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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wow. Wow! WOW! Last month we all became DVD experts as Don Slepian filled us in on his pursuits in producing video using DVD.

Don demonstrated some of his impressive completed DVD products, provided a history of DVD, fended off all types of technical questions about the DVD format and somehow in the process laid out the basic software and hardware to get started.

Also Peter Czerwinski entertained us with a snippet presentation on his efforts in digital video making.

Next month Peter will return with another installment snippet in his digital video experimentation.

The main topic next month Macromedia Fireworks MX for web digital graphic production. I am the presenter.

Fireworks is a tool that provides the ability to edit and touch up bitmap graphics and photos like Photoshop. It also provides the ability to design web page interactive buttons and image maps.

I plan to focus on using Fireworks to create basic web page graphic panels and buttons using vector graphics as well as provide an overview of Fireworks MX. Join in and learn how to spruce up your web site.

The club was buzzing with visitors and guests. Keep up the good work everyone.

We have great topics and folks just need to hear about them.

We thank John Warsinski for donating additional raffle gifts at last month's meeting. Little did he know that he saved my and Peter's pink skin as between the two of us we managed to "forget" to bring the club blue chest of stuff including raffle tickets.

Speaking of memory loss, Barbara Middleton saved my forgetting to take home the club's wood bagel cutter and other utensils at the February meeting.

All but the knives were lost, but her efforts resulted in a free better improved bagel cutter that was taking up shelf space at the hospital. So no more wood in the bagels.
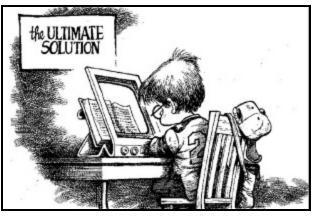
OPEN OFFICE & SUPREME OFFICE SUITE
(by Jim Russ)

During my demonstration of Lindows, I showed a Linux Office Suite called "Open Office" which is a "freebee". As explained, it is completely compatible with Microsoft Office documents and can be used to create, read and edit them. I am using it now to write this review under Windows ME.

It is the product of a group called "OpenOffice.org" and which has as it's mission statement "To create, as a community, the leading international office suite that will run on all major platforms and provide access to all functionality and data through open-component based (read free) APIs and an XML-based file format." At present it runs under Windows,

Linux (Lindows), Solaris and Mac OS X. The latest version for Windows is 1.0.2 Read that again! It runs in native Windows and it does not cost a penny! On top of this, as far as I can see, it is just as good. And based on the groups mission, it will be maintained and up dated to keep pace with MS Office. Down load it at: http://www.openoffice.org/ and give it a try. Or if you would like it on CD, send me an e-mail at jfruss@juno.com and I'll bring you one. All I ask is that you provide a blank CD-R.

With the Lindows machine I purchased, I also received a disk labeled "Supreme Office Suite" from ThizLinux. The disk contains an all-in-one office suite for Windows and Linux platforms based on the open-source software OpenOffice.org. The difference is that they have enhanced OpenOffice.org and provide support for nine different languages: English, Chinese traditional/ simplified, Japanese, Korean, German, French, Portuguese and Spanish. Like OpenOffice.org, Supreme Office Suite allows you to create text, spreadsheet, presentation, graphics and web page documents like OpenOffice.org and it could replace Microsoft Office.

Same offer as above. Just replace my CD-R disk.

Contributed by Paul Glattstein

MARCH MEETING
(by Ilene Shope)

At the last Meeting on March 15, 2003, there was a healthy energetic busy social aura in the early morning coffee hour, as Hunterdon Computer Club Members welcomed guests. (The common denominator for the interest was our program "From Video to DVDs" by Don Slepian).

Guests - Clarke Walker and Gaylord Olson are from the Princeton PC Users-Group. Clarke is from Trenton and he is the President of that Club. Gaylord is closer to HCC, in Hillsboro NJ. He said he printed out the February HCC News-letter when he visited HCC website.

When asked where she heard of Hunterdon Computer Club, Yuhlan Cho said she is in Professor Lon Hosford's class and has many computer books. Paul Rutkowski said he is in the hardware end of computers more so than Yuhlan, who is involved in software.

And, speaking of classes, Guest- Thomas Coyne said he took Bill Woodall's class. Tom traveled Switzerland and China within the past three years. Thomas and his wife Elizabeth (Betty) Coyne came as guests, but soon joined HCC as full-fledged members, submitting the necessary application form for family membership to Secretary/ Membership Officer, Jim Aller. (A Happy Welcome to Tom and Betty).

INTERNET SECURITY CHECK
(by Jim Russ)

Recently found that Symantec (http://www.symantec.com/securitycheck) has an Internet security check which can be run from their web page to check your computers security. This can be very important for those of us connected to the web all the time (DSL or Cable connections) but is important for every web user. Try it! If can give you piece of mind or show you where you need beefing up of your security. It checks: Network Vulnerability, Net BIOS Availability, Active Trojan Horses, Antivius Definitions and Browser Privacy.

YAHOO WANT TO GOOGLE
(by Lon Hosford)

In the January issue I wrote "Its the craze. Goto to www.google.com, type in your name and hit the 'I'm Feeling Lucky' button.' It was the article "Go Google Yourself" and discussed the Google search engine phenomenon. Well Yahoo is worried. I would think so.

AP reports that "according to the industry newsletter, Google handles an average of 112 million searches a day and Yahoo handles about 42 million. Most of Yahoo's results are generated by Google's software." This only took 5 years.

Yahoo slowly drove me away with clogged home page from hell and annoying pop up windows. As an avid Yahooer, these items served to reduce my enthusiasm for searching at Yahoo. I just did it less often and only when absolutely necessary.

Contributed by Eleanor Mistler

If you search at Yahoo, you are faced with every business with money tainting covering page real estate results to the extent that it takes click after click to cipher useful content from advertised content. Google on the other hand provides pure search results. Ads are clearly identified and share a sensible part of the results page real estate.

Well Yahoo is planning to try a new search engine to regain ground lost to Google. Yahoo licenses the Google database at this point and the two are business partners. Its difficult to comprehend how Yahoo thinks the problem is all about the

search engine and not how they present their content. Perhaps Yahoo does not see the simplicity and visitor focus the Google web design team maintains and which Yahoo once maintained when Yahoo was a real Yahoo and not a Goggle wannabe.

WINDOWS 98 SUTDOWN SUPPLEMENT
(by Jim Russ)

At the last meeting one of the Q & A questions was on the topic below:

This patch addresses shutdown issues on systems with specific hardware/software configurations running Windows 98 Second Edition. The issues include systems restarting when the user selects the Shut Down command and systems hanging during the shutdown process.

http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/ file_description/0,fid,6794,tk,Top10,00. asp

TRUE SOUTH AND QUIET
(by Ilene Shope)

(Ref: NSF Press Release: NSF PR 03-33- March 25, 2003: "New South Pole Seismic Station is One of World's Quietest and Most Sensitive")

(SPRESO) South Pole Remote Earth Science Observatory- is located in Antarctica, 5 miles from the South Pole. Boreholes were drilled into the ice to bury the seismometers, at a depth of approximately 1000 feet.

SPRESO- is the newest seismic station in the (GSN) Global Seismograph Network. GSN, based in Washington D.C. is operated by a consortium of 100 Universities, known as IRIS-the Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology.

Rhett Butler, GSN's program manager aid that data collected at SPRESO indicates the new observatory is the quietest listening post on Earth. The station records vibrations in global earthquake tremors.

Webpage: http://www.nsf.gov/od/lpa/ news/03/pr0333.htm -NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION.

THE WAR MACHINE
(Don Colombo, contributor)

The military's laptop of choice provokes shock and awe. By Paul Boutin

Just as Desert Storm boosted the sales of Hummers and GPS handhelds, Gulf War II will spawn its own crossover hits, pieces of military equipment that become civilian fetish objects. A prediction: One of the war's big winners will be Itronix's GoBook MAX, a sort of Windows laptop on steroids. The GoBook MAX has already been spotted in video from the front, and Air Force firemen deployed in Turkey have them. If Gulf War II is the first Internet war, then a computer should be its first piece of military chic.

No wider than an entry-level ThinkPad but much thicker and heftier, the $4,500 GoBook MAX is a waterproof, vapor-proof, shockproof piece of field equipment. "We drop each one 54 times from one meter, bake it in an oven, chill it in a freezer, vibrate it, and submit it to a shower of hurricane proportions," crows the GoBook's brochure. Unlike most laptop makers, Itronix specializes in handheld gadgets for hardhats, not wussy desktop PCs. The GoBook MAX is designed for civilian emergency-response teams as well as soldiers in the field. In my hands-on tests, it easily survived a few tosses across the floor of a local Starbucks—plus a spill of my third double espresso onto its keyboard. Its rubber-gripped handle makes it feel like sports gear rather than fragile electronics.

Itronix says the MAX is big among FBI bomb squads and NYPD anti-terrorist units. For government buyers, the MAX comes bundled with a restricted software package called CoBRA (or Chemical Biological Response Aide), a search engine that can identify some 60,000 chemical agents, plus a few dozen biological threats. Select the symptoms of victims at a disaster scene, and CoBRA will tell you how long you have before your hazmat suit craps out.

For civilians, the MAX offers features to rival new Centrino-powered laptops. Its 700 MHz CPU isn't the fastest, but built-in Cisco Wi-Fi and a heavy-duty antenna

are available as factory options. Dual USB jacks and a PCMCIA slot, protected by sturdy latches, are standard. CoBRA sales reps claim eight hours of work time from one charge to its heavy-duty (and just plain heavy) battery. Chem-bio response teams can't take off lunch to recharge. But the company's roughneck and military clientel belies its much larger potential market: professional parents. Finally, a laptop worthy of the term "toddler-proof." No disastrous crashes to the kitchen floor. No months of data lost to an incident with the sippy cup. Hazardous materials? Toss it in the dishwasher. Need to get out of the house? The handle flips back to mount the MAX open across the wheel of an SUV for mobile use. There's even an add-on DVD drive for movies.

With the amount of money office workers spend on their cars alone, a couple thousand dollars more for a droppable, dishwasher-safe laptop is a no-brainer bargain in total cost of ownership. The GoBook MAX gives new meaning to the phrase "homeland security."

DON SLEPIAN'S NOTES
on "From Video to DVD"
(by Jim Russ)

This is a list of the reference and white papers that Don alluded to during his talk. I am indebted to him for supplying me with copies of them that I might pass them on to our members.

http://www.mediostream.com/ is the link to the software Don showed us for making your own DVDs. Capture, edit, compress and burn video from video files and VHS tapes with neoDVD, an innovative easy-to-use package of software, using your home PC. Don sure made it look simple using this fine software. Download their White Paper on the software or buy it, $29.99 std. Version & $49.99 plus Version, (15% off from ShopVerbatim.com) from their home page above.

http://www.Doom9.net is the link for useful software tools for use with DVD, many of which are Open Source programs (free) that can decode DVD streams, encode DVDs to DivX and other MPEG-4 formats, Descrambling / Ripping tools, Editors, Filters and more.

http://www.digital-digest.com/dvd/ is a list of DVD recording related articles downloads, movies, reviews, guides and Tech-support http://www.disctronics.com, once there, click on download and then on CD and DVD documents to obtain Dr. Graham Sharpless, Disctronics technology expert, printable (PDF format) series of background information on these technologies.

CISCO IN SOHO?
(by Ilene Shope)

[Ref: (IBD) Investor's Business Daily: "In Bid for Consumer Networking Market, Cisco to buy Linksys" -By Mike Angell- March 21, 2003]

Cisco Systems Inc, announced on March 20, 2003, the acquisition of Linksys Group, Inc. Cisco's buy-decision was based on the SOHO (small office home office) consumer market, in broadband computer networking gear and also in-wireless Internet connectivity gear.

Cisco is in SOHO with this Cisco-Linksys business deal.

Cisco is the world's leader in networking gear. Cisco provides high-end equipment to corporate markets, for linking numerous computers.

Linksys (Irvine, Ca) is privately owned, and caters to consumers, linking two or more computers and peripherals. The company Linksys, started in 1988, in the garage of majority shareholders, co-founders (husband and wife, Victor and Janie Tsao).

Linksys competes with D-Link, Netgear and SMC Networks. Its distribution channels include Wal-mart, Best Buy, Circuit City, Radio Shack and it sells products through Cisco and Dell. Linksys sells Wi-Fi products (consumer wireless networking gear) also.

The gap created by the Cisco-Linksys business plan, may be filled by 3COM, a competitor in high-end networking gear.

THE COST OF SPAM
(submitted by Don Columbo)

UNSOLICITED E-MAIL, commonly referred to as Spam, cost U.S. and European corporations a total of $11.4 billion in 2002, according to a recent report by San Francisco-based consulting firm Ferris Research (www.ferris.com). Their study, "Spam Control: Problems and Opportunities," estimates that Spam-related costs amounted to $8.9 billion for businesses in the United States and $2.5 billion in Europe, and another $500 million for U.S. and European Internet service providers (ISP).

The cost of Spam is increasing rapidly for both corporations and ISPs, mainly as a result of lost productivity, consumption of information technology resources, and help-desk support. Based on interviews of corporate messaging managers, it's clear that Spam is a major problem for corporate information technology departments. According to the report, corporate users expect that the number of Spam messages, as well as the average size of each message, will continue to increase, leading to even higher costs. Ferris researchers estimate that Spam will cost U.S. corporations more than $10 billion in 2003, representing $14 per user per month.

The report also shows that Spam is becoming a significant problem for the mobile messaging market, as well as for instant messaging applications such as those offered by America Online, Yahoo!, and Microsoft. Spam is getting frustrating for mobile users, and subscribers to multimedia messaging services will become Spam targets as operators provide connectivity with the Internet.

According to the research, Spam with inappropriate message content is also a concern for business users. Spam to instant messaging users is growing rapidly and is often in the category of adult-content. The study shows some corporate users expressed concern that adult content Spam has the potential to create liability as a result of U.S. employment law.

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in Raritan Center, Edison NJ.
http://www.pcshow.com

COMPUTER VOLUNTEERS
(Evelyn Stewart)

HCC members go steadily on helping the community with computer problems, without any fanfare. John Warsinski has been co-teaching an evening Basics course and has just started a new morning course called "After you take the picture", which filled up fast.

On very special Monday Mornings, Bill Woodall teaches Evelyn's class, one day on Buying and Selling on E-Bay, and another recently going over reports students brought in after running BelArc Advisor on their home machines. You might want to download this free program and take a look at what's really in your machine. It generates a list of every file, far beyond what Windows Explorer reveals. Bill has also scheduled some Thursday classes, one on more detail about selling on E-bay, and another on internet security.

Barbara Himber is offering one or two sessions on using Help Screens, filling requests from students. .Maureen Barron and Arno Muench have retired from teaching mostly data base, but there is hope of persuading them to return. (Maureen was driving on Route 31 from Clinton, on her lunch hour, to meet a class.) Ken Jones starts a new class whenever he gets in from Texas or Alaska, visiting his far flung daughters or listing birds. He likes to teach file management, emai skills and web site treasures. Jean Scharenberg teaches Basics and Ted Scharenberg does spread sheets, as time and health permit.

A fairly new feature for which you can help spread the word is the New Group brown bag lunch at 12:30 on fourth Fridays, in the Senior Center building 1, (the computer room is in Building 2). This started as a steering committee evaluating past Monday sessions and suggesting topics for the future, which we still do, but the emphasis now is more on Q and A and general computer talk. These lunch gatherings are open to any Hunterdon County Senior, but there is a fee - each person is required to bring and share one computer idea discovered since the lunch before. Sample: Holding down control and clicking the right hand square cornered bracket will cause selected text or a single letter to grow one point size for each click, in Word. We do not deal in

earth shaking knowledge. Evelyn's Sony Va10 laptop is usually at lunch for onsite answers to questions. There will be no lunch in April while Evelyn goes to Michigan for another Print Artist Mini-meet, but lunches will resume in May.

While HCC has contributed ongoing support, advice, and answers to questions, the club does not provide all the teachers. Diane and Ron Steiner, and Fred Lathrop are currently teaching basics, and a new recruit, Suketu Shah, has chosen File Management as his area. However, the whole computer class venture started as a club Computer Volunteers project, 9 years ago, with Evelyn Stewart as the organizer and only teacher, soon joined by Howard Asplen, still a member but living in Maryland, and then by Maureen Barron. John Warsinski was soon acting as general repair man and salvage manager and trouble shooter for the collection of donated junkers we started with. Evelyn is still teaching, down from five days a week to one, with Eleanor Cole coaching after graduating from Evelyn's Basics class. There is always room for another class.

The list of True Beginners has dwindled and there are people waiting for classes in a variety of programs, notably spread sheet. You can probably gather a class for anything that interests you. A great way to learn for yourself is to offer to teach something you know enough about to start with, and learn as you go, answering questions and keeping one lesson ahead of the class. You can teach one session, or a few, or a long course, your choice. If you have friends over 60, resident of Hunterdon County, tell them about the classes, or call and discuss teaching a class. In either case call our new secretary, Grace Marcus, 8:30 to 1:30 M-F. at 806 2647.

Besides the Senior classes, members Peter Czerwinski and Lon Hosford just quietly go on keeping their local schools' computer programs and web sites running, in Alexandria and Kingwood. If other members are doing Computer Volunteer work, please share the news.

It still seems to me we should be able to put old machines into shut-ins' homes and show them how to use e-mail, but there seems always to be some obstacle to this -

the provider cost, the demand for up to date machines, and of course the time to teach them individually. This could be done in evenings, when more club members are available. Think it over and see if the club can find an answer for this. We had a member who didn't stay long who talked about a major project of putting machines into nursing homes. for resident use. We might follow up on that, at least asking nursing homes if there is any interest in this.

THREE SIGNS YOU NEED A NEW COMPUTER
(Don Colombo, contributor)
Tech Commands / Kim Komando

If you believe the advertising, you need a new computer every six months. That isn't true, of course; a good one should run well for up to four years. Yes, the constant march of technology does leave many people with the nagging feeling that they are missing out if they don't buy at least every two years. At the same time, today's PCs are built to last longer than ever. Indeed, there are tradeoffs in deciding how long to own the same computer. PCs constantly are being upgraded to offer more speed and power at reduced cost. But there is always going to be a point when you absolutely need a new one, because your current one is ready for its after-life (hopefully safely in the hands of a recycler; for more on safe disposal, keep reading). Here are three signs that it's time to spring for a new PC.

1. Your computer plays music at startup.
Beethoven's "Für Elise" and Disney's "It's a Small, Small World" are pleasant tunes. If you hear either of these melodies when you turn on your computer, you're likely to want to relax or sing along. (After all, a computer that has developed a taste for punk rock music would be hard to handle.) Or you may suspect you have a virus. Wrong on both counts. The computer is telling you that the microprocessor or microprocessor fan is failing, or has already gone south. Or it may be telling you that power supply voltages are drifting out of tolerance, or that the supply cannot meet demand.

The music is a feature built into the Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) of some motherboards. It is a gentle reminder that you have a serious problem. It's probably not a problem if you hear a couple notes at boot-up. But if you regularly hear a tune, you need to take care of it. What can you do? In all cases, you can get by at a reasonable cost if you have the ability and time to diagnose and fix the problem. You might well decide to take it to a shop. If so, you're probably looking at a minimum $200 repair. Labor is expensive. (If you decide you really do need a tech consultant for support, check out Microsoft bCentral's small-business consultant directory to find one near you.)

Can you ignore the problem? Not for long. Heat is the enemy of computers. It will fail soon, although perhaps you enjoy listening to "Für Elise." Consider looking at new computers. The problem with fixing an older computer (especially if the bill is high) is this: It's probably just the beginning. Over the years I've had problems with memory, hard drives, floppy drives and CD drives. Something else is going to break. Speaking of which . . .

2. The hard drive grinds and grinds away.
When you start your computer, you might get an unpleasant sound akin to a cat squealing. Or you could get a message like "Drive C: could not be found." That's your hard drive. Do you have all of your data backed up? The message could indicate a problem with your BIOS — that's the thing that plays the tune mentioned above. More likely, your hard drive is staggering toward the grave, taking your data with it. It didn't spin up fast enough to start with Windows and perhaps there is someone wrong with the drive's components.

Often, you can rescue the situation temporarily by rebooting the computer. But if the hard drive is failing, you don't want to dillydally. If you don't have a backup regimen, develop one, fast. (Quick, read this article.) Send your data to another computer if you're on a network. Burn it to a CD if you have a CD-RW. (If nothing else, pray!) If you're certain that it's the hard drive, new ones are relatively cheap. Installation isn't particularly difficult, but it is involved. Figure $200 minimum at a

computer shop. The hard drive has to be installed and your data will be transferred to it.

Fixing the BIOS would probably be less expensive. It may need to be flashed. Unfortunately, it's easy for you to botch this job; it should be handled by a shop. Figure it will cost $100-$150. Once again, this could be just the beginning. If your machine is two or more years old, consider looking for a new one.

3. Your computer won't handle Windows XP or certain software applications.
When it's time to make a worthwhile upgrade, you may find your computer can't handle it. Maybe the microprocessor is too old. Perhaps you don't have enough memory, or your hard drive is too slow. This could be a problem with Windows XP, or demanding applications such as games.

Let's look at Windows XP. Microsoft has hawked successive Windows systems as "exciting," "fun" and "absolutely necessary" for years. Operating systems are never exciting or fun; they are the digital equivalent of a carpenter's toolbox. And upgrades rarely have been absolutely necessary. However, Windows XP takes reliability to a whole new level. I would argue that it is necessary if you're using Windows ME, 98 or 95. Those operating systems were based on DOS, and are much more crash-prone than XP. If you're thinking of moving up, I'd encourage you to do so. But Windows XP needs a more powerful microprocessor and additional memory. Some pieces of equipment will not run on XP. You can use Microsoft's Upgrade Advisor to check your computer's compatibility. If your computer cannot handle XP, consider buying a new one. You'll be amazed at how infrequently XP crashes. The same is true for hot new programs. If you really want them, and they won't run on your old machine, consider a new computer.

If you're using Windows 2000, the upgrade is not as crucial, since Windows XP was developed from Windows 2000. However, XP will run many consumer programs that 2000 will not. So if that's important to you, take a look at XP. Your computer should be able to handle XP if it's running 2000.

FLORIDA COMPUTER CLUB

(Carl Heitzman)

Week end before last I attended a statewide Florida computer users group FLCUG conference in Kissimmee. It is a wonderful facility and we had presentations from many vendors over 200 computer users attended. Microsoft, adobe, Smart computing and others made presentations over the two day conference. They even had the building charged so with the Proper pmcia card you could operate your laptop at dinner right at the table, wireless like a cell phone, I was amazed. Another thing that impressed me was the hearing aided ear phones available to any one needing them hooked into the sound system so I with my 80% hearing loss could hear everything as clearly as any one in the room. The young man in charge of the sound system advised me that in Florida, theatres are required to have these systems available for deaf persons like me. I'll check that out next time I want to go to a movie. It would be a god send to me and others who have a great hearing loss like mine.

I had a very good and educational time and would recommend such conferences to any who could attend. Lot of give-aways. I won a door prize - a new Microsoft optical mouse which I needed very badly. It operates on a light beam on any surface and scrolls with a built in wheel. I am not coming north until I'm sure I do not have to shovel my way into the house. Regards to all. Carl Heitzman from sunny Sebring. heitzman@ syrato.net.

Contributed by Eleanor Mistler

IF MICROSOFT HAD BEEN THE FIRST TO INVENT BOOKS

(contributed by Paul Glattstein)

1. Before you can open the cover of your new book, you must obtain a book activation code by phoning Microsoft.

2. Sorry, only one person may ever read your book.

3. It's full of spelling mistakes and typos.

4. When you're reading your book, the type can mysteriously disappear.

5. Libraries, which are for sharing books, are illegal.

6. You must acknowledge you have read and understood the Book License Agreement Hype (BLAH) before you can read your book.

7. Microsoft has the right to enter your premises to conduct book inspections to make sure your book is being read in accordance with the BLAH.

8. The Book Users' Group General Alliance (BUGGA) calculates that the annual loss of revenues to Microsoft arising from BLAH violations in 2001 was $10.97 billion.

9. There are two versions of your book - the "Standard" and the "Pro" versions. In the standard version, those pages containing the most useful information have been stuck together.

10. Confidential information is inexplicably in bigger type that can be easily read by anyone glancing over your shoulder.

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    Other_____

2. **DO YOU HAVE AN AREA OF COMPUTER EXPERTISE?____   IF SO, WHAT IS IT?**
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3. **PLEASE LIST ANY COMMENT AND/OR LIST WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN OUR COMPUTER CLUB**
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ART MUSIC COFFEEHOUSE

(Don Slepian)

Live concerts on the web Wednesday nights: ArtMusic Coffeehouse is NJ's first weekly musical webcast. Turn up your computer speakers and treat yourself to an evening of stimulating entertainment. ArtMusic Coffeehouse is a new epicenter for up-and-coming talent. Hosted by http://DonSlepian.com, each show features performances and interviews with talented folk, blues, jazz, classical and world music artists. Set before a modest live audience, the concert begins with Don Slepian's keyboard improvisations. It continues to move between interview and live performance revealing the thoughts and musical personality of the evening's featured artist.

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