

On the Docket for the  
**General Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 16, 2008**

## **All Things Wireless**

*with Joe Plotkin of NYCwireless*

**W**ell, maybe not *all* things wireless—we only have a few hours—but by the end of the evening, we will certainly know a lot more about all that stuff flying in the ether. Our speaker is Joe Plotkin, a board member of NYCwireless. He will do his best to cover the following subjects, and, of course, answer your questions.

### *Wireless Security Considerations*

Are you connecting to the web wirelessly? Are you secure? Should you care? Sure, you can go to Starbucks or the library or the park and connect with relative ease. But should you do your banking, buy stocks, or send really personal e-mails or business e-mails?

What is that nerdy kid nearby doing on his laptop? Does he have a sniffer, or a key logger program, and did he really just copy your pin number and login? What else can he see on your laptop? How about using wireless in your apartment: you see signals from your neighbors...what can they see or do on *your* network? The good news is you can make it really hard for the snoopers—if you know how.

Then there are lots of other privacy issues. Even Bill Gates found out that his e-mails were not really private.

Our speaker will discuss the risks and give us solid advice on how to avoid them and preserve our privacy.

### *Net Neutrality*

This topic could affect the online access—wired or wireless—of all of us. There are a lot of rumors and misinformation coming from both sides of the debate. Have you heard this? Some broadband services want to have tiered pricing. People who pay a higher fee would get faster, better service, and the others would get a lesser level of service. If you are in the “cheap seats,” your e-mails, photos, music, or videos

will get to you, eventually, but it might take a day or two. Is that true? What about Skype or Vonage? Will they slow down or not work at all?

Why has Net Neutrality become such a hot issue just in the last few years? What triggered this battle?

How will Net Neutrality, or the lack of, it affect the next innovation? Will it promote or stifle rich media on the web—the next Skype or the next Bit Torrent?

Tim Berners-Lee invented the World Wide Web; he chose not to patent his brainstorm, and made it the great open source medium we all enjoy. Is Net Neutrality merely a tiered service, or is it a fundamental threat to the openness of the Internet?

A series of unresolved Net Neutrality bills has been bouncing around Congress, and there are many unanswered questions. Joe works for an Internet service provider. He is very knowledgeable, close to the action, and personally concerned with these issues.

### *Here is Joe's Bio*

Joe Plotkin is Director, Marketing/DSL for Bway.net, the independent ISP in New York City, and is on the Board of Directors of NYCwireless. Bway.net is pro-privacy and anti-censorship, and supports net neutrality. Bway was an early champion of the free public wireless Internet movement, and hosts the monthly meetings of NYCwireless. NYCwireless is a non-profit organization that advocates for, and enables the growth of, free, public wireless networks.

Plotkin is also Senior Strategist for [TeleTruth.org](http://TeleTruth.org), an alliance for customer rights in telecommunications. An outspoken advocate for broadband connectivity as well as regulatory fairness, Plotkin has lobbied on behalf of

more...

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## **General Meeting Info**

**When:** Thursday, October 16, 2008

**Where:** PS 41, 116 W 11th Street  
West of 6th Avenue

**Schedule:** 6:00pm Doors open  
6:30pm Q&A/Networking  
7:00pm Presentation

**Subway:** A,B,C,D,E,F,Q,V to West 4th St  
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NYPC holds great General Meetings—and they're Free. This is truly one of New York's Best Bargains.

ISPs in Washington, DC, and has been quoted frequently in the press. Plotkin received a Master's degree from NYU's Interactive Telecommunications Program.

One of the great things about NYPC's meetings is the opportunity to get answers from very knowledgeable people. Aren't you glad you are an NYPC member? If you are not—we hope you will join up at the meeting. *by William Ginsberg, programs@nypc.org*

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Prices below are for NYPC members; if you are not a member, please add registration fee of \$10.

### ⇒ Getting Started with Excel

Microsoft Excel can help you manage and analyze your data. In this course, you will learn how to enter data into an Excel worksheet and modify and format it, perform calculations, develop a workbook, create reports, and more. We plan to use Excel 2003, but please tell registrar if you use a different version.

4 Tuesdays & Thursdays, October 21-30, 10:00am-1:00pm  
Hands-on, \$129

### ⇒ Getting Started with the Treo Smart Phone

Have you bought a Treo Smart Phone, but are using it only as a phone? Or are you considering the purchase of one? Then come to this class! Ted Cohn, chair of our Cell Phone and Palm SIGs, will guide you and answer your questions.

Wednesday, October 22, 3:30-5:30pm  
Anniversary Special: 1 session, only \$25

### ⇒ Effective Internet Searching

Enhance your Internet Searching Skills! In each of the following courses we'll learn how to structure efficient and effective searches, and how to interpret and use your results.

**Better "Googling":** Emphasizes Google's syntax and features, helping you to pinpoint the information you need

**Beyond Google: Advanced Internet Searching:** Google is great, but sometimes it's overwhelming to get 100,000 hits! We'll look at alternatives to Google: meta search engines, clustering engines, topic-specific searchers, and exciting new ways to visualize results...also directories, RSS feeds, and more.

**Finding Health/Medical Information Online:** There are millions of health-related sites on the Internet, but not all give valid information. How can you find the ones with the reliable information you need? In this class, we'll take a look at how to structure effective searches, how to separate valuable information from the questionable, and what to do with the information you find. We'll also look at some excellent sites. Each person attending will receive a CD with hyperlinked resources.

**Using TECH Sites to Solve Computer Problems:** Of course, the best resource for tech help is NYPC, but where do you go at 2am? There's a wealth of helpful, specific information on the web, but finding the most useful sites often depends on knowing how to structure your search and choose the best sites. This class will show you how!  
Thursday afternoons, October 23, 30, November 6, 13, 2:00-5:00pm  
Price per hands-on session, \$35 for 1; \$30 each for more than one

### ⇒ What to do with All Those Vacation Photos

You have a new digital camera, and you're enjoying taking snapshots the new way. They look great in the camera screen. Now what? You don't want to learn Photoshop—or even Elements—but you want to tweak and manage your new photos. This course will help! We'll show how to get your photos onto the computer, try out some easy-to-use photo management and enhancement tools, and help you find the one that's best for you. Then we'll discuss ways to print them. (Bring your camera to class.)  
2 Friday mornings, October 24, 31, 10:00am-1:00pm  
Hands-on, \$59

### ⇒ Your Home/Small Office Network

Learn how to connect your computers so they can communicate with each other and with the Internet. Even if all you want to do is access the Internet on two different computers, you can benefit from understanding computer networks. Even small home offices often have multiple PCs. In this course you'll learn how to manage your computer network, from the DSL or cable modem to the shared printer. The course will be

Sunday, October 26, 10:00am-3:00pm

Mostly hands-on, using the NYPC network (cautiously...), \$79

### ⇒ System/File Recovery with Knoppix

Your system has crashed and won't boot. You think it's only a boot problem, but how do you recover your data? How do you recover your system, if it's possible at all?

The answer may be Knoppix. Knoppix is a live bootable CD, allowing you to boot your system into Linux without installing Linux onto your hard drive, and test drive, or even do real work with your booted Knoppix system. Knoppix can read your Windows drives and recover data. It can read the Windows registry, and can even repair corrupted Windows files. Want to know how? Register for this NYPC Knoppix class! Class includes an overview of Knoppix, some insight into how Linux works, and practical experience with using the Knoppix disc to access Windows on the hard drive.

\$69 price includes CD with Knoppix

Saturdays, October 25, November 1, 1:00-4:00pm

Hands-on, \$69

### ⇒ Mastering Your Digital Camera Controls

With their wealth of controls and menu options, digital cameras can bewilder even the most experienced photographer. The user can change not only aperture and shutter speed, but also ISO, white balance, automatic program, and more. In this class we'll learn how to take advantage of the many camera options to take better photos.

- ▶ Please tell registrar your camera model when you register
- ▶ Plan to bring your manual to class

2 sessions, Mondays, October 27, November 3, 10:00am-1:00pm

Hands-on with your camera, \$59

### ⇒ Photo Enhancement with Photoshop Elements

Learn how to enhance your digital photos! Photoshop Elements is Adobe's "consumer level" digital imaging program. Though far less expensive and easier than Photoshop, it offers considerable power in enhancing and distributing digital images. Like all graphics applications, it is also very enjoyable. In this hands-on course, we'll learn by doing, from using layers through tonal and color corrections, and more.

Students are encouraged to bring their own photos to class for advice.

3 Sundays, November 9, 16, 23, 12:30-5:00pm (incl. breaks)

12 hours, hands-on, \$129

### ⇒ Getting Started with QuickBooks

QuickBooks, the popular bookkeeping application for small businesses, has powerful capabilities, but effective use depends on proper set-up and getting to know the ins and outs of its forms and reports. In this class we'll help you get started, using QuickBooks 2008. Trial versions of the program will be given out so you can practice and do your homework. Four Sunday sessions, plus one individualized session with the instructor, for help in setting up your own QuickBooks.

4 Wednesday afternoons, November 5, 12, 19, 26, 2:00-5:00pm

Hands-on, \$129

**NYPC Meetings, Seminars/Classes & Other Events** **October 2008**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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19 <b>PC Clinic</b>	20 Ventura	21 <b>EXCEL (1)</b> Investment Perl Seminar	22 <b>Intro to TREO</b> Web Lounge	23 <b>EXCEL (2)</b> <b>NET SEARCH: Google</b> TechTips	24 <b>Vacation PHOTOS (1)</b> Social Networking	25 <b>KNOPPIX (1)</b>
26 <b>Your Own Network</b>	27 <b>DIG CAMERA (1)</b> Adv Tech & Tech	28 Photoshop (D) <b>EXCEL (3)</b>	29 Photog/Graph	30 <b>EXCEL (4)</b> <b>NET SEARCH: Adv</b> QuickBooks	31 <b>Vacation PHOTOS (2)</b>	November 1 <b>KNOPPIX (2)</b>
November 2	3 <b>DIG CAMERA (2)</b> Access	4 Web Dev Genealogy	5 <b>QuickBooks (1)</b> Visual Basic	6 <b>Med/Health SEARCH</b> Enterprise Windows Java GM	7	8
9 <b>P'SHOP ELEMENTS (1)</b>	10 MAC	11 Photoshop (D) Exchange Excel	12 <b>QuickBooks (2)</b> Alpha	13 <b>TECH HELP ON WEB</b> DeLUGE	14 Marketing	15

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Plain = SIG Meeting      *Italic = Other Meetings*  
**Bold = NYPC Class**      **Black background = General Meeting**

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**Location Legend** NYPC NYPC Office, Hotel New Yorker, 481 8th Ave, Suite 550  
 MS Microsoft, 1290 6th Ave. (51st/52nd Str), 6th Fl  
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# SIG Directory

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## Meetings at Microsoft

Security procedures at Microsoft have become tighter. As always, a photo ID is imperative. Also, be sure that your name is on the SIG Chair's security list.

### AXS Access

Linda Ewen, [LindaEwen@nyc.rr.com](mailto:LindaEwen@nyc.rr.com)  
Monday, October 6th, November 3rd, 6:30 PM  
Location: MS  
Topic TBA

### ATT Advanced Technologies and Techniques

Jessie Shereff, [jshereff@gmail.com](mailto:jshereff@gmail.com)  
Monday, October 27nd, 6:30 PM  
Location: MS  
General discussion of PC technology.

### ADB Alpha Database

Barry Rochford, [brochford1@comcast.net](mailto:brochford1@comcast.net)  
Wednesday, November 12th, 6:00 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Topic TBA

### LUG DeLUGE (Desktop Linux Users Group for End Users)

<http://www.delugeny.org>  
Mark Halebua, [phantom21@mindspring.com](mailto:phantom21@mindspring.com)  
Thursday, October 9th, Nov. 13th, 6:30 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Open Source Street Mapping

### EWN Enterprise Windows

<http://nyewin.org/>  
Edwin Wu, [nyewin@live.com](mailto:nyewin@live.com)  
Thursday, October 2nd, Nov. 6th, 6:00 PM  
Location: MS  
Topic TBA

### EXC Excel

Al Vachris, [Alfred.Vachris@gmail.com](mailto:Alfred.Vachris@gmail.com)  
Tuesday, October 14th, November 11th, 6:00 PM  
Location: MS  
Topic TBA

### EXG Microsoft Exchange Server

Ben Serebin, [exchangeug@reefsolutions.com](mailto:exchangeug@reefsolutions.com)  
<http://www.nyexug.com>  
Tuesday, October 14th, Nov. 11th, 6:00 PM  
Location: MS  
ActiveSync Troubleshooting Techniques (client & server-side) for Mobile Devices

### GFH Genealogy

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~metrony/>  
David Kleiman, [roots@heritagemuse.com](mailto:roots@heritagemuse.com)  
Tuesday, October 7th, Nov. 4th, 6:00 PM  
Location: NYPC  
New releases of genealogy software apps

### HRD Hardware

Kevin Raguette, [Rags6600@hotmail.com](mailto:Rags6600@hotmail.com)  
Date/topic TBA  
Hands-on hardware

### INV Investment

Phyllis Pawlovsky, [PGP106@cs.com](mailto:PGP106@cs.com). SIG follows the investment principles of the National Association of Investment Corp.  
Tuesday, October 21st, 6:15 PM  
Location: MS  
Topic TBA

### CSG Java: Gen'l Mtg

<http://www.nycjava.net>  
See also our Yahoo group: [nycjava.org](http://nycjava.org)  
Dario LaVerde, [dario@nycjava.net](mailto:dario@nycjava.net)  
Thursday, October 2nd, Nov. 6th, 6:00 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Topic TBA

### CSG Java Study Group(s)

Dario LaVerde, [dario@nycjava.net](mailto:dario@nycjava.net)  
Dates TBA  
Location: NYPC  
For more information and dates, e-mail Dario

### ODK JAVA: Object Data Knowledge Management

Carlos Jerome, [cjinterf@panix.com](mailto:cjinterf@panix.com)  
Dates TBA  
Place/Topic TBA. Contact leader.

### LNX LINUX

We hope to resume this SIG soon.  
If interested, e-mail [nypc@nypceducation.org](mailto:nypc@nypceducation.org)

### MKT Marketing Committee

Murray Strelitz, Grace Lee, [marketing@nypc.org](mailto:marketing@nypc.org)  
Friday, October 10th, Nov. 14th, 6:30 PM  
E-mail Murray for information

### BRD NYPC Board Meeting

Date TBA  
Members are welcome to attend, but please e-mail [correspond@nypc.org](mailto:correspond@nypc.org) for information

### GEN NYPC GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, October 16th, 6:00 PM  
Location: PS 41  
All about Wireless & Net Neutrality

### PDA Palm/Treo/Centro/Wireless

On hiatus. Contact leaders, Ted Cohn and Grace Lee, [nypcpalmpilot@gmail.com](mailto:nypcpalmpilot@gmail.com)

### PRL Perl Seminar NY

[www.techgroups.yahoo.com/group/perlseminy/](http://www.techgroups.yahoo.com/group/perlseminy/)  
James E. Keenan, [jkeen@verizon.net](mailto:jkeen@verizon.net)  
Alex Gill, [ag@tkwx.us](mailto:ag@tkwx.us)  
Tuesday, October 21st, 6:15 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Singletons in Perl: How to Test Summer Conference Roundup

### PHI Photography & Graphics

Mary Ginsburg, [lm\\_ginsburg@earthlink.net](mailto:lm_ginsburg@earthlink.net);  
Tony Holley, [tholley@citytech.cuny.edu](mailto:tholley@citytech.cuny.edu)  
Wednesday, October 29th, 6:30 PM  
Location: NYPC  
More on online photo enhancers, including Adobe Photoshop Express & Picnik.com

### PHO Photoshop

[http://www.hookbuilt.com/nypc/photoshop\\_sig.html](http://www.hookbuilt.com/nypc/photoshop_sig.html); Laura Balsam, [nypc@hookbuilt.com](mailto:nypc@hookbuilt.com)  
Tuesday, October 14th, 28th, 1:00 PM  
Location: NYPC  
10/14: Refining Selections and Image Clinic  
10/28: TBA  
Join us at 11:45 AM in the TickTock for socializing prior to the meeting.

### QBB QuickBooks

Len Ginsburg, [LeonardGinsburg@earthlink.net](mailto:LeonardGinsburg@earthlink.net)  
Thursday, October 30th, 6:30 PM;  
QB Reports: Choosing and Using

### SNT Social Networking

Leftonred Atanycorner, [vp@nypc.org](mailto:vp@nypc.org)  
Friday, October 24th, 6:30 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Social Networking is more than FaceBook. This SIG will explore many sites & features  
Topic TBA

### SPR Speech Recognition

<http://www.out-loud.com>. Laura Miner, 76233.3413@compuserve.com; Leftonred Atanycorner, [vp@nypc.org](mailto:vp@nypc.org)  
Wednesday, October 15th, 6:30 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Tentative: Ask the Experts

### PAS TechTips

Michael Ostrowe, [mjostrowe@verizon.net](mailto:mjostrowe@verizon.net)  
Thursday, October 23rd, 6:30 PM  
Location: NYPC  
Optimizing Your BIOS

...SIG Directory, continued

**VPI Ventura**

Allison Moore, amoore@nyc.rr.com  
 Monday, October 20th, 7:00 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Designing a Combined Flyer/Poster for Marketing Purposes

**BAS Visual Basic**

David Kulick, dgkulick@hotmail.com  
<http://nypcvb.org>  
 Wednesday, October 1st, November 5th, 6:15 PM  
 Location: MS  
 Demo of F#...plus "Why we need yet another language"

**WMM Web Design with Dreamweaver**

Temp contact: Mary Ginsburg, nypc@nypceducation.org  
 Thursday, October 16th, Tuesday, November 4th, 2:00 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Exploration of Macromedia Dreamweaver as a web development tool. Oriented towards beginners, but all are welcome

**WFI Web Lounge**

Ted Cohn, TedCohn@earthlink.net  
 Wednesday, October 22nd, 6:30 PM  
 Location: NYPC  
 Topic TBA

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**FLA Flash**

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## Dynamic SIG Going on Hiatus

Ted Cohn and Grace Lee, Chairs of the PalmPilot SIG, are taking the SIG on hiatus, starting in November.

This important SIG was started in 2000 by Grace Lee and Patty Perlo (when they both owned Palm IIIcs), when they recognized the rise in use of the Palm Pilot. After many years of leading lively, helpful meetings, both Grace and Patty felt the need for a vacation, and Ted Cohn took over, reluctantly at first. With growing enthusiasm, he continued to lead the dynamic SIG, introducing the concept that the Palm could be a person's primary computer...a desktop being just a place to back it up. Grace returned as Cochair

in 2004, and the SIG continued to thrive. Recently it has expanded its reach to encompass other mobile devices.

The Palm SIG has brought many new members to NYPC and has helped untold numbers of handheld owners to understand and use their devices.

NYPC wants to thank Grace and Ted for their many years of dynamic leadership. We hope that the SIG will return. If you want to thank Grace and Ted, or to give your input, please e-mail them at [nypcpalmpilot@gmail.com](mailto:nypcpalmpilot@gmail.com).

### From a Member: Kudos to the NYPC Clinic

Dear NYPC members:

Many thanks to the NYPC clinic held on September 21 and to Mike Ostrowe who volunteered over 2 1/2 hours of his valuable Sunday morning to patiently diagnose and remove the virus that had infected my Dell. The virus locked my Dell to the desktop. Couldn't get past the desktop after booting, so it was not possible to simply run antispyware to clean the hard drive.

To complicate matters, I didn't remember to bring my original operating system installation discs, but Mary searched and found the exact XP Home Edition installation discs my machine required so Mike was able to complete the reinstallation process to clean the harddrive and all is well. He also installed free antispyware and all the necessary drivers required.

All this for \$50! I recommend any member who has an infected or slow running PC to attend the next PC clinic.

They also sold me a CD drive for \$15 they had on hand so now I have an extra CD drive.

Much appreciated NYPC.

B rgds,

David Sherman, NYPC member

### Thanks for the Knoppix!

*From another member:*

Mark,

Thanks for a great class on Knoppix. This was a great introduction to NYPC and I am glad I decided to join.

I agree with some of the folks that there would be an audience for an "advanced" class to take us deeper into some areas.

Thanks again,  
David M.

### Resources for This Month's General Meeting

#### Wireless Security

- ▶ <http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/~daw/talks/FCC02.ppt>
- ▶ <http://www.jmu.edu/computing/security/info/wireless.shtml>
- ▶ <http://www.ittc.ku.edu/wlan/security.shtml>

#### Net Neutrality

- ▶ <http://www.pbs.org/movers/moversonamerica/net/neutrality.html>
- ▶ <http://www.politicalbase.com/issues/net-neutrality/18/>

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### **Tune & Teach: PC Upgrade/Repair Clinic**

*Sunday, October 19th, 10 AM - 3 PM*

Unlike other repair facilities, our experts use the teaching opportunity to explain what they're doing!  
Bring your ill computer to NYPC for evaluation and installation of freeware antivirus and firewall.  
A donation of \$50 (per computer) goes to help NYPC.  
Diagnosis only; any parts cost extra, and are installed later.

#### **Back up data before you bring your computer.**

- ▶ Reservations required
- ▶ For information or to reserve a spot:  
classes@nypceducation.org or 212-643-7005

### **Volunteer to Help NYPC**

E-mail LeonardGinsburg@earthlink.net if you can help.

#### **\*Gift-Wrap at W. 82nd St. Barnes & Noble**

This is one of NYPC's most popular volunteer opportunities! In addition to helping NYPC by telling people about us, volunteers are able to:

- ▶ Make purchases at a 30% discount the day they wrap
- ▶ Get to know fellow wrappers—a nice chance to socialize
- ▶ Improve wrapping skills & learn about popular new books

Probable dates/times. Let Len know if you prefer other times.

- ▶ Sun., Nov. 28, 10 am-9 pm
- ▶ Sun., Dec. 14, 10 am-10 pm
- ▶ Sun., Dec. 7, 10 am-10 pm
- ▶ Wed., Dec. 17, 10 am-7 pm
- ▶ Wed., Dec. 10, 10 am-5:30 pm
- ▶ Fri., Dec. 19, 10 am-5:30 pm
- ▶ Fri., Dec. 12, 10 am-5:30 pm

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## coming attractions

*We've got some great general meetings coming up...*

Wednesday, Nov. 19	Holiday Shopping with B&H
Thursday, Dec. 18	Carry Your SW with You: Portable Apps on USB Drive
Thursday, Jan. 15	Intellectual Property Rights

Let us know what you'd like to see!  
E-mail Bill Ginsberg, programs@nypc.org



### **Members' Complements**

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Full comments on Clinic and on Knoppix Class  
on page 7.