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Chapter Newsletter

Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2

Our April program is about Microsoft's Windows Server 2008 R2. Our speaker will be Matt Hester who is a US IT Pro Evangelist for Microsoft.

Matt will discuss the new features in Windows Server 2008 R2 with a focus on the benefits for IT Administrators. This session will cover many new features included in Windows Server 2008 R2 that improve the cost of ownership and IT administrator improvements. The session will cover the Best Practice Analyzer (BPA), Active Directory, Windows PowerShell, Power Management, Group Policy enhancements, Scalability, Server Core enhancements, Windows Server Web application platform, and new Remote Desktop Services features and capabilities.

Matt Hester is a seasoned Information Technology Professional Evangelist for Microsoft. Matt has been involved in the IT

Pro community for over 15 years. Matt is a skilled and experienced evangelist presenting to audiences nationally and internationally. Prior to joining Microsoft, Matt was a successful Microsoft Certified Trainer for over 8 years. After joining Microsoft, Matt has continued to be heavily involved in IT Pro Community as an IT Pro Evangelist. In his role at



Microsoft, Matt has presented to audiences in excess of 5,000 and as small as 10. Matt has also published 4 articles for TechNet magazine and runs a successful blog with ~350K touches a

month. Matt also recently published a book on [Windows Server 2008 R2 Administration](#).

This is an opportunity to bring your questions to a Microsoft "expert." Microsoft is also supplying some door prizes and copies of the book "Windows Server 2008 R2 Administration Instant Reference" by Matt Hester and Chris Henley.

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Dinner Reservation and Cancellation Policy

AITP members will be notified by electronic mail one week prior to the Chapter meeting. Reservations can be made by responding to the electronic notice or by calling **Mary Simpson at 615/367-8083 fax: 615/367-7775** Dinner reservations can be canceled up to 24-hours prior to the meeting without cost.

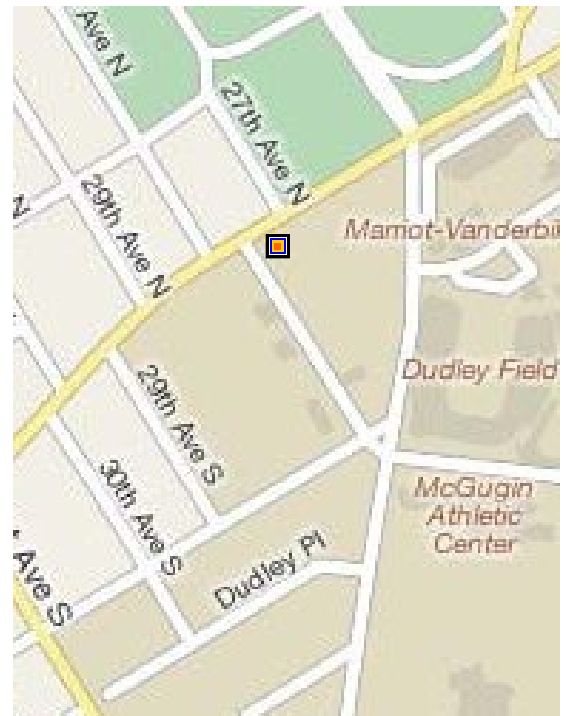
Since the Chapter pays for reserved meals, No Shows will be billed at the reservation price of \$20.00 for Members, and \$30.00 for Guests.

Members are responsible for their guests' reservations. *If you are a member and have not been receiving this notification, please contact Mary Simpson at:*

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msimpson@genesco.com.

April Chapter Meeting

Holiday Inn Vanderbilt
2613 West End Ave.
Nashville, TN 37203
615-327-4707



President's Message

March's program was given by Joe Martin. Joe's message provided the audience with a solid strategy for dealing with the tough times we all find ourselves in. His down to earth advice gave us all a great insight into Personal Planning. Why did he not concentrate on career advice? Joe explained that our career depends on the state of our lives, and our lives in turn are dependent on our thoughts. Get positive thought patterns and that will lend itself towards a rewarding life and career. Easier said than done one might say, well read on. People, companies and the economy all have one thing in common, Lack of growth = Decline. We have to continually strive for growth, failure to do so will allow the change happening around us to unravel our lives.

He advised us to Focus on the Positive, Focus on Growth. Joe advised us to establish a positive vision of the future, a dream is a positive vision of the future, and worry is a negative vision of the future. There is a natural tendency for us to worry more later in our careers, this should be resisted otherwise we lose our vision and our careers/lives may come unraveled.

Surround oneself with positive people with vision and read positive books espoused Joe. He explained the importance of these two key moves as follows.

Books and People bring us words.

Words lead to mental pictures.

Pictures lead to Thoughts.

Thoughts lead to Actions

Actions lead to Habits

Habits form our Character

Our character forms our destiny!!

Therefore positive people and messages lead to a positive destiny, while negative people and messages lead to a negative destiny. Take your choice!

I find myself at AITP surrounded by a great team. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all of them as we strive to grow AITP Nashville. This past month we visited ITT Tech and MTSU to reach out to AITP Student Chapters that will provide new growth in the Nashville tech scene. We will extend our outreach efforts this coming month and I hope to give you all an update on this in my next message.

I look forward to seeing you all again.

JP White

President, AITP Nashville Chapter

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Steve Scott



Our new member profile this month is about Steve Scott who just joined AITP. Steve is an IT professional with 14 years experience as a software developer. He joined Deloitte Services LP in 1995, but was a RIF person (Reduction in Force) in 2009 along with a number of others from Deloitte.

Steve started his career as a Programmer Analyst with Deloitte and moved up to a SAP SD Configuration Analyst and BW Reporting Developer. Steve has a strong work ethic and developed a wide variety of programs and applications during his years with Deloitte. He has a working knowledge of a number of software technologies including SQL Server, Oracle, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

Steve graduated from Murray State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business with a Concentration in Computer Information Systems. He is currently studying the Oracle Version 11 Database and for his certification as a CCNA (Certified Cisco Network Administrator).

For fun Steve says he is into Scuba diving and has been to such exotic places as Florida, Beliese, the Fiji Islands, and New Zealand on diving trips. He says the most fun he has ever had was swimming with the sharks in Fiji. Steve played the trumpet in the Marching Band in college and continues to use his musical talents by performing at his church occasionally.

Steve owns a home in LaVergne and cares for a cat that he got from his parents. After several of Steve's visits home, it became obvious that the cat had decided it liked Steve better than it liked his parents. The cat went home with Steve.

Steve is looking for work as a software developer and would make a good addition to an IT team for a medium to large company. He would prefer not to relocate, but does not mind some travel. Steve joined AITP to continue his self-development and to network with other professionals about his next position. He says this out-of-work-thing has gone on long enough, so if you know of a company that needs a hard working software developer, please let Steve know at our next AITP meeting.

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2010

Date	Event	Location	Information
April 1	April Fool's Day	TBA	Don't Be Led Astray
April 8	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Vanderbilt	Microsoft, Matt Hester
May 9	Mother's Day	Home	Bring Flowers
May 13	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Vanderbilt	Bill Vance, Sr. Director IT Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis
June 14	Flag Day	U.S.A.	Show Your Colors

SPEAKERS

We are always interested in good speakers to make presentations at our AITP Chapter Meetings. If you know someone who is interested in making a presentation on a topic, on their company, or company's products, please contact Paul Saunders at (615) 367-1717 or Paul@SaundersSystems.com.



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AITP New Member

**Stephen Scott
LaVergne, TN**

Welcome to our new member!

AITP Member Communication:

You are invited to a Microsoft Exchange Server 2010 Overview Webcast hosted by AITP and presented by Harold Wong, IT Pro Evangelist, Microsoft.

Tuesday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Central

Topic: Microsoft Exchange Server 2010 Overview Webcast Presented by: Harold Wong, IT Pro Evangelist, Microsoft Hosted by: AITP Cost to attend: \$0 Registration

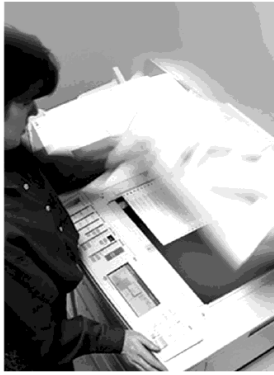
Form: <http://aitpexchangeserver.eventbrite.com>

Note: Webcast access information including both audio and video will be sent separately upon completion of your registration.

This session offers an overview of Exchange Server 2010, the cornerstone of Microsoft's unified communications solution, and demonstrates how this latest release helps achieve new levels of reliability and performance, by delivering features that help simplify administration, protect communications, and delight users. The session will highlight key innovations and enhancements made in Exchange 2010 across three product investment areas: "Flexible and Reliable", "Anywhere Access", and "Protection and Compliance". We will also touch on high-level options around migration from previous releases of Exchange, and illustrate the significant "Software + Services" opportunities delivered with Exchange Online.

Harold Wong, IT Pro Evangelist, Microsoft Harold Wong is a 10 year veteran with Microsoft. Over the last 5 years, Harold has been focused on educating IT Pros about Microsoft infrastructure products. Although he is familiar with the core infrastructure servers, his true passion is with Unified Communications (Exchange and Office Communications Server). Outside of work, Harold enjoys spending time with his wife and two kids and when the budget allows, eating a lot of sushi.

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