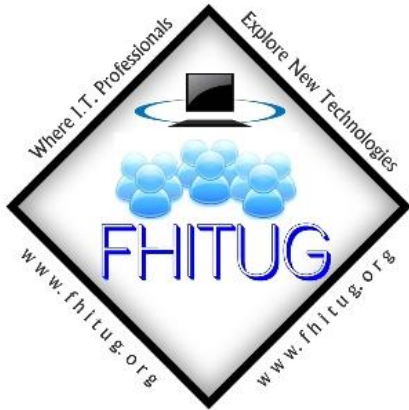


## Focus: HOPE IT User Group (FHITUG)

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In November 2007, the Focus: HOPE IT User Group (FHITUG) held its first meeting at Focus: HOPE Information Technology Center in Detroit, MI.

Our FHITUG website is [www.fhitug.org](http://www.fhitug.org) and our regular meetings are held at the Focus: HOPE Information Technologies Center (ITC) located at 1400 Oakman, Detroit, MI 48238 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month from 9:30 to 11:30 am. We use our web site to communicate information about the group to the general public and we use our Culminis provided "members only" SharePoint site to provide additional information, relevant presentations, etc. We also publish a member's only newsletter courtesy of "Windows IT Pro Magazine". Through our sponsors and presenters, we offer end of meeting prizes by raffle and access to other resources at discounted from retail level pricing. We also have FHITUG Gear available for

purchase via [www.cafepress.com/fhitug](http://www.cafepress.com/fhitug) .

Our sponsors include, GITCA (formerly known as Culminis), Microsoft, Windows IT Pro Magazine, Cengage Publishing, O'Reilly Publishing, Pearson Education, and most recently SSWUG.org, PASS and Smart Computing Magazine.

The FHITUG user group is made up of local IT professionals from the metropolitan Detroit area. Our meeting audience is a combination of aspiring, new and seasoned IT Pros and our mission is to introduce our members, through the use of presentations and demonstrations, to current and new software and hardware technologies and solutions that are growing in demand within our industry. Membership is free and open to anyone interested in benefiting from the information that we share. Our goal is to encourage our members to consider how these emerging technologies may impact our lifestyles, the business community and our careers as the IT professionals who may have to design, deploy, implement, and support them.

We are approaching our 2nd year anniversary celebration on December 7, 2009 and our current membership roster count is 220 as of October 3, 2009.

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We have provided presentations/demonstrations on the following topics:

### Meeting topics: 2009

Month	Topic	Presenter(s)
January 2009	SharePoint - What It Is And How It Works	Hermine Turner via Live Meeting
February 2009	The Reality of Virtualization	Honorary Board Member Brendan Newell of Microsoft
March 2009	The Portability of Applications	Mike Bader, President of SEMCO
April 2009	Tapping Into Resources For Support	Board Member: Mark Aissus
May 2009	Hard and Soft Alternatives	Board Members: Mark Aissus & Hermine Turner
June 2009	Windows 7 is Coming!!!!!!	Board Member Hermine Turner
July 2009	Introducing the SQL Server - SharePoint SIG	Board Member Hermine Turner via Live Meeting
August 2009	CISCO Solutions for the SMB World	Board Member Hermine Turner
September 2009	What is Project Natal, NetBooks, Xbox 360 and Home Server and other new stuff?	Board Member Tiffany Hardaway
October 2009	Security: What Hackers Know That You Don't	Board Members: Mark Aissus and Hermine Turner
November 2009	Windows 7 & Windows Server 2008 Launch Event	Dave Sawyer and Matt Hester of Microsoft
December 2009	2nd year Anniversary - THE BEST IS YET TO COME!	Recognition of Sponsors and Speakers for the year. Presentation on the future for Technology Professionals.

### Meeting topics: 2007 through 2008

Month	Topic	Presenter(s)
November 2007	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting introducing the group and its purpose and future plans and topics.	FHITUG Board
December 2007	High level overview presentation on Unified Communications	Board Member Mark Aissus
January 2008	Windows Home Server Presentation and Demonstration	Board Members Mark Aissus and Hermine Turner
February 2008	Presentation and Demonstration of Remote Access Tools	Board Members Mark Aissus & Hermine Turner
March 2008	Presentation on Windows Server 2008, SQL Server 2008, Visual Studio 2008	Honorary Board Member Brendan Newell of Microsoft
April 2008	Security: Vulnerabilities and Recovery	Steve Hill, Symantec Channel Manager and Andy Pawlowski, Symantec SE
May 2008	Wireless Networking: How to Install, Configure and Secure	Board Member Marleto Watkins
May 17, 2008	FHITUG Launch Event: Windows Server 2008	Jason Cornellier, Microsoft TS
June 2008	Technology Opportunities in the CISCO World	Kevin MacRitchie, CISCO VP of Emerging Technologies

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July 2008	UBUNTU: Linux for the Open-minded Presentation and Demonstration via Microsoft Office Live Meeting	Cliff Samuels, BDPA TAC Director and Board Member Hermine Turner
August 2008	Web 2.0/3.0: The Future That Came Yesterday Presentation to group via Yugma Web Conference and Skype	Joshua-Michele Ross - Vice President of O'Reilly InPractice from California
September 2008	Unified Communication from a Microsoft Perspective	Honorary Board Member Brendan Newell of Microsoft
October 2008	Imaging and System Restoration	Andy Pawlowski, Symantec SE
November 2008	Unified Communications from a CISCO Perspective	Honorary Board Member Garry Arbuckle, CISCO
December 2008	1 year Anniversary & FHITUG Launch Event: SQL Server 2008 Launch	Recognition of Sponsors and Speakers for the year and via Live Meeting Bill Pritchett, Microsoft Regional APO Specialist Presentation on SQL Server 2008

For more information or to register for upcoming meeting visit – [www.fhitug.org](http://www.fhitug.org)

Our meetings are held either at Focus: HOPE ITC or on line via Live Meeting.

### About Focus: HOPE ITC

Focus: HOPE Information Technologies Center (ITC) is an Education to Careers (E2C) CompTIA member, CISCO Academy and Microsoft IT Academy. Focus: HOPE ITC was recognized by CompTIA in 2006 for Best Practices among E2C educators. Our student community is made up of returning adult learners, displaced workers, future entrepreneurs and others interested in pursuing careers in technology. We have alumni working at Ford Motor Company, Global Tech team, Comcast, IRS, Microcenter, Best Buy and many other top employers. More information about Focus: HOPE ITC can be found on its website (<http://www.focushope.edu/education/itc.htm>)