

Computer News

Scheduled Events

May - June 2014

Board of Directors Meeting	May 2, 2014 10:AM - 12:00 Noon House @ Napa Senior Center
Investor SIG	May 12, 2014 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM June 9, 2014 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM 23 Skipping Rock Way, Napa
Mac SIG Meeting	May 8, 2014 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 PM June 12, 2014 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 PM Napa Senior Center / 1500 Jefferson St., Napa
General Meeting	May 21, 2014 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM June 18, 2013 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Napa Senior Center / 1500 Jefferson St., Napa

May 21, 2014

Computer maintenance and repair

Dave Toboni
Able Computers

Our May meeting will feature **Dave Toboni**. Dave will be discussing computer maintenance and repair. Dave has many years of experience in repairing and maintaining computer systems and computers.

On several occasions I have had Dave repair computers of mine and he is done so quickly and at a reasonable price.

Routinely, Dave answers questions asked on our user-to-user email list. So if you ever have had a hardware problem with your computer or expect to have one

From the President
by
Ron Dack

As I sit here writing this article I am reminded how fast this year is going. In no time we will have to decide on a date for our annual picnic. Start signups, announcements, and make arrangements that are based on **Dick & Sandy Peterson's** as well as **Dianne Prior's** schedules. Fortunately we have one Board of Directors meeting before August.

At this time I am not sure how much longer we can keep this group going. For the last couple years I have seen the President ask members to step up and help with the jobs that need to be done to keep NVPCUG a viable, useful, and educational community group. This includes my presidencies.

Right now we need someone willing to send meeting announcements to the local press. We even have a list server to simplify this. This position is called the Publicity Coordinator.

We also need some one to take one small portion of computing and due a short presentation at the beginning of each general meeting or arrange for someone else to do so. This can be as simple as how to turn on a computer. How to save documents. How to e-mail photos. etc. This position is called the Computer Tutor.

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sometime in the future you should come to this meeting.

Dave has the knowledge and is willing to share with our members so don't let this opportunity pass you by. If you have a friend who owns a computer you should probably bring him or her I'm sure they would appreciate it.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at our May meeting. I also recommend that you, a little early to get a good parking space.

Take care,
Ron

April Presentation Review
By
Ron Dack

The April 16, 2014 presentation unfortunately was not what was scheduled. **Dylan Williams** was unable to attend. On April 15 I contacted Dylan's business partner and he told me that Dylan's father had a stroke and Dylan went to Seattle to be with him.

I then left a message for **Beth Pickering** asking her to present **Opera** browser.

During the Q&A part of the meeting we attempted to download **Opera** onto my **MacBook**. By the end of the Q&A part of the meeting **Opera**

had still not downloaded to my machine.

Consequently we concluded the meeting with additional Q&A and discussions on computers.

At a future meeting I will have Beth present **Opera** web browser. I will also be contacting **Dylan Williams** to reschedule his presentation on computer scams.

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We also need someone to greet members and guests as they come in the room and make them feel welcome.



Bob Simmerman is busy handing out badges and name tags. He doesn't have the time to welcome and carry on a conversation with a guest. This position is one of the most important of all and is called the Greeter.

Any time someone can be made to feel comfortable and like someone is willing to speak to them the better the chance is they will return.

Think about these jobs and if you think you can even halfway do one let me know.



Tip of the month

Are you still using Internet Explorer? If you are it would probably be a good idea to disable the Flash plugin especially if you are running XP. Flash and Internet Explorer has a bug that allows someone to take over your computer and steal the contents. This is being worked on by Microsoft but will not be extended to an XP update.

Getting older

It is certainly an adventure I am going through. Just 5 seconds ago I knew what I wanted to express in this filler article. Now of course I have no clue what that was.

I might start a sentence and before I get to the end I have to ask myself. What was it I wanted to say? Many sentences I start but then can't remember the key word I was thinking of it when I started.

Now what was I going to say in this article? I know it was something computer related. I think?