



# Apple Pickin's

A Macintosh Computer User Group Publication

## Looking for Answers?

Did Santa bring you an iPad or a new Mac?

The **NorthWest Apple Pickers'** is a (friendly) Mac user group where you can find help in figuring out how to use that new device to do what you need to be done.

It's not about the questions you can answer, it's about the questions you can ask.

Come join us for fun and knowledge.



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## Apology to Val Dumond

Val wrote an excellent article for the Nov. newsletter titled ~ Apple Pickers Love Their Macs!

Due to an oversight her "Byline" was left off. Sorry Val.

## Word Wrap

By Bob Moffat

If it's not one thing, it's another.

Boy Howdy! Just when I think I've reached one of those safe plateaus where I've managed to learn just about all I have to know about something, Technology steps in and sends me back to school.

Here we are at the beginning of another year and about to begin a new learning cycle at NAWP. This year we are going to look at the Mac operating system's latest version, called Lion (OS X, 10.7) which Apple released last Summer. By now, many of us have updated our existing machines from Snow Leopard and others have upgraded to new computers in the past six months which come with Lion.

And then, there is the iPad. A device that puzzled many of the Techie Wonks when

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## New User Meeting Thursday

Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Basic Lion Taming:  
The cycle begins.

## General Meeting Sunday

Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Social Networking  
Pluses & Minuses

## Meeting Locations

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

Located at the south-west corner of Gravelly Lake Drive and Wildaire Road.

<http://www.nwapplpkrs.org>



A Macintosh Computer User Group Serving Pierce County Washington



## EDITOR'S CORNER



Well here it is the first of a new year. So I should have put together something new year-ish

Instead I've been spending a lot of time napping fighting off acute bronchitis. Funny that I should come down with this when I'm in a nice warm climate like Arizona.

I was going to write an article about how some people have the Grinch and we have Sheriff Joe.

I'm not sure if the bad things that they said about the Grinch are true. However, the things you have probably heard on nationwide TV and newspapers are mainly true. This is not the place I guess for a political forum. So I will just say believe 90% of the bad things that you've heard about our politicians here and you will not error.

Now lets change attitude. This next YouTube is a spin on "Devil went down to Georgia

Santa Went Down to Georgia - Rockband

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yOqKIFJWGxQ&feature=relmfu>

The next two are iPad/iTouch pieces

North Point's iBand Christmas Carol 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHCPOjJUrS0&feature=related>

Koto (iKoto) Japanese Harp

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jO-zKI7ORNo&feature=fvwr>

## 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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Please submit photos in color and actual size. The editorial staff will edit for use in the newsletter.

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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>](http://www.tapcug.org)

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### Red Chip

Buy your tickets, build the jackpot.  
Jan. starts at \$45.00

## Word Wrap

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Apple announced it early in 2010, the tablet has defined a new market. As it nears its second birthday, we will be spending some time each month exploring the features that have made it such a desirable product.

The iPhone, of course, is approaching its fifth birthday. The latest models feature the Siri application which begins to seem a lot like something from the bridge of the Starship Enterprise. Its touch screen interface has transformed the way folks deal with smart phones and tablets. Now many of the features of the Mac's Lion system include gesture controls that trace their origin to the iPhone.

While the iPod was introduced nearly a decade ago, its various models have all contributed to the evolution of simple touch controls on elegant, efficient devices. Ten years of customers adjusting their expectations, getting used to new ways of accessing and storing their music and photos has been possible by the creation of iTunes.

Step by step, device by device, Apple has been as busy in this decade transforming the way we do business as they were in their first and second decades. When the main product was Mac, keeping up with newly released operating systems was fairly simple. They arrived at predictable intervals. Each release included evolutionary changes and improvements.

And then along came OS X a decade ago and while we were trying to figure that out, all these other products began to ship.

So here we are about to explore the Mac system 10.7 and the products that use iOS 5. And we need to understand iTunes. And we need to look at the way the App Stores work. And then there is the iCloud service which is going to help keep all these various devices and files and systems "synced" for us.

The longest journey begins with the first step. So once again we begin our tour of the latest and greatest: step by step over the next few months we will explore some, maybe most, of these technological wonders.

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## Word Wrap

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Evolution or Revolution? Useful or Useless? Awesome or Awful? Terrific or Terrible? Wonderful or Woeful?

Turns out that plateau was just another base camp on our climb to ... enlightenment? ... technological transcendence? ... just figuring out how to turn the darn thing on?

## NWAP Board Meeting Notes *by Bob Moffat*

December 11, 2011

Peter Winderling called the Board Meeting to order at 1:55 p.m. at the Lakewood Library. Five members were present.

Reports were accepted.

The Christmas Party committee reported successful preparations for the annual December meeting, with door prizes and club-furnished items ready.

The Board discussed honorary membership status and agreed to review the topic after some further research.

The March 2012 Election was discussed. The slate must be published in the February newsletter. Currently there are two vacant positions: Vice President and Secretary. NWAP members, especially those who have not served on the Board, will be encouraged to participate and reminded that Board meetings are held just before the monthly General meeting.

Val Dumond and Bob Moffat are preparing a survey of members to help the Board plan topics and events. Val has agreed to prepare an article about how our members are using their computers.

Kathryn Whitacre has agreed to present social networking at the January 8th General Meeting and Francette Beeler will prepare a short introduction to iPhone's Siri for the January meetings. With the growing number of iPads and iPhones, more coverage of iOS 5 matters will be included in meetings during 2012. A basic plan for the New User Group's 2012 Lion training is ready to begin in January.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

## New User Report

By Bob Moffat

Our December 1st review of topics covered throughout 2011 gave members a chance to share their questions, as well as the solutions they have discovered. We also previewed a few of the changed interface features in 10.7 Lion.

The annual Tour of the Operating System begins January 5th. We will explore OS X 10.7 Lion during 2012, starting with the basic Mac rules and new features of the Finder. We'll look at the how to use the preference settings in 10.7, as well as for the iOS 5 system used by the iPad, iPhone, and iPod Touch. If we're lucky, we'll have a chance to hear from Siri, too.

Please join us at the Lakewood Library on January 5th from 7 - 9 p.m.

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## Mortvedt Session

By Bob Moffat

We meet the second Friday each month at the Tacoma Lutheran Community's Mortvedt Recreation Center. Meetings are open to everyone, whether or not they live at TLC. Coaches from NorthWest Apple Pickers are available to answer questions about Macs (and iPads) for novices and veteran users. It is not necessary to bring a computer, but if you have a MacBook/Pro or an iPad, bring it along and we can help you work out questions using your own equipment. The session topics are set by those who attend.

Our December 9th Session examined some of the features of the iPad. Several folks have recently acquired the devices and we visited the App Store, demonstrated how to rearrange items on the home screens, and looked at Settings to explore how to sign on to WiFi networks.

Please join us at the Mortvedt Center (1705 N. Vassault St.) from 10 a.m. to Noon, Friday January 13th.

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## December Annual Christmas Party

By Peter Winderling

Twenty NWAP members gathered on Sunday to visit, eat some tasty potluck dishes and desserts and exchange or receive gifts. Many attendees brought a gift to exchange and that was fun as several members wanted another person's gift so they took it and the other person had to get another gift from the table. After the gift exchange there was a drawing for each attendee to receive a gift from the NWAP board.

## General Meeting Report

By Bob Moffat

NWAP members have had a year filled with new releases. Hardware, including the Mac computers, iPhone, iPod, and iPad have been updated. Software, such as Mac OS X, and iOS 5, have added new features while online systems such as the App Stores, iTunes, and iCloud add new ways to use the hardware. And best of all, Tacoma now has its own brick and mortar Apple Store. What a legacy Mr. Jobs leaves.

### January General Meeting

We will take an in depth look at Social Networking as Kathryn Whitacre presents an overview of those services that seem to be linked to everyone in the Universe. Find out what you need to know about joining and using these sites, as well as what steps you need to take to protect your privacy and your sanity. Mac, iPad, or iPhone users will want to see this program: join us from 3 - 5 p.m. at the Lakewood Library on Sunday, January 8th.



AZ is Hummer country

# NEW YEAR GRAMMAR QUIZ

By Val Dumond

## **New Year's Resolution**

(Copy and refer to regularly)

- 1) I will not place an apostrophe before an "s" in plural nouns.
- 2) I will remember to use objective pronouns with the preposition "between".
- 3) I will endeavor to make verb and subject agree in number.
- 4) I will endeavor to use consistent verb tenses.
- 5) I will eliminate extraneous verbs from my writing.
- 6) I will not over-use or under-use modifiers.
- 7) I will write something new every day, just to keep the writing chromosomes well-oiled.

## **NOTES that what may help as reminders:**

- 1) I am making resolutions, not resolution's!
- 2) I love the way words pass between you and me.
- 3) If Leona marries ( not marry) Quentin she'll be happy.  
If Leona and Quentin marry (not marries), they'll be happy.
- 4) I enjoyed the holidays in Arizona, which is (not was) a very pretty state.
- 5) We thought we'd try to get down to visit our friends in Tucson, but we ran out of time.

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BETTER: We wanted to visit our friends in Tucson, but we ran out of time.

6) The warm, sunny, beautiful city of Phoenix very often really tempts me to move all my old, wornout, dilapidated, cruddy stuff and start over.

BETTER: Warm sunny Phoenix tempts me to move all my cruddy stuff and start over.

7) (What do you think you're reading? I do this once a month, but every day I write a few pages of my new book as well as essays for my journal. Keeps the words flowing smoothly. See [www.valdumond.com](http://www.valdumond.com) for more Grammar Quizzes.)

## **South Sound Adobe Users Group**

The South Sound Adobe Users Group meets the **second Monday of the month**. We meet at the Tacoma Lutheran Community's Training Room, located at 1301 N. Highland Parkway.

(info and driving instructions at <http://ssaug.org/TacomaLutheranDirections.pdf>)

We meet at 5:30 pm with an informal brown bag bring-your-own meal following by the presentations for the evening from 6:30 to 8:30. Our members include novices and experts in a variety of Adobe Creative Suite products, including Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, and Dreamweaver. Members who have attended three of the six meetings between January and June will be eligible to win valuable Adobe software in June. (A lucky member wins every six months!)

Monday January 9th will include our usual photo challenge (topic beginning with letter "F") and will feature a Photoshop tip. The program will look at InDesign as we begin a four month project to design an interactive form.

## **Membership Report For Dec. 2011**

**By Francette Beeler**

As Of Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**Total Memberships:** 64

### **Membership Renewals:**

William Barron, Ann Bushnell, Larry Weekly, Loretta Chamberland

**Due in Nov:** Roxanne Burns

**Due in Dec:** Clive Berglund, Glenda Alley, Phyllis & Tom Garcia

**Due in Jan:** Nancy Polich, Huguette Bennett, Robert Becker, Dorothy J. Wilhelm, Wallace Bennett, Matt Smeller, Francette & Jim Beeler, Raymond Perry, Val Dumond

### **Meeting Attendance:**

Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, New User: Members - 14

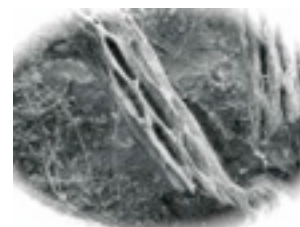
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Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, Mortvedt: Members - 8,

Visitors -Tom McClung

Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting: Members - 5

Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, General Meeting: Members - 20





# January 2012

# FEBRUARY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	6	7
8 Board Mtg 1:45 pm General Mtg 3 pm Lakewood Lib	9 South Sound Adobe UG 5:30 pm	10	11	12	13 Mortvedt Session 10 - noon Mortvedt Rec	14 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr
15	16 Martin Luther King Day	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	Feb 1	2 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Mortvedt Session 10 - noon Mortvedt Rec	11 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr

DATE	DAY	TIME	FUNCTION
2	1ST THURSDAY	7<>9 PM	NEW USER
10	2ND FRIDAY	10 AM <> NOON	MORTVEDT SESSION
11	2ND SATURDAY	9:30 AM	TAPCUG
12	2ND SUNDAY	1:45<>2:30 PM	BOARD MEETING
12	2ND SUNDAY	3<>5 PM	GENERAL MEETING
13	2ND MONDAY	5:30 PM	SOUTH SOUND ADOBE USER GROUP

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