



# E-STORM Enterprise Storage Management Users Group

## General Meeting Announcement May 20, 2010

E-STORM invites you to attend the next general meeting to be held **Thursday, May 20, 2010** at **Doubletree Hotel**, Independence, Ohio.

E-STORM is a user group of enterprise-wide Storage Management professionals who work in Ohio and the surrounding states. The membership holds three, all-day meetings a year -- each meeting includes multiple presentations.

### **E-STORM is changing**

Recognizing that many members have been unable to attend due to shrinking budgets, the E-STORM board has elected to eliminate fees for attending E-STORM meetings. Starting with the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting there will be no annual or per-meeting fees -- attendance is now free. To accomplish this we are sending only email invites and making meals an optional part of the meeting. We are also extending the lunch break to make more time available for those that choose to seek a meal elsewhere.

When pre-registering, be sure to indicate if you want to purchase a lunch. Lunches will be \$15 each, payable at the registration table in cash or check. Only a limited number of lunches will be available for those that did not request one in advance.

### **Storage Vendor Expo**

May is our Storage Vendor Expo meeting. Throughout the day local storage vendors will be on-site eager to greet you. Their booths will help fund a portion of a year's worth of free-meetings. Be sure to visit them, sign-up for the many give-aways usually offered, and thank them for their support of E-STORM.

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## **Meeting Registration**

Use any of the following methods to register your intention to attend.

- Use our web site, [www.e-storm.org](http://www.e-storm.org), to register on-line
- Email/reply your intentions to attend to: [Register@e-storm.org](mailto:Register@e-storm.org)
- Call our registration coordinator, Tom Wagner, at 216-257-8796
- Fax your intentions to the attention of Tom Wagner at 216-257-5843

**Include your name, phone number and email address with your registration. Also specify whether you wish to purchase lunch through E-STORM.**

# Preliminary Agenda – May 20, 2010

- 9:00 - 9:30 Registration
- 9:30 - 9:45 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:45 - 11:45 **State of the Art Enterprise Storage**, Nirvanix  
(This is our keynote speaker – a break will be included)
- 11:45 - 13:15 **Lunch** (Purchase a lunch with E-STORM or find one on your own)
- 13:15 - 14:15 **Storage Connectivity – Where’s the Industry Headed?**, Arkay
- 14:15 - 14:30 PM Break
- 14:30 - 15:30 **Journey to the Private Cloud**, EMC

## Enterprise Storage Vendor Expo

During the day-long meeting your local storage vendors will be available in our exposition space to meet and greet you. We’re extending the breaks and lunch to leave plenty of time for you to visit with them. Be sure to stop by all the booths and say thanks for attending. Many are likely to be offering giveaways and raffles.

## Keynote Address

This year E-STORM is pleased to present a local consultant from Nirvanix with roots in Wooster, Ohio – Steve Foskett. Steve will provide us with a vendor-neutral review of today’s enterprise storage architectures, review what’s coming, talk about strategies and address your questions and comments. Like the past few year’s keynote addresses, this is likely to be a lively exchange of ideas and insights.

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## Meeting Location and Directions

- Meeting Location:** Doubletree Hotel 216-447-1300  
6200 Quarry Lane  
Independence, Ohio 44131
- From North:** Interstate 77 south to Rockside Rd, Left
- From East:** Ohio Turnpike West to Exit 173, I-77 north to Rockside, Right
- From West:** Ohio Turnpike East to Exit 173, I-77 north to Rockside, Right
- From South:** Interstate 77 north to Rockside Rd, Right
- Site Location:** Head east on Rockside from I-77 (Exit 20). At the first traffic light after the I-77 overpass/exit, turn right/south on Quarry Lane. The hotel is at the end of the road up the hill
- Hotels:** There are a large collection of hotels (Holiday Inn, Doubletree, Red Roof and Comfort Inn) in Independence, Ohio at I-77 and Rockside
- Airports:** Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE) is 10 miles west on I-480. Akron Canton Airport (CAK) is 40 miles south on I-77.