Evolution IT 2017

Presenters Information

This is a partial list of the Presenters at Evolution IT 2017 and is subject to change or modification. We will update this list over the next few weeks, so check back for updates. (Updated 2/22/2017)

**Ryan Poutre Sales Engineer and Rick Hannam Channel Account Manager for WatchGuard**
Ryan is the North Central Sales Engineer for WatchGuard Technologies. Ryan has centered his networking career on security for the past 7 years focusing on perimeter and wireless security. Ryan will be providing a training session on Firewalls, Security, and Wireless Technology. Seattle-based WatchGuard has deployed nearly a million of its integrated, multi-function threat management appliances worldwide, to businesses that range from SMEs to large distributed enterprises. Recognizing an unmet need for a security solution that addresses the rapidly evolving threat landscape, WatchGuard architected its high-throughput, highly scalable, and flexible Fireware® operating system to form the backbone of its products. This platform yields dramatically higher performance at a much lower cost than competitors in environments where multiple security engines are enabled.

**Bryan Pritchett, ColumbiaSoft Document Locator Professional Services Engineer**
Bryan Pritchett’s expertise in information management and business process automation helps ensure Document Locator customers have full advantage of the document management system’s capabilities with solutions tailored to their individual objectives and requirements. Bryan helps customers across numerous industries, and is eager to address the challenges of how Solutions clients handle their mission-critical documents. Prior to his arrival as professional services engineer at ColumbiaSoft, Bryan had several years of experience across a wide range of business roles, including logistics, sales, customer management, accounting, operations and business analytics. He enthusiastically believes that robust document management can streamline existing processes, improve consistency, accuracy and accountability, and increase business productivity.

**Greg Davis – President, CEO, Sales Manager, and Owner of “Solutions”, Inc.**
Gregory Davis began working in direct sales in 1977 and has been working with government software and hardware since 1983. He attended the President’s Class at the Wharton School of Finance in 1990, as well as the Owner President’s Class at Harvard University in 1994. He is IBM certified as a Power Systems with Power 8 and IBM i Sales Specialist, IBM Information Management Solutions Sales Professional, Cisco Small Business Sales Certified, HPE Sales Certified – Enterprise Solutions, and numerous other training designations. Greg’s thirty-plus years of experience gives him a unique view of technology, specifically in regards to Government needs. He will be presenting “The IBM Roadmap” for current and prospective clients.
**Chuck Pitts – Vice President Power Systems and Solutions Software for “Solutions”, Inc.**
Chuck has been with "Solutions", Inc. as a Programmer for 29 years. He specializes in our Real Estate & Tax Systems Software and is the Department Head and Supervisor for the “Solutions” Programming Staff. Chuck is an IBM Certified Technical Sales Specialist – Power Systems with POWER 8 and IBM i, with extensive experience with data conversions including non-IBM systems, and is a Microsoft Certified Professional. Chuck will be presenting a "Systems i Administrator" class, and the "VISION Software Overview" classes.

**Sam Huffman – Software Developer**

**Myron “Max” Elg – Vice President Operations Manager at “Solutions”, Inc.**
Max originally joined Solutions in 2000 as a technician and became a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer. In 2006, he left to pursue his own business venture and for the next five years ran Inukshuk Technologies. In 2012, Solutions purchased Inukshuk and Max returned to Solutions in the role of Vice President/Operations Manager. His duties at Solutions now include assisting with: Financial and Business Planning, Sales and Marketing, Continuing Web Development, Logistics, Customer Relations and Satisfaction, Product Research and Development, and Employee Development and Management. Max achieved EVault Certified Sales Specialist and Datto Basic Certified and Certified Datto Tier 1 support, which includes solving Tier 1 support issues and the ability to conceptualize and troubleshoot various Tier 2 support issues. He is also a WatchGuard Certified Systems Professional in Sales. Max will be presenting information in our opening session about "Technology Infrastructure," and later in the day on the "Direction of County Government Websites."

**Linda Manwarren – Senior Application Support Specialist for “Solutions”, Inc.**
Linda has been with "Solutions", Inc. for 15 years. Linda primarily supports the Treasurer’s programs, including Tax Receipting, Accounting, and Banking & Investments. She is also backup support for the Auditor’s and Engineer’s Accounting & Payroll, Budgeting, Year-end, and Accrual. She has over four years of experience in accounting and previously worked in the airline and banking industries. Voted People’s Choice Employee of the Year for the last three years, Linda is one of the primary Application Support Specialist for many of the “Solutions” software products.

**Kevin Brown – Systems Administrator, Technical Dispatch, Managed Services Assistant, and Website Management Team for “Solutions”, Inc.**
Kevin graduated from Kirkwood Community College with a degree in Information Systems Management and a PC Technician diploma. He then spent seven years as a service technician in the wireless industry, working with a variety of mobile platforms. Kevin has been with Solutions for four years. He became Datto Basic Certified on Backup and Disaster Recovery devices from Datto and then Certified Datto Tier 1 support, which includes solving Tier 1 support issues and the ability to conceptualize and troubleshoot various Tier 2 support issues. He is currently Microsoft Certified in Configuring Windows 8.1. Kevin achieved his Xirrus Certified Sales Associate status in 2014 and Xirrus Certified Wireless Technician, and has achieved his Cisco SMB Certified Account Manager and Cisco SMB Engineer certification. Kevin will be co-presenting a class on "Direction of County Government Websites."

**Marty Nielsen – Senior Systems Administrator for “Solutions”, Inc.**
Marty joined Solutions in 2011. He attended Western Iowa Tech and has an Associate’s Degree in Computer Networking and an Associate’s Degree in Cybercrime Investigations. He is Microsoft Certified in Configuring Windows 7 and Windows 8, a Symantec Technical Specialist in Backup Exec, and is Datto Basic Certified on Backup and Disaster Recovery devices from Datto and a Certified Datto Tier 1 support, which includes solving Tier 1 support issues and the ability to conceptualize and troubleshoot various Tier 2 support issues. Marty has achieved the Xirrus Certified Sales Associate status and Xirrus Certified Wireless Technician. He completed the Extreme Networks Sales Certification and Design
Engineer for network switches. He has also become an EVault Certified System Engineer (ECSE). Marty will be presenting a class on "Ransomware – Methods to Protect Yourself and Your Networks" and co-presenting technical support at "Project Management and Beyond" sessions.

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