



Apple Pickin's

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The iPhone Decade

Hard to believe that it has only been 10 years since Apple introduced the iPhone. As is often the case, Apple entered a market that already had a number of well-established manufacturers. Today the "smartphone" is a major communications component of modern life around the world. A touch screen that did not require a stylus was a big step away from tradition in 2007, when most of the others used keys. And most of the others have dropped out of the market. iOS and Android systems power about 99% of the smartphones today.



Word Wrap For July 2017 by Bob Moffat

The Great Experiment began 241 years ago when American Colonies declared their independence from Britain. Military action had begun more than a year earlier at Concord, Massachusetts. Armed conflict with Britain lasted more than eight years.

In CONGRESS, July 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature

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**New User
Meeting
July 6th
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
The Cloud
Offerings**



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.

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The First iPhone

Check out the links below about a discussion on the first iPhone

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aHjFKqzUplI>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=daVpCmw4_K8

iPhone 8 ?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ML-QhJAmL1c>

NorthWest Apple Pickers

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Annual Dues are \$40 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: PO Box 99824 Lakewood, WA 98496.

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Red Chip

Buy your tickets, build the jackpot.

July. starts at \$ 13

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and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.

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Designing a way to govern the new nation proved to be a challenge. The Confederated States had won the war; their representatives returned to Philadelphia to figure out how to make their new nation work. Our U.S. Constitution went into effect 228 years ago in 1789.

So far, the principles have guided us through an amazing evolution of culture, technology, global connection, and political developments.

Preamble to the U.S. Constitution:

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity,

do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

The Founding Patriots who drafted these documents had profoundly differing views and philosophical visions. But they worked together, they compromised, they looked for common ground, they kept their focus on creating a workable framework that would preserve the nation and serve her citizens.

We have visited the Planets of our Solar System. We have explored the Ocean Depths. We have conquered Diseases. ...Because We have offered Hope and Opportunity to People arriving from Every Nation on Earth who came to build a Better Life and make our Nation stronger.

Happy Birthday, America. Live long, and prosper!

How to reset your Mac's NVRAM, PRAM, and SMC

How to reset your Mac's NVRAM, PRAM, and SMC

By Joe Kissell

Senior Contributor, Macworld |

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When your Mac starts acting up, you'll probably run through some common troubleshooting procedures, such as restarting it, running Disk Utility, and perhaps performing a Safe Boot. Your repair repertoire should also include a couple of additional procedures that can occasionally eliminate otherwise inscrutable problems—zapping the NVRAM and resetting the SMC.

Zap the NVRAM (or PRAM)

Back in the day, the standard list of quick fixes for random Mac ailments always included “zap the PRAM.” The P in PRAM stood for parameter (the RAM was just RAM—random access memory), and it referred to a small amount of special, battery-backed memory in every Mac that stored information the computer needed before it loaded the operating system. If the values in this memory got out of whack for one reason or another, your Mac might not start up correctly, or might exhibit any of numerous odd behaviors afterward. So you could press a key sequence at startup to reset (or “zap”) the PRAM, returning it to default, factory values.

Modern Macs no longer use PRAM; they instead use something called NVRAM (NV for non-volatile). NVRAM serves approximately the same purpose as PRAM, but instead of storing a dozen or more pieces of information, it now contains just a few: your selected startup disk, speaker volume, screen resolution, time zone, and—if your Mac has crashed recently—details of the last kernel panic.

NVRAM corruption is fairly uncommon, but if your Mac seems to take forever to figure out which disk to boot from, if it starts up with the wrong screen resolution, or if you have weird audio problems (like there's no sound whatsoever, or the menu bar's volume control is grayed out), it doesn't hurt to reset the NVRAM—it's quick and harmless.

To reset your NVRAM, you use exactly the same procedure you once used to reset PRAM.

Shut down your Mac.

Press the power button, and as soon as you hear the startup chime, hold down Command-Option-P-R.

Keep holding down those keys until you hear a *second* startup chime. Then let go and allow your Mac to continue starting normally.

Then check the Startup Disk, Display, and Date & Time panes of System Preferences to make sure they're set the way you want them.

If you hold down Command-Option-P-R at startup and you see nothing but a gray screen that doesn't change for several minutes—no Apple logo, no progress bar, no second startup chime—don't panic. The most likely cause is that your Mac isn't registering the key presses due to wonkiness with a USB device. Disconnect all USB devices (except your keyboard, if it's a wired keyboard), hold the power button down until the Mac shuts off completely, and then press it again and immediately hold down Command-Option-P-R.

If that doesn't work and you're using an external Bluetooth keyboard, try plugging in a USB keyboard instead. If you're able to reset the NVRAM successfully with the wired keyboard, you can disconnect it and go back to your normal Bluetooth keyboard.

Reset the SMC

Yet another component of your Mac's hardware that stores crucial settings is the System Management Controller (SMC), a circuit that deals with power management, temperature monitoring and fan control, status lights, keyboard backlights, and a few other components. If your SMC becomes confused, you could experience problems like excessive fan noise, slow performance even though Activity Monitor doesn't show the CPU being overtaxed, apps that take forever to launch, batteries that don't charge correctly, problems with sleep or wake, and so on. (You can see a longer list on this Apple support page.) As with zapping the NVRAM, resetting the SMC to factory defaults may resolve these problems.

Apple says you shouldn't reset the SMC without

Read the rest of this article at

<http://www.macworld.com/article/2881177/mac/how-to-reset-your-macs-nvram-pram-and-smc.html>

Links to Interesting articles on the Internet ~ July 2017

Courtesy Of Uncle Bob

Neato updates for Pages, Keynote, and Numbers!

<https://www.macrumors.com/2017/06/13/apple-iwork-updates-ios-mac/>

MORE security information.

<http://www.macworld.com/article/3197439/security/apples-new-icloud-security-requirements-how-it-affects-you-and-the-software-you-use.html>

<http://www.bbc.com/news/technology-40261693>

Tips and Tricks for the Savvy Computerist!

<https://blog.macsales.com/40320-access-your-hidden-library-folder-with-these-five-easy-tricks-2?>

<http://www.macworld.com/article/3189985/photography/how-to-fix-an-uncopyable-iphoto-or-photos-library.html>

<https://blog.macsales.com/40844-how-to-recover-from-a-white-screen-when-booting-a-mac>

<https://www.appleworld.today/blog/2017/6/13/how-to-prepare-your-mac-for-selling-it>

Things to know to improve your smile.

<https://blog.macsales.com/41321-a-first-look-into-apples-ios-11-developer-beta-1?>

<http://www.macworld.com/article/2990355/mac-apps/20-free-os-x-apps-every-mac-user-should-have.html#slide1>

<https://www.recode.net/2017/5/25/15689094/mossberg-final-column>

<http://www.macworld.com/article/3183491/iphone-ipad/ipad-pro-ipad-and-ipad-mini-4-what-are-the-differences.html>

<https://www.recode.net/2017/5/15/15642526/bill-gates-tweet-advice-foundation-ai-happiness-new-graduates>

<https://www.powermax.com/itunes-vs-icloud/?>

New User Report

By Bob Moffat

Our Annual Tour of macOS (Sierra) pulled into the rest stop in June. We all piled out and spent a couple of hours reviewing what we've seen and learned during the first half of the journey. Our group of crack-erjack whiz kids absolutely aced the mid-term test. So, back on the bus and ready for the next stop!

The clouds over our July 6 meeting will not be gloomy—they are the topic of our session. What is happening with servers in the sky? How is back-up and transfer of data changing as we search for better, safer ways to store our stuff? Bring your questions and answers to the meeting.

Please join us on **Thursday, July 6th 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 Retirement Community's Mortvedt Recreation Center. Meetings are open to everyone, whether or not they live at TLRC.

Coaches from NorthWest Apple Pickers are available to answer questions – about Macs, iPads, and iPhones – for novice and veteran users. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own Macs, iPhones, and iPads if they wish to work on issues with their own machines.

Join us on Friday, **July 14th from 10 a.m. to Noon.**

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General Meeting Report

By Bob Moffat

We had a terrific Open House and Picnic at our June 11th meeting. Great food, good friends, and grand discussions as members and visitors enjoyed the afternoon.

Guess what! NO SUNDAY MEETING this month or next! We're betting that there will be some sunny, dry weather to enjoy. Go to the beach. Go to the Mountains. Take pictures. Have a wonderful time.

See you on the second Sunday in September.

Please remember to join us in September on **Sunday, September 10th from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Lakewood Library.**

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NWAP Board Minutes

June 11th, 2017

There was no meeting so no minutes.

New System Releases coming this Fall

In June Apple holds a developers conference and announces the tweaks they plan for systems and hardware later in the year. Developers have the chance to begin upgrading their applications to play nicely with the changes and to check out the new features (and find bugs!) before the rest of us get the updates this Fall.

Mac users whose hardware is running the current Sierra 10.12 will be able to install the next version (High Sierra 10.13) when it is released. We may discover some third party software needs fixing to be compatible with the new system.

iPhone and iPad use iOS and there are a bunch of new features in the next version, iOS 11, and that means that some devices will not be able to install the new system. Your iPhone or iPad must be running a 64 bit processor to use iOS 11.

Here are a couple of links that describe some of the new features. Remember, by the time they are released in the Fall, there may be some changes.

<http://www.macworld.com/article/3199825/mac/macos-high-sierra-news-features-tips-faq-release.html>

<http://www.macworld.com/article/3199356/ios/ios-11-news-features-tips-faq-release.html>

Membership Report For June 2017

By Francette Beeler
As Of 6/13/2017

Active Memberships: 37

Membership Renewals: Gerald May, Dick Lynch, Pat Lynch, Jim Schaefer, Kathy May

New Members: N/A

Memberships Needing Renewal:

Due in May: Fredrick Schmidt Ruth Currah

Due in June: Mary & David Fleck

Due in July: Jerry Kunz Maureen Howard
Clarene Johnson, Sherie Eiszele Herman Diers

Meeting Attendance:

New User Group on 2017-06-01 had 10 members attend.

Mortvedt Center on 2017-06-09 had 11 members attend.

Board Meeting on 2017-06-11 had 4 members attend.

General Meeting on 2017-06-11 had 14 members attend. **Visitor(s):** Lilly Hash: Maggie Smith: C Jones: Melvin Hagglund

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August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28	June 29	June 30	1	July 30	July 31	1	2	3 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	4	5
2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	7	8 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr	6	7	8	9	10	11 Mortvedt Session 10 - noon Mortvedt Rec	12 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr
9 No General Meeting in July	10	11	12	13	14 Mortvedt Session 10 - noon Mortvedt Rec	15	13 NO General Meeting in August	14 Frankie Tobey Jones 2-3 pm Wellness Ctr	15	16	17	18	19
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30	31	Sept 1	Sept 2
30	31	Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	Aug 4	Aug 5	The Wash. State Fair Sept 1 - 24						

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