

# SLO Bytes HardCopy

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## **November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul**

You will find all of the programs that I have discussed during the **First General Sessions** at [alanraul.com/bb/links.pdf](http://alanraul.com/bb/links.pdf). They are listed in alphabetical order.

Alan Raul

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## **November 7<sup>th</sup> 2014 Second Session Review by Ralph Sutter**

During the **Second Session**, the group viewed the remote presentation, **Capture Streaming Media with Applian Software**, delivered by the Applian Director of Marketing **Leslie Bee**. It was originally presented at the APCUG Summer 2013 Virtual Technology Conference. The entire presentation is viewable on line at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XYSrHqeTRu4>. The complete library of APCUG videos is viewable at <https://www.youtube.com/user/APCUGVideos/videos>.

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## **December 2<sup>nd</sup> Programming Schedule by Ralph Sutter**

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

From 2:00-2:30, coffee, sweets and opportunities for conversation will be available in the dining room.

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 comment on his or her favorite software, either describing or demonstrating the capabilities of the product. This informal session should bring lesser known software to our attention.

Ralph Sutter

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**President's Message** by Earl Kaplan

It seems like just a few weeks ago that it was January and now here it comes again. Time goes fast when you are having fun. We will have our election on December 7<sup>th</sup> and I hope we have a good turn out to cast votes. Remember that write-in candidates do win sometimes, as everyone in AG now knows.

Technology remains one of the more interesting areas of news these days although there seems to be more gossip in the tech news than usual. Clashes between government agencies and technology seem to be growing with internet broadband access rights, drone licensing and privacy concerns all under fire.

Earl Kaplan

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**Treasurer's Report for November 2014** by Bob Mires

Income for November 2014		
	New members	\$25.00
	Renewing members	100.00
	Refreshment Income	28.00
Expenses		
	Hall rent	90.00
	Refreshments	15.46
BANK TRANSACTIONS and BALANCE DATA		
Bank Statement ending 10/31/2014		
	Checking account	3,244.46
	Interest year to date	2.75
	Deposits	271.27
	Withdrawals	382.24

**Renewing members:** Virginia Goodell, Nancy Vrooman, Richard Dickey, Bob Grover and Richard James

**New members:** Daniel McCauley

**Note:** It was reported at yesterday's meeting that Nancy Watts passed away within the last month or so. She was a long time member and will be missed.

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**Photo SIG Report** by Ralph Sutter

The Photo SIG met at 7:00 pm on November 17<sup>th</sup> in the home of Ralph Sutter. Ralph introduced two freeware programs. The first, **Karen's Printer Directory**, [www.karenware.com/progs/ptdirprn-setup.exe](http://www.karenware.com/progs/ptdirprn-setup.exe), allows the user to either save or print the names of files that appear in a directory, choosing the level of detail included in the printout.

The second program, **Bulk Renamer**, [www.bulkrenameutility.co.uk/Download.php](http://www.bulkrenameutility.co.uk/Download.php), can be used to automatically modify multiple file names.

Ralph then showed a slide show of the art museum at **Crystal Bridges** in Rogers Arkansas using **Irfanview**.

Members who attended discussed the future focus of the Photo SIG. The consensus to concentrate on interesting photography, photo editing and photo display. Given the challenge of coming up with new topics for each meeting, we considered giving ourselves an assignment at the close of each meeting. One such assignment might be taking images of

water or images that show movement. Everyone would be tasked with bringing one or more images on the subject to the next meeting.

We also discussed having each member responsible for coming up with one program per year, either giving an informal presentation or showing a resource related to photography.

The group agreed to shift our meeting to the daytime and change the day of the meeting. Subsequent meeting will be on the second Sunday of the month beginning at 2:00 pm. They will take place at the home of Ralph Sutter. Directions and contact information are available [here](#).

The next meeting will be on **December 14<sup>th</sup>**. The photo assignment is to bring images in which **red** is the dominant color.

More information about the SLO Bytes Photo SIG is available at [www.slobytes.org/digital](http://www.slobytes.org/digital).

## Ralph Sutter

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Take a look at the **PUSH archives**, <http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/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 **KCBXnet Training Facility**.

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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).

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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](mailto:johnlwaller@sbcglobal.net)) or visit [slobytes.org](http://slobytes.org) 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, 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 KCBXnet Training Center, 4100 Vachell Lane, San Luis Obispo.

**Photography SIG** normally meets at 7 PM on a third Monday of each month at Ralph Sutter's home in Arroyo Grande. Call Ralph at 478-0826 for directions.

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Nancy Vrooman – Refreshments

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Ken Stilts – Set-up/Clean-up

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