2003 NA-RCCC

Workshop on Growing a Successful Chapter

Oregon & SW Washington

Oregon Chapter Demographics

- 242 active COMSOC members.

- Joint technical meetings held with the Computer Society brings the total membership served to 2060

- Five Universities in the State with EE and CS Programs
  - University of Portland (UP)
  - Portland State University (PSU)
  - University of Oregon (UO)
  - Oregon Graduate Institute of Science & Technology (OGI)
  - Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT)

Oregon Chapter Demographics

- 2900 high-tehnology companies throughout the state employes 89,443 people with average annual wage of $72,700

- Intel Oregon is company's largest site worldwide (15,000 employees)

- High-tech exports represented 45% of Oregon's exports

Chapter activity

- 9 monthly free technical meetings that draws between 100 ~ 250 attendees. Only 25% are IEEE Members!

- 3~4 meetings and topics are planned in advance by a joint program committee which consist of about 12 volunteers

- Meetings are always held on at 6 PM on the third Thursday of each month unless a different day is desired by the speaker

Chapter activity

- All technical meetings are free and open to the public. Registration is compulsory via the web. Currently there are 5000+ people on mailing list

- 4~5 one-day to five-day workshops per year brings in between 8~10K. Lately the topics tend to be exclusively in the area of Wireless

Sponsors

- Two major sponsors
  - AZAD (an IT Recruiting Company) for pizza and drinks at each of the 9 meetings
  - Oregon Graduate Institute of Science and Technology(OGI) for venue, audio visual etc

Oregon chapter: Attracting and Retaining Volunteers

- Make Volunteering as painless as possible
  - Meet twice a year
  - All other communications done exclusively by email, listserv
  - Core volunteer consisting of 12 people decides on speaker choices based local interest

Oregon chapter: Holding Successful Meetings

Consistency is key

- Third Thursday of each month
- Well Manage distribution list (currently over 5000 recipients)
- 50 minutes of social (enough time to mingle and enjoy pizza!)
- Weed out bogus presenters (no marketing allowed!) to keep a high standard of the lecture
- Event posting and registration system

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Topic	**Wireless-LAN Workshop**
Presenter	Robert Bartz, NTEC
When	12/16/2003 Time: 8:00am
Duration	3 day
Cost	$1250.00
Where	The Kingstad Meeting Center
Address	15450 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton, OR 97006
Directions	
Abstract	This course provides the networking professional a complete foundation of knowledge for entering into or advancing in the wireless networking industry. From basic RF theory to link budget math, including topics from troubleshooting to performing a site survey, this course delivers hands on training that will benefit the novice as well as the experienced network professional.1
	Audience: This course targets both novice and experienced networking professionals who wish to gain a solid understanding of wireless networking to complement their knowledge of traditional wired networking. It is appropriate for Systems & Network Administrators, Systems & Network Engineers, Systems & Network Analysts, Technical Support & Implementation Engineers, Technical Consultants and Network Architects
	Duration: This crash course consists of 24 hours (3 days) of material, incorporating both lecture and hands-on labs.
	Certification: This course may be used - and is the ideal track - for preparing students for the Certified Wireless Network Administrator exam (exam PW0-100).
Bio	Robert Bartz holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology from California State University, Long Beach and has an extensive history as a technical specialist and trainer in the field of Information Technology. With 20 plus years of industry experience as practitioner, mentor and classroom instructor, Mr. Bartz brings both legacy and emerging technology expertise to the IT enterprise, imparting a unique, enthusiastic blend of training and consulting experience to the training setting.

Event posting and registration

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Topic	**Distributed Sensing Techniques for Ubiquitous Mobile Devices**
Presenter	Ken Hinckley,
When	11/20/2003 Time: 6:00pm
Duration	2 hour
Cost	Free
Where	OGI School of Science and Engineering
Address	2000 NW Walker Road, Beaverton, OR 97005
Directions	
Abstract	Ken Hinckley, a research scientist at Microsoft Research, will discuss his recent research on distributed sensing techniques for wirelessly networked mobile devices. Microsoft Research has been exploring interaction techniques that allow users to dynamically bind together multiple mobile devices, for example by bumping two devices together, or by making a pen gesture that spans multiple displays. These new interaction metaphors give users straightforward means to express multi-device commands that transcend the boundaries between individual devices, allowing operations such as dynamic formation of "multi-monitor" configurations using independent mobile devices, establishing a shared workspace for collaboration, sharing files, or presenting information to another user. These represent examples of dynamic peer-to-peer coordination between proximal devices that we believe hint at exciting new applications and capabilities for wirelessly networked mobile devices.
	Ken's talk will focus on the user experience but will touch on technical and systems issues, as well as the sociological implications raised by users collaborating in close quarters
Bio	Ken Hinckley is a research scientist at Microsoft Research. His interests span many areas of human-computer interaction including input devices, interaction techniques, sensors and sensing systems, mobile devices, and ubiquitous computing. For recent papers, etc., see http://research.microsoft.com/Users/kenh/Default.htm.

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Oregon chapter: Increasing Membership

- At meeting a table display of past periodicals and application forms.

Oregon chapter: Income

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- The only expense so far is on DLT's and if a speaker is coming from out of town.