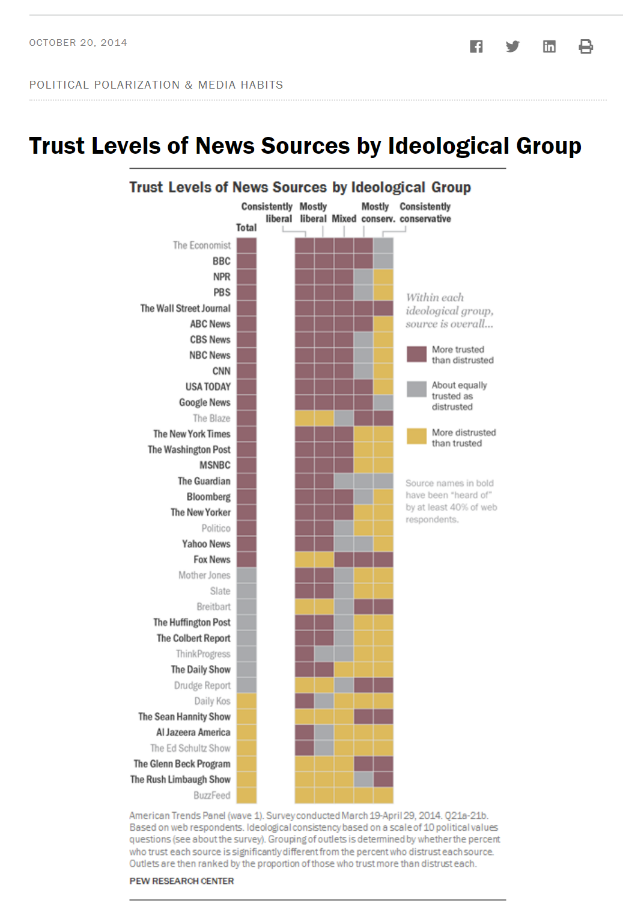
Reviews of News Services for Smart Phones: <https://www.digitaltrends.com/mobile/best-news-apps/>

Alternative News: Moon Landing Faked;

Wikipedia: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moon_landing_conspiracy_theories>

Fox News Documentary; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIy8ZqqK5G8>

Flat Earth Theory: <http://freedom-articles.toolsforfreedom.com/2nd-biggest-conspiracy-flat-earth/>

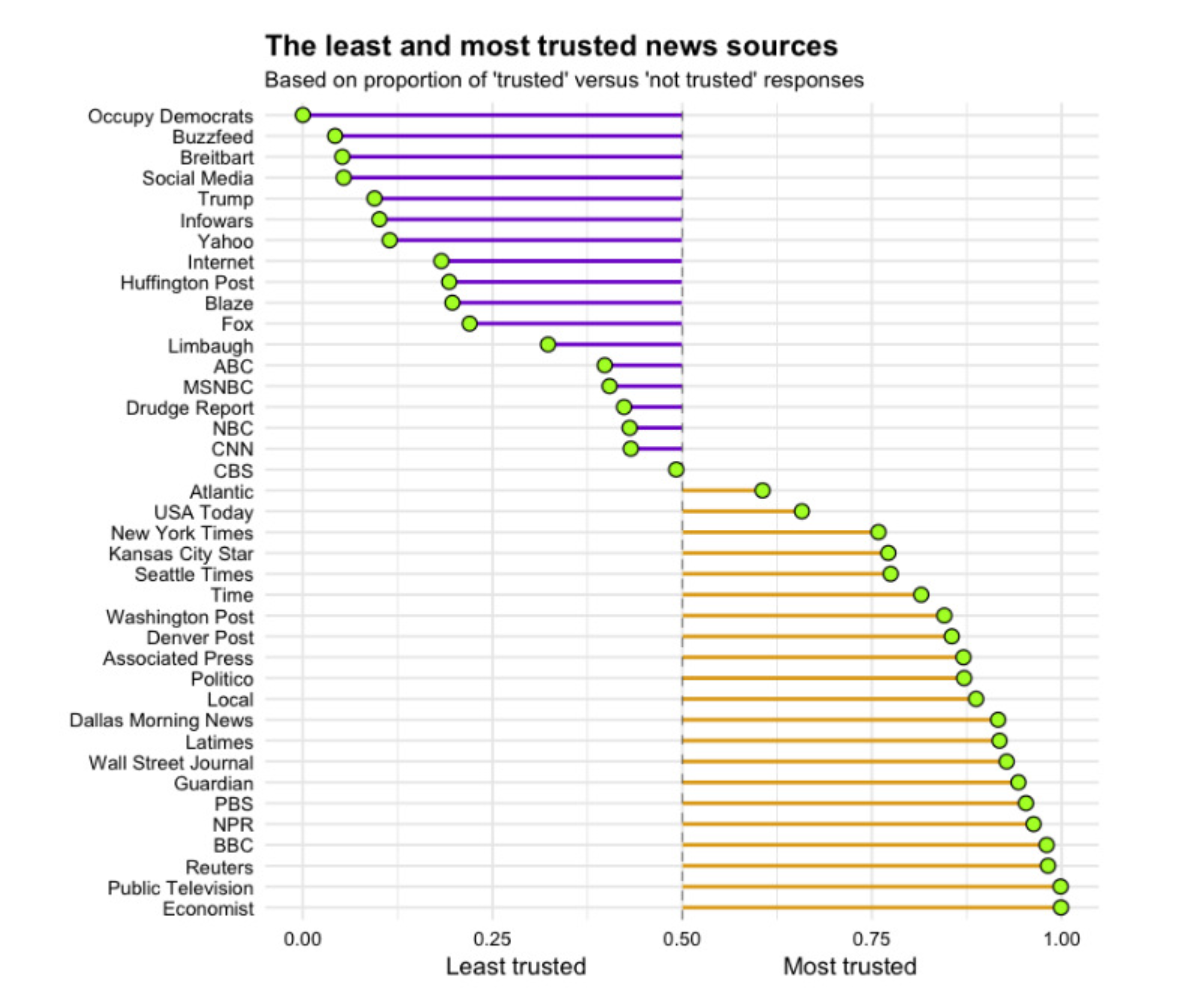


Source: <http://www.journalism.org/2014/10/21/political-polarization-media-habits/pj_14-10-21_mediapolarization-01/>

Pew Report - Political Polarization and Media Habits Final Report 7/27/15

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Source:   
<http://assets.pewresearch.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/13/2014/10/Political-Polarization-and-Media-Habits-FINAL-REPORT-7-27-15.pdf>



Source: <http://www.visualcapitalist.com/least-most-trusted-news-sources/>

# 13 Most Trusted News Sites that You Should Bookmark Source: <https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/trust-news-sites/>

# [Associated Press News](https://www.apnews.com/) [BBC](http://www.bbc.com/news) [Brief.news](http://www.brief.news/) [The Bureau of Investigative Journalism](https://www.thebureauinvestigates.com/) [The Christian Science Monitor](https://www.csmonitor.com/) [The Economist](http://www.economist.com/) [NPR](http://www.npr.org/sections/news/) [ProPublica](https://www.propublica.org/) [Reuters](http://www.reuters.com/news) [USA Today](https://www.usatoday.com/) [The Wall Street Journal](https://www.wsj.com/) [FAIR](http://fair.org/)

# Smartphone Alerts Source: <https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/4-ways-to-keep-up-with-breaking-news-online/>

# One of the easiest ways to keep up with breaking news online is to have it pushed directly to your phone. There are a ton of apps out there that make that easier than ever. No matter your preferred news source, you’re likely to find a native app that delivers breaking news updates as push notifications to your phone. Below is just a sample list of the most prominent mobile apps (Android, iPhone, Windows and Blackberry) that deliver news updates as push notifications: [AP Mobile](http://getapmobile.com/) [CNN](http://www.cnn.com/mobile/index.landing.html) [Breaking News](http://www.breakingnews.com/about/mobile) [Fox News](http://www.foxnews.com/about/apps-downloads/) [Reuters](http://www.reuters.com/tools/mobile) [BBC News](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/10628994) Some news services also provide news alerts via text message, including [CNN](http://www.cnn.com/mobile/index.landing.html), [BBC](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/5194672.stm), [Al Jazeera](http://www.aljazeera.com/mobile/), [Sky News](http://news.sky.com/info/sms-alerts) and NBC News. The service’s availability might vary according to the country you live in. [USA Today](http://reg.e.usatoday.com/) [CNN](http://edition.cnn.com/youralerts/) [Fox News](http://www.foxnews.com/alerts/subscribe.html) If you don’t want to limit yourself to one news service, you can always create custom breaking news alerts on any topic of your choice using [Google](http://www.google.com/alerts) or [Yahoo](http://alerts.yahoo.com/) Alerts — that way you’re ensuring that you’re getting lots of different angles to one story, rather than sticking to one,

# PLEX Newsfeed

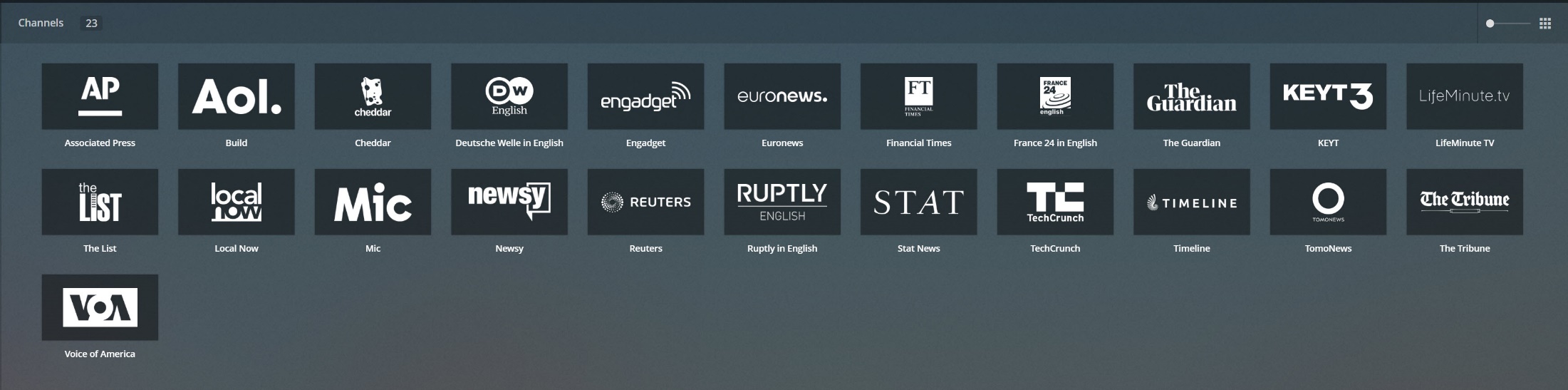
# <https://app.plex.tv/desktop#!/provider/tv.plex.provider.news> Off line link to above; <http://www.slobytes.org/presentations/sutter-0818/plex.mp4>

# PLEX Sign-up Agreement

# Personalization Options

PLEX Channels

<https://app.plex.tv/desktop#!/provider/tv.plex.provider.news?key=%2Flibrary%2Fsections%2Fchannels&context=content.channels>



**Ralph Sutter**

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**September 2nd Programming Schedule** *by Alan Raul*

The **First Session** will feature **Alan Raul** moderating 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. Alan always encourages questions and observations from the audience.  
  
During the break, from 2:00-2:30 pm, coffee and cookies will be offered as well as a chance for you to chat with other club members.

In the **Second Session**, beginning at 2:30 pm, **Alan Raul** will demonstrate two Linux distributions, Ubuntu **Mate 18.04.1 and Linux Mint 19.** His goal is notto convert anyone to Linux so much as to inform the audience of the state of Linux. Both these Linux distributions are the latest and just recently updated. Alan will also demonstrate how you can use a bootable USB flash drive with Linux on it to diagnose hardware, networking (Wi-Fi) issues and of course Windows 10 system problems. A lot of our members do not go out at night anymore, so this will keep them in the Linux loop.

Contact Alan at alan at alanraul.com for more information

**Alan Raul**

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**Treasurer’s Report for July 2018***by Bob Styerwalt*

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| Income July 2, 2018 thru August 5, 2018 | | |
|  | Renewing Members | $175.00 |
|  | New Members |  |
|  | Refreshments donations | $15.00 |
|  | General donations | $130.00 |
| Expenses: | | |
|  | Refreshments reimbursement | $94.18 |
|  | Hall Rent | $65.00 |
|  | New Projector | $499.00 |
| Bank Statement ending 07/31/2018 | | |
|  | Checking account balance | $2,459.73 |
|  | Interest paid this period | $0.00 |
|  | Deposits | $275.00 |
|  | Withdrawals | $564.00 |

**Renewing Members:** Four members renewed during this period, Earl Kaplan, Alan Raul, George Shephard and Janet Thatcher. Note: Alan is very optimistic about our club; he renewed his membership for four years. Hooray! Thanks to all for your continuing interest and support. Two SLO Bytes members and one SLOLUG attendee made generous donations to the club budget. Thank you!

I continue to believe that we have a friendly group that can provide useful information to any computer user. Please encourage your friends, neighbors, kids, parents and strangers to check us out.

**Bob Styerwalt**

**Photo Group Report** *by Ralph Sutter*

**Notes** from the August 12th Session; **TOPIC:** **Symbols**   
  
The session opened with **Ralph Sutter** showing a series of images of trees growing in difficult places. View them at <http://www.slobytes.org/digital/images/trees.docx>   
He then updated the group on member Bob Grover's biography. An edition with full-color photos is available in the Kindle format at <https://www.amazon.com/Always-Quest-Norma-Elise-Wäälen-ebook/dp/B07DPGN7M2/ref=sr_1_1_twi_kin_2>   
Purchasing the Kindle version, those with Amazon's Alexa can have the book read aloud by saying to Alexa, "**Alexa, tell Kindle to read Always a Quest**".  
  
Next, Ralph presented a slide show featuring company logos past and present as well as personal symbols.  
  
**Connie Sutter** followed with shots of familiar icons taken from local signs and structures. They included traffic control, religious symbols and flags.  
  
**Bob Styerwalt** offered a collage of automobile nameplates and public works signs.  
  
**John Waller** broke his images down into those with and those without text. Like other members, John showed nameplates and public signs.  
  
At the close of the meeting, Ralph demonstrated how he downloaded an on-line article, saved it off-line and used **Photoshop Elements** to remove selected content.  
The group couldn't decide on a topic for the September meeting, deciding to e-mail suggestions to Ralph at [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com) . He will have members vote on the most popular option  
  
Here is the meeting schedule for 2018   
    September 16 (One week later than usual)   
    October (The October meeting date has not been determined yet)  
    November 11   
    December 9

**NEXT MEETING** Sunday, September 16th, 2018 @ 2:00 pm

**LOCATION**:   
Home of Connie and Ralph Sutter   
498 Hansen Hill Road   
Arroyo Grande, CA   
Map at [www.slobytes.org/digital/sutter-map.html](http://www.slobytes.org/digital/sutter-map.html)

**Ralph Sutter**

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**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](mailto: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 at the **San Luis Obispo Guild** **Hall** at 2880 Broad Street, San Luis Obispo. There is a map available at <http://www.slobytes.org/slo-guild-map.html>.   
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 **John** **Waller** (johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net) or visit [slobytes.org](http://www.slobytes.org/index.php) for   
  
additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.   
All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.  
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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, eligibility for raffle gifts when drawings are held, a voice in the affairs of the club, and comradeship.

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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 KCBX.NET Training Center, 4100 Vachell Lane, San Luis Obispo. View the web site at [www.slolug.com](http://www.slolug.com).  **Photography SIG** normally meets at 2:00 PM on the second Sunday of each month at Ralph Sutter’s home in Arroyo Grande. Call Ralph at 478-0826 for directions. Visit the website at [www.slobytes.org/digital](http://www.slobytes.org/digital)

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***SLO Bytes Officers/Volunteers***

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John Waller - Vice President; Programs Chair/Publicity: johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net  
Bob Styerwalt – Treasurer; Membership: rstyerwalt at gmail.com  
Ralph Sutter – Secretary, Webmaster/HardCopy Editor, Photo SIG Leader: ralph at rsutter.com  
Alan Raul – Training Officer: alan at alanraul.com  
 **Other** **Volunteers**  
Nancy Vrooman – Refreshments  
Peter Stonehewer – Refreshments  
Ken Stilts – Set-up/Clean-up

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