Orange Bytes

NOCCC Meetings for Sunday March 5, 2017

Main Meeting 1:00 PM
Tips for Staying Safe Online and Preventing Identity Theft
by Bob Gostischa

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) & Main Meeting Schedule

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Linux for Desktop Users………………Science 131
Beginners' Questions about Linux

Beginners Digital Photography .... Science 131A
Questions and Answers about Digital Photography

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Noon

Advanced Digital Photography….….... Science 131A
Questions and Answers about Digital Photography

Linux Administration............................Science 131
More topics about the Linux operating system

Mobile Computing................................Science 109
We will discuss smartphones, tablets, laptops and the latest computer related developments.

PC Q&A & Computer talk…………….…Irvine Hall
For anyone that wants to talk about computer stuff.

VBA and Microsoft Access/Excel........Science 127
Using VBA code to enhance the capabilities of Access and Excel

12:00 PM Noon – 1:00 PM

Advanced PC Q&A………………………………….Irvine Hall
PC hardware, software and Internet topics

PIG SIG …………………………………….. Hashinger Courtyard

Bring your own lunch and consume it on the open-air benches in front of Irvine Hall to talk about non-computer issues.

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Main Meeting
Free AVAST software
……………………………..Irvine Auditorium

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Board Meeting……………………………………………*Science 131A*

To verify membership information email

membership@noccc.us

Plan your vacations around these meeting dates
All first Sundays from here **2017: Apr2, May 7**.

Coffee, cookies and donuts are available during the day in the Irvine Hall lobby.
Foods and drinks need to remain outside the Auditorium.

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The President's Report

President's report by Ben Lochtenbergh

The main meeting was a success. Someone said it was **the best we had** in a long time, however the attendance was marginal, blame the Super Bowl. Bob Cohen spoke about many Personal Computer subjects. He possesses a good grasp on current topics and presents these in a well-organized manner using a power point presentation it went smooth like silk. We could have easily run out of time but we stopped him to do the raffle and let the people break out to watch the football game. Bob's last comment to me was "come to one of my classes." Thank you Bob!

As mentioned before Bob teaches several classes at Santiago Canyon College at a cost of $39.00 per three-hour session. I found that some of his topics include iPhones, iPads, iCloud, Blogging, Marketing with Facebook, and Online Dating. He teaches more classes I assume because he possesses such a wealth of information. Bob is highly informative and worth paying money for his time. Some of us must consider attending one of his classes. Santiago College flyers are available from time to time during random access opportunities.

I browsed his website at www.bobology.com. I can recommend you to consider doing that too. I clicked on his invitation to receive weekly emails. All one has to do is sign up with an email address. I already received three different emails. They are easy to read, I believe it to be at a high school level, catering to the expected audience. His latest email was about Web Hosting. I read every word of it and did not feel like I wasted my time. Many things he wrote about I already kind of knew but the recollection, affirmation and organization were well worth my while. I am going to make it a habit to read his future emails in their entirety.

Should we be concerned about obsolesce of our computer club? Not at all, I think - **because thanks to a club meeting** - I now know about the excellent handiwork of Bob Cohen!

Starting with the March issue five people no longer receive the Orange Bytes gratuitously. Since we asked and did not receive a LIKE in any form, I had to conclude these individuals do not receive our newsletter, or do not read it, or rather not see the Bytes in their US mailbox.

Thanks to Dennis Martin, we again have a timely cover page image, top right. Thank you Dennis! president@noccc.us

Board Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2017

Secretary's report by Bob Dickson

The meeting was held in room 131A at Chapman University Science Hall. The meeting was called to

order by President Ben Lochtenbergh at 3:10 P.M. Present were: Ben Lochtenbergh, Don Armstrong, Bob Dickson, Terry Dickson, Larry Klees, Dennis Martin, and Gerry Resch. Absent were: Richard Miller and Jim Sanders.

Secretary's report: Bob distributed copies of the minutes for the 12/04/2016 meeting. Gerry requested deletion of a comment regarding receiving copies of the Orange Bytes: "~~Gerry receives 1 extra copy to give away.~~" Dennis requested correction of a Main Meeting statement: "Dennis stated that …" be corrected to: "Ben stated that …" Gerry moved to accept the minutes with the corrections, Terry 2nd, approved.

President's report: Ben noted that he'd received a call on Saturday that the planned speaker for the Sunday meeting was sick and would not be able to make the planned presentation. Since Jim was out sick Ben stepped up to make a presentation.

Treasurer's report: Don presented figures for the current month and the meeting.

Ben had prepared an Excel report for the club finances for 2015 and had given it to Don. Ben asked if Don had time to work with the report and update the figures for 2016. Don has been reporting expenses and revenue at the monthly meetings. Don stated his figures are very similar to Ben's figures for 2015. Don noted that the cost of insurance was reduced by paying it annually rather than monthly. Don noted the investment account will mature in early February. The funds will be placed in the checking account by the bank. There won't be any interest paid while in the checking account. Don noted the funds will not remain in that account for long. Don will work with the bank to maintain liquidity to be able to pay expenses as they come due. He'll check with the bank. Gerry moved to accept the treasurer's report; Larry 2nd; approved.

Bytes report: Gerry commented that he hasn't been receiving any copies of the Bytes, possibility because he hasn't paid his dues. Ben commented that he and Gerry need to get together to get the situation cleared up. Bob noted that the date on the January Bytes was 'January 2016'. Ben apologized for the error (it

should have been 2017). General discussion about having Ben and Don keeping their separate copies of the database and the need to keep the data current in both. There are still members complaining they're still not receiving their copies of the Bytes. Don stated that he updates the addresses when a person renews and then sends the data to Ben. Ben commented that he needs to receive any data at least 2 weeks before the meeting so he has time to send the file to the printer in Florida.

eWaste report: Bob asked Gerry if the operator for eWaste will be at the February meeting. Gerry called and received a positive response that the ewaste operator will be at the February meeting. Ben will have an announcement on the front cover of the Bytes.

Consignment table report: Due to Richard not being at the meeting, Bob cancelled his SIG meeting site and remained at the main entrance area in case anyone had some question upon entering the hall.

There was considerable discussion about ensuring that SIG attendees would have an opportunity to purchase items on the consignment table. The Board had decided that for items of high value that the item should not be sold until attendees at the SIG sessions have an opportunity to bid on the item. After lengthy discussion Ben instructed Bob to prepare rules to handle the sales of consignment items that might have considerable appeal by not closing the sale of the item until SIG attendees would have a chance to bid on it. Bob will prepare prospective procedures and submit them to the board for review before the next meeting.

Bob noted that there were several items from the December meeting that had been donated to the club by the ewaste operator that were locked in the cabinets in the store room. They will be placed on the table at the February meeting.

Main Meeting report: The scheduled speaker called in sick on Saturday 1/7/2017 and stated he could not attend the meeting on Sunday, 1/8/2017. Since Jim was not at the meeting on 1/8/2017, Ben stepped up to make a presentation on the transmission of sounds using Bluetooth and Wi-Fi between a computer and a smart phone. He also demonstrated using a small flash drive-type device that contained recorded sounds of the transmission

between the device and the computer and then out to the phone or another sound device. Bob noted he found the presentation impressive and educational. Ben had to respond to many questions from several persons in the audience indicating interest in Ben's presentation of the equipment and procedure.

The February speaker will be Bob Cohen of Bobology.com. He teaches at Santiago College.

The March speaker will be about the Avast Security System.

The April speaker will be Billy Chang of Microprinting.com who will demonstrate 3D printing.

Member Badges report: Gerry found his equipment and is ready to prepare badges. He said he needs a club logo in digital format. Ben will email to Gerry a logo in a PDF file. Gerry will produce the badges.

Web Site report: no report due to absence of Jim.

Adjourn: Gerry moved to adjourn the meeting. Larry 2nd. Approved. Ben declared the meeting ended at 4:25 PM.

Submitted by: Bob Dickson, Secretary
secretary@noccc.us

Main Meeting Report and SIG Reports

Main Meeting for March

BobG representing Avast a security software provider free and paid-for downloads.

Main Meeting for April

Billy Chang and Barbara Chang will demonstrate the latest in 3D printing technology pending approval of the board of directors.
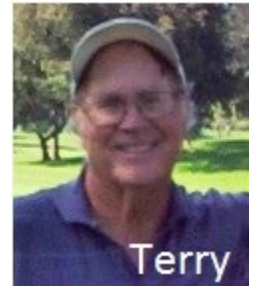
Main Meeting for May

An invitation is in the works to Gene Barlow to do a webinar about backup software.

Linux SIG

By Terry Dickson of the Linux SIG

The Linux Sig meets in Science Bld. Room 131 at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

This month's Sig meeting was about the small MIS Wind Box Computer. This PC comes with an Intel Celeron 1037U-1.8 GHz processor. 500GB Hard Drive. 4GB of ram…

The Wind Box DC111 has elegant lines and a slim, lightweight chassis. It is just 7.55" X 5.94" X 1.37" in size, and weighs under 2 lbs. The DC111's unique ID design makes it easy to store and move around; this ultra-mini PC is perfect for both home and office use.

Tests have confirmed that, in regular operation, the Wind Top DC111 maintains average power consumption that does not exceed 40W, less than half that of most conventional PCs. I bought this unit without any operating system for less than $150.00 Dollars, because I wanted to install Linux Ubuntu (Kylin) 16.04.2 LTS for display at our Linux Class.

Due to the size of the unit I can move it around without any problem. The Unit comes with two (2) USB 3.1 ports in the back a HDMI output, a VGA output LAN- JACK auto output and S/PDIF… the front has 4 USB 2.0 ports head phone jack MIC jack Wi-Fi LED and also has a 3-in- 1 (SD / MS/ MMC) card reader slot. The unit is very quit. We should have fun playing with this unit.
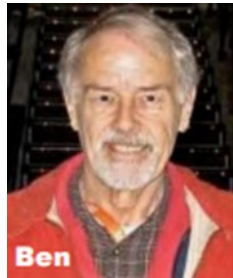
But remember always Have fun using and playing with a Linux.

This SIG meets in Science 131 at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
terry@noccc.us

Mobile Computing

By Ben Lochtenbergh, Mobile Computing SIG Leader

"Oh My Gosh" almost forgot to do this Mobile Computing report. There are so many other things going on like family, friends, graduation, health, vacation planning, doing taxes, and cutting a fallen tree with a chainsaw.

Did you hear how I got round trip airfares to Paris for less than $400 per person? There are valuable tricks to learn to get fares this low! I advised attendees at a previous MC SIG, but who cares? Who needs to know daily price changes? **Is this a mobile computing topic?**

It is amazing that people find the time to attend meetings at our computer club considering the many other things that are going on in their lives. It must be love of computers or camaraderie that makes it happen. Computers are the ultimate game to me, it still fascinates me as the first computer game that I liked to play on an IBM mainframe computer (during working hours). It was a Lunar Landing Module game where one had to control the thrust to slow down the fall of the module to achieve a soft landing. Elon Musk and his team seem to have **mastered soft landings** of the SpaceX booster rocket on sea and land.

Yes, I am struggling to make this Mobile Computing SIG more pertinent to the group's needs and its title. Will a change in title be more truthful? I noticed a drop in attendance the last few months to 6 and 7. In a way that is good because some attended other SIGs. Perhaps I have been showing too many tricks that only I can do. I like showing these but that may not be very useful except that people can see what is possible by someone they know. I always like to be at the cutting edge of computer technology and sometimes I get hurt cutting myself. Perhaps part of the enjoyment of attending this SIG is to see me fail at the bleeding edge of computer technology. So I am operating a smartphone with Android 7.1.1, USB-C, using Fi as telephone carrier, and a fast charging battery. Most people do not aspire to this at this time,

rightly so, because it is not all rose color and moonshine doing this. At best, it keeps me busy and you entertained. I like playing with fire.

One more thing several people asked before the SIG meeting "What are you talking about today?" I found it difficult to answer but thought of a solution: I will post the Agenda in the Irvine Hall near the donuts!

The MC SIG meets in Science 109 at 10:30 am

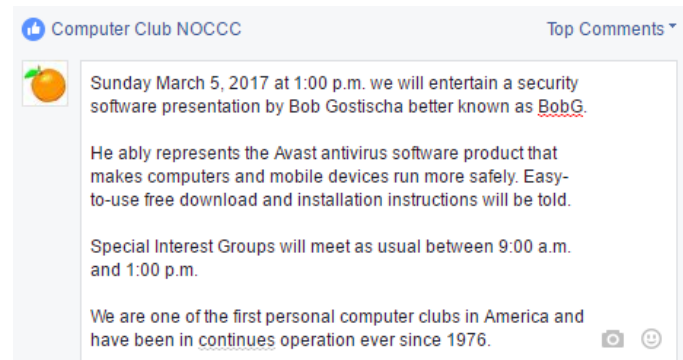## February 2017 RAFFLE results

Winner names of raffle by Dennis Martin

Membership Drawing, February 5 2017	
Club Pen	Bob Dickson
USB Flash Drive	Jim Sanders
Air Compressor	Bob Strain
Light Flash Drive	Terry Dickson
Ream of Paper	Dennis Martin

General Raffle Drawing February 5, 2017	
Flash Drive	Ben Lochtenbergh
Flashlight	Don Armstrong
DVD Writer	Martin LA Roque
Ream of Paper	Martin LA Roque
Pen	Bob Strain

Facebook Announcement

Computer Club NOCCC — Top Comments

Sunday March 5, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. we will entertain a security software presentation by Bob Gostischa better known as BobG.

He ably represents the Avast antivirus software product that makes computers and mobile devices run more safely. Easy-to-use free download and installation instructions will be told.

Special Interest Groups will meet as usual between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

We are one of the first personal computer clubs in America and have been in continues operation ever since 1976.

Facebook post for NOCCC by Ben Lochtenbergh

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Application Form

Membership application, renewal, or update form

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION [ ]   MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL [ ]   ADDRESS UPDATE [ ]

EMAIL UPDATE [ ]   PHONE UPDATE [ ]   OTHER [ ] _____

Date: _____ My Membership Number Is: _____

Please Print!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____   ZIP: _____-_____

Home Phone (_____) _____-_____ Mobile Phone (_____) _____-_____

Email: _____

Fee schedule is on the back cover of the Orange Bytes Newsletter. $35 Individual Membership.
Membership fees are 100% tax deductible when paid to North Orange County Computer Club.
Amount enclosed $_____   Check # _____   Cash [ ]   Other [ ]
Note: Currently we do not accept credit cards or PayPal.

Please make checks payable to **NOCCC**

Mail to North Orange County Computer Club, PO Box 5841 Fullerton, CA 92838-0841
Or on Sunday hand completed form, with check if needed, to the Treasurer or a Board member.

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Fee Schedule for NOCCC

The fee schedule has been set up to increase club membership, attract people with an interest in computing and attract local computer-related businesses to place ads in the Orange Bytes with or without becoming NOCCC members.

We are also offering members the opportunity to help our club financially by making donations that should be income-tax deductible since we are chartered as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Donors will be acknowledged in the Orange Bytes and the Membership level will be shown on the Member's Badge. **Your regular dues are tax deductible!**

Directions to the NOCCC meeting site

Membership Level ($)	1 Year	3 Years
Individual Member	35	90
Each Additional Family Member	15	40
Full-Time* Enrolled College Student	20	
Enrolled High School Student	15	
*Minimum 12 Semester Hours		
Business Member + Ad (Business Card)	180	
Business Member + Ad (¼ Page, ½ Page)	465, 800	
Business Member + Ad (Full Page)	1,475	
Contributing Member	75	
Supporting Member	100	
Advocate Member	250	
Patron Member	500	

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Directions to NOCCC from John Wayne-Orange County Airport (SNA) 12 miles:

Enter CA-55 N (Costa Mesa Freeway) crossing Interstate 5 toward Anaheim/Riverside for 9 miles.   Notice freeway signs saying "Chapman University."   Exit toward E Chapman Ave. Turn right onto N Tustin St.   Turn left onto E Walnut Ave.

1) Turn left past N. Center St. for the **best place to park** in the underground parking structure (Lastinger under the sports field). Pay a small fee ($2) to park Ask members or help@noccc.us about parking details, restrictions, and price break!	2) Turn left onto N Center St. On the right is the Hashinger Science Center, 346 N Center St. Orange California. Parking on the University side is free. Parking on the residential side may cost you a parking ticket or tow away!