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## **Computer Tech Expo 2016**

Niceville, Florida, December X, 2015

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Computer Tech Expo will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016, in the Student Services Center at the Niceville, Florida, campus of Northwest Florida State College (NWFSC).

Computer Tech Expo 2016 is a free, one-day event where computer enthusiasts, from beginners to advanced, come together to learn about the latest consumer technology and how to use popular software and hardware devices. There will be over 40 workshops available for Apple, Microsoft, Linux, and Android devices, as well as games and a variety of apps and software programs. The workshops are conducted by volunteers from our local community of outstanding IT experts and trainers with many years of experience.

The event opens at 8:00 AM with a keynote speech followed by four 50-minute sessions in several tracks. There will be a lunch break from 12:30-1:30 PM (lunch available for purchase on the premises), followed by three more 50-minute sessions. After the last session, at 4:30 PM, there will be a drawing for door prizes (tickets for sale at check-in). Attendees are encouraged to pre-register on-line through Event Brite (see the link at <a href="https://computertechnwf.org">https://computertechnwf.org</a>).

The first Computer Tech Expo was held at NWFSC in early 2007. It was conceived, developed, and run by Mr. Carl Lofstrom, a former executive with the US Army & Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES), who is still at the helm. Mr. Lofstrom, founder and current president of the South Walton Computer & Technology Club (SWCTC), has been hosting technology training through the SWCTC since its founding. He also has for many years been active at NWFSC teaching computer courses for the adult education community. Thanks to Mr. Lofstrom's efforts, the community has had ten years of free technology training, enabling residents to keep their digital skills up-to-date with the latest consumer technology.

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