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Word Wrap for April 2013

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New User Meeting

Thursday
April 7th
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Exploring
iDevices

General Meeting

Sunday
April 14th
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

WiFi Cameras
for Security &
Surveillance

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.
nwappickers.org](http://www.nwappickers.org)

Following is a revisit to the very first article I wrote for the newsletter 17 years ago. Some of my comments can be updated. Where North-West Apple Pickers is today and wants to go tomorrow has not changed. Some of the folks who were the heart of NWAP in 1996 are no longer with us. Their legacy continues. You and I carry it on. And pay it forward.

The President's Keyboard for April 1996
by Bob Moffat, Northwest Apple Pickers

Here I am facing a blinking cursor, trying to explain how I feel about the year ahead. Nervous. Excited. Curious. Shaky. Optimistic.

I joined Northwest Apple Pickers a year and a half ago as soon as I could get to a meeting after I bought my Performa. I had more questions than answers about the Mac that sat on my desk. I was a bit intimidated by all the software programs and manuals that came with the machine. I understood only about half the words in the magazines I had been reading. I guess I was nervous, excited, curious, shaky, and optimistic back then, too.

NWAP offered me a safe place to ask for help. Nobody laughed if I asked a "stupid" question. Almost every problem I raised was one that someone else had faced weeks or months or years earlier. The club offered a good place to talk about software and hardware with people who were using the products I was interested in. The club meetings

also provided demonstrations of software or the use of equipment. The New Users Special Interest Group gave me a chance to learn how to use the features and shortcuts that make the Macintosh systems so productive and user friendly. And most importantly, there were friendly human beings at the meetings who proved to be interesting, enjoyable companions regardless of whether or not they happen to use a computer.

I hope that all these things that have been valuable to me will continue to be what members – new and old – find at NWAP in the year ahead.

My task as President is to see that your fellow members have the right resources to do the jobs you have elected them to carry out as your Board of Directors.

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EDITOR'S CORNER



Before I forget, we have a new e-mail address for newsletter submittals. I have decided to use my personal e-mail address. It's just too much to remember to check all the e-mail accounts. ;-)

In the subject line please include NWAP NEWSLETTER so that I will see it right away.

How come nobody likes "comic sans" ?
Bob Moffat don't like it, my wife don't like it and Robin Williams doesn't like it.

Nobody likes it except for me and if you throwbacks to 1995. I know that Bob Moffat must've been laughing like crazy when he sent me the link to the article about "Killing Comic Sans" which appears on page 3.

I actually wanted to use comic sans in the newsletter when I became the editor. But I got overruled by "KaCe" Whitacre and Bob Moffat when the 3 of us met to discuss the proper fonts for the newsletter.

Well I have yielded to "wiser heads" then I.

You will notice that we use Chaparral Pro & Optima except where in the rare cases as editor I can slip in comic sans.

Hope everyone is enjoying a nice spring. This past week we skipped past spring into a early week of summer and the temperatures were in the 90s.

However this week we had dropped back down into the mid-80s. At 10 o'clock this morning it was 73°. I can do quite well with those temps. But I can do without the 90s.

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.
Send inquiries to P.O. Box 98203, Lakewood WA 98496

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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.

April. starts at \$29

Word Wrap for April 2013

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Our task as your Board is to manage the Club's affairs responsibly and to provide the members with informative meetings and other useful services.

Your task is to keep us engaged in meeting your needs. We need feedback to let us know when we are doing well and when we are not.

Our common goal is to continue to offer new users a place to explore the possibilities that Macintosh systems offer and to provide more experienced members a chance to stay current on the latest hardware, software, and real world solutions.

This club is blessed with a cadre of dedicated members who have served in various offices and appointed positions throughout the years. They often operate in the background, making sure that the newsletter is produced on time, that the Club's equipment is maintained, that our meeting place is ready when members arrive, and that dozens of other details are handled to assure smooth operations. Thank you.

My thanks go to Cindy Anderson, who assumed the Presidency in November and deserves a standing ovation for keeping us all on course, as do Susie Meador and Chuck Newton, who also stepped in to (again) give extra time and effort to assure the club's members were well served. Thanks to Kent Hayden, who reviews the share-and freeware to assemble and produce our Disks of the Month. And to the knowledgeable Stewart Beels, who served as President until November, thanks for all your efforts on our behalf.

For the coming year **[1996-ed.]** Mark Grochowicz, Murray Lieberman, Erick Camp, Persis Shook, Larry Weakly, Opal Huston, and Frank Emigh will be our team on the Board of Directors. If some of those names look familiar it's because they have served with distinction this past year and in other years (part of that cadre I mentioned earlier.) Their contributions in the past are assurance to me that your interests will be well-represented throughout the coming year.

You will notice one big difference this next year. For the first time, your President is one of the "dummies" they write books for. I am not an expert Macintosh User. I still come to the meetings to learn more about my computer and the programs that it can run. If you ask me a question I don't have an answer for, please bear with me – I will try to find someone who can give us both the answer as quickly as possible.

Today you can buy a computer which uses the Macintosh Operating System **[Mac OS 7.5-ed.]** from a company other than Apple. That's new. New machines will use only Power PC chips. That's new. The Internet, home

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pages, and web sites are becoming familiar territory to people who didn't know what a modem was a year ago. That's new. Coming up: more non-Apple machines, a new Copland operating system, Open Docs, new and revised software... bigger... better... faster.

Gosh folks, it's enough to make me nervous, excited, curious, shaky, and optimistic about the year ahead. How about you?

Wow! Just think about the changes we take in stride in 2013—technology, culture, economic—that were not even dreamt of in 1966. And look at all those products and concepts that were supposed to happen but never hatched! Fasten your seat belts. (More) interesting times ahead!

Killing Comic Sans: 5 alternative fonts that protect your dignity

Comic Sans: It's the best font in your tool box if you're committed to sappy, unsophisticated design, and want to prove to the world that your type library hasn't been updated since 1995. Comic Sans is embarrassing. It makes us avert our eyes. Yet it's still the go-to font for amateur designers trying to make their messaging more friendly—if only in the same way that reindeer sweaters are intrinsically friendly.

It's one of Windows' longest-standing clichés.

"If you love Comic Sans, feel free to use it with the understanding that it makes your work appear amateurish and thus the information it presents is perceived as unprofessional," says Robin Williams, author of *The Non-Designer's Design and Type Books* and *How to Boss Your Fonts Around*.

The above article is excerpted from a MacWorld article. The article is located at the following URL
<http://www.macworld.com/article/2030201/killin-g-comic-sans-5-alternative-fonts-that-protect-your-dignity.html>

Those of you who want to change up from that good olde standby comic san, check it out.

Your editor ;-)

NWAP Board Meeting

March 10th, 2013

Present: Peter Winderling, Bob Moffatt, Val Du-
mond, Francette Beeler, Lee Peden, Glenda Alley,
Erik Camp

Meeting called to order at 1:55 pm by President Pe-
ter Winderling

Motion made, seconded and carried to accept all re-
ports as presented.

Francette reported that we currently have 66 active
members.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Elections: what do we do if no one volunteers to fill
president and vice president?

Discussion. Possibility that Bob Moffatt would
run for president and Peter Townsend might be able
to step in as president later in the year. Also dis-
cussed the possibility of dropping the Sunday meet-
ings and just do the Thursday programs.

It was suggested that we change the programs so
that Bob would do his new user programs on Sunday
and have outside folks on Thursdays.

Peter will present the various options to the gen-
eral meeting attendees and the Executive Board will
reconvene.

We don't have to dissolve the group unless the
membership chooses to do that. We can work
around the leadership issues.

Motion made, seconded and carried to temporarily
adjourn, to be reconvened after the Annual group
meeting.

Annual Meeting called to order at 3:10 pm by
Peter Winderling.

Peter presented options talked about by the Board.

Currently, Thursday is new user meetings (usually
deals with current OS), and then we have the Sunday
general meetings. Thinking about switching things
around or eliminating one of the meetings. Discus-
sion.

Peter Townsend volunteered to serve as vice presi-
dent for 3 months and then as president for 9
months if Bob Moffat would take the first 3 months.

Judith Sloan would serve as director for the next
year. Lee Peden will serve as a director.

Motion made, seconded and carried to accept the
slate as presented:

President, Bob Moffatt

VP, Peter Townsend

Secretary, Glenda Alley

Treasurer, Eldon Estep

Membership Chair, Francette Beeler

Directors: Judith Sloan, Fred Battie, Lee
Peden

Leave meetings as they are.

Motion made, 2nd & carried to adjourn the meet-
ing.

The Board reconvened at 4 pm.

Motion made, seconded that we acknowledge that
the officer slate is approved. Passed

Some discussion about meeting topics. Names on
the bank account need to be changed, after the
newsletter comes out. Pictures on the officer page
will be updated.

Motion made, seconded & carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Alley

Is That Website Down ?

Here's the scenario: you try to access one of your
favorite sites (maybe one of the sites you're ad-
dicted to), and the darn thing won't load for you.
You try, over and over again.

That's where "Down For Everyone Or Just Me"
comes in. This is an ingenious site, and here's how
it works: simply type in the name of the site that's
not cooperating with you, and within seconds you'll
see if this mysterious downtime is a more wide-
spread problem (or if it's really JUST YOU). This is
an easy way to troubleshoot where the connectivity
problem might be happening.

<http://downforeveryoneorjustme.com/>

President's Note

Memo from Moffat's MacMini:

The elections are over. NorthWest Apple Pickers is preparing for another exciting, informative year. The Board of Directors has agreed to rotate tasks from time to time and in our discussion with the members at the Annual Meeting, we agreed that we may switch the General and the New User Group meetings occasionally when it is easier to find a guest speaker willing to give a presentation during the week rather than on a Sunday afternoon.

Two of our members retired from the Board. Val Dumond who has been on the team since 2011 and Peter Winderling who first joined the board in 1998 as Vice President and has been President for several terms in the years since. Lee Peden is staying on the board but is moving from Vice President to an at Large Directorship for the coming year. Thanks to all for the efforts they have made on our behalf.

Your NWAP management team looks like this:

President, Bob Moffat
Vice President, Peter Townsend
Secretary, Glenda Alley
Treasurer, Eldon Estep
Membership, Francette Beeler
Director, Fred Battié
Director, Lee Peden
Director, Judy Sloan
Editor, David Putman
Club Info, Loretta Chamberland
Website, Erick Camp
Reservations, Val Dumond
Apple Ambassador, Peter Winderling

Since two of our elected officers may be new faces to some of you, here is an introduction:

Vice President **Peter Townsend**—

I am happily married with three children. My wife, Frauke, is into swimming and drawing. She grew up in North Germany.

My hobbies include piano playing and also riding an Icelandic horse.

Sold my Federal Way CPA practice a few years ago.

Also lived and worked in Morris Plains NJ, Cape Town (S. Africa) and in London, where I grew up.

We have both enjoyed a lot of domestic and overseas travel over the years.

We use computers mainly for business. Moved from PCs to Mac around 2007 to get away from security issues and incompatible software/hardware. Found iMac(2007) much easier to learn and more fun to work with.

Have had all iPhones, except iPh 5. Got Retina iPad last December and enjoy it a lot. The iMac and the two IOS devices easily synch using iCloud. Have really enjoyed NWAP and found it very useful- have asked some dumb question along the way.

Director **Judy Sloan**—

Firstly, I prefer to be called Judy. Judith is just too formal. I grew up in Tacoma and graduated from Clover Park High School. Graduated also from Stanford University and then spent two years as a Navy Nurse and THEN was a stay-at-home Mom for 18 years, I divorced husband #1, joined the UP Fire Dept., went to graduate school at UW and became a Family Nurse Practitioner.

Have loved that profession for the past 32 years but have finally (I think) retired. My family is all local and we laugh and appreciate each other more all the time.

Two grandsons are at Western and I have a couple of volunteer jobs. I read a lot, take several zumba classes every week, have wonderful friends and except for the health issues that accompany those of us have outlived our warrantees, all is well. I am excited to be more involved with NWAP. I have been a "Mac person" since the early 90's and, like all of you, am struggling to conquer the newest and bestest technology.

So, fellow members, NWAP continues. You are the power that drives this organization. Keep us moving forward. Keep us tuned in to your interests. Keep us useful!

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New User Report

By Bob Moffat

March 7, 2013

The March 7th New User Group investigated some of the iCloud features, especially the synchronization possibilities for folks who have more than one device -- a computer, an iPhone, an iPad, or a Touch, for example. We also looks at some of the applications that use iCloud sync to maintain current info, such as Reminders, iCal, and Notifications.

The topic for April's NUG is iDevices! iPad, iPhone, and iPod Touch, will be in the spotlight. Members who use these devices are being asked to tell us about the Applications they have installed and how they use them, why they like them, or... perhaps apps they tried and discarded. We have several folks who have recently joined the iOS tablet/smartphone generation and we'll spend time covering some basics and answering questions that veteran and new users may have.

Join us on Thursday, April 4th from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Lakewood Library.

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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. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own Macs or iPads if they wish to work on issues with their own machines. The session topics are set by those who attend (and ask questions.)

Please join us at the Mortvedt Recreation Center on Friday, April 12th from 10 a.m. to Noon. **Note:** The recreation center is being remodeled: if it is not ready for meetings, we may reschedule or cancel this meeting. Watch your email for details.

Mortvedt Recreation Center,
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Tacoma WA

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General Meeting Report

By Bob Moffat

March General Meeting

Members sat down with the Board of Directors during the General Meeting and participated in planning for NWAP's coming year. Some outside speakers have been reluctant to give up their Sundays so we agreed that holding a General Meeting on Thursday evening and switching the New User Group to Sunday would be acceptable when necessary. To increase the flexibility for managing club matters, the incoming Board of Directors agreed to rotate responsibilities from time to time in order to share the load.

The formal Annual Meeting was convened and a new Board of Directors was duly elected. The members gave a round of applause for retiring President Peter Winderling and Director Val Dumond.

The April 14th General Meeting will be presented by Erick Camp who will discuss wireless (Wi-Fi) camera installation for security and surveillance.

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South Sound Adobe Users Group

The South Sound Adobe Users Group meets the **second Monday of the month**. We meet in 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 p.m. for an informal bring-your-own brown bag meal followed by the evening's presentations from 6:30 - 8:30. Our members include novices and experts in a variety of Adobe Creative Suite products, such as Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, and Dreamweaver. Members are eligible to win valuable Adobe software in December and June if they have attended three of the six meetings since the last award.

At our April 15th meeting we will again spend some time working on photograph restoration and other graphics projects. We explore Adobe's InDesign and Illustrator in addition to the Photoshop application. We will continue our monthly photo project with topics that begin with the letter "U."

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A Little Hacking.....

Perhaps being hacked "a little" is a good thing (referencing Thomas Jefferson's Quote: "A little rebellion now and then is a good thing").

Several months ago, my email was hacked and I had to move out of AOL into another entirely new site. It was a headache and a lot of trouble, affecting dozens of friends. Last week, my Twitter account was hacked and I found it a blessing.

The Twitter hacking resulted in only four of my "followers" receiving a weird message from me. I easily informed them of the message that "did it" - right after I changed my password(s).

The hacking gently reminded me to change my password(s) more often. Like batteries in your home's fire warning system, your password(s) need to be changed. Just try to do it without the "hacking" reminder.

By Val Dumond



Membership Report For March 2013

By Francette Beeler
As Of 3/12/2013

Active Memberships: 55

Membership Renewals:

Margo Jones, Kozy Smith, Dorothy J. Wilhelm, Dwaine & Janet Baccus, Kathryn "KaCe" Whitacre, Lee Perry, Peter & Frauke Townsend

Memberships Needing Renewal:

Due in Feb: Gloria & David Putman

Due in Mar: Kathy Swanson, Jack & Helen Ellingson, Doug McDonald, Peter Winderling

Due in April: Chuck Hayden

Meeting Attendance:

New User Group on 3/07/13 ~ 14 members

Mortvedt Center on 3/08/13 ~ 6 members

Board Meeting ~ 3/10/13 ~ 7 members.

General Meeting ~ 3/10/13 ~ 20 members

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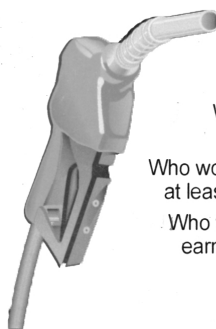
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Who would like to reduce their engine wear by at least 40% – extending the life of their car?

Who would like to build residual income and earn substantial cash working from home?

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May 2013

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