

Growing with technology

Author aims to inspire acceptance of the digital world

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FOX POINT — He's been a writer for countless years, but Richard Thieme just recently became an author.

After composing a large collection of articles via the Internet on digital culture under the name "Islands in the Clickstream," Thieme decided it was time to bring together a culmination of his writings.

This summer, Syngress Publishing released a 10-chapter book of the same name. Each chapter contains multiple essays that are arranged by topic with such titles as "Digital Spirituality," "Doing Business Digitally" and "Hacking and the Passion for Knowledge."

But writing is only a portion of Thieme's professional story. He also provides speaking engagements and consulting services and bundles it all under the business name Thiemeworks, which he operates out of his Fox Point home.

Thieme's study of technology and its effect on people has taken him to many corners of the globe — from as nearby as the North Shore Library, where he gave a talk Sept. 22 to Queensland, Aus-

AT A GLANCE

WHO: author Richard Thieme

WHAT: "Islands in the Clickstream," a book containing a collection of essays on the effects of computers and technology

AVAILABLE: most bookstores, including Barnes & Noble and Schwartz Bookshops; also online at www.amazon.com and www.bookpool.com; retail cost is \$29.95

FOR INFORMATION: Visit Thieme's Web site, www.thiemeworks.com.

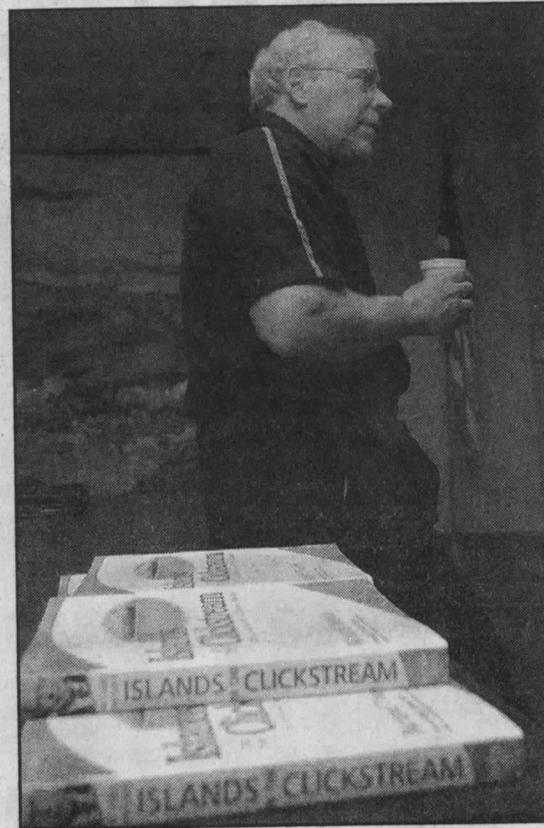
tralia, where he will deliver a keynote speech next year.

Although he has been published in assorted articles and newspapers, Thieme said most of his work has been attained through word of mouth. Some of his clients have included government entities such as the Pentagon, the FBI and the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Variety of audiences

Thieme's knowledge has taken him to different ends of the technological spectrum. He has spoken for the Black Hat Briefings, which have addressed intelligence and corporate security, and

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Richard Thieme's new book, "Islands in the Clickstream," considers topics of spirituality and technology.

Department of Transportation to come back to the board Thursday, Oct. 7, with more information. The board may make a final decision on whether to install a sidewalk on the west side of Lake Drive.

THE AGENDA

MEETING: Fox Point Building Board

WHEN: 7:45 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1

WHERE: Fox Point Municipal Building, 7200 N. Santa Monica Blvd., in Schwemer Hall

MEETING: Fox Point Plan Commission

WHEN: 4:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4

WHERE: Fox Point Municipal Building, 7200 N. Santa Monica Blvd., in Schwemer Hall

MEETING: Bayside Board of Trustees

AGENDA ITEM: further discussion and possible action on state paving project that includes possibility of a sidewalk on the west side of State Highway 32 from Fox Point to East Brown Deer Road.

WHEN: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7

WHERE: Bayside Village Hall, 9075 N. Regent Road

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