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Chapter Newsletter

Embraer Field Trip

Our program for the start of the New Year is a visit to the Embraer Aircraft Maintenance Services, Inc. operation at the Nashville Airport. Embraer is one of the largest manufacturers of commercial jets, executive jets, and defense systems. They are based in Brazil and have about 20,000 employees worldwide. They were founded in 1969.

The Embraer operation at the Nashville Airport provides comprehensive maintenance service on all Embraer aircraft including heavy check and line service maintenance, frame and interior refurbishment, and component repair and overhaul. Many airlines and Embraer aircraft owners across North America have their planes serviced in Nashville.

Our tour of the Embraer maintenance facilities will provide an in-sight into how jet aircraft are maintained for our safety. Our host will be Robert H. DePriest who is the Chief Financial Officer. Bob has served as CFO for Embraer for the past ten years. His career in Finance and administration spans over thirty years in the aviation field. Bob has held progressive positions with Western Airlines, Burlington Air Express, Hawaiian Airlines, and Matrix Aeronautic. In his position at Embraer, Bob manages Accounting, Treasury,

Information Technology, Human Resources, Safety, and Facility Maintenance. Bob holds a B.S. degree in Finance from San Diego State University.

Embraer Aircraft Maintenance Services is located at 10 Airways Blvd., Nashville 37217. This is on the west side of the Airport and the Embraer building is where the old terminal was located. The Airways Blvd. exit is off Briley Parkway.



Attendees should plan to arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. We will have a box- lunch dinner, and the presentation and tour will be about an hour. We should be completed by 8:00 p.m.

As with all of our field trips, there will be a special price of \$15 for members and \$20 for guests. Pre-registration is required. Cameras and photo cell phones are not allowed. There is considerable walking, so no high heels or open toed sandals. We will be going between buildings and since this is January, you should bring your coat.

This should be an interesting visit to see how they take apart and put together the pieces of a jet airplane. They will also relate how their computer systems are used to schedule and keep track of the activities.

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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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January Chapter Meeting: Field Trip

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President's Message

A new decade is upon us! Ten years ago many of us would have been putting the finishing touches to our Y2K mitigation programs and maybe stocking up on water (just in case). Some even went as far as installing whole house generators. Many were apprehensive as to what the Y2K time bomb would bring upon us. The economy was doing very well; but unknown to us all a recession was just around the corner. Fast forward to today and the challenges in front of us are very different as we come out of a severe recession. Today our apprehensions maybe focused on either finding work, hoping to retain the same, or keeping the doors open at our businesses. God willing, the worst is behind us and we can look forward to 2010 being a year of reconstruction and growth, both as a country and as IT professionals. AITP has an important role to play in our local and national communities as we move forward into the new decade.

As your incoming president I'd like to thank Tom Clark for his service as President last year and I will build upon the progress and achievements he made. I am very pleased to say that I am joined by Walker Morrow who is serving as Vice President. A major challenge for our local chapter of AITP is to grow membership; I will work with Walker in building a strategy for 'getting the word out' to the Nashville community. Walker is VP of Sales at Laser One and will be a major asset to us as we strive to grow.



Lisa Spencer of News Channel 4 weather spoke to us at the December meeting and provided us with insights about her career in meteorology along with a 'behind the scenes' look at how weather broadcasting is produced. Weather forecasting and broadcasting relies heavily on technology and Lisa talked about her use of and reliance on computer technologies. Lisa provided good storm safety tips, including some humorous (but practical ones) like wearing a motorcycle helmet while sitting in your bathtub. Flying debris is the lead cause of injury and death during severe storms. Therefore go to the central most room in a structure located on the ground floor during severe weather.

In January, in place of our regular monthly meeting, we are due to go on a field trip to Embraer Aircraft Maintenance Services (EAMS) located at the Nashville International Airport.



Aircraft Maintenance Services Inc.

EAMS staff will take us on a tour of the maintenance facility where we will see the technology that goes into modern aircraft and maintenance operations. Computer network technicians will recognize some of the underlying technology connecting aircraft control systems; such as TCP/IP networking protocols over redundant fiber optic cabling (yes, an aircraft has an IP address). Security is important to aviators and as a result the tour size will be limited. Be sure to confirm your reservation quickly once the invite is sent out. In the meantime feel free to make yourself more familiar with their operations on the web at the following address.

<http://www.embraer.com/eams/>

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

JP White

President, AITP Nashville Chapter

<http://www.aitpnashville.org>

AITP New Member Profile

James Faris



Our profile this month is on Jamie Faris who is a Software Developer at Prison Health Services in Brentwood, Tennessee. Prison Health Services (PHS) provides healthcare support for approximately 160 jail and prison sites around the country. PHS, established in 1978, is the founder of the private correctional healthcare field. Jamie is part of a team developing a medical records system at PHS. He does C# and [VB.NET](#) programming to maintain [ASP.NET](#) web applications as part of this team. Jamie has been with PHS since September 2009.

Prior to coming to Nashville, Jamie worked with LLamasoft in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as a Software Engineer. He was responsible for Supply Chain Guru, LLamasoft's supply chain optimization and simulation software. Jamie also handled the general and regression testing of the simulation and optimization engines. Jamie moved to Ann Arbor to be near his fiancée, Sarah Fraumann. Sarah was finishing Medical School at the University of Michigan. After she graduated, they were married and moved to Nashville in the summer of 2009 so Sarah could start her residency in Urology at Vanderbilt.

Jamie is a Canadian and was raised in Alberta near Edmonton. He went to high school in Victoria, B.C. where he started rowing. The rowing led to Princeton University where he rowed varsity crew for four years, leading the team to three top-5 finishes at the National Championships. Jamie graduated from Princeton with a B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, concentration in Computer Architecture. Jamie also met Sarah at Princeton.

After Princeton Jamie moved to Vancouver, B.C., working as a Software Test Developer for the Business Objects company. He developed test plans and implemented software-testing systems using C#, Java, C++, and Scripting to test Crystal Reports servers and SDKs on UNIX and Windows. Jamie continued rowing in Vancouver and in 2006 moved to Victoria, B.C. to train full-time at the Canadian National Training Center.

Jamie's rowing background is impressive. He represented Canada internationally multiple times, beginning with the Junior World Championships in 2000, through the World Championships in 2006 and 2007. He was an alternate on the Gold-Medal-Winning heavyweight crew at the Olympic Games in Beijing in 2008.

Jamie and Sarah live in the Sevier Park area of Nashville and have two dogs, one chocolate lab and one yellow lab. On weekends they like to take the dogs to a water area where the dogs can swim and chase sticks. Both Jamie and Sarah love to travel. They spent a month after college backpacking in Europe, and they traveled around Asia following the Olympics in China. Jamie has traveled extensively during his rowing years; he has gone to places like Switzerland, England, Poland, Serbia, and Croatia, as well as across Canada. Jamie is fluent in French

Welcome Jamie and Sarah to Nashville and demonstrate what "Southern Hospitality" is all about.

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2010

Date	Event	Location	Information
January 14	Chapter Meeting (field trip)	Embraer Aircraft (Airport)	Tour of Maintenance Operation Robert H. DePriest, CFO
February 11	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Vanderbilt	IT at O'Charley's Brian Ball, Ball Consulting

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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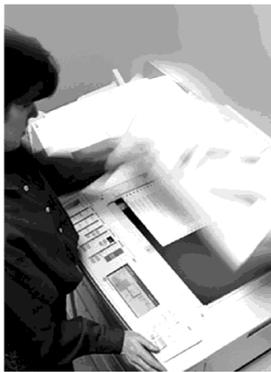
Welcome to our new members!



2009 has been a great year for the quality of programs, level of interest and participation of our AITP Chapter. We have heard from motivational speakers on building an IT Team for Superbowl Success and learned about software development in gaming here in Middle Tennessee. We have seen VMWare in action and learned about Business Continuity planning. Do you remember the program about Data Collection? It was amazing to see what information is being gathered on everyday activities. We learned about career success, blogging and social networking. We had workshops on Project Management and also on the Job Search. We learned about the Nashville Technology Council and what is happening in Middle Tennessee as it relates to Technology. To top it off we had Lisa Spencer do an outstanding job on a behind the scenes look into Meteorology and Tornado Preparedness.

AITP is fortunate to have the leadership of a talented Board of Directors who volunteer their time to provide these programs. In turn we all benefit from the time we spend together, networking, learning and benefitting from quality presentations. Thanks for your part in making it a great year for the Nashville Chapter of AITP, Tom Clark.





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