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North Texas PC News

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3rd Saturday SIGs Meet At
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Happy New Year !!

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Thanks to 2012 officers:

- Jesse Hastcoat Director. Special thanks for stepping up when our Presdent-Elect moved to VA. Jesse is also running for President in 2013.
 - Chuck Stark Director and Treasurer
 - Tuc Goodwin Director
 - Spike Smith Director
 - Stuart Yarus Director
 - Kathie Lee Brown Secretary

Thanks to members for electing me for the 2012 year.

Special thanks to volunteers who work every, every month at essential, seldom-noticed tasks. Take an opportunity to thank them.

- Charles Rem Info Desk Manager
- Howard Harkness Program Director
- Doug Gorrie System Administration and Newsletter
- Diane Bentley SIG Coordinator
- Larry Linson Membership
- Gil Brand System Administration and TCVC
- David Franke Newsletter

Don't forget our Elections at the January meeting ...

New Year: If you can contribute toward the following topics, please send a note to us at bod@ntpcug.org:

- Server now nine years old, and planning to replace.
- D & O Insurance we live in a litigious era.
- Bylaws need wordsmithing, finalization, couple of hours of nitpicking and coordination with our Board of Directors. (Cont'd on page 5)

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Special Interest Groups (SIGs) ...

Sessions with presentations, discussion, and exchanges of information

All SIG meetings at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 6411 LBJ Fwy in Dallas (between Preston & Hillcrest, north side of LBJ), normally the third Saturday of each month..

Building Web Sites — 8:00 am

Alan Lummus Alan @bkmts.com

As 2013 gets underway, we'll compare and contrast WordPress, Joomla, and Drupal as website development platforms, and then begin an introduction to Alan's ongoing odyssey of Drupal/CiviCRM installation and integration.

.NET Developers & HTML 10 am - 12pm

(New !!!)



Tuc Goodwin tgoodwin@ntpcug.org



Chris Morgan ehris.morgan@ntpcug.org

Beginning in January, .NET Development and HTML will be merged into a single two-hour SIG focusing on HTML5 and CSS3, and led by both Chris Morgan and Tuc Goodwin. Details and plans are still being worked out, but this month, we will start with a general discussion of HTML5 and what it means for web site developers. This should be a really interesting SIG, and we invite you to join in.

Digital Photography — 10:00 am

Spike Smith, NCE harold.smith@ntpcug.org

This month, an open meeting for reviewing past issues. Our big question... Shall we live with new austere camera designs for enjoy those time-proven, high-quality, full featured legacies of love?

This will mainly be an open meeting reviewing past issues from 2012.

Members are encouraged to bring in any old handouts, new or old cameras, ideas for the present and plans for future meetings.

Manufacturers, photography equipment

included, are in the midst of the financial crunch. This results in the following:

- · Certain camera models are discontinued
- Some excellent features are removed
- There are new issues with user-friendliness
- Many devices are too complex for easy use
- There are often inadequate published instructions

Digital Photo Editing Software — 11:00 am

Spike Smith, NCE harold.smith@ntpcug.org

Software is not as user-friendly as in the past. But we do have alternatives available for newbies to edit and enjoy enhancing photos at little cost.



Would you pay \$700 to \$900 to get started with the world's premium photo editor? This same editor that only a few (7%) private users that tried it have mastered? Or instead, would you select a \$100 to \$150 editor that 85% of those trying it have remain with?

Another good buy (free) is GIMP and it will probably do every task you need for photo editing. There are at least a half dozen free editors.

This will be a question and answer session. Let us hear what you wish to cover.

I would like to include equal time for broad usage of graphic images as with photographic editing in 2013.

For future sessions, how many of you would like more information on photo editing inside the camera? Lets us know and we'll try to accommodate you.

Internet — 11:00 am

Glynn Brooks glynn.brooks@ntpcug.org

Christmas Shopping Lessons Learned.

In January, I want to offer a consideration of how the internet has drastically changed the

way we go about shopping for gifts, and how web merchants are starting to use the information they have about your location and shipping habits in coming up with the price you pay.

Investors - 1:30 pm

Gil Brand gbrand@ntpcug.org

In January, we will have our usual Q&A session. Drop by and hear about our latest investing success stories.

Linux Installation Project – 9:00 am

The Linux Installation Project helps users with their Linux installs and any configuration problems. Bring your machine and we will help you get it running.

Making Money on the Internet — 9:00 am

Alan Lummus Alan @bkmts.com

In 2013 or any year, the key to successful Internet marketing is first to attract high quality leads and then to stay in touch with those same leads over a lifetime. We'll review a number of proven strategies to obtain reliable contact information for the best potential leads and then to use email services like Aweber. MailChimp, Constant Contact or others to stay in touch on a regular basis, supplying information and sales opportunities your leads have requested. As time allows, we'll take a look at new and emerging techniques to develop, strengthen and maintain ongoing relationships with your most valuable asset, your customers.

Microsoft Access SIG —11:00 am



Larry Linson larry.linson2 @ntpcug.org Jim Wehe jimwehe @gmail.com



On January 19, 2012, the access SIG will have an informal meeting, so as not to interfere with the election on the NTP-CUG Board Members.

If you have a small to large, or simplex to complex, example application (that is, any

Access database app), bring to for "Show and Tell". Access SIG Co-Leaders Jim Wehe and Larry Linson will see if they can find a little something worth showing from their not-so-vast, but very useful, collections of personal Access databases.

In December, 2012, we skipped the meeting because so many were caught up in the spirt of the holidays, traveling, visiting, and celebrating Christmas and New Year's Day.

Blatant, Unashamed Self-Promotion: It's time for us to clear the decks and get ready for our big celebration. In April 2013, you invited to attend a monster demonstration to celebrate Twenty Years of the NTPCUG Access SIG. There may be other SIGs in NTPCUG that have lasted longer under the same name, but none with our continuity of leadership. And who knows just what we might do, after the monsters have been demonstrated.

So, what's going to be so exciting? Our *guest* speaker Teresa Hennig is! She's coming to you, direct from a smashing successful multi-year run of her own Access groups in the great Pacific Northwest. Teresa's internationally known, has been a *Microsoft Access MVP* since 2004, is active in INETA (the International Dot Net Association), has twice been an INETA Community champion (Ed Note: MVP and community champion are each quite an honor), heads **Data Dynamics Northwest** -- an outstanding software and database development, management, and consulting company, regularly raises uncounted tens of thousands of dollars in donations to several charities, has been lead author on several technical books (some about Access and some about other subjects) and writes the monthly column "News from the Northwest" in own North Texas PC News newsletter.

We'll have more on this subject in next month's SIG Notes, as plans take shape. And, we might even do a little collaborative planning our January, February and March 2013 SIG meetings. Join us and catch the excitement- it's contagious!

Big Red Switch Time: In the early days, all PCs, IBM and clone, had a large rocker switch

for power, usually red- and re-booting was sometimes known as "Big Red Switch time". After twenty years, we need to put our heads together and decide what we should learn and teach, do and review, and generally dabble in to start our next twenty years. Note: "our" means not only the leadership but attendees interested in the Access SIG. Bring your ideas to the meeting and we will discuss them. We can take notes, but it would surely help if you'd write down your suggestions. Kathy, Neel, Jim, or Larry will take them and we'll consolidate all our notes for subsequent discussion.

Valuable prizes: Remember: Value, like beauty, is in the eye of the beholder. In the confusion of multiple reorganizations of Microsoft's support for user groups, our own distractions, etc., we have missed a good many drawings for valuable prizes. We've accumulated a modest collection of as-yet-undistributed valuable prizes, so we might have a few even before the Valuable Prize Extravaganza of the Twenty Years of the NTPCUG Access SIG celebration.

Microsoft Application Development Study Group SIG - 1:30 pm

Tom Perkins tomperki @gmail.com

The AppDev SIG will confirm the rumor that the group has its collective head in the clouds. Well, "Cloud", at least. Jeff Frauenheim will demonstrate the steps required to set up an application for the "cloud" using Microsoft's Azure system, and discuss some of his experience in deploying the group's Golf Tournament web site project to the cloud.

Come and join us for an entertaining and informative session.

Questions or comments?

Contact Tom Perkins (tomperki@gmail.com) or Chris Morgan (chris.morgan@ntpcug.org)

Microsoft Excel - 8:00 am

Frank Tubbs, SIG leader ftubbs@sbcglobal.net

After being out for two months, I will be able to moderate the Excel SIG again. I will go over insights received during my hiatus

concerning how a large corporation builds critical business activity around a small function like VLOOKUP. I want to hear from any interested parties about any Excel features they find most useful. Come and share with me as I share with you. Excel has so many features and we only scratch the surface on most of them.

Salesforce.com - 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Welcome to **session 1** of the **study group** (not to be confused with our regularly scheduled monthly meetings at Connective Hub...this is different)!

The 401 Group will meet at 11:00 am. In January, we will be going over chapters 1 through 4 (inclusive) in the salesforce.com "DEV 401" pdf file (look for the pdf in the "files" area of NTPCUG's Sharepoint site. Normally, we will cover only two chapters per session, but this month, we'll do four. Also, get a free DE account on Salesforce.com and run through the exercises in the pdf. Don't worry if you don't quite get there. We will go over it all on the 19th.

For the **501 group**, which meets at 12:30, we will be using the SFDC Apex Code Developers Guide (pdf is in the "files" area at sp.ntpcug.org. We will cover THE FIRST TWO CHAPTERS. Again, if you don't already have an account, get a DE account and run through the exercises before our meeting. This group will meet after the 401 group, and everyone is welcome to attend.

All, remember, this is the study group for 401 and 501 (aka the **study group**). Not to be confused with our 4th Wednesday meeting held at the Connective Hub (more mischief, no studying). The objective is for each of us to take the respective exams at the end of the six months, so we will keep up the pace. Ask questions. These are not easy exams, but I am convinced that we can get everyone past the finish line.

http://www.meetup.com/Dallas-Salesforce-Developer-User-Group/events/97563922/

Powershell - 8:00 am - 10:00 am



Larry Weiss Ifw@airmail.net

Josh Miller jmiller76@gmail.com

Word — 10:00 am

Sharon Dorsey Sharon.Dorsey@ntpcug.org



Shapes and Symbols

Add shapes and symbols to your Word presentation.

Windows Inside Out — 12:30 pm

Glynn Brooks glynn.brooks@ntpcug.org

Michael Cruz is going to present a sample

of using WPF XAML to create an interface for a PowerShell script with user contributed

January Potpourri

arguments and results output.

January is our election month, and the meeting time for this SIG is right after the annual membership meeting. Because of the likelihood of schedule adjustment, I'm planning to have a few small topics ready for discussion so we can make the best use of whatever time is available.

Windows Tips & Tricks — 9:00-11:00 am



Gil Brand gbrand @ntpcug.org Chuck Stark chuck.stark @ntpcug.org



Malware Removal - Part Deaux

If you have a 'troubled system', contact Chuck or Gil for a possible 'live, no net' troubleshooting session.

Wireless Communications — 12:30 pm

Birl Smith birl.smith @ntpcug.org

In January, we will be talking about Windows Update. We are all encouraged to install updates when they are available but updates may not install or can cause other computer booting problems.

And, note that we have a **new time**, and potentially a **new room**!!

Prez Sez (Cont'd)

2 TB drives

Our program chairman, Howard Harkness, has noticed that when the price of certain size of commodity hard drives goes below \$100, that size is becoming obsolescent. I noticed over the holidays that Micro Center was selling 2Tb drives for \$99.99.

Many years ago, the IBM 360 featured removable disk packs (DASD) that held 11 Mb. In an article concerned with putting "vast" amounts of data on "direct access devices", the author mentioned that it would take a terabyte of memory to store the (text only) Library of Congress. Obviously hopelessly impractical - that would take 91,000 DASDs. The cost of the controller and first drive was (1960s) \$25,000. Each controller could support two drives. The second one cost \$15,000. The drives had the footprint of a small refrigerator. So adding space for aisles, 91,000 drives + 46,000 controllers at 12 sq ft per = \sim 40 acres. Cost of hardware only in 2013 dollars ~\$14 billion.

So you can get twice the storage for the Library of Congress at phase-out prices - you can hold it in your palm. The IBM 350 had 5 MB drives - so much memory that I could store my source code on disk!

Save This Date and Celebrate (MS Access SIG)

On Saturday, April 20, 2013, **the Microsoft Access SIG** will celebrate its 20th year of existence in the North Texas PC Users Group, and we intend to celebrate with gusto and in style.

On April 17, 1993, after two months of "advertising" in the then-printed-version of the North Texas PC News, more than 60 people attended an organizational meeting of the Access SIG in a room on the top floor of the Dallas InfoMart and we've been around ever since. Larry's been continuously involved in the SIG as Leader or Co-Leader ever since – twenty years may not be unique for a SIG in NTPCUG, but as far as we know, twenty years with one of the leaders involved for the whole twenty is unique.

Planning is underway... and we are elated to obtain a commitment from **Teresa Hennig** to be our guest speaker. Teresa has been an Access developer since 1997, when she first used Access and immediately decided to start her own company as an Access developer and business consultant. She became involved with the Seattle Access Group and became the leader in 1999. Her first book, "Access 2003 Programmer's Reference," opened the door to new opportunities to help fellow developers share their passion and expertise with the community. Since then, Teresa has been recognized as a Microsoft MVP for seven consecutive years, earned multiple awards as a National Community Champion with INETA, and is currently the lead author and working with several MVPs on her sixth book. Since 2008, she has been a member of the North Texas PC User Group and has contributed a monthly column, News from the Northwest, to the North Texas PC News.

Teresa thrives on challenges, project management and creating cost-effective solutions. Her skills for motivating and helping others are reflected in her contributions to the developer community, and especially in her dedication to the SAG and the PNWADG. You can learn about some of her adventures and charitable endeavors on her website, www.DataDynamicsNW.com.

Look for the next installment of our (brief) series of "Save This Date and Celebrate" articles in the February issue of the North Texas PC News.

By Larry Linson, Founder and Co-Leader of the NTPCUG Microsoft Access SIG

News from the Northwest

By Teresa Hennig

Downloads, Updates and Other Good Stuff

Windows Server 2012

http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR_CC=200132168 (Bonus for downloads through March 31!)

Hyper-V Server 2012

http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR_CC=200145058 (Bonus for downloads through March 31!)

System Center 2012 Suite

http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR_CC=200132167 (Bonus for downloads through March 31!)

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http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR_CC=200132169
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http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR CC=200132165

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http://www.microsoft.com/click/services/Redirect2.ashx?CR_CC=200132163

Register to embark on an expert-guided 30-day voyage of app development. Sign up now and you'll receive the tools, help, and support you need to get your Windows 8 and Windows Phone 8 apps developed. Already have an app? We have resources to help iOS developers get started building Windows Store apps.

Access 2013 - Webinar and Preview

Access helps you store and track just about any kind of data -- inventory, contacts, business processes, and more. In this week's webinar, you'll learn how to organize and manage your data, plus we'll preview the latest version of Access, including a big new feature. http://blogs.office.com/b/microsoft-access/archive/2012/11/05/office-webinar-what-is-access-preview-access-2013. aspx

Check out Office 2013 -- Downloads available for Office 365 and Office 2013

Download the beta, watch videos, learn, experiment, lead the way ...

www.microsoft.com/office/preview/en

Download Microsoft Office Professional Plus 2013 – (Sept 2012)

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-US/evalcenter/jj192782.aspx

Upgrade to Windows 8 Pro for only \$39.99 --- Introductory Pricing through January 2013. (Aug 2012)

Starting October 26th, you can upgrade (most) Windows OS platforms to Windows 8 Pro for

only \$39.99 ... but wait, there's more ... once installed, you can also use the "add features" option to add Windows Media Center for FREE, but only until Jan 31st!! What a bargain. Read the blog and make the move...

http://windowsteamblog.com/windows/b/bloggingwindows/archive/2012/07/02/upgrade-to-windows-8-pro-for-39-99.aspx

User Group TV – UG Meeting Presentations (Aug 2012)

In January of 2011, MVP Shawn Weisfeld, founded UG TV as a venue for sharing User Group content online for free. You can check out the growing selection of videos and presentation materials at http://usergroup.tv/.

(*Ed note:* Shawn Weisfeld is a member of NTPCUG.)

Sync Fusion Metro Style Icons – \$499 value as a Free Download

Syncfusion Metro Studio 2 provides a collection of over 1700 Metro-style icon templates that you can be easily customize and integrate with Microsoft Office applications.

- Create thousands of unique icons from 1700+ icon templates
- Organize icons into projects and export groups with one click
- Copy icons to the Clipboard for easy integration with Microsoft Office applications
- Easily create CSS icon sprites
- Convert font characters to icons

www.syncfusion.com/downloads/metrostudio?utm_medium=EDM&utm_source=MetroStudio&mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRonuq%2FLce%2FhmjTEU5z16egvXKWg38431UFwdcjKPmjr1YoITcV0dvycMRAVFZI5nR9BFOOTaZNJ9fs%3D.

VeeamZip V6.5 Backup Software Free Edition for VM Ware and Hyper-V (July 2012)

Veeam Backup Free Edition provides a number of powerful utilities for managing VMs. It complements your regular backup tool by providing easy ad hoc backups of individual VMs. Get their latest version to backup and archive virtual machine files, including Veeam FastSCP utility and VeeamZIP. Download the software from:

www.veeam.com/virtual-machine-backup-solution-free.html?ad=vmware-esxi-fastscp-go-to.html

Win IT Pro article about Veeam Backup software:

www.windowsitpro.com/blog/virtualization-blog-13/news2/veeam-ships-veeam-backup-free-edition-veeamzip-143328

Related blog post: Four for Free: No-Cost Virtualization Tools and Utilities – Win IT Pro
 www.windowsitpro.com/article/virtualization/four-for-free-no-cost-virtualization-tools-andutilities

RESOURCE TIPS:

Access MVPs – Sharing code and resources

Several Access MVP share resources and links through the website hosted by You will find the tools offered during Crystal's presentation on her page.

http://www.AccessMVP.com

Doug Steele, Access MVP and author of "Access Solutions" shares tips and links to other resources. http://www.accessmvp.com/djsteele/AccessIndex.html

Access Blog – by the Access Team --- one of the top blogs on MSDN!!!

Stay tuned to the community ... The team shares insights into their schedule, their favorite fea-

tures, new features and how to use them. This is also an ideal venue for the team to talk about issues that are of interest to the Access community. You'll learn about the people and some of the factors that are helping to shape the future of Access. Whether you're a seasoned developer or just learning about Access, you'll find invaluable information and techniques. From creating a database template to getting help when you need it, The Access Blog covers the gamut. http://blogs.msdn.com/access/default.aspx

A couple of good sites to search for information and programming assistance are at

www.mvps.org and Office Developer Center on MSDN. And, we've been mentioning the newsgroups. You can search and drill through thousands of threads. Visit http://search.microsoft.com/en-us/CommunityResults.aspx?q=office%20community to search through Microsoft community and support options.

You may also find what you are looking for by using http://groups.google.com or by setting multiple search criteria at www.google.com/advanced_search?hl=en.

Utter Access Discussion Forum

Touted as the number one Access community forum! This is a great place to get answers to your questions. And, you'll see several familiar names as some of our members are prolific posters. Hey, there are even photos from the MVP Summit, so check it out! www.utteraccess.com/forums/index. php

A compilation of links to Access Resources

This site provides an impressive array of links to a variety of resources for Access developers and users: www.cbel.com/ms_access/.

Access Developer Portal MSDN

For database samples and tutorials provided by Access MVP and other experts, see http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/office/aa905400.aspx.

Database Issue Checker

Access MVP, Allen Browne offer tips and utilities for casual users through expert developers. The Issue Checker can be used during development or to troubleshoot legacy files. Allen's site provides a host of other tips and resources, including a compilation of reserved words. http://allenbrowne.com/ or http://allenbrowne.com/ApplssueChecker.html

Mr Excel – Excel tips and support and ... Learn Excel from Bill Jelen (May 2012)

Mr Excel represents an entire community of Excel power users how are sharing their expertise, experiences and time through blogs, podcasts, tips, forums and links to a wealth of other reference materials. Among the links you'll find Bill Jelen's podcasts and books – including several that can be invaluable tools in Access projects – such as the random number selector. Visit the website, www. mrexcel.com or go to http://learnmrexcel.wordpress.com for a blog and videos.

Back issues of Pacific Northwest Access Developer and Seattle Access Group Newsletters are available on www.SeattleAccess.org

May your holidays (whatever you celebrate around this time of Winter Solstice) be happy and may the New Year bring you peace, joy, and prosperity all year long.

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Code Magazine -- FREE -- One Year Subscription (Nov 2012)

Code Magazine has content covering topics from A to X, and then some --- literally! Check out the index...

With the exciting opportunities for Access 2013, Windows 8, and so much more, you'll appreciate

the value of having the up-to-date reference material provided through Code Magazine. Sign up for your free one year subscription by clicking on one of the following links.

Link for SAG Members

Link for PNWADG Members

FMS, Inc., (www.fmsinc.com) the world's leading developer of Microsoft Access 3rd party products with their award winning "Total Access" including Total Access Analyzer, Total Visual CodeTools, and Total Access Emailer. FMS also offers an Access Help Center with various resources such as technical papers, tips, etc. (www.fmsinc.com/MicrosoftAccess/help.html)

Microsoft is hosting our meetings! And, they have several representatives at our meetings to answer questions and find out what is important to us -- as Access developers. It is great to know that we will always have a member of the Access team at our meetings -- talk about going directly to the source! Microsoft has also sponsored several review and prize drawings. By the way, don't forget to sign up for User Research opportunities. These are a fun way to share your thoughts with Microsoft and you earn software for your efforts. Sign up on line --- www.microsoft.com/en-us/usability/ default.aspx

SkillForge – Live, Instructor-Led Online Microsoft Training (August 2011)

SkillForge is a different kind of training company. Founded by trainers with over 15 years of experience in the training industry, they share one key focus – delivering exceptional training. The instructors are experts in their field with years of real world experience so the lessons convey both technical and practical expertise.

Visit www.SkillForge.com to checkout their course offerings -- including a wealth of Access classes -- sign up; share your impressions with the group!

Webucator – Instructor led Online and Onsite Training (July 2011)

NTPCUG Member Websites

Are you an NTPCUG member? Do you have a website that you would like to share with other members? Here is your opportunity to publicize your hobby, personal interests or a business.

NTPCUG now permits each member to post their name along with <u>one</u> website at www.NTPCUG. org and in our newsletter. Member links to be posted are subject to Board approval, and cannot contain inappropriate content or promote illegal activities – all the usual conditions that responsible persons expect. Send us your links now!

Here are our current member sites:

Member & Website Howard Lee Harkness http://amazopia.com Bill Parker www.Partec.net Larry Weiss https://sites.google.com/site/powershellsig

If you wish to post as shown above, just e-mail webmaster@ntpcug.org with your name, member number and the URL of your desired website. We'll post your name and URL on our website and in the newsletter for as long as your membership remains current.

NTPCUG NEWSLETTER AD RATES AND DESCRIPTION

Paid advertising is available within the North Texas PC News at reasonable rates. The online Newsletter is published monthly and is distributed in PDF format to approximately 200 registered members.

SIZE	Price / One Issue	Price Each - Six Issues
Full Page	\$120	\$ 85
Half Page (vertical)	\$ 75	\$ 65
Half Page (horizontal)	\$ 75	\$ 65
Quarter Page	\$ 50	\$ 40
Business Card	\$ 35	\$ 25
NTPCUG Members	Half Price	

Policies & Mechanicals

- Commercial ads
 - o repro form, final size, ready for printing
 - o JPEG or approved format
 - o 300 DPI minimum
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- No ads on front page
- · Related only; suitable at discretion of NTPCUG
- Payment in advance
- Send requests for information, contacts, or orders to: Advertising@ntpcug.org



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Monthly NTPCUG Meeting Flyer – Can You Help Distribute?

Each month, we send members a flyer listing the upcoming second and third Saturday SIG meeting information. We work to fit it all on one page so it can be easily printed and posted in offices and public areas. It can also be sent by email to family members, friends, colleagues, etc.

With your help we hope to generate increased interest in User Group activities, thereby helping us grow. We rely on members, SIG leaders, Board members and volunteers to share this information with others. We also need you to consider new options beyond the obvious – bulletin boards, etc.

We ask you, our members, to think of places where you can post the monthly flyer and to e-mail it to anyone you know who may be interested.

We try mightily to get this out before the weekend preceding the second Saturday of each month so you have time to "do your thing".

With your help we can grow our Group and reach others who can "Share what you know, learn what you don't."

Where have you sent the January flyer?

Volunteering

Every board member, officer, chairman, and SIG leader is a volunteer. No one in this organization receives any payment for their work. Without our volunteers, NTPCUG would not exist.

Please consider volunteering for one of these important jobs:

Information Desk — Charles Rem

crem@ntpcug.org

Assist with check-in process at 3rd Saturday. One or more hours, even periodically, will make a difference.

This is an ongoing need. YOU can help, and it's not difficult. Training provided, so you really have no excuse not to assist - right?

Mentoring — Tom Sweet

tom.sweet@ntpcug.org

Communicate with new members to ensure they are aware of the benefits, SIG opportunities and help them in numerous ways to feel welcome and to know that we care about them.

Newsletter — Doug Gorrie, David Franke

doug.gorrie@ntpcug.org davef81@gmail.com

We need someone to step forward to help request and collect articles from SIG Leaders for the monthly flyer and the newsletter. No experience required -- training provided.

A Hearty Welcome Extended to the 2012 NTPCUG Elected Officials







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Chuck Stark
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Jesse Hastcoat



Stuart Yarus



Spike (Harold) Smith



Tuc Goodwin

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January 2013

February 2013

March 2013

Jan 19 8:00 am—2:30 pm

Feb 16 8:00 am—2:30 pm

March 16 8:00 am—2:30 pm

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