

# SLO Bytes HardCopy

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## November 6th General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul

Introducing Adobe Photoshop Elements 15 & Premiere Elements 15

<https://blogs.adobe.com/photoshop/2016/10/introducing-adobe-photoshop-elements-15-premiere-elements-15.html>

Get LastPass Everywhere: Multi-Device Access Is Now Free!

<https://blog.lastpass.com/2016/11/get-lastpass-everywhere-multi-device-access-is-now-free.html/>

Free Audio Converter - converts between MP3, MP4/M4A, WMA, Ogg Vorbis, FLAC, AAC, WAV and Bonk formats.

<https://www.freac.org/>

16 Windows 10 Anniversary Update Issues & How to Fix Them

<http://www.makeuseof.com/tag/16-windows-10-anniversary-update-issues-fix/>

Windows 10 tip: Start in Safe Mode and use other advanced startup settings

<http://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-tip-start-in-safe-mode-and-use-other-advanced-startup-settings/>

16 useful Windows 10 tools that help you get more done

<http://www.pcworld.com/article/3125500/windows/16-useful-windows-10-tools-that-help-you-get-more-done.html#slide1>

**Alan Raul**

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## November 6<sup>th</sup> Second Session Notes

SLO Bytes member **Russ Foster** presented **DraftSight** by **Dassault Systems**. DraftSight is a professional-grade 2D design and drafting solution that lets you create, edit, view and markup any kind of 2D drawing. A familiar user interface and a minimal learning curve facilitates an easy transition from your current CAD application.

The program is free to individuals, even for business use. The paid versions are the same, but offer support. There are also many training aids available.

<http://www.3ds.com/products-services/draftsight-cad-software>

<http://www.3ds.com/products-services/draftsight-cad-software/free-download/>

Write-up by **Alan Raul**

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## Audio Extraction with VLC

A video of my presentation, **How to extract audio from video files using the freeware program, VLC**, is available for download at <http://www.fullbean.com/tutorials/audio-extraction-with-vlc.mp4>

Write-up by **Ralph Sutter**

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## President's Message *by Earl Kaplan*

Our membership seems to be responding to talking about the software they use. If you have a story to tell and are reluctant to get up before a room full of people, we can help you with that. Several members have had presentation training and can assist you on feeling better about that.

**Earl Kaplan**

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## **December 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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.

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

For a description of the responsibilities of each position, see <http://www.slobytes.org/officer-duties.html>. 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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**Treasurer's Report for October 2016 by Bob Styerwalt**

<u>Income</u>		October 3 thru November 6, 2016
	Renewing Members	\$100.00
	New Members	
	Refreshments donations	\$15.00
<u>Expenses:</u>		
	Hall rent	\$100.00
	SESLOC FCU, New checks	\$18.74
<u>Bank Statement ending 09/30/2016</u>		
	Checking account balance	\$2,514.74
	Interest paid this period	\$0.10
	Deposits	\$186.00
	Withdrawals	\$118.74

**Renewing Members:** Four members renewed during this period, Ginger Goodell, Richard Dickey, Dick James and Rudy Spieler. Thanks to all for your continuing interest and support. Everyone please continue to encourage your friends, neighbors, kids, parents and strangers to join us. It would be particularly nice to add some younger members – perhaps some of those very bright and up-to-date Cal Poly students. Good hunting!

**Bob Styerwalt**

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**Photo Group Report by Ralph Sutter**

**Notes from the meeting of 11/13/16; Panoramas**

The meeting opened with the group viewing [Pano | LA](#); a 6 minutes time lapse video of Los Angeles by night.

Humbled by that impressive work, our members proceeded to show their panoramic images of locations international and local. Many members used Microsoft's freeware program, [Image Composite Editor](#). Some of us worked with digital cameras, both point and shoot as well as DSLR. Others opted for using the panoramic function of their smart phone. A few of us stitched images together using **Photoshop/Photoshop Elements**.

We compared the effectiveness of different programs to auto-complete those empty, jagged areas on the original panos that we chose not to crop. Several individuals shooting with digital cameras observed that they got better panos if they set the camera on manual exposure.

The topic for the December 11, 2016 meeting will be **Anticipating the Holidays**. Everyone is encouraged to bring photos and videos that reflect activities undertaken in preparation for that time of the year. You will find Notes to previous sessions at [www.slobytes.org/digital/notes.html](http://www.slobytes.org/digital/notes.html)

**Ralph Sutter**

## 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.php> to view the various computer-related classes available at the

**KCBX.NET 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).

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

All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.

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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)

### **SLO Bytes Officers/Volunteers**

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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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