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New User Meeting
Thursday
Oct 6th
7:00 - 8:45 p.m.
Preview & TextEdit
Flipping Formats
@
University Place
Library.

General Meeting
Sunday
Oct. 9th
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Where is
the App for That?

Meeting Locations

The New User & General Meetings are typically held at the Lakewood Public Library

Located at the southwest corner of Gravelly Lake Drive and Wildaire Road.

<http://www.nwapplpkrs.org>

Temporary Meeting Location For
New User Meeting

October 6th Meeting will be at the
University Place Library

3609 Market Place W.
University Place



General Meeting
The October 9th General Meeting will be at the regular location, the Lakewood Library, 3-5 p.m.
October 9th

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Thursday Oct. 6th

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New User Meeting

The September New User Group transferred photos from the camera to the Mac and the iPad using camera cables and card readers. We checked out photo adjustment controls in iPhoto and Photoshop.

TextEdit and Preview (and iPhoto) will be our meeting focus for October 6th. We will look at how these applications can open several different file formats. This is handy to know if you need to convert a photo from one format to another, for example, or to annotate an image to use in an email or document.

Remember, we will be meeting at the University Place Library's meeting room beginning at 7:00 p.m. and that **our meeting will end 15 minutes earlier than usual, at 8:45 p.m.**

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Mortvedt Session

The Oct. 14th meeting at the Lutheran Retirement Community's Mortvedt Recreation Center is another place to learn about Mac computers. These monthly morning sessions, held the second Fridays, are open to all Mac users whether or not they live in the complex. Our coaches work with small groups to help answer questions. If you have a MacBook, bring it to the meeting. You don't have to have a computer to attend.

Mortvedt Center is at 1705 N. Vassault St.
Please join us Friday **Oct. 14th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.**

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NWAP General Meeting

The October General meeting will be at the Lakewood Library our normal location on Oct 9th from 3:00PM -5:00PM. See Page 5

Oct.9th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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NorthWest Apple Pickers

NWAP is an Apple Macintosh User Group which meets the second Sunday of the Month. Annual Dues are \$35 for an individual or a family.
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Since your entire email will be posted as a PDF file, please keep the "for sale" items and the "wanted" items in their own appropriate email.

Tacoma Area PC User Group

NWAP and TAPCUG, a PC user group, are two organizations working together to support the Macintosh and PC platforms in the Greater Tacoma/Pierce County area. TAPCUG meets the second Saturday of each month. Send inquiries to: 6824 19th Street West PMB #170, University Place WA 98466.

www.tapcug.org

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Red Chip

Buy your tickets, build the jackpot.
Oct. starts at \$15.00

New User Group Recap

Sept 1st By Bob Moffat

September's meeting at the Summit Library explored what to do with photos to get them from your camera to your Mac or your iPad. We used card readers and camera cables to demonstrate the transfer process and saw how new photos were loaded in to the iPhoto Mac OS X and the iOS on iPads. We looked at some of the ways photos can be adjusted using controls found in iPhoto and in Photoshop to correct exposure problems or to crop the images to change emphasis or composition.

A slideshow of the favorite photos taken by six of our members during the Ft. Steilacoom Park photo shoot in August showcased some of the neat images our members took of this historic area.

For October 6 we will demonstrate ways to use TextEdit, Preview, and iPhoto to deal with different file formats, including how to save a file (such as a JPG or a Word document) in a different format (such as PNG or RTF.)

Location change: October 6th meeting will be at University Place Library, 3609 Market Place W. from 7:00 to 8:45 p.m.

September General Meeting

by Peter Winderling

The Lion roared but nobody got scared. September's General Meeting attendees saw a tour of OS X 10.7 Lion with the intro video from Apple's web sight. We asked each member what programs and applications they use mostly to see if they are compatible with Lion. Members learned that they need an Intel Core 2 Duo processor in their Mac to run Lion. We also talked about other requirements and what old stuff won't work. Some of the new features were explained and questions and answers ensued. Several members have Lion on their Macs and shared their experience with the new OS. Lion is a major update from Snow Leopard and may take some getting used to.

October General Meeting

By Peter Winderling

Hmmm, Where is that App

Grab your laptop or handheld and join us as we explore the Apple App Stores and delve into iTunes. Online App Stores are now available for Mac computers and for iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch. Learn how to get apps and use iTunes for more than music

The Mac and the iPhone/iPad stores are two separate entities, and iTunes offers a third. The Snow Leopard dock icon is the App Store for Mac OS stuff (and it "replaces" the old apple.com site that used to provide links to a multitude of applications.) The App Store on the iPad/iPhone takes you to an online source (that actually was created before the Mac OS version) for iOS applications only. That is why we thought looking at them for October's general meeting would be worthwhile.

Sunday October 9th from 3-5 at the Lakewood Library.



Mac Tip of the Week #342

Excerpted from Mac OS X Lion: Peachpit Learning Series by Robin Williams and John Tollett

Visual Learner?

Check Out Apple's Online Tutorials

Apple provides hundreds of video tutorials about Mac basics and Mac applications (such as iPhoto, iMovie, iWeb, GarageBand, iWork, and MobileMe) on its website. Visit www.apple.com/startpage and look for Video Tutorials, or just use Safari to do a Google search for "Mac video tutorials." You'll find more video as well as text tutorials at www.apple.com/findouthow/mac that include additional topics, from "Get Started with Mac" to "Using iChat."

Board Meeting Notes

NWAP meeting September 11, 2011

Meeting called to order

Secretary and treasurer reports accepted.

August meeting was a photo shoot. Six members were present.

Bank of America would like to increase charges for our accounts. the group has not filed federal tax annual paperwork for many years. We may need to file for tax exempt status. Eldon will look into our status and get more information for the next meeting.

NWAP will look into the purchase of LION system. Options are thumb drive or download.

On-line newsletters: if you still get your newsletter in the mail and wish only to get the electronic version you will need to go into the NWAP web site and change your preferences and make sure to save those changes.

Future meetings:

October - App Store, iTunes, iPad and iPhone stores. What is there and how do I use them.

November - iPad/iOS5

December - Member Christmas party

Board meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm

General Membership Meeting Highlights

New user group will meet at the University Place Library in October.

Lovely photos were shared by members who attended the August meeting.

LION: Quicken 2007 will not work with LION, Quicken Essential will work but does not track investments.

If you switch to LION , any Appleworks files will have to be converted to the newer Pages Program.

To find out if programs are compatible with the new system go to the Apple menu, then "About This Mac", then "More Info", under "Software" go to "Applications", At this point a list will show up of all your applications (be patient, this may take a while). Applications that show as "Classic" for the kind will not run in LION. You may want to check this out before installing the new system.

Staying Mobile: *(Continued from page 7)*

If you might be having a mobility issue either inside or outside the home or know someone who is & want more info feel free to email me.

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Membership Report For Sept 2011

By Francette Beeler

As Of Sept 17th, 2011

Total Memberships: 63

New Membership:

Judy Bickenbach, Carol & Jim Eva

Membership Termination:

Membership Renewals:

August: Jeanne Hansen, Ruth Elliott, Eldon Estep and Maureen & Jerry Kunz

Sept: Dawne & Jim Aho, Carol & Jim Eva, Delores & Magno B Tulfo and Carol Rybolt

Due in August: JoAnn & Webb Olliphant and Millie James

Due in Sept: Monika Roberts-Brown, Bob Brown, Patricia Clark and May Junkin

Due in Oct: Judith Sloan, Tis Huberth, Bob Moffat and Emiko & Dick Benton

Meeting Attendance:

Sept 1st, New User: Members - 13, Visitors - 2

Sept 9th, Mortvedt: Members - 6, Visitor - 1

Sept 11th, Board Meeting: Members - 5

Sept 11th, General Meeting: Members - 17

TidBITS Watchlist: Notable Software Updates

by TidBITS Staff <editors@tidbits.com>
article link: <<http://tidbits.com/e/12488>>

****1Password 3.9 and 3.8.5**** -- AgileBits has released 1Password 3.9, a significant upgrade (despite the small jump in version number) that adds several new features to the password-management software. This version is available only through the Mac App Store, and runs only on Mac OS X 10.7 Lion. Due to Apple's rules for the Mac App Store, AgileBits is unable to provide a direct upgrade path from the earlier, stand-alone version to version 3.9, meaning existing customers must buy the new version outright. To compensate for the inconvenience, AgileBits is offering a sale price of \$19.99 for version 3.9 (50 percent off, and lower than their usual upgrade price), which will include a free upgrade to version 4.0 — a major new version under development. Other notable features of version 3.9 include support for Lion's full-screen mode, Launchpad, and application sandboxing; 64-bit support; higher-security PBKDF2 Calibration; and a new menu bar icon for quick, system-wide access to logins and other 1Password features. The transition to the Mac App Store has raised a number of questions from users, which AgileBits addresses in a blog post and a FAQ on their forum. Meanwhile, the company also released 1Password 3.8.5, a minor update for existing users who are still running 10.6 Snow Leopard, or who don't want to move to the Mac App Store version. Version 3.8.5 includes WebKit compatibility (which version 3.9 currently lacks), and, because 1Password now updates browser extensions separately from the application itself, it will be possible for those remaining with the 3.8.x branch to maintain compatibility with future browser versions. (Half-off \$19.99 sale price for version 3.9, free update to 3.8.5, 9 MB)

<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/1password/id443987910?mt=12>

<http://blog.agilebits.com/2011/09/1password-the-mac-app-store-and-you/>

<http://forum.agilebits.com/index.php?/topic/8068-official-answers-1password-and-the-mac-app-store/>

<<https://agilebits.com/downloads>

****Security Update 2011-005**** -- In light of the recent security breach at certificate authority DigiNotar, Security Update 2011-005 removes DigiNotar from the list of trusted root certificates and from the list of Extended Validation (EV) certificate authorities, and configures default system trust settings so that DigiNotar's certificates, including those issued by other authorities, are not trusted (for more info, see the links in "Firefox 6.0.2," 8 September 2011). The release is available for both Mac OS X 10.6 Snow Leopard and 10.7 Lion, and it updates both Mac OS X and Mac OS X Server. (Free, 869 KB for Snow Leopard, 15.59 MB for Lion, release notes)

<http://tidbits.com/article/12482>

<http://support.apple.com/kb/DL1446>

<http://support.apple.com/kb/DL1447>

<http://support.apple.com/kb/HT4920>

****Firefox 6.0.2**** -- Mozilla has released Firefox 6.0.2 to remove additional DigiNotar-issued SSL certificates. According to a Mozilla blog post, DigiNotar, the Dutch certificate authority that was used by an Iranian hacker to issue fraudulent SSL certificates, also issued some certificates used by the Dutch government. The Dutch government's initial assessment indicated that those certificates were still trustworthy, so Mozilla exempted them from Firefox 6.0.1's removal of DigiNotar root certificates. After an audit of DigiNotar, the Dutch government rescinded that initial assessment of trust, so Mozilla has now removed all DigiNotar certificates from Firefox. Google has updated Chrome (which happens automatically), and Apple has now released Security Update 2011-005 to protect Safari users (it's also possible to excise the DigiNotar certificates from your base keychain if you're not yet in a position to apply Apple's update). Firefox users should update to 6.0.2 to avoid the real-world exploits based on these fraudulent certificates. (Free, 28.1 MB, release notes)

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<http://www.mozilla.org/firefox/fx/>
<http://blog.mozilla.com/security/2011/09/02/dignotar-removal-follow-up/>
<http://support.apple.com/kb/HT4920>
<http://ps-enable.com/articles/dignotar-revoke-trust>
<http://www.mozilla.org/firefox/6.0.2/releasesnotes/>

****Parallels Desktop 7**** -- A month and a half after the initial release of Mac OS X 10.7 Lion from Apple, Parallels Inc. has released version 7 of their virtualization software, Parallels Desktop. Touting over 90 new features, the update includes such Lion-specific capabilities as support for Windows applications in Launchpad and Mission Control, as well as full-screen support for Windows applications. The update also includes a new look and feel, improved virtual printing, support for iSight and FaceTime cameras in both Mac OS X virtual sessions and Windows sessions, support for 7.1 surround sound and a new 5.1 sound driver, faster network access, improved graphics performance, better power management (meaning improved battery life for laptop users), and access to virtual Windows and Mac OS X sessions from the newly released Parallels Mobile app. (\$79.99 new, \$49.99 upgrade, \$39.99 student edition, free update for purchases after 1 August 2011, 275 MB)

<http://www.parallels.com/products/desktop/>
<http://www.parallels.com/news/id,28728>
<http://www.parallels.com/mobile/>

ExtraBITS for 12 September 2011 --
by TidBITS Staff <editors@tidbits.com>
article link: <<http://tidbits.com/e/12487>>

We're back with some worthy extra bits, including the sad news of the passing of the founder of Project Gutenberg, a trick for capturing your signature with Preview (for signing PDFs), a guide for PR reps, an as-yet-unexplained security breach at iTunes, and news that the latest AirPort base stations feature improved performance.

****Farewell to Michael S. Hart, Founder of Project Gutenberg**** -- On Tuesday, September 6th, 2011, Michael S. Hart passed away at the age of 64. Hart was considered by many the inventor of the ebook, and was the founder of Project Gutenberg, the well-known and highly regarded online library of free ebooks. It's no exaggeration to say that Hart's work was a driving inspiration to many pioneers of electronic publishing. We all owe him an enormous debt.

http://www.gutenberg.org/wiki/Michael_S._Hart

****Tracking Down an iTunes Account Hack**** -- Lex Friedman at Macworld tries to figure out why some iTunes account holders are seeing small charges made against gift-card and other credits in their accounts while their passwords remain secure. It's a mystery, and Lex says there's no answer to it yet.

<http://www.macworld.com/article/161794/article.html>

****New AirPort Extreme and Time Capsule Feature Improved Throughput**** -- Hardware site AnandTech has posted an extensive review of the fifth generation AirPort Extreme base station and the fourth generation Time Capsule, and while you may not want to read the entire 9-page review, it's worth popping to the end, where author Brian Klug explains how an internal hardware change (from Marvell to Broadcom) gives these new models improved throughput and range.

<http://www.anandtech.com/show/4577/>

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[airport-extreme-5th-gen-and-time-capsule-4th-gen-review-faster-wifi-](#)

****Capture Your Signature Using Preview**** -- Did you know that the Preview app in Mac OS X — that seemingly simple PDF viewer — can scan and add your printed signature to a document? A new addition to the Annotations bar makes it possible to take a photo of your signature using your Mac's built-in iSight or FaceTime camera. Chris Rawson at TUAW describes how.

<http://www.tuaw.com/2011/08/10/mac-101-capture-your-signature-using-os-x-lions-preview-app/>



Good day fellow NWAP members. I have started a new column in our newsletter featuring items that may not be strictly computer related. However in my humble opinion I think they may be of interest to some of the members.

Those of us who use Quicken have found out that it doesn't work real well with Lion. And a lot of us have thought that Quicken didn't play well with the Mac - especially Quicken support.

One of the groups that I am a member of was discussing options for Quicken when migrating to Lion. Hopefully for next month's newsletter I'll have a list with comments on the ease of use of various checkwriting/ accounting programs. I say check writing because that is our major use of Quicken. But as long as we are switching we want something that will be full function with the Macintosh. & The Lion.

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I haven't had an opportunity to try out the "Capture your signature using preview" (the last item in the tidbit watchlist). However it sounds very useful.

AOL TV Last week I discovered a real nice app for the iPad. Some of us have a TV Guide as part of our cable TV package. Others of us are using "over the air TV" or for some reason can't depend upon the cable guide. Those of you who have tried using the newspaper TV Guide know the frustration of trying to match up what the guide says versus your channel displays on TV, specially when you have several local cable networks.

Back in September we decided to cut the umbilical cord to dish network. Got tired of paying \$14.95 for the minimum package which turned out to cost almost \$40. Made a trip to Best Buy and Home Depot and picked up some "over the air" antennas. I haven't yet set of an internal TV network so each TV has its own little antenna that looks like a large book. And yes there are some stations that we don't give that we used to watch & and there is a that we don't get that we never used to watch. Also there are a few channels that are strictly over the air including weather and traffic reports.

The AOL TV app allows you to select various cable providers or over the air listings. Then you can edit them so only the stations that you receive show up on your iPad screen. If you want to know what's showing on this particular episode of NCIS, you click the little tab and up comes a fly out telling about what's going on. The app is located in the iOS app store. next month if there's any interest I'll explain some of the details about going "over the air" TV.

Staying Mobile: are you having trouble getting around your home? I know we've all seen those commercials on TV about getting a powered chair for little or nothing.

Well my little electric scooter had developed a problem. When I took it into the repair shop they told me it would cost \$640 to fix it or I could get a new one for around \$1000.

Another option was completing an application where Medicare would pay 80% and my secondary insurance would pay the balance.

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Eldon's Original Black and White. I think it looks great on the screen. However when printed for the newsletter the colors/shades/tones do not print true. So I have to tweak them for the printer. This time we tried a little different approach I have yet to see the hard copy. Will be interesting to see.



Eldon original color photo.