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December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, General Session Notes by Alan Raul

**Private Internet Access VPN 3.7.0**

[https://www.majorgeeks.com/files/details/private\\_internet\\_access\\_vpn.html](https://www.majorgeeks.com/files/details/private_internet_access_vpn.html)

**Inside Intel's \$20 Billion Chip Factory in the US** <https://youtu.be/UDmW-pGzsWs>

**Leica Camera AG** <https://youtu.be/UDmW-pGzsWs?si=1gpEyE0mDTFNAoKm&t=721>

**Frame** - When business meets engineering, FRAME is your new source of information. Designing, prototyping, building, or even destroying, our daily life is surrounded by processes of all kinds, each more interesting than the next.

<https://www.youtube.com/@TheFrame>

**Rechargeable LED Headlamp, 230? Illumination Headlight with Motion Sensor, Lightweight, Weatherproof, 2 Light Source Head Lamp Flashlight** <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B096M68534?th=1>

**Synology DiskStation DS1525+ 5-Bay NAS Enclosure**

<https://www.synology.com/en-us/products/DS1525+>

[https://www.bhphotovideo.com/c/product/1903687-REG/synology\\_diskstation\\_ds1525\\_5\\_bay\\_nas.html](https://www.bhphotovideo.com/c/product/1903687-REG/synology_diskstation_ds1525_5_bay_nas.html)

**Alan's current hardware in use.** You can click an item of particular interest or download all the files as a single ZIP file (recommended). <http://tinyurl.com/5n7ywhx5>

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/c04bq4vbprfh1yvo4vdfm/h?rlkey=xxcr2i3oh2j3xggxhxb5yjw6q&dl=0>

**Windows 11 Media Creation tool update fixes bugs and gives latest ISO image November 2025**

[https://youtu.be/\\_grjolzR9LU](https://youtu.be/_grjolzR9LU)

**Windows 11 24H2 25H2 New start menu will start rolling out November Patch Tuesday**

<https://youtu.be/VoKSfbJ28KY>

**macOS Tahoe 26.1 ? The Spotlight App is Wider and more?**

[https://youtu.be/33Vbw5MeQ\\_8?si=sqWHpZ-FKwqxnDM\\_&t=115](https://youtu.be/33Vbw5MeQ_8?si=sqWHpZ-FKwqxnDM_&t=115)

**Ralph's LENOVO ThinkPad X1 Carbon Gen 8 14"**

<https://www.fullbean.com/computer/linux-lenovo/linux-lenovo.html>

**Who Needs Photoshop Anyway?**

<https://youtu.be/VmrmE4NyZX8>

**Affinity by Canva**

<https://www.affinity.studio/>

**Alan Raul**



### **January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Program by Ralph Sutter**

The **First ZOOM Session** will feature **Ralph Sutter** offering a **Questions and Answers** program from **12:45-2:00 p.m.** Usual topics include security issues, recent changes in Windows operating systems, tablets and smart phones as well as demos of software and hardware. We always encourage questions and observations from the audience.

To be part of the virtual meeting via **Zoom**, please refer to the e-mail that will be sent to you twice shortly before the meeting with the credentials necessary to join the Zoom session.

If you are asked for a **Meeting ID** or a **Password**, copy it from the announcement and paste it into the appropriate box.

There will be a break from 2:00-2:30 pm allowing the audience to sip a beverage, pet the dog or stretch. The **Second Session** will follow the format in which everyone is invited to pose computer issues that they face and/or solutions to them. We will call this segment **Potpourri**. Contact Ralph at [ralph@sutter.com](mailto:ralph@sutter.com) for more information.

### **Ralph Sutter**

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### **Photo Group Report by Ralph Sutter**

**Ralph Sutter** began the meeting with favorite images from Boundary Waters, the San Juan Islands, Santa Cruz Island and from atop his kitchen counter. Ralph commented that all the photos were taken with a Fuji waterproof camera or a Samsung S22 smartphone. None of them came from his Sony A7 IV mirrorless camera.

**Alan Raul** chose all his images from 2025. They included black and white stylized photos of architecture and shots with intentional camera movement. When working with his Leica, Alan prefers to set the shutter speed at 1/250th of a second and the ISO set to Auto.

**Kaye Raul** moved between elephant seals at Piedras Blancas to Yosemite's Half Dome. She also offered images of San Francisco landmarks, wind turbines and fishermen silhouetted against the sun setting on the ocean.

**Stanford Brown** included lots of people in his shots, closeups of babies, silhouettes, kids on bikes, hikers fording streams and raging rivers.

**John Waller** shared historical photos of his mother presiding over Arroyo Grande's Harvest Festival, his favorite childhood campsite, visits to Yosemite and Disneyland. John also captured an A10 airplane flying at the Santa Maria Air Show.

At the close of the meeting, Sutter called attention to his recent post on the Links Page entitled **Show Your SmartPhone Images on Google Maps Pro with Irfanview** See <https://www.slobbytes.org/digital/documents/exf-irfanview.pdf>

The next meeting will take place on **January 18th, 2026, beginning at 2:00 pm** via Zoom.

**Please note that this is one week later than usual**

The topic will be **A Different Point of View** Please share new images taken from a novel angle; below, above, Inside or outside of the conventional vantage point

See the [Links page](#) for tutorials and other resources.

### **Ralph Sutter**

### **Push Library**

Look at the **PUSH archives**, <http://www.slobbytes.org/push/>. This is a repository of articles where you will find tips, product reviews, and personal recommendations contributed by computer clubs across the country.

They are provided courtesy of the Association of Computer User Groups, **APCUG**, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated.

The actual **PUSH** articles are hyperlinked from the index located at



<http://www.slobbytes.org/push/index.html> (All articles on one long page)

<http://www.slobbytes.org/push/push-condensed.html> (Links to **PUSH** articles by month received)

You can view additional APCUG publications here: <http://www.slobbytes.org/apcug/index.html>

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### **SLO Bytes Bulletin Board**

Everyone can read the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board at <http://slobbytes.org/smf/index.php?board=1.0> but only subscribers can post comments or respond to the posts of others. Despite the usual connotation of **subscribe**, it costs nothing to join the bulletin board. It is free to all current SLO Bytes members. However, to guard against cyber-mischief by spammers and other ne'er-do-wells, I have disabled self-registration. If you want to be added to the bulletin board, please send your request to me at [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com).

If you are currently registered with the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board and wish to change your password, you will find a video screen capture of how to do so at

<http://www.slobbytes.org/documents/change-bb-password.mp4>

### **Club Information and Meeting Times**

**SLO Bytes**, a PC Users Group dedicated to educating its members in the use of personal computers, digital devices and software, meets on the first Sunday of each month via **Zoom**. Zoom credentials are sent to members twice shortly before each meeting. If you are a SLO Bytes member and don't receive this e-mail, please contact [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com).

All meetings are open to the public at no cost. A general interest and Q&A session occurs from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **Ralph Sutter** ([ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com)) or visit [slobbytes.org](http://slobbytes.org) for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation. All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.

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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.

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### **Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)**

**The Linux Group** normally meets via Zoom at 6:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month.

View the web site at <https://slolug.mailchimpsites.com/> Contact [Alan@alanraul.com](mailto:Alan@alanraul.com) for credentials to join the Zoom Session.

**The Photography Group** normally meets via Zoom beginning at 2:00 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Contact [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com) for credentials to join the Zoom Session. Visit the website at [www.slobbytes.org/digital](http://www.slobbytes.org/digital)

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