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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 students, \$25.00 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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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Robert Morris, CEO of Inetstrategy and VP of InfraGard, was our substitute speaker at the November meeting. He told us about the role and history of InfraGard, an organization which serves as a liaison between the public and law enforcement entities such as the FBI, TBI, and Homeland Security. Comprised of business owners, bankers, law enforcement officers, and professionals, InfraGard engages in a collaboration of information sharing including threat advisories, alerts, warnings, daily updates from Homeland Security, webphishing attempts, and scams. They also help in identifying how many staff, doctors, and other resources are available for a given emergency response by calling area hospitals.

InfraGard has about 150 members and holds monthly meetings which feature speakers on topical subjects. Members undergo background checks to rule out felons and other security risks. As part of the overall purpose members concern themselves with questions like: what are the continued risks, where are we today, what is the potential damage, what are current blind spots, and what mitigation strategies might we employ?

One success of the security awareness push was the reorganization of the Travel Safety Administration. Now, 100% of airline passengers and baggage are screened and flying has never been safer. Other triumphs include the formation of the Department of Homeland Security, radio network standardization, and the establishment of community outreach programs. The last has resulted in increased police and K-9 patrols and vehicle and air cargo inspections. Community emergency managers have been established as well.

Mr. Morris closed with slides of the destruction by hurricane Katrina of the communities of Pascagoula, Ocean Breeze, and Biloxi.

Again, don't miss our December program when you will meet Abe Lincoln. If you are a member your family and significant others can attend for FREE. Just let us know how many are coming by the usual deadline.

Sincerely,

Robert Wright
President, AITP Nashville Chapter
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AITP Board Meeting

AITP BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

November 3, 2005

Prepared by Ella McGill

This meeting was held at the home of Paul Saunders.

Attendees: Paul Saunders, Charlie Apigian, Bob Claxton, Joan Julius, Robert Wright, Geoff Mason and Ella McGill. Donna Womack attended as our guest.

1. Due to the special nature of our December meeting, several of the board members will be making personal calls to all of the membership to let them know about the meeting and encourage them to attend.
2. The board voted to go forward with the one-day student conference to be held at High-Tech Institute on February 11, 2006. Paul and Gerald will be working with Donna on the details. Donna has prepared a flyer, secured judges, found volunteers to write problem statements for the contests, planned competition and seminar times, and prepared a registration form. The committee still needs to work on competition rules, name tags, award certificates, goody bags, and advertising and sponsorships.
3. Charlie gave a report on the Region 7 leadership meeting where he represented Frank. One of the things stressed was to get the membership involved in committee work to keep them interested and active in the chapter. The Region 7 Student Conference was also held at the same time. There were some logistic problems, but everyone seemed to have a good time. There were no volunteers to hold the 2006 conference, but Nashville will host the 2007 conference.
4. A couple of our new members, Marshall Messamore and Lamar Holmes, have expressed an interest in working on some sort of committee.
5. There is still no volunteer to be Vice President in 2006. Anyone interested should contact Robert Wright or any of the board members.
6. Bob gave a Treasurer's report. Some of our funds have been moved around, so he explained where the funds are and how they are broken out.

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Monthly Meeting
of the
Nashville Chapter

Date: Thursday December 8, 2005
Place: Holiday Inn Select -Vanderbilt

Cost: Members = \$25.00
Guests = \$30.00
Students = \$20.00

Meeting Schedule

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

Early Registration Discount = \$5.00
Member's Spouses/Significant others and their children
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Date	Event	Location	Information
December 8	Chapter Meeting Guest/Family Night	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	Meet Mr. Lincoln, Dennis Boggs
2006			
January 12	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	Death March Projects, Gary Ellis, Atiba Software LLC
February 9	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	Program TBA
February 11	Student Conference	High-Tech Institute	Dr. Gerald Marquis 615-963-7096
March 9	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	Program TBA
April 13	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	On Demand Middleware, Hector Hernandez, IBM, Miami

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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- Middle Tennessee State University
- Murray State University
- Tennessee State University
- Western Kentucky University
- High-Tech Institute - Nashville
- ITT Technical Institute - Nashville
- Tennessee Technological University
- Nashville State Technical College

Eligibility:

Students must:

1. be enrolled for the Fall of 2005 and Spring 2006.
2. be student members of AITP by October 31st.
3. complete the application and required documentation by January 20, 2006

Criteria for Selection:

Selection for the scholarships will be based on:

1. Academic achievement
2. The applicant's demonstrated interest in information systems. These skills may be evidenced from school studies, activities, and information specific internships or jobs, as evidenced in your resume.
3. Recommendations by mentors, faculty, or direct work supervisors.
4. The required essay to be turned in with this application. The essay will be judged on completeness, thought, and innovativeness in conceptualizing ideas.

How to Apply:

Required Documentation:

1. Completed application form
2. One letter of recommendation
3. Unofficial Transcripts from current school/university
4. 5 copies of your essay per requirements of the application
5. Resume

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AITP New Member Spotlight

AITP New Member Spotlight: Marshall Messamore

This month's New Member Spotlight features a retired Major from the United States Air Force. After 23 years of service, Marshall Messamore retired from the Air Force in November of 2004. During his service to our country, he has been stationed in Texas, Colorado, Florida, Arizona, Mississippi, Illinois, Ohio, and Weonju Republic of Korea.

Marshall earned his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Arizona State University. He went on to earn his MS Computer Systems at the Air Force Institute of Technology. His skills include MS Project, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Access, Unix, Sun OS/Solaris, IBM OS/MVS, Sybase, Remedy, McCabe, C++, Ada, Perl, html, REXX, JCL, Fortran, Assembler, Exec, Exec2.

As a major in the Air Force Marshall was responsible for project management. Early in his military service Marshall worked for an organization that monitored nuclear treaties through seismic testing. Later he worked with a unit that coached Air Force Software organizations through process assessments, and assisted them with quality improvement initiatives. He also worked with USSTRATCOM where he led a software team providing intelligence support. His team performed functional and operational testing for local and national intelligence systems. His key project in this role was operational Y2K compliance testing for national intelligence systems. In his last years with the Air Force, Marshall was responsible for training officer candidates. Their detachment was selected as the best small/medium Air Force ROTC Unit in the country for 2002-2003.

Marshall attributes his success with the Air Force to his leadership and 'make it happen' attitude. His philosophy toward work is I CARE!

Image
Commitment
Attitude
Responsibility
Enthusiasm

Marshall is in the process of transitioning to civilian life. He joined AITP for the opportunity to meet, network, and learn from other IT professionals. Marshall is now seeking a type of job and a type of company more than a job title. He wants a job where he can interact with people, use his leadership and communication skills, and make a positive

impact. He wants to work for a company that values integrity, is truly committed to doing things well, rewards those who excel, and has fun at what they do.

Marshall has 3 children...one at Belmont University, one in high school, and one in middle school. He loves crossword puzzles, games and sports, especially basketball. He is a Kentucky Wildcat basketball fan and coaches -5th/6th grade teams every year in Upward basketball.



An interesting tidbit from Marshall's career is that on January 28th, 1986, he saw the Challenger accident with the naked eye from his front lawn at Patrick AFB, FL.

Welcome to AITP Marshall Messamore!

Each Month we would like to feature a new or recent member in our Newsletter. This gives current AITP members a chance to get to know our new members. If you are a new or recent member and would like to contribute to the AITP Newsletter, please contact me for a New Member Profile.

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