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December 7nd 2014 General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul

The following software and links were discussed at the meeting:

IEEE 802.11ac

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IEEE 802.11ac

Netgear R7000 Nighthawk AC1900 Smart WiFi Router - 4-Port Switch

http://alanraul.com/bb/network.jpg

http://www.netgear.com/home/products/networking/wifi-routers/R7000.aspx

http://www.smallnetbuilder.com/rankers/router/result/1234-netgear-r7000-nighthawk

http://www.smallnetbuilder.com/wireless/wireless-reviews/32239-ac1900-first-look-netgear-r7000-a-asus-rt-ac68u

Networking With Address Reservations

http://alanraul.com/bb/reservation.jpg

http://www.smallbusinesscomputing.com/webmaster/article.php/3799551/Networking-With-Address-Reservations.htm

Alan Raul

December Second Session Review by Ralph Sutter

Ralph Sutter demonstrated two freeware programs. The first, **Jing** is for screen captures, both still and video. Download the program at <u>www.techsmith.com/download/jing</u>

The second program, File Tree "shows you the size of (a) folder, including its subfolders in an Explorer-like fashion."

Download at www.jam-software.com/treesize_free

January 4th Programming Schedule by John Waller

<u>Easy Desktop</u>; an APCUG Video; "Easy Desktop replaces the Windows desktop with a menu system as opposed to the thumbnail picture Icon system. With Easy Desktop you can eliminate desktop icon clutter, organize your programs and reduce your computer frustrations, especially with Win8."

John Waller

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President's Message by Earl Kaplan

Another year taken care of. They seem to come and go so quickly, I hate to visualize how quickly they will go by when I actually get old!

Well, we have a new treasurer which will allow Robert Mires to come to meetings without his box of records and just sit and listen. My thanks to Robert Styerwalt who will be taking over those duties.

I have made technology news having finally switched to a smartphone, albeit a Windows Phone without a data plan. I have also replaced my 11 year old Dell laptop with a Microsoft Surface Pro 3 which is great. I still have the Dell running Windows 10 and doing it very well although it has no touch capability.

Hopefully we will be hearing from all of you about the new toys you have gotten over the holidays. We want all the details.

Have a Happy New Year and we will see you on January 4, 2015.

Earl Kaplan

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Treasurer's Report for December 2014 by Bob Mires and Bob Styerwalt

Income for December 2014		
	Renewing members	\$50.00
	Refreshment Income	17.00
Expenses		
	Hall rent	90.00
BANK TRANSACTIONS and BALANCE DATA Bank Statement ending 11/30/14		
	Checking account	3,319.54
	Interest year to date	3.11
	Deposits	42.00

Renewing members: Rudy Spieler and Debi Schmitt

Treasurers' Comments: Thanks to all of the members for allowing me the privilege of serving as club treasurer all of these years. I think it was about 15 years - maybe a year less. It was a great ride.

Bob Mires and Bob Styerwalt

Photo SIG Report by Ralph Sutter

The December Photo SIG took place at its new time on Sunday, December 14th beginning at 2:00 pm. Many members shared images in which the dominant color was red.

The topic for the next photo session is Wildlife; Images which prominently feature non-domesticated animals.

The January meeting will take place one week later than normal, meeting on Sunday, January 18th. The February meeting will return to the traditional schedule; the second Sunday of each month.

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Meetings take place at the home of Ralph and Connie Sutter. Directions and contact information are available here.

More information about the SLO Bytes Photo SIG is available at <u>www.slobytes.org/digital</u>.

Ralph Sutter

Take a look at the **PUSH archives**, <u>http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/</u>. 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: <u>http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html</u>

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

SLO Bytes Bulletin Board

Everyone can read the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board at <u>http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php?board=1.0</u> 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**.

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) or visit slobytes.org for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

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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.

Article Submission Deadline for articles is the 20th of each month. Articles should be e-mailed to the editor (ralph at rsutter.com).

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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 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.

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