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Saturday, October 15th, 2005

Guest Speakers: Jennifer Dyer and Gordon Bell from Prosoft Engineering Inc. Learn about Data Rescue II, Data Backup, Drive Genius, Picture Rescue and Tech Tune for iPod, Prosoft's Mac utility programs that back up and recover data, and maintain, manage and optimize hard drives and iPods.

Visit www.prosofteng.com for more information on Prosoft Engineering and their products.



Special Presentation SIG - FileMaker Pro8®

New! FileMaker Pro is the #1 selling easy-to-use database that helps you easily manage people, projects, assets, and more! FileMaker Pro 8 gives you the tools you need to manage, customize, and share your information on a network or over the web with Windows and Mac users. Come learn how you can Work Faster and Share More with the new features that FileMaker Pro 8 offers. (Special Presentation will be from 9am - 11am.)

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New Woodlands Mac[®] SIG

By Eugene Zimmerman

New Woodlands Mac[®] SIG meeting, Tuesday October 18th

In conjunction with the new Apple[®] Store opening in the Woodlands, the Houston Area Apple Users Group has decided to initiate a Special Interest Group for local Woodlands' residents.

A new SIG in The Woodlands will be starting this month. Our kickoff meeting will begin at 7:00 PM Tuesday, October 18th at The Apple Store in The Woodlands Mall with a 45 minute presentation on .mac. We will then adjourn to the Food Court for a brief organizational meeting. As always, Special Interest Group meetings are open to the public, for members and non-members alike at no charge.

Contact Gene Zimmerman at genegz@mac.com if you have questions.



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Bob "Dr. Mac" LeVitus www.boblevitus.com

New FileMaker Pro8®

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Come to this month's Special Presentation and learn how you can Work Faster and Share More with new features like:

- . PDF Maker
- . Excel Maker
- . Email FastSend
- . Easy Excel import
- . FastMatch Search
- . Email Merge
- . Tab Control
- . Field List Filter
- . Dropdown Calendar
- . Auto-complete, Visual Spell Check

And for more Advanced Users:

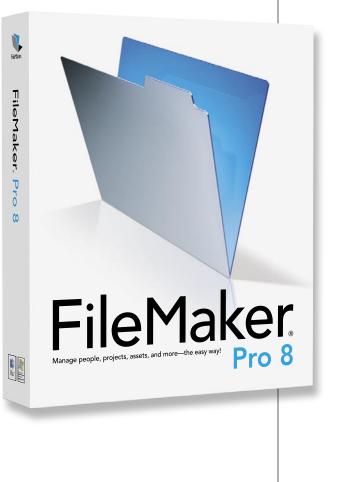
- . Improved Development Features
- . Script Variables
- . Custom Menus
- . Custom Tool tips
- . Data Viewer
- . Disable Script Steps
- . Reuse fields, tables, and more

Proposed Agenda:

- Introduction
- FileMaker Update
- What is NEW in FileMaker 8.0?
- FileMaker Pro 8.0
- FileMaker Pro 8.0 Advanced
- FileMaker Server
- FileMaker Advanced Server
- FileMaker Mobile
- Demonstration
- •Q&A



Bill Heizer is a senior consulting engineer with FileMaker, Inc. He's a former FSA partner and returning for his 6th FileMaker DevCon speaking appearance. Bill has been with FileMaker, Inc. since 2001. Prior to this he was the owner and president of C&H Consulting Group. Bill's technical expertise includes Palm development, Citrix/Terminal Services, SQL integration, and infrastructure design relating to FileMaker deployment.



HAAUGraphy A photographic journal of The Houston Area Apple Users' Group

Want your pictures in the Apple Barrel?

HAAUGraphy is a way to express and communicate our history through photography. Submit your personal photos to abe@haaug.org **September Raffle** Winners









Alsoft presentation at the September General Meeting. Courtesy Rex Covington.



Mike & Barbara Courtesy Rex Covington



Rick & Phil at night SIG Courtesy Rex Covington.

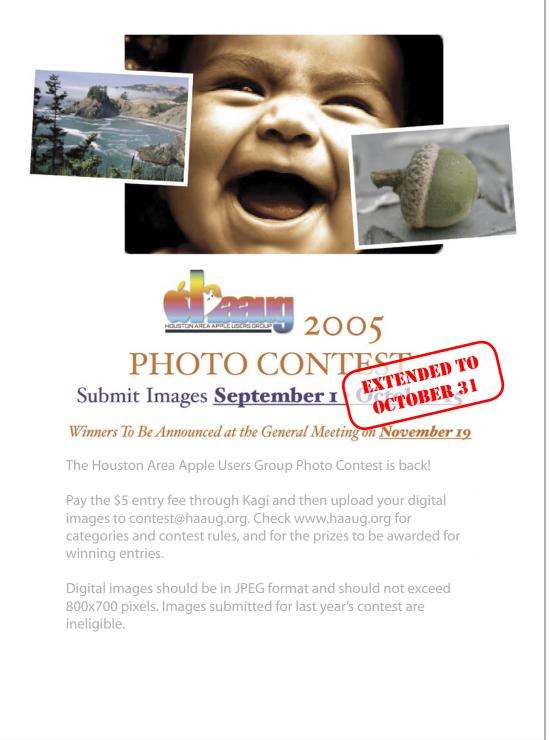


Phil Booth leads a captivating night SIG at Ziggy's. Courtesy Rex Covington. Want your pictures in the Apple Barrel? Submit your personal photos to abe@haaug.org

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HAAUG 2005 Photo Contest

Houston Area Apple Users' Group Ad



New and Renewing HAAUG Members

Carl Baker Katherine J. Elliot John Gaver Michael King Lloyd E. Maxwell, Jr. Liz Muegge CJ Settles Richard Wright

Take Control of Tiger Reviewed by Elsa Travisano

Take Control of Tiger is really four titles in one.

The book brings together print versions of Take Control of Upgrading to Tiger, Take Control of Customizing Tiger, Take Control of Users and Accounts, and Take Control of Sharing Files in Tiger, each of which is also available in electronic book format at www. takecontrolbooks.com. Together, these titles give users at all levels of experience the information they need to install, customize – and most important – understand OS 10.4 Tiger.



Take Control of Upgrading to Tiger does far more than walk the user through the installer. Joe Kissell details the essential steps to take before you upgrade, how to choose an upgrade method, and what to do after the upgrade is complete, including how to restore missing files. He also covers how to troubleshoot upgrade problems, from installers that refuse to to install to printers that refuse to print. Finally, he describes how to downgrade from Tiger, just in case. A robust appendix gives links for drivers, firmware updates and system enhancements.

Take Control of Customizing Tiger by Matt Neuburg guides the reader through more than 150 ways to customize OS 10.4. He suggests a three step process: first perform customizations to improve your Desktop and interface experience, then learn about Tiger's new technologies and their attendant customizations, and finally tackle remaining customizations (especially those for which you need to know more about how you work best) when time permits.

You'll learn basic customizations like choosing where and when your Dock appears and tweaking the Finder window's Sidebar and Toolbar, useful tricks like creating Smart Folders of saved searches, and more sophisticated enhancements like creating keyboard shortcuts and Automator workflows and streamlining your font collection. You can even learn how to kill the Caps Lock key (I can hear the cheers from the back of the room).

Take Control of Users & Accounts in Tiger details how to leverage the full power of OS 10.4's multi-user environment. Kirk McElhearn explains what user accounts are, describes the five different kinds of accounts, and shows how to set up accounts for guests or troubleshooting as well as for multiuser Macs at home, in offices and in schools. You'll learn the advantages and shortcomings of Fast User Switching, how to set parental controls, customize and troubleshoot log-in and startup items, and share files among users including your iTunes and iPhoto libraries.

Take Control of Sharing Files in Tiger covers choices for sharing files on a single Mac, from computer to computer, on a network and on the internet. Glenn Fleischman helps you consider the hardware and software you need to serve files (you may already have everything you need), choose the right technique for your particular situation, and implement file sharing using various methods. He also covers avoiding risks and managing security.

Each title has its own distinctive color coded page border, making the book easy to navigate, and the index covers all four titles. Buying the print book entitles you to download the electronic versions of all four titles, and their updates, for free.

Take Control books get straight A's - they're authoritative, accessible, and affordable. Most highly recommended

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October SIG Topics

General Meeting - Saturday, October 15, 2005

Ad hoc

Mac 101& Fundamentals

Groups are welcome to use the casual spaces to meet on other topics. Scheduled SIGs take precedence. The HAAUG SIG Coordinator is Rick Roberts. If you have a topic that you think warrants a SIG, please see Rick (large, bearded fellow) at the meeting,

or email him at rroberts@mac.com.

Jonathan Magnus

This SIG is for basic Macintosh questions.

Green Apples

David Jaschke

SIG for new Macintosh users, users that have switched from another OS, or have never used a computer.

New Member Orientation

Getting the most from your membership. How HAAUG works to serve you.

Business Meeting

The business meeting will be conducted before or after the Main Presentation.

Main Presentation

Jennifer Dyer and Gordon Bell Prosoft Engineering Inc.

Desktop Publishing and Photoshop

Tamara Lewis Photoshop[®] tips tricks and overall user topics and other desktop publishing topics.

Digital Photography

Joe Muscara

Bring your cameras, bring your photos (printed or electronic) and we'll discuss what makes a great photo.

iTunes & iPhoto TBA

Apple's iLife.

Mac One on One

Members helping members, one at a time.

Barbecue SIG

Or wherever. Join members for an early dinner at a eating establishment near the meeting location.

October SIG Schedule

Find out when and where your SIG will be taking place.

	Auditorium	Classroom	Commons	Small Room
9 a.m.	Special Guest: FileMaker 8®	Mac 101& Mac Fundamentals	Green Apples	New Member Orientation
10 a.m.	Special Guest: FileMaker 8®	Mac 101& Mac Fundamentals	Digital Photography	New Member Orientation
11:00 a.m.	11:00 to 11:15 - We will transition to the business meeting and main presentation in the auditorium. Get in early, we'll move the schedule as fast as we can.			
11:15 a.m.	Business Meeting.			
11:30 a.m.	Prosoft Engineering Inc.			
12:30 a.m.	Desktop Publishing & Photoshop®	iTunes	Workshops	Mac One on One
1:30 p.m.	Desktop Publishing & Photoshop®	iPhoto	Workshops	Mac One on One
2:30 p.m.	Tear down, pack it up, and clean it up			
3:30 a.m.	BBQ SIG location to be determined by consensus.			
	Room assignments are subject to change at any time. SIG leaders are volunteers, be nice to them.			

October Main Presentation: Prosoft Engineering

Guest Speakers : Jennifer Dyer and Gordon Bell







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Classifieds

Products and support for the Macintosh Community

Got a story, review or photo you would like to see in the monthly edition of the Apple Barrel?

The Apple Barrel is always looking for good, meaty material for its monthly publication. If you have a personal story, review of a new product or just a funny or helpful thought, feel free to spread the word via the Barrel.

> Submit your story, review or photos, etc. to: abe@haaug.org



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REPAIRS



Attendees:

David Jaschke, Clair Jaschke, Lyda McGhee, Phil Booth, Jeff Davis, Barbara Long, Rick Roberts, Mort Butler, Jim Connell, Rex Covington, Casey Sivula, Tamara Sasha Lewis, Doug Smith, Joe Fournet, Howard Fitter, Gene Zimmerman.

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

After the October 15th general meeting, there will be a bridal shower for Tamara Sasha Lewis. The tentative location is Ziggy's.

REPORTS:

Secretary - Lyda McGhee: The July minutes were approved as written.

1st Vice President - Doug Smith: Doug reported that there are no changes since the last board meeting: James Lee of Tropical Software will be here on August 20th with Alsoft in September and the B & S Challenge in October. The December meeting will take place on the second Saturday.

2nd Vice President - Casey Sivula: HAAUG is booked at the Rice Media Center through the end of the year. The January swap meet will be held on the third Saturday and Phil will check to see if the Bellaire Civic Center is available.

Treasurer - Barbara Long: Barbara reported we recouped all our expenses for the July swap meet.

Membership - Mort Butler: There are now 345 members.

Regular members	328
Student members	9
Associate members	2
Lifetime members	6
TOTAL	345

Apple Barrel - Tamara Sasha Lewis: Tamara would like more articles especially on the new Apple store in the Woodlands. She will send out the draft for this month's Apple Barrel tonight.

Boutique - Barbara Long: Barbara reported that three caps were sold.

HAAUG Heaven - Robert Lacey: HAAUGHeaven is up and running but not too many people are using it.

HAAUGNet - Jeff Davis: Jeff reported that the servers have been moved into new racks and everything is working well. Tiger will be installed this week so that members can do blogging.

Publicity - Casey Sivula: Casey would like for someone else to volunteer to head this committee. She is preparing the next wire to go out to the media.

Vision - Joe Fournet: Nothing to report since the last meeting.

SIG Coordinator - Rick Roberts: Rick reported that John Gaver's Widget SIG will begin in August. Joe Kudrna wants to restart the Mobile SIG. Rex has agreed to be prepared to do a standby SIG in case of a cancellation. There is lagging attendance at the evening SIGs. Preferred locations for evening SIGs are Ziggy's and Stag's Head instead of the CompUSA Galleria store because of the traffic problems in that area.

The good news is that more people want to lead SIGs at the general meetings but the bad news is that there is no space at this time.

HAAUG Hotline - John Reeves: Rex reported that the hotline is currently up and running.

Webmaster - Jeff Davis: Jeff reported that the site has been updated with this month's information.

Volunteer Coordinator - Casey Sivula: The position of Advertising Manager is still open. Any volunteers?

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MacFest 2006 Committee - There will be a committee meeting on August 4th at Ziggy's at 6:30 p.m.

HAAUG History Committee - meeting and collecting data. It will be a long-term project. Tom Little will write an article about the very early days of HAAUG.

Brochure Committee - Tamara is working on a new brochure and will send Rex a quote and a PDF of a design.

Photo Contest - Jim Connell had nothing to report but he wants to meet with Rex to get started.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rent - Up to \$600 was approved for the August meeting.

Website Link Sharing Committee - Rex Covington will chair this committee with Barbara Long, Jeff Davis, Rick Roberts, Doug Smith, and Joe Fournet.

Shared links on the HAAUG website give exposure on another website and better search ratings for Google. The paid links will have better placement on the upper right side of the page while the shared links will have a smaller logo and be placed on the lower left side of the page.

Adjourned: 7:20 p.m.

NOTE: Any board or committee reports not listed in these notes were not presented or discussed.



The Houston Area Apple Users Group Board of Directors meets on the first Tuesday of every month. All members are invited. The meeting is held at:

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November 19th

General Meeting Presentation by Andrew Stone from Stone Design Software Announcement of the winners of the 2005 HAAUG Photo Contest Rice Media Center

December 10th

General Meeting Presentation by Joe Muscara on Freeway 4 Pro website publishing software HP Product Presentation Digital camera holiday gift ideas from Reagan Atkinson of Houston Camera Exchange Rice Media Center

January 21st

Swap Meet and Silent Auction Location TBA

February 18th

General Meeting Doctor Mac - Bob Levitus Rice Media Center



Submissions for this year's Photo Contest are now due October 31st!

Volunteers, we thank YOU!!!

There are many opportunities to volunteer, and we appreciate all of you who pitch in with our organization of "Members Helping Members." That's what it's all about!

Whether it's unfolding chairs or tables, assisting with the boutique, helping out at the membership desk, helping the SIG coordinator, joining committees, teaching a class, or serving on the Board of Directors—it all helps and we appreciate it! See you at the next meeting!

Casey Sivula, Volunteer Coordinator

Got Junk?

Computer recycling opportunities in the Houston area

Harris County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

Not sure how to safely dispose of those hazardous items such as old paints, yard chemicals, or automotive products lying around your home, garage or garden shed? Harris County sponsors FREE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS which allow residents to properly dispose of these unwanted items.

Harris County

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

University of Houston - Clear Lake Saturday, October 29, 2005 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM only

Harris County

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Sam Houston Race Park Saturday, November 5, 2005 7575 N. Sam Houston Parkway West 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM only

For more information on computer recycling opportunities, visit: http://www.chron.com/content/chronicle/special/03/recycle/index.html

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