

AITP

The Association of Information
Technology Professionals

Monthly Meeting of the Nashville Chapter

Date: Thursday May 14, 2015
Place: Holiday Inn Vanderbilt

Cost: Members - No Charge
Guests - \$30.00

Note: Meeting fees have been waived for AITP members, however reservations are required. The \$20 meeting fee will apply to members who make reservations after noon on the Tuesday before our Thursday meeting!

Meeting Schedule

5:30 - 6:00	Social/Networking
6:00 - 6:45	Dinner
6:45	Business Meeting/Speaker

\$5.00 Discount for early registration
Contact Mary Simpson for reservations at
615-367-8083 or msimpson@genesco.com

Programming: Present & Future

Tom Tinsley, Information Technology Manager - Harris Research, Inc.

Many IT people have a computer programming background and have had to deal with the many changes over the years. Our May speaker will give us a recap of where the programming field stands today and where he believes programming will be in the future.

Tom Tinsley is our May speaker and has been involved in computers and programming since the early 1970's. Tom is presently the Information Technology Manager for Harris Research, Inc. here in Nashville. Harris Research, Inc. is the franchisor for Chem-Dry and N-Hance franchise business. Founded in 1977, Chem-Dry is the world's largest carpet and upholstery cleaning service with over 3,500 units in 35 countries.

Prior to Harris Research Inc., Tom was the IT Director for the Professional Credential Services Company and Network Manager for NASBA. During the Nashville flood in May 2010, Tom directed NASBA's data center move from downtown to a nearby location. Major communication systems were restored within 12 hours, and all critical systems were on line within 72 hours.

Tom operated his own hosting and PC support company in Hendersonville for two years. He started his IT career as an Analyst for Sholodge, Inc. in Hendersonville and was with them for eight years.

Tom will discuss programming languages, how they were developed, and where and how they are best utilized. He will discuss what "expertise in a language" really means.

Tom will outline the differences in programming in large IT organizations versus small IT shops. He will discuss the affect modern technology on programming and the changes coming in the future. He will talk about IT employment in the future and where and how to find the best candidates.

Tom holds a BA degree from Trevecca Nazarene University and is a Zend Certified Engineer. He is a member of the AITP Nashville Chapter. Tom and his family live in the Hendersonville area where he raises dogs and does automotive design and repair. Tom was recently honored as Employee of the Year at Harris Research.



Tom Tinsley

This should be an interesting session on programming by someone who has experience both on mainframes and PC's, along with bulletin boards and hobby development.

Please post this copy on your company bulletin board

REMEMBER
Dinner Cost Reduced With Early Registration:
Guests - \$25