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February 5th, 2012 General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul
Links to items mentioned in my presentation

Microsoft Word Viewer
http://www.microsoft.com/download/en/details.aspx?id=4

Microsoft PowerPoint Viewer
http://www.microsoft.com/download/en/details.aspx?displaylang=en&id=6

Microsoft Excel Viewer
http://www.microsoft.com/download/en/details.aspx?id=10

DocX Viewer
http://epingsoft.com/docx/docxv.asp

LibreOffice
http://www.documentfoundation.org/

LibreOffice Portable
http://portableapps.com/apps/office/libreoffice_portable

Microsoft Office Starter 2010 - is an ad-supported product which includes Microsoft Word Starter 2010 and Microsoft Excel Starter 2010. These are reduced-functionality versions for viewing, editing, and creating documents. Office Starter 2010 is only available to original equipment manufacturers (OEM) for preloading on Windows PCs and is intended to replace Microsoft Works.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Microsoft_Office_2010

Ultrabook
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ultrabook

Windows 8
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windows_8

ReFS (**Re**silient **F**ile **S**ystem
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windows_Server_8#ReFS

Storage Spaces - is a storage virtualization technology which succeeds Logical Disk Manager and allows the organization of physical disks into logical volumes similar to RAID1 or RAID5, but on a higher level.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Storage_Spaces#Storage_Spaces

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February 5th General Meeting Review by Earl Kaplan
The complete PowerPoint Home Networking presentation given by Dave McLaughlin and Earl Kaplan is available as a .pdf file at http://www.slobytes.org/presentations/Home%20Networking.pdf.

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March 4th Programming Schedule: by John Waller

During the **First Session**, Alan Raul will moderate his Q & A session from 12:45 PM to 2:00 p. m.

The **Main Presentation** begins at 2:30 p. m. with **Michael Boyer** speaking on **Social Media**. Michael is in an expert in online marketing including social media, email and conversion management. He is the Chief Operating Officer of **ElementsLocal Inc**., a software company focused on solutions for franchise companies.

Michael has 17 years of online marketing experience, leading large projects with many fortune 2000 clients, Previously, Michael held the position of Vice President of Operations at **Web Associates** now **Level Studios** in San Luis Obispo. Michael studied business and communications at the **University of Oregon**.

Michael is active in many industry, community service and non-profit organizations. He serves on the board of the Rotary Club of Pismo Beach, the Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Exploration Station. Both The San Luis Obispo Tribune and the Pacific Coast Business Times recognized Michael with their Top 20 Under 40 award for his professional excellence and profound commitment to the community.

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President's Message by Earl Kaplan

Knowledge seemed to triumph over Sports on Sunday as a fairly sizable crowd showed up for the SLO Bytes Meeting. Alan was his usual informative self, providing tips and information and answering a few questions along the way.

We brought up a suggestion about a change to the prize policy which has been in place for some time. It has been suggested that a new policy of quarterly prizes, with a better class of prizes, would be a good idea. The membership seemed to accept this concept and, as soon as the present prize supply is dispensed with, we will begin this policy.

It was noted that the majority of members have not accepted the google.group invitation Ralph sent out in December and so are not going to be receiving the notification that the Hard Copy is available online. If you know someone who has not accepted, please advise them that the club does not send spam and, except for one mistaken transmission, never will.

The major problem we, and most other PC User Clubs, have is the scarcity of travelling presenters in these depression era days. We have the ability within the organization to present informational lectures on a decent level but we need some assistance in knowing what subject areas you might want to hear about. Ralph has a very easy procedure set up on the web site which allows you to tell what you want to hear about. You do not have to tell who you want to do the presentation unless you know someone that you really find to be a good presenter and you want to make the suggestion.

I will be missing the March meeting because of travel plans but I shall return in April.

Thank you for your continued support.

--Earl Kaplan

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Go to http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/ to see the **PUSH** reviews. They come to us from the Association of Computer User Groups, **APCUG**, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated. Our webmaster, **Ralph Sutter**, uploads these articles to our website. The actual PUSH articles are hyperlinked from the index.

You can view the APCUG publications here: http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html .

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**.

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Treasurer's Report for February 2012 by *Bob Mires*

Income for February 2012

Renewing members	$250.00
Refreshment receipts	30.06

Expenses

Hall rent	90.00

Bank Statement ending 1/31/12:

Checking account	3,038.44
Savings account	55.00
Interest YTD	4.96
Deposits	196.04
Withdrawals	90.00

Renewing members: Glenn Zaretzka, Peter Stonehewer, Ted Ivarie, Robert Mellema, Rick Headley, Jim Middlemist, Dave McLaughlin, Dave Shaw, Robert Mires, Nancy Vrooman.

Treasurer's Comments: The Home networking program anchored by Dave McLaughlin, with back up from Earl Kaplan on wireless networking, was a real success and very informative. Check the Bulletin Board for their informative program outline. Those who stayed home to watch football missed a lot of good information and an interesting presentation.

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 to2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **John Waller** (johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net) or visit http://www.slobytes.org/index.shtml 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, raffle gift drawing at the end of the meetings, 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.

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 Bob Grover's home in Arroyo Grande. Call Bob at 489-6230 for directions.

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