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A Macintosh Computer User Group Publication

What about Net Neutrality?

At the moment the Federal Communications Commission is poised to vote a change in the way the Internet has been run since it was first put in place. As an "unregulated" "uncensored" channel of communication, it has transformed the GLOBAL culture. Many nations have an uneasy, if not adversarial relationship with any such freedom of expression. Until now, the U.S. has been "neutral." Apparently, the current FCC Chairman sees no value in neutrality, either.

Internet Service Providers (ISPs) have not been allowed to play favorites. A change in the rules will remove that "neutrality" and permit ISPs to handle traffic on their systems differently. If a company is willing to pay more, they could be given priority.

Tim Berners-Lee, the man who **invented** the World Wide Web, which is how most of us use the Internet is concerned about its future:

Today, one of the greatest threats to the Web in America is the plan by the Federal Communications Commission to roll back America's open Internet safeguards.

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Word Wrap For December 2017 by Bob Moffat

Dear Santa,

I know it's been decades since my last letter. Hope that you are still receiving paper letters in envelopes with Forever Stamps on them. (It's not a new-fangled email or twit, but I hear the Post Office needs the business.)

Our annual correspondence sort of dwindled after I realized that our house didn't have a fireplace and you had to be very skinny and heatproof to slide down our chimney into the oil stove in our living room.

That was about the time it became apparent that somehow you seemed to deliver what I *really needed* ... as opposed to what I *really wanted* for Christmas ... no matter what I wrote.

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New User Meeting

Dec 7th
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**Reviewing,
Recapping
&
Remembering**

General Meeting

Dec 10th.
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**Annual
Christmas
Party**

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Meeting Locations

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

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

<http://www.nwapplepkrs.org>



A Macintosh Computer User Group Serving Pierce County Washington





Christmas In Arizona

3. Lake Havasu City



6. Prescott



5. Phoenix



NorthWest Apple Pickers

NWAP is an Apple Macintosh User Group which meets the second Sunday of the Month.

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

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Red Chip

Buy your tickets, build the jackpot.

Nov . starts at \$ 37.00

Word Wrap For December 2017 by Bob Moffat

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This year feels different, somehow. Global change may be the reason – and I don't necessarily mean the weather. The *atmosphere* has become more harsh, more extreme, more stressful. Highs and lows go higher and lower than they used to, and sometimes change from one to the other at the speed of light.

Therefore this letter is mainly a belated thankful note to cover all those years when you didn't receive acknowledgment for what you delivered around the world. We took for granted that you understood we appreciated your gifts, even though we (well, some of us, anyway) squandered or ignored them.

There were stirring, emotional moments you delivered. The Atomic Age did not (yet) mark the end of humankind. We went to the Moon and landed robots on Mars. The Wall came *down* and changed everything. Technology put more power and knowledge at our fingertips and the ability to communicate that around the world in the blink of an eye. Global markets and production has spread economic benefits to many nations. World wide health has improved as medical advances find ways to treat old foes.

Education, human rights, legal status, dignity, economic progress, and a whole long list of positive changes have gradually spread as the forces of peace and good will seeped into the Earth and were carried by the ocean currents around the world. In so many ways the changes since I sent that first wish list are awesome and mind boggling.

Of course, the process is not finished. We all know that there are ups and downs, two steps forward and one backward to all endeavors of great moment. The pendulum swings. Everything Old is New again. Majority rules. Be a good sport. Take turns and don't shove. Raise your hand if you want to be excused.

Santa, for all those gifts we have quietly been using, for all the changes that have silently given us a sense of well-being, for all the progress we have made toward getting along with the nearly *8 billion* other humans on this planet I am grateful. Most of these advances are not toys or playthings but major shifts in attitudes. Or adaptations and adjustments in cultural or governmental institutions. Or the product of education and research. But I sense we are losing momentum. That we are turning away from the Shining City on the Hill. That we are for-

getting who we are, why we are where we are, how to be everything we have been striving to become.

A few of the words spoken by President Lincoln on a November afternoon 154 years ago echo my concerns today:

“Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure.”

Dear Santa, please find some uncommonly calm, carefully considered, civilly crafted, consciously inclusive seasoning to flavor our Christmas feasts this year. Help us figure out ways to help those who need shelter. Give us the patience and insight to find a way to disagree without becoming disagreeable. Show us how to assure safety, security, and justice is extended to all. Please let us re-emphasize empathy and rediscover civility. Remind us to ask not what our nation can do for us, but, rather, what we can do for our nation. And all of our fellow citizens.

Thank you. You have given us the incentive to change the world for the better for generations. We are grateful, Santa.

Merry Christmas.



What About Net Neutrality?

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<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/05/17/fcc-preserve-net-neutrality-editorials-debates/101555746/>

Net neutrality is the fundamental principle that all content should be treated equally online. It's what ensures those millions of local businesses can compete on an equal footing with corporate giants. It's what stops Internet and cable providers from slowing down services for those who don't pay a premium, or blocking content that doesn't boost their own bottom lines.

--see the rest of his comments at:

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/11/16/protect-net-neutrality-and-internet-freedom-world-wide-web-inventor-tim-berners-lee-column/866318001/>

2. Glendale



1. Flagstaff



Annual Christmas Potluck

Another year has flown by and it is once again time to celebrate the holidays. Our Christmas party will light up the afternoon of Sunday, December 10th with its usual combination of potluckery magic and hilarious gift challenge.

Members are asked to bring a potluck dish to share. The club will furnish soft drinks and ice, as well as plates and utensils.

To participate in the modest gift exchange members bring one to get one: names are drawn one at a time, giving everyone a chance to decide whether they want to challenge to take the gift that was just unwrapped (and send that person back to choose another) or choose another brightly wrapped package (and risk the same fate.)

Members and guests can look forward to delightful company and our usual caloric festival.



Links to Interesting articles on the Internet ~ Dec. 2017

Courtesy Of Uncle Bob

Net Neutrality

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/11/16/protect-net-neutrality-and-internet-freedom-world-wide-web-inventor-tim-berners-lee-column/866318001/>

<http://appleinsider.com/articles/17/11/22/text-of-fcc-proposal-to-restore-internet-freedom-released-eradicates-net-neutrality-rules>

<https://arstechnica.com/tech-policy/2017/11/fcc-will-also-order-states-to-scrap-plans-for-their-own-net-neutrality-laws/>

<https://www.recode.net/2017/11/21/16679114/fcc-ajit-pai-net-neutrality-rules-donald-trump>

More Keyboard Shortcuts

<https://blog.macsales.com/42569-15-macos-keyboard-shortcuts-to-improve-your-productivity?>

<https://blog.macsales.com/42628-ten-more-macos-keyboard-shortcuts-to-improve-productivity?>

iPhone and iPad

<https://sixcolors.com/post/2017/11/whats-a-real-computer/>

<https://www.macworld.com/article/3237747/ios/how-to-power-off-your-iphone-x.html>

<https://www.macworld.com/article/3235724/iphone-ipad/iphone-x-touch-gestures-and-commands.html>

<https://www.macworld.com/article/3236747/ios/what-are-offloaded-apps-in-ios-11-and-how-do-they-work.html>

Applications that might interest you

https://www.macobserver.com/news/reminders-macs-iphones-ipads/?utm_campaign=tmo_home_sidebar

<https://blog.macsales.com/42686-a-complete-guide-to-universal-clipboard-in-macos-high-sierra?>

Things we don't like to think about...

<https://blog.macsales.com/42849-10-common-things-that-put-your-mac-at-risk?>

<https://www.macworld.com/article/3229511/security/what-to-do-when-ransomware-strikes-your-mac.html>

New User Report

By Bob Moffat

The recent arrival of new system versions for the Mac and the iDevices generated a lot of discussion at the November meeting. We had a chance to discuss some of the new features and listen to how easy (or otherwise) the upgrade process was for members.

Our annual tour of the 2017 Systems will end in December as we do our final recap, review, and graduation ceremony for loyal users of Sierra 10.11 and iOS 10. Strangely enough, we have never had to flunk a student—everyone gets to pass to the next level. We'll have plenty of time for Q&A, too.

Please join us on **Thursday, December 7th 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, **December 8th from 10 a.m. to Noon.**

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General Meeting Report

By Bob Moffat

Another year is about to enter the great annals of NorthWest Apple Pickers. What better way to mark the occasion than with a Christmas Party! Our usual Christmas potluck party will again feature a surprisingly delicious array of food, a sparkling array of delightful people to visit with, and a downright daffy bring-one-to-get-one gift exchange. This event is always a fun afternoon with a chance for members and guests to enjoy good food, good company, and good conversation.

We have had a year of interesting discussions and demos in 2017. Let's celebrate. This is a chance to enjoy the fellowship of NWAP members.

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

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Franke Tobey Jones

AppleDevice Workshop

Our coaches meet the second Monday each month at Franke Tobey Jones to help residents and guests in the Wellness Center, offering one-on-one coaching for iPads, iPhones, and Mac computers. Folks are encouraged to bring their own devices and there will be iPads available from Franke Tobey Jones, as well. This will be a chance to ask questions and get some answers about how to master out these devices that connect us to the rest of the world.

Join us on **Monday, December 11th at 2 p.m.**

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Membership Report For November 2017

By **Francette Beeler**
As Of **11/15/2017**

Active Memberships: 37

Membership Renewals: Louis Torre, Bob Moffat, Judith Sloan, Larry Weakly, Fredrick Schmidt, Ruth Currah

New Members: N/A

Memberships Needing Renewal:

Due in Oct: Gladys Davilla

Due in Nov: Bob Webster Johan F. (Fred) Battie
Liz Webster

Meeting Attendance:

New User Group on 2017-10-05 had 15 members attend.

General Meeting on 2017-11-12 had 13 members attend. **Visitor(s):** Linda Waldenga: Brittony Waldenga

Board Meeting on 2017-11-12 had 6 members attend.

Mortvedt Center on 2017-11-10 had 9 members attend

Franke Tobey Jones Wellness Ctr on 2017-11-13 had 7 members attend. **Visitor(s):** Mary C: Karen M: SueAnn T: Jane S: Elsa F: Doug D



NWAP Board Minutes November 12th, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2:16 p.m. Present were Peter Winderling, Bob Moffat, Jim Schaefer, Francette and Jim Beeler, and Mary Fleck.

The Treasurer noted 3 renewals in October and reported \$468 in checking, \$1210 in savings, and \$28 in the Red Chip pot. Membership continues at 35. Reports were approved.

Programs for December will include a review of the annual tour of the systems for the New User Group and the annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 10th. The January New User and General Meetings will include surveys to help the Board schedule programs for 2018.

The new outreach session at Franke Tobey Jones seems to be providing good one-to-one support, similar to our Mortvedt sessions. The board discussed the appeal for coaches to make sure we have coverage.

Elections are in March and it is time to start encouraging members to consider joining the board. Peter announced his desire to retire from the Presidency.

The annual Christmas Potluck will again feature the bring-one-to-get-one gift challenge. Members will be urged to use common sense rather than setting a specific dollar limit. Francette will arrange to get the Gift Cards for club's present. She will also bring the club decorations and utensils. Mary will get the soda and ice.

Judy Sloan, Secretary, is recovering from surgery and a get well card was circulated for signatures.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Notes respectfully submitted by Bob Moffat, Vice-President



December 2017

January 2018


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2	Dec 31 New Year's Eve	JAN 1, 2018 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6
3	4	5	6	7 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	8 Mortvedt Session 10 am- noon Mortvedt Rec	9 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr	7	8	9	10	11	12 Mortvedt Session 10 - noon Mortvedt Rec	13 TAPCUG 9:30 am Lakewood Senior Ctr
10 Board Mtg 1:30 pm General Mtg 3 pm Lakewood Lib	11 Franke Tobey Jones 2 pm Wellness Ctr	12 Hanukkah begins	13	14	15	16	14 Board Mtg 2:15 pm General Mtg 3 pm Lakewood Lib	15 Franke Tobey Jones 2 pm Wellness Ctr	16	17	18	19	20
17	18	19	20	21 Winter Begins	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30	31	Feb 1 New User Group 7 pm Lakewood Lib	Feb 2	Feb 3
31 New Year's Eve	New Year's Day 2018 Jan 1												

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