AITP
The Association of Information Technology Professionals

Monthly Meeting
of the
Nashville Chapter

Date: Thursday October 8, 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

IT Career Journey
Cy Fenton, President of Booksamillion.com and SVP and CIO of Books-A-Million, Inc.

In the Information Technology field, we often start our careers as a Programmer or Network Administrator, move to Systems Analysts, to Systems or Programming Manager, and then on to Director. Very few move up to VP or CIO. Our October speaker has a different background and career moves. Our speaker is Cy Fenton who is presently President of Booksamillion.com and SVP and CIO of Books-A-Million, Inc.

Cy Fenton graduated with a BA degree in 1988 from Northwestern University. He founded TechHead Solutions in 1989 to do computer consulting for producers and musicians in the studios of Nashville. He sold TechHead Solutions in 1999. Cy and a partner started an Internet Marketing consulting group in 1994 named NetCentral, Inc. Cy was the EVP, Operations. NetCentral, Inc. was sold to Books-A-Million in 1999.

In 2001, Cy became VP, Store Technology for Books-A-Million. He then became SVP and CIO for Books-A-Million, Inc. in 2007, a position he still holds. In 2011, Cy also became President, Booksamillion.com where he is responsible for all digital sales and operations for Books-A-Million, Inc.

Cy will tell us how and why he got to where he is after a BA from college. He should be able to tell us what factors influenced his career decisions and how they might relate to us.

Cy is also a founding member if the National Retail Federation's IT Security Council (ITSC). He serves as its chairman and leads the executive committee. Cybersecurity has become topmost of importance for many retail organizations. The Target

Company incident got everyone's attention. Cy will give us a brief status report on retail security and even explain "spearphishing." Keeping up with cybersecurity is important for all of us.

Cy Fenton

Cy and his family live in Williamson County. Cy is, and has been, active in the Boy Scouts of America for many years, starting as an Eagle Scout.

This should be an interesting session by an energetic speaker.

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