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August 7th, 2011 General Windows SIG review by Alan Raul

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August 7th, 2011 Meeting Review by John Waller

At 12:45 PM **Alan Raul** conducted his Q & A session. At 2 PM **Sonya** from Proxure gave her demonstration of the online backup application: <u>Keep Vault</u>.

Our main presentation was by Sonya of Proxure, Inc. They offer a backup service that stores your files in the cloud. This allows you to access them from any computer and any place. This service would be aimed at your datafiles rather than imaging files for system backup. Your account can start as small as 40 gb, and go up to 5000 gb. As a rule of thumb the price is approximately \$1 per year, per GB. I.e., 40gb ~ \$46, 1500gb ~ \$1300. While most people would not need such high capacities as they offer, if you are a photographer it can be quite useful. Obviously, the upload speed would be a restriction. Overall, they seem to offer a pretty good program if you need serious online backup.

Special note: We are running out of ideas for presenters. If you know of some that would be interested in giving a presentation that would be of interest to the club, please let one of us know with the contact details. They could be some one local, or someone that could do a webinar.

Thank you, John Waller

September 4th, 2011 Programming Schedule: by John Waller

The format for the Main Speaker presentation this month is experimental. At the September meeting Instead of a one presenter talking on a single topic, SLO Bytes members will form discussion groups based on their individual interests.

Rather than rely on one member of the group to speak, all members will be invited to contribute, either offering their own tips or describing the technical issues that they are encountering.

Our hope is that this experimental format will draw on the collective expertise of our members to solve problems and share techniques.

Prior to the main presentation, Alan Raul will moderate his Q & A session from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM

President's Message:

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Go to <u>http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/</u> to see the **PUSH** reviews. They come to us from **Dave Gerber**, Director/PUSH Chairman of APCUG. Our Webmaster, **Ralph Sutter**, uploads these articles to our website. The actual PUSH articles are hyperlinked from the index.



You can view the Association of Personal Computer User Groups (APCUG) Publications here: <u>http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html</u>.

Take a look at <u>http://www.kcbx.net/training.html</u> 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: <u>http://www.olli.calpoly.edu/</u>.

--Ray Miklas

Treasurer's Report for August 2011

Income for August Renewing members Re-joining members Refreshment income	150.00 25.00 36.06
Expenses paid for August Hall rent Janet Thatcher BBQ exp Nancy Vrooman BBQ exp	90.00 27.15 137.06
Bank Statement ending 7/31/11 Savings Checking Interest YTD	55.00 3,402.36 2.95

Renewing members: Fred D. Campbell, Janet Thatcher, Ian Hughes, Roger Lyon, John Romanelli, Walter Wajda

Re-joining member: Constance Thomas

Treasurer's Comments: a special welcome back to our rejoining member, Constance Thomas. Your club is always pleased when former members come back into membership.

Robert Mires, Treasurer

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 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. 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.

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Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Linux SIG normally meets at 6:30 PM on Thursday (following our Sunday's General Meeting) at KCBXnet 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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