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Welcome

Welcome to the **Demartek Lab Notes**, our monthly newsletter. This newsletter contains a few links to our recent lab evaluations, articles and upcoming speaking engagements. I look forward to continued discussions with you about these or other topics! Have a look!

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Public Evaluations

Demartek Publishes Evaluation of Emulex OneCommand Manager Software

Emulex Corporation commissioned Demartek to evaluate the ease of installation and use of its OneCommand Manager (OCM) software, and to compare its ease of installation and use against the equivalent software from QLogic Corporation and Brocade Corporation. OneCommand Manager manages host bus adapters (HBAs) and converged network adapters (CNAs) manufactured by Emulex. This evaluation focused specifically on the installation process, applying updates to the adapters and applying adapter parameter settings in a VMware vSphere 4 environment. This evaluation was conducted at the Demartek facilities in Colorado, using three physical servers running Windows Server 2008 R2 Enterprise (64-bit) and one server running VMware vSphere 4.

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Upcoming Speaking Engagements

Rocky Mountain Windows Technology User Group August Meeting - August 26, 2010

Dennis Martin will speak at the August 2010 Rocky Mountain Windows Technology User Group (RMWTUG) meeting in Centennial, Colorado. Dennis will be presenting:

- **Performance Comparisons for Robocopy with and without Multi-thread Option**
- **Open Discussions on Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 R2**

Storage Decisions Conference - September 20-21, 2010
Dennis Martin will present two sessions at the Storage Decisions Conference in New York, New York. These sessions are:

- Monday, September 20, 1:15 p.m.: **A Practical Guide to Fibre Channel over Ethernet**
- Tuesday, September 21, 9:00 a.m.: **Deep Dive on SSD**

Storage Networking World - October 11-14, 2010
Dennis Martin will present at the Storage Networking World (SNW) Fall 2010 in Dallas Texas.

- Wednesday, October 13, 10:45 a.m.: **Deep Dive on SSD**

Storage Networking World Europe - October 26-27, 2010
Dennis Martin will present at the Storage Networking World (SNW) Europe Conference in Frankfurt, Germany.

- Wednesday, October 27, 11:35 a.m.: **Storage Best Practices for Microsoft Server Applications**

Server Design Summit - December 1, 2010
Dennis Martin will speak at the Server Design Summit in Santa Clara, California. He is participating in the I/O Virtualization session in the Workshop on Servers for Cloud Computing.

- Wednesday, December 1, 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.: I/O Virtualization - **The Next Virtualization Frontier**

Autumn Events

This Autumn is keeping me busy with speaking engagements at technical conferences across the US and abroad. Please send me a note if you are going to attend any of the above conferences.

And for those of you attending the **Flash Memory Summit**, I'll be speaking on Storage Best Practices for Microsoft Server Applications in a session on SSDs and Operating Systems on August 18. I hope to see you there!

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