

# SLO Bytes HardCopy

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## **August 2nd 2009 Main Meeting Review** by Alan Raul

**Computer Hardware Poster** - Drives, ports, cards, slots, connectors and sockets - This image shows and names them all!

<http://sonic840.deviantart.com/art/Computer-hardware-poster-1-7-111402099>

[http://www.deviantart.com/download/111402099/Computer\\_hardware\\_poster\\_1\\_7\\_by\\_Sonic840.png](http://www.deviantart.com/download/111402099/Computer_hardware_poster_1_7_by_Sonic840.png) or

<http://snipurl.com/qs0ze> (24MB download)

**Newseum** - displays daily newspaper front pages in their original, unedited form.

<http://www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/flash/>

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**Upgrading and Repairing PCs** (19th Edition) - Your guide, Scott Mueller, has taught thousands in his legendary personal seminars and millions more through his books and videos. Nobody knows more about choosing, installing, troubleshooting, repairing, and maintaining PC hardware. Whether you're a professional technician, a small business owner who doesn't want to pay for service calls, or a home PC enthusiast, this is the one book you need!

<http://snipurl.com/rft6f>

**Acronis Forums** - Replaces the old Wilders Security Forums.

<http://forum.acronis.com/>

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## **September 6th, 2009 Main Meeting Review** by Ray Miklas

At **6 September meeting** we all enjoyed the "Webinar" in Skype [Instant Messenger] when **Gene Barlow** of User Group Relations in St. George, Utah, presented "Moving to Window 7." Gene showed various methods of easing the transition to Microsoft's new operating system. Gene showed how to separate your data files from program files, backing up your files and then installing Windows 7.

Gene also demonstrated the use of **True Image Home 2009** and **Disk Director Suite 10.0**. Both products were for sale at the meeting and many members purchased them at the discounted price. By the way, Gene promised a free upgrade to True Image Home 2010 when it comes out in October 2009, to all who purchased/purchases the current version. For more information go to <http://www.ugr.com/>

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## **Kaye Raul's Programming Schedule** by Ray Miklas

At our **October 4th meeting** we will be viewing a DVD presentation by LapWorks, Inc. LapWorks calls it "**Presentation in a Box**" which was launched at the recent 2009 Southwest Computer Conference. It's a laptop ergonomics DVD with the presentation being given by Jose Caler, President of the company. It's an informative presentation in how to best position and use your laptop computer. For additional information go to: <http://www.laptopdesk.net/>

**Prior to the main presentation:**

**Alan Raul** will moderate his Q & A session from **12:45 PM to 2:00 PM**

**A Windows operating systems SIG** for beginners will also be conducted at the same time slot in the dining room.

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## **President's Message**

**At our 6 September, 2009 meeting:**

**At 12:45 PM, Alan Raul** will be moderating the Question and Answer session

**At 2:30 PM, A DVD presentation by LapWorks** will be shown

Go to <http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/> to see the PUSH reviews. They come to us from Judy Taylour of APCUG, Editorial PUSH Committee Chair. Our Webmaster, Ralph Sutter, uploads these articles to our website. The actual PUSH articles are hyperlinked from Judy's reviews.

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**.

**Cal Poly Continuing Education's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)** is a comprehensive learning and service program for those 50 and over. This is a highly rated College level education program available at Cal Poly. This is their website: <http://www.osher.calpoly.edu/>

Take advantage of the four **learning CD's** "Learn Windows XP, Excel, Word & Power Point" available for our members to check out (at the Treasurer's table).

--Ray Miklas

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**September 2009 Treasurer's Report** by Robert Mires

<b>Income</b> (September)	
Renewing members	\$200.00
New members	25.00
Refreshments Income	41.70

<b>Expenses</b> (August)	
Hall rent	90.00

<b>Bank Statement 8/01/09</b>	
CD#44686	1,327.19
CD #41626	2,904.02
Saving acct bal	54.86
Checking acct bal	693.96
Interest YTD	102.25

**Renewing Members:** Merle Ackerman, Wm (Bob) Barlow, Josette Farnum, Robert Graham, Earl Kaplan, Irving Reynolds, Natural Foods (Graham), Walter Wadja  
**New Members:** Joseph D. Baranek

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 Kaye Raul (kmraul at sbcglobal.net) or visit [www.slobytes.org](http://www.slobytes.org) for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

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**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. Full 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 comradeships.

**Article Submission** Deadline for submission of articles is the 20th of each month. Articles should be E-mailed to the editor (rmiklas at pacbell.net).

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**Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)**

**HTML/Internet SIG** normally meets at 6:30 PM on Monday (following our Sunday's General Meeting) at Ralph Sutter's home in Arroyo Grande. Call Ralph at 489-8678 for directions.

**Linux SIG** normally meets at 6:30 PM on Thursday (following our Sunday's General Meeting) at KCBXnet [a.k.a. SLONET] Training Center, 4100 Vachell Lane, SLO.

**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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