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November 1st 2015 General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul

The following software and links were discussed at the meeting:

Amazon

<http://www.amazon.com/gp/goldbox/>

BlackFriday

<https://blackfriday.com/>

FatWallet

<http://www.fatwallet.com/forums/>

Slickdeals

<http://slickdeals.net/>

TechBargains

<http://www.techbargains.com/>

Woot

<http://www.woot.com/>

WayBackMachine

<https://archive.org/>

Google Pixel C

<https://pixel.google.com/>

Hands on: Google Pixel C convertible tablet

<http://www.digitaltrends.com/computing/google-pixel-c-hands-on-review/>

Google finally has a Surface competitor in the Pixel C

<http://www.engadget.com/2015/09/29/google-pixel-c-hands-on/>

Microsoft Surface Pro 4 and Microsoft Surface Book

http://www.microsoftstore.com/store/msusa/en_US/cat/AllSurface/categoryID.69403400?icid=en_US_Store_UH_devices_Surface

Apple iPad Pro

<http://www.apple.com/ipad-pro/>

Alan Raul

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November 1st Second Session Review *by Ralph Sutter*

Showed a screen capture video of the difference between **Tablet** and **Standard** mode file displays
[Tablet or Standard Mode.mp4](#)

Showed screen capture video of the tile size options: small, medium, large, wide: [What Size Tile](#)

Commented on bug; Inability to resize larger than medium size tile after opting for 6 small tiles in a row

Showed extreme example of problems with Standard Mode if Microsoft does the organization after an automatic upgrade from Windows 8.1 [Windows 10 File Display - non Tablet Mode](#)

Techboomers Segment

Introduced the web site, www.techboomers.com

Shared e-mail exchange with **Steve Black** re adding search engine to Techboomers site

Showed the location of a permanent link to the Techboomers.com site on the SLO Bytes web site at <http://www.slobytes.org/resources.html>.

Showed Techboomers video on Google Search; <https://techboomers.com/t/google-search-settings>

Shared some things that I learned from watching various Techboomers tutorials

Google Search; show only recent results; [Google Search by Last Update](#)

Gave demo with a search for **Intel Skylake processor** setting **Last Update** for one month

Mentioned How to unsend a Gmail e-mail: <https://techboomers.com/t/how-to-unsend-email-gmail>

Played an excerpt of Steve Black on Facebook

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LOdMLQvVSIQ&feature=youtu.be&t=1598>

Showed the tutorial [Every Day/Introduction to Techboomers Tutorial](#)

Added a personal anecdote – Long Distance Computing using WhatsApp to communicate with my wife who is currently studying in China.

Shared the travails of trying to access my wife's computer for setting that she requested that I send her. After a Windows update and computer restart, I couldn't log in. I was eventually locked out for failed login sessions. I knew her **LastPass** password. This should give me access to her stored passwords. It didn't. **LastPass** said that I was logging in from an unknown location and would have to authenticate.

I finally solved the issue by logging in to her web mail version of **Yahoo** Mail and was then able to access the requested iCloud login information that my wife had requested.

Ralph Sutter

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December 6th Programming Schedule by John Waller

The next **General Meeting** takes place on **December 6th 2015** from 12:45-3:30 p.m.

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

The **Second Session** begins at 2:30 p. m. The format will change for the December meeting. In lieu of a speaker, we will hold elections for the Board of Directors. All positions are open. They include

- President
- Vice President/Program Chair
- Secretary/Webmaster/Newsletter Editor
- Treasurer/Membership Chair
- Training Officer

Everyone is welcome to run for office. The current officers will be available to assist anyone interested in assuming any of these roles. The vitality of our group depends on an infusion of new ideas and new faces in positions of leadership. Maybe it's your time.

Following the election of officers, everyone will have the chance to socialize while enjoying holiday snacks that will be provided. You are invited to add your own treats to the table. The meeting will end at 3:30 pm

Contact **John Waller** at johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

John Waller

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President's Message by Earl Kaplan

I recently spent an appreciable length of time skimming through 3 decades of HardCopy newsletters. My goal was to fill the missing copy holes in Ralph's archive of old issues of HardCopy but, as is usually the case there were some side effects noted. As I skimmed I found that my lifetime habit of reading everything written in any language I speak (which is limited to English) was still in force and I found that was reading a lot of material that was very familiar. In the last half of the 1980s and most of the 1990s there is an awful lot of very technical material in the HardCopy.

In those days there were all manner of things that we needed to be familiar with that today would elicit nothing but a blank stare from 80% of the audience. Today we do not have to know as much but you better update your Operating System every month or you are in trouble.

All of this leads up to the web site shown by Ralph at the November meeting. This is a site which has some reasonably well done tutorials on subjects that even casual users can find very worthwhile.

I hope that the subject matter announced for the December meeting does not convince too many of you to find other things to do on December 6. Remember that we usually get a lot of value out of unstructured discussions. Also remember that DVR's can be programmed to record all those football games

Earl Kaplan

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Treasurer's Report for October 2015 by Bob Styerwalt

Income: October 5th thru November 1, 2015

Renewing Members	\$125.00
New Members	
Refreshments Donations	\$17.00

Expenses:

Hall rent	\$100.00
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Bank Statement ending 10/31/2015

Checking account balance	\$3,218.07
Interest paid this period	\$0.27
Deposits	\$167.42
Withdrawals	\$100.00

Renewing Members: Ginger Goodell, Dan McGauley and Merle Ackerman renewed during the month. Rudy Spieler and Debi Schmitt renewed at the November 1 meeting. Thanks to all for your loyalty and continued interest.

Bob Styerwalt

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Photo SIG Report by Ralph Sutter

Notes - Meeting of 11/08/2015 **TOPIC:** Images of Halloween

The focus of the **November 8th** meeting of the Digital Photography SIG was **Images of Halloween in Stills and Video**.

Ralph Sutter opened the meeting by mentioning an on-line Photography class that was recommended to him by SLO Bytes member **Ed Lynn**. The site, Photoclassforyour.com, offers weekly personalized lessons. New member, **Gigi Kandler** gave the rest of us a first-hand testimonial to the value of the course. Subscribers to the classes can upload their photos for critique by the instructor.

Next, members of the Photo SIG shared their photos and videos of Halloween. Pumpkins, scarecrows, tombstones and goblins figured prominently. Some members shared both videos and stills. Others stuck with still images.

The topic for the next meeting, taking place on December 13th was suggested by **Alan Raul**. It is **Rewind**. The idea is to share images from the past, whether recent or distant.

As always, the meeting ended with coffee, snacks and conversation.

You will find notes from previous meetings of the Photo SIG at www.slobytes.org/digital/notes.html or by clicking on **Notes** tab at the top of all pages of the Photo SIG web site.

Ralph Sutter

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Webmaster Notes by *Ralph Sutter*

I have continued to expand the **HardCopy** archives as members forward to me copies of early newsletters. You will find the collection at www.slobytes.org/oldnews.html. If you have any of the volumes that are missing, please send me a copy.

Push Library

Take a 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>

Take a look at <http://www.kcbx.net/training.html> to view the various computer-related classes available at the

KCBX.NET Training Facility.

Ralph Sutter

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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.

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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. 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](mailto:johnlwaller@sbcglobal.net)) or visit slobytes.org for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.

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, eligibility for raffle gifts when drawings are held, 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).

Computer-related businesses wishing to advertise in HardCopy may now do so. The rate is \$15.00 per month or \$120.00 per year for a business card size announcement. Content in ad copy is subject to approval by the SLO Bytes Board of Directors.

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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.

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

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- Peter Stonehewer – Refreshments
- Ken Stilts – Set-up/Clean-up

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