

Computer News

Scheduled Events

June - July 2015

NVPCUG Board of Directors Meeting August 7, 2015 10:00 AM

1524 Jefferson Street, Napa

Investor SIG Meeting June 8, 2015 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
July 13, 2015 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Skipping Rock Way, Napa

Mac SIG Meeting June 11, 2015 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
July 9, 2015 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 PM
Napa Senior Center / 1500 Jefferson St., Napa

General Meeting June 17, 2015 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
July 15, 2015 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Napa Senior Center / 1500 Jefferson St., Napa

From the President

by
Ron Dack

First I would like to take this time to apologize to **Lawrence Koga** for not arranging to have a HDMI to VGA adapter at the meeting on May 20, 2015. His presentation was fine. The problem was that he had no way to display the **Raspberry Pi** on the screen. I will endeavor to obtain an adapter(s) for this issue as well as for some future issues. An adapter from cell phone, tablet, and other options would be handy.

How about those blinds? They were simple to use and did an adequate job and certainly increased the view of the images on the screen.

We are still trying to fill a few positions like **Computer Tutor and Publicity Director** if you are interested in trying either of these or maybe assisting **Dianne Prior** with planning and setting up our special events please free to contact me or any board member. You can e-mail a board member by choosing one of us from http://www.nvpcug.org/officers_2015.html and I can be reached at: president@nvpcug.org.

In case you may have forgotten anybody is welcome at any of our General Meetings or Special Interest Groups (SIGs). Just because you use a certain type computer doesn't mean there won't be anything interesting for you. Our General Meetings are about everything computing and our Investment SIG is for those who use their computer for investment information. Our Mac SIG is for more specific information about using your Apple computer and all the peripheral devices that go with it. See you at the June Meeting. Take care, Ron

NVPCUG Meeting
Wednesday June 17, 2015
7PM to 9 PM

Napa Senior Activity Center

1500 Jefferson Street
Napa, CA 94559

Sharon Wragg
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Sharon has offered to show us how to develop a simple personal web page.

At the May meeting Sharon talked some about **SketchUp**. I let her talk about it for a little while, but due to the late hour and especially because it looked like **SketchUp** would make

May Presentation Review By Ron Dack

Once again **Lawrence Koga** came to our meeting and blew us away with his computer knowledge.

Lawrence came to demonstrate **Raspberry Pi**. **Raspberry Pi** is a tiny computer that sells for approximately \$35 each.

Unfortunately, our projector did not have a HDMI port. We also did not have an adapter for HDMI to VGA. Lawrence was unable to run the **Raspberry Pi** computer on the projector. I will attempt to obtain an adapter for the projector.

Lawrence was only able to show us the actual computer, but was unable to demonstrate how it works. He did point us to <http://www.raspberrypi.org>. This website had numerous examples of ways to use the **Raspberry Pi** computer. You could also purchase a **Raspberry Pi** computer from this site.

Lawrence said if anyone purchased one he would help them set it up at a future meeting for what ever they wanted to do with it.

He also referred us to a <http://www.adafruit.com>. At this website you could also purchase a **Raspberry Pi** computer and many accessories to go with it. They also had instructions for programming and setting up the **Raspberry**



Pi.

It seems that every time Lawrence presents a subject I learn more and more things about computers, coding, and security. I hope to have Lawrence back in the near future to either continue his demonstration of **Raspberry Pi** or any other subject he would like to talk about.

Lawrence has an open invitation to attend any of the **NPC UG** meetings or activities. We appreciate all the information he has shared and will share in the future. Thank you Lawrence.

June presenter continued

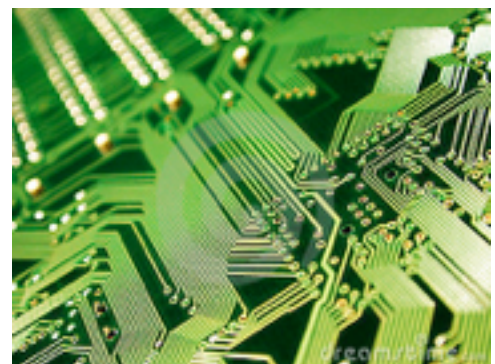
an excellent subject for a full presentation later this year I stopped her. I for one am looking forward to both these presentations and possibly more.

Sharon seems to have a good working knowledge of several subjects that will make good presentations in the future. I hope we can convince her to become a member and regular attendee.

It is getting hard to find good and knowledgeable presenters who are willing to give their time. I know all of us enjoy learning something new.

If you get there around 6:45 PM you might even get to help me set up for the presentation. You could even get a decent parking space.

Take care and I will see you there,
Ron



Reminder

Member's & Guests Annual Picnic is scheduled for **Saturday August 8, 2015** so start making your plans.

To attend contact **Dianne Prior** at: Event_Coordinator@nvpcug.org