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Since the Chapter pays for reserved meals, No Shows will be billed at the reservation price of $20.00 for Members, $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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June Chapter Meeting:
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our May speaker, Ned Ramage, told us about the tenuous nature of personal privacy. Defining privacy as "the right to be left alone," he pointed out there is no legal structure for privacy in the U. S. We routinely give up personal information to banks, airlines and other entities with centralized databases. Our movements can be recorded by security cameras. In effect, we have electronic identities, possibly multiple identities. And with no power to find out how we are portrayed. Ned identifies these needs: Dialogue, Transparency & Accountability, Require need for info, and a Time Limit for keeping the information before it is destroyed. Transparency is better in the long run - if everyone can see everything and not just "authorities."

IT people have a say in decisions about privacy, but ultimately it is a management problem.

I was in Target one day last week and discovered they'd put some of their dollar DVDs on sale for 25 cents each. One treasure I bought was a twin film noir set which contained "Whistle Stop" with George Raft and Ava Gardner and "Detour" with Tom Neal and Ann Savage. The first movie had the expected performances from Raft and Gardner to recommend it, although the motivations and behavior of the characters were sometimes bewildering. Plus, Victor McLaglen stealing the show. The second starred a pair of actors I'd not heard of and had me scurrying to the Internet Movie Database after the viewing. This movie was rescued from decay as the first selected by a restoration project devoted to preserving neglected "B" classics. Ann Savage, who convincingly played the horrific Vera, didn't get very far in Hollywood and retired from the movies in the Fifties. Tom Neal had a somewhat more active career in the early fifties but saw it disappear after beating up another actor and later murdering his wife in 1965. He died months after his release from prison, his real life as much a film noir as the part he played.

May we all have better luck with our IT careers.

Sincerely,

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AITP Board Meeting

AITP BOARD MEETING SUMMARY
May 19, 2005
Prepared by Ella McGill

This meeting was held at the home of Paul Saunders.

Attendees: Paul Saunders, Charlie Apigian, Gerald Marquis, Frank Reagor, and Ella McGill.

1. One of the advertisers in our newsletter has inquired about getting an advertisement on the AITP-Nashville website in exchange for AITP getting an advertisement on his company's website. The board discussed this proposal, and we voted to offer any newsletter advertiser in good standing who request an advertisement on the website an advertisement on a sponsorship page that will be added to our website. No advertisements will be added to the home page of the website.

2. Our chapter will not make COPA this year. The problem lies with the number of current members who do not renew. We will look in to how to better retain the current membership.

3. Charlie will represent Frank at the Region 7 conference in October.

4. The Region 7 Student Conference will be held in Birmingham, AL the third weekend in October 2005. All preparations are on track at this time.

5. The Nashville AITP chapter would like to host the 2006 Region 7 Student Conference. This would be in October of 2006. We still do not know if another chapter is in serious contention for doing the conference. Frank is to check with Kevin Dunn to determine the current status. General plans were discussed, but no detailed planning can begin until we know if we will be granted this competition.

6. The board discussed the possibility of having a one-day conference at High Tech Institute on February 11, 2006. This would be billed as 'practice' for the national competition in April and the regional competition in October. The student chapters affiliated with the Nashville AITP chapter would be targeted, but any student would be welcome to participate. We are still awaiting more information from High Tech Institute. Detailed plans cannot be made until this information is received.

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<u>Meeting Schedule</u>

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7:00	Business Meeting/Speaker

Early Registration Discount = $5.00

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Date	Event	Location	Information
June 9	Chapter Meeting	Holiday Inn Select - Vanderbilt	Demand On Middleware - Hector Hernandez, IBM

SPEAKERS
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Nashville AITP Student Chapter News

There was no raffle for the AITP Student Scholarship this month, we hope to resume our fund-raising efforts at the next meeting. There were three AITP student members at the May AITP Meeting, one from MTSU and two from High Tech. Please also note that one of our new members, Matt DeVandry was the president of the AITP Student Chapter at MTSU in 2000-2001. Matt is featured in this month's New Member Spotlight article on page 11.

If you are interested in learning more about AITP Student Chapter and the Student Chapter Scholarships, please contact Dr. Apigian:

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Speakers needed for the AITP Student Chapter!

Can you fill in the blanks?

The most interesting project I was assigned to was _____ because _____

_____.

A day in the life of a(n) _____ at _____ is interesting because

_____.

Our student chapter members would really like to hear about your experiences in the "real world" so that they can be better prepared for life after graduation.

If you would like to help our student chapters by providing a short discussion or presentation on one of the above topics or any other IS related topic please contact the Nashville Chapter's Student Chapter Coordinator below.

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AITP New Member Spotlight: Matt DeVandry

By James Lotochinski

This month, we feature an employee from (quite possibly) the largest Information Technology shop in Middle Tennessee. **Matt DeVandry** is a Process Engineer with HCA, the nation's leading provider of healthcare services. Headquartered in Nashville, HCA has about 1285 staff in IT.

HCA owns and operates approximately 190 hospitals and approximately 91 outpatient surgery centers in 23 states, England and Switzerland. Founded in 1968, the company was one of the nation's first hospital companies. HCA and its affiliates employ 190,000 people.

Matt graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a degree in Computer Information Systems. His first job out of college was working for the US Department of State in Washington, D.C. as a VB, ASP, JavaScript, SQL and HTML programmer. He became a Business Analyst, performing requirements gathering, testing and business processes.

In his current position with HCA, he concentrates on methodology management, facilitates process working groups, models and manages business processes and acts as an internal consultant. When Matt is not working for HCA, he tells us that he's "working on my own IT projects in hopes that one might take off some day." When he's not on the computer, he enjoys golfing, mountain biking and simply being outdoors.

Matt joined the Nashville Chapter of the AITP because of his interest in learning more about the Nashville technology industry and its professionals. Additionally, this budding entrepreneur wants to "keep an ear on our local hot topics."

On a final interesting note-- Matt was the President of the AITP student chapter at MTSU in 2000 – 2001.

All of us at AITP welcome this bright young IT professional to our ranks! We look forward to the day when you will become a leader in our organization!

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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