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Saturday, June 17th

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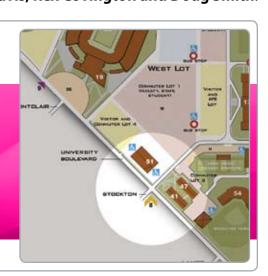
HAAUG members Jeff Davis, Rex Covington and Doug Smith.

Meeting Location

Rice Media Center at Rice University

Entrance 8 / Building 47 University Blvd. @ Stockton Dr.

6100 Main Street, MS-529 Houston, Texas 77005 (713) 348-4882



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Members Helping Members Since 1978

Automator®

By Jim Connell • Membership Chairman



Have you met Otto? Do you know what Otto can do for you?

You may have seen Otto, the cute little robot holding a pipe (no, it's not a bazooka!). As the icon for Automator, Otto has the distinction of being the only animate icon for a Mac application.

Otto and Automator made their debut with the introduction of Mac OS X 10.4 Tiger. New Tiger features such as Spotlight and Dashboard may have gotten more attention than Automator. Nevertheless, Automator deserves a closer look—and a chance to shine!

So what do Otto--and Automator--do? They enable Mac users to complete laborious, repetitive tasks guickly—with amazing speed and ease.

Automator works with most Tiger applications, PDF files, and even with fonts and functions such as printing and burning discs. In addition, Automator tools called "actions" for MS Office, Photoshop, InDesign and other applications can be added to Automator. Such is the power of Otto!

Fortunately, you do not need any programming skills to use Automator. Apple and third-party developers have done the work for you by providing many of the Automator actions you need—and they are adding more tools all the time.

You will need to learn how to tell Automator what you want it to do. Thanks to Apple, the learning curve for Automator is a small one.



Tip of the Month

Title

Content

How would you like to learn how to:

- Create playlists in iTunes in seconds?
- Burn, quickly and almost effortlessly, an iPhoto picture CD or DVD that you can share with friends who have a Mac or PC?
- Compress and export multiple movie clips from QuickTime to your video iPod with Automator doing the work for you?
- Automatically send out birthday greetings to people in your Address Book?
- Rename a large number of files in a flash?
- Import a number of images linked to a web page into an iPhoto album in just a few seconds?
- Resize (scale) a number of digital images in a wink of your eye?
- Add Finder items to a new folder in a breeze?

These are just a few of the many ways Automator can be at your service—and dazzle you in the process.

So, are you intrigued enough to find out how to put Automator to work for you? Just come to the Automator SIG at HAAUG's June General Meeting at Rice University Media Center. Meet Otto. Learn how Automator can be at your service. You may be surprised how Automator can make you an even more powerful Mac user!

Oh, and yes, you'll also find out why Otto is holding that pipe!

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



The NEW, anticipated Apple Store is under construction at Memorial City Mall. Photo Courtesy of Jim Connell.





John Reeves at the Digital Photography SIG and HAAUG members with Dreux Marie. Photo Courtesy of Doug Smith.

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

This Month's Crop of New and Renewed **Members**

Gerry del Junco

Robert Dean

Judy Spong

James Krivan

Tim Johnsen

W.N. (Bill) Blanton

Alice Sweeny-Herd

Jane Brownlee

Edward Bodor

Dennis Bradley

Jonathan Lawles

C.V. Rao

George J. Slusarchyk

Evelyn Stewart

Terror at Black Canyon

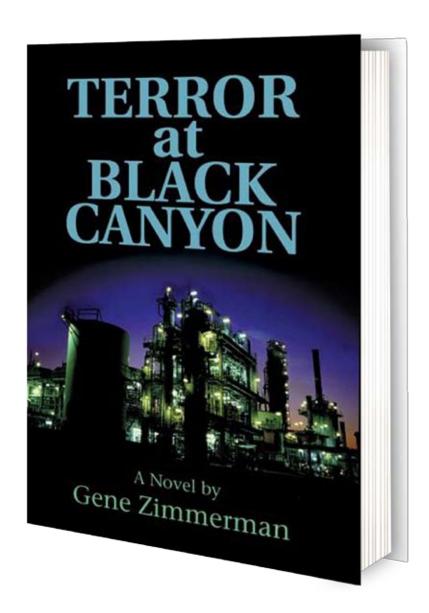
By Gene Zimmerman

You can find out more about the book on Gene's website:

www.terroratblackcanyon.com

HAAUG member publishes his first novel.

HAAUG member, Gene Zimmerman, has just published his first novel., "Terror at Black Canyon." Written entirely on Gene's PowerBook G4, the novel has been published by iUniverse and can be obtained from Amazon, or ordered from any Barnes and Noble bookstore. Gene is a retired engineer with more than 30 years of experience in the oil and gas industry, which gave him the background needed to write this novel about a race against time to stop a terrorist from blowing up a huge natural gas plant in Western Colorado.



Boss HAAUG Speaks

Monthly Address from the HAAUG President



An insight on the NEW Apple® commercials.

I was browsing among my favorite Mac websites and came across the new TV Ads that Apple® is running. They feature very similar production to the famous "Switcher Ads" featuring the stark white background, this time with two gentlemen standing next to one another. One of the men is dressed kind of preppy and he introduces himself as PC. The other dressed more casually and sporting one or two days beard growth introduces himself as Mac. The ads use this point counter point to point out the differences and advantages of the Mac vs PC, in one ad the PC starts to sneeze and warns the Mac not to get close while Mac reassures PC that he will not get the bug, and at the end of the ad PC falls over to represent a crash. There are several variations of the theme. They are all well produced and get the points across. Do I like them? A guarded yes.

One of my concerns the way the guy who is the Mac is dressed. Ok small point, but I remember that Apple® wanted to portray the Mac as being the hippest and coolest computer available. Apple® Computers are portrayed as being the "BMW" of personal computers; and many of us feel they are priced like a BMW. So if the above is true, why was the guy dressed so casually? Wouldn't he be dressed in Armani jeans and jacket to represent the slick design of the Apple® machines?

We all celebrate Apple's industrial design. Apple® design shows their talent every time they bring out a new product. We also know that despite the message all Mac users come from all walks of life. But for one reason or another we are drawn to Apple® design. As many of you know I work at the University of Houston; and I recently was working in the school's College of Architecture. I got a chance to look at the student design projects, and I wish that I had 1/10 the design talent of those students. They were really creative in their approach to the design problems.

New design was the topic of the May general meeting, when Dreux Ste Marie showed off some of the new Apple® hardware. The black MacBook was the hit of the presentation. Dreux also demonstrated running Windows® XP using Apple's Boot camp and the Parallel virtual environment. Apple® has great new products on the market

The June meeting will be highlighting Microsoft Office®. Rex Jeff and Doug will team up to demonstrate all of the ins and outs of Microsoft's flagship Mac Product. Whether you love MS or hate it we all need to deal with Office in one way or another. The Microsoft® Mac BU has a very good product in "Office." The best all around word processors for the Mac, Excel is world class and I use Entourage as my E-Mail client since I moved to OS X. My thanks to the terrific Trio, mentioned above, for giving the demo. We will be raffling off a copy of Office after the main presentation.

Remember July is Swap Meet. Start looking through your closet and getting you stuff together. There is a link to reserve a table on haaug.org. Remember members get one free table. There will be an extra charge for electricity. Again, check the HAAUG website at www.haaug.org for more details.

Apple® User Groups are still in operation because Apple® users feel that there is nowhere else to turn for help. HAAUG is not and cannot be a support organization like the IT groups in corporations. We have no call center, no people in spiffy cars that will drive to your home. Some members have volunteered to go to the homes of members but it is not a regular offering. We are people who come together because of a common interest who want to teach and learn.

Phil Booth

2006 HAAUG President

Joe Fournet Named to Create Magazine Texas Advisory Board

Ideas & More News Release

Media Contact:

Joe Fournet Creative Wizard April 24, 2006 Ideas & More 281-980-1802 j4net@ideasnmore.net



Orlando, FL

Advertising and creativity consultant Joe Fournet, owner and founder of Houston, Texas, based Ideas & More, has been named to the Texas Advisory Board of Create Magazine, according to Dana Clary, Vice President, Business Development for Create.

"Joe is a current advertiser with the publication and was a contributing writer to the Houston Fall 05 edition," states Clary.

"Joe is happy to serve in this role and be an advocate for the magazine. He is a member of many organizations and has a wide network, so is the perfect fit for the advisory role," she concludes.

A writer and creative director with extensive experience in the advertising and marketing industry, Fournet has served such clients as Halliburton, Bechtel, and various consumer businesses. He has written several articles on creativity and the health of the advertising industry,

A recent piece for the Houston Business Journal focused on generating support from the local business community to keep local creative work in Houston. An upcoming column in the Fall 06 issue of Create Magazine addresses the issue of advertising agencies perceived as a commodity.

A presenter at the 2005 American Creativity Association International Conference, Fournet is Past-President of the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) Houston, member of the Houston Advertising Federation, and a founding member of Only in Houston.

From its conception in 2001, Create Magazine provides creative professionals with an insider's perspective on the people, news, trends and events that influence the local advertising and creative production industries.

The magazine is published quarterly to roughly 100,000 creative professionals in 20 geographic markets nationwide, making Create Magazine the largest creative publication in the country

HAAUG Membership Survey '06 Members Helping Members Since 1978.

How we are doing...

Has your membership with the Houston Area Apple Users' Group met your expectations? Y N				
If not, why?		Gene rece		
If you have been a HAAUG member in the past, but do not plan to renew your membership, why did you decide not to renew?				
Did you know that HAAUG offers various benef What member benefits do you value the most?				
·	[] HAAUG Heaven Forums			
[] Club Magazine (Apple Barrel)	[] Mentor Program			
[] Special Interest Groups	[] HAAUG Hotline			
[] Friendship / Networking	[] Mac User Group (MUG) discounts			
What changes would you like to see HAAUG im	aplement to better serve its members?			
Are you aware that HAAUG hosts Evening SIGS? Have you ever attended an Evening SIG? Y N	? Y N			
If not, why:				
Do you access or visit the official HAAUG websi Do you find the website to be helpful and infor If not, what changes or additions would you lik	mative? Y N			
Do you use the HAAUG Hotline (713.522.2179)? If so, do you find it informative and/or helpful? How did you hear about HAAUG?	Y N	If se		
Do you know someone who would be interested in joining HAAUG?				

Present a completed survey form to the tration/Sign-In at the HAAUG ral Meeting to ve a FREE raffle t (offer for current G members only).

ding survey via please send to:

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June SIG Topics

General Meeting - Saturday, June 17, 2005

Ad hoc

Mac 101& Fundamentals

Groups are welcome to

Rick Roberts

use the casual spaces to

This SIG is for basic Macintosh questions.

meet on other topics.

Green Apples David Jaschke

Scheduled SIGs take

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

precedence. The HAAUG SIG

Main Presentation

Coordinator is Rick Roberts.

Microsoft® Office Professional Demo

If you have a topic that you think

Presented by HAAUG members Jeff Davis, Rex Covington and Doug Smith.

warrants a SIG, please see Rick

Adobe® Creative Suite 101

(large, bearded fellow) at the

Tamara AlexanderBasics of Adobe Applications, desktop print and web publishing.

rroberts@mac.com.

Digital Photography

General Meeting, or email him at

Joe Muscara

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

iTunes/iPod

Rick Roberts

You, your iPod. Covers iTunes and iPhoto. Other topics, like HandBrake are fair game. We can branch into general AV topics.

Mac One on One

Members helping members, one at a time.

iWeb

Rex Covington

A special SIG with Rex Covington on Apple's new iWeb application

iMovie

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Doug Smith

A new SIG on Apple's iMovie application.

Automator

Jim Connell

A new SIG on Apple's cool new automation tool

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& Repair Specialist
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713-524-5646 FAX 713-524-4635

June SIG Schedule

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

	Auditorium	Classroom	Commons	Small Room	
9 a.m.	Mac 101& Mac Fundamentals			New Member Orientation	
10 a.m.	Mac 101& Mac Fundamentals	Digital Photography	Green Apples	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.	Microsoft® Office Professional presented by HAAUG members Jeff Davis, Rex Covington and Doug Smith.				
12:30 p.m.	Adobe® Creative Suite 101	Automator	iMovie	Mac One on One	
1:30 p.m.	iTunes/iPod	Website committee			
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.				

June Main Presentation:

Microsoft® Office Professional

for Mac presented by HAAUG.



This raffle ticket offer only applies to current members of the Houston Area Apple Users Group.

General Meeting.

Join TODAY at www.haaug.org

Classifieds

Products and support for the Macintosh Community

Got a story, 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.

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Number of insertions in a 12-month period determines frequency rate.

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Deminsions: 5" x 10.125" **Frequency:** 1X \$125, 2X \$120, 3X \$115

1/2 Page Ad

Deminsions: 7.625" x 5" **Frequency:** 1X 90, 2X 85, 3X 80

1/3 Page Ad

Deminsions: 7.625" x 3.375" **Frequency:** 1X \$75, 2X \$70, 3X \$65

1/4 Page Ad

Deminsions: 3.75" x 5" **Frequency:** 1X 65, 2X 60, 3X 55

1/6 Page Ad

Deminsions: 5" x 2.5"

Frequency: 1X \$40, 2X \$35, 3X \$30

Business Card Ad

Deminsions: 3.5" x 2"

Frequency: 1X \$30, 2X \$25, 3X \$15

* Deminsions of advertisements may vary as a result of document layout.

Minutes

Of the HAAUG Board of Director's Meeting - May 2, 2005

Attendees:

David Jaschke, Clair Jaschke, Phil Booth, Barbara Long, Rick Roberts, Amy Denton, Mike Epstein, Jim Connell, Mike Miron, Tamara Sasha Alexander, Rex Covington, Jeff Davis, Joe Fournet.

Call to Order: 6:40 p.m. by President, Phil Booth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

April meeting was good and Mike's substitute worked out fine. There was a 15-minute refreshment time and the cake went over well. We will try again in May. We need food. Tamara had attendees at her Abode Suites SIG.

REPORTS:

Secretary - Lyda McGhee: The April minutes were presented electronically and approved as written.

1st Vice President - Doug Smith: Dreux Ste. Marie will show off new Apple products in May. Doug, Rex, and Jeff will present Microsoft Office 2004 in June and two copies will be given away at the meeting along with MacAddict, Notebook, and a Sun mouse. The swap meet is in July and August will feature TechTool Pro. September will be All Things iPod; October, All Things iMovie; and, November, All Things iPhoto. The December meeting will feature the Photo Contest.

2nd Vice President - Mike Miron: Rice is working on getting a wireless network set up for the Rice Media Center. Phil will meet with Rex and Mike to plan the July swap meet.

Treasurer - Barbara Long: All bills are paid. There is no report at this meeting but there will be an electronic report later in the week.

Membership - Jim Connell: There are 253 members. Last year at this time, we had 353 members. Jim has sent out letters to those whose memberships are slated to renew along with nametags.

Apple Barrel - Tamara Alexander: Tamara needs more material: articles, pictures, and tips. Suggestions for articles include security holes in OS X and the cool, new Apple ads. If you have any suggestions, please put them in the Club Business folder on HAAUG Heaven.

Advertising Manager: Now that Mort has moved out of Houston, should we refund excess fees for his AB advertisement? We will check with Mort to see what he wants to do or if he would like to continue running the ad.

Boutique - Barbara Long: One cap was sold for \$15. The new t-shirt is now on Cafe Press.

HAAUG Heaven - Robert Lacey: Everything is working fine but we would really like to see the board members use the BOD forum.

HAAUGNet - Jeff Davis: Everything is working fine and there are no problems.

Publicity: See New Business.

Vision - Joe Fournet: No report.

SIG Coordinator - Rick Roberts: There will be no change in the SIG schedule for May. There may be an Automator SIG, though.

HAAUG Hotline - John Reeves: No report.

HAAUGNet - Jeff Davis: Everything is working fine and there are no problems. The server software is up-to-date.

Webmaster - Jeff Davis: The website is up and running. Permissions fixed.

Volunteer Coordinator: This position is open.

Mentoring - Amy Denton: no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MacFest 2006 Committee - The committee will meet in May to come up with a campaign to attract attendees. Right now, we have four presenters.

Membership Survey - Surveys have been tabulated from the April general meeting and more are being mailed out. Preliminary results note that OS 9 users need SIG support and Mike Miron would like to see the Apple Barrel issues on CDs for non-Internet members.

The Houston Area Apple Users Group Board of Directors meet on the first Tuesday of every month.

All members are invited. The meeting is held at:

Ziggy's Healthy Grill

2202 W. Alabama Houston, TX 77098 (713)527-8588

www.ziggyshealthygrill.com



NEW BUSINESS

The cost for HAAUG bumper stickers would be \$1.75 each. It was also suggested that we get window decals that go on the outside of the windows since so many windows are not tinted and decals on the inside of windows might not show up properly.

We will need to start planning for HAAUG's 30th anniversary celebration soon.

OLD BUSINESS

Brochures - Tamara Alexander had a partial-sized brochure for the board to examine. She is getting quotes. All suggestions are welcome.

Adjourned: 7:32 p.m.

NOTE:

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



Upcoming Events

ubscribe to the HAAUG iCalendar at www.iCalShare.com

Houston Area Apple Users Group 2006 Officers and Directors

President **Phil Booth**

1st Vice President Programs **Doug Smith**

2nd Vice President Facilities Mike Miron

Secretary

Lvda McGhee

Treasurer Barbara Long

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Director-at-Large 2

Michael Epstein

Director-at-Large 3 - OPĒN -

Director-at-Large 4 **Gene Zimmerman**

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Mentor Program Amy Denton

Publicity Chairman

- OPEN -

Vision Committee Chairman Joe Fournet

> Volunteer Coordinator - OPEN -

> > Senior Advisor

David Jaschke

Clair Jaschke Apple Ambassador/User Group Liaison

Tuesday, June 20th

Evening SIG • 7pm - 9pm

FileMaker Pro 7 & 8

Ziggy's Healthy Grill • 2202 W. Alabama @ Greenbriar & W. Alabama, (713)527-8588 www.ziggyshealthygrill.com

Woodlands SIG • 7pm - 9pm

Get an inside look on the NEW MacBook and MacBook Pro as well as Apple® applications. The Woodlands Apple® Store in the Woodlands Mall.

www.montgomery-college.com

Tuesday, July 11th

Lake Jackson SIG • 7pm - 8:30pm

Bookends • 145 Oyster Creek Drive, Lake Jackson, TX - 77566, 979-297-8994.

Saturday, July 15th

Semi-Annual Swap Meet • 9am -2pm

Get great deals on new and used Mac products and accessories at the University of Houston Hilton Hotel (Shamrock Room)

Saturday, September 30th

MacFest 2006 @ the University of Houston Hilton Hotel (Shamrock Room)

This Year's Speakers Include:

Chris Breen – Macworld columnist, author and editor of Playlist.com

Shelly Brisbin – writer, editor & geek specializing in the Internet, Macintosh and Connectivity

Andy Ihnatko – columnist for the Chicago Sun - Times

Bob "Dr. Mac" LeVitus - Houston Chronicle columnist, author and Mac Consultant Check the **HAAUG** website for details and event news.

Get the most of your membership. Become a **Board Member TODA** Board positions are open to Members only. Please visit with a HAAUG Board Member during the General

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How did you hear about HAAUG?				
Do you know someone who would be interested in joining HAAUG? Y \mid N Would you be willing to volunteer in HAAUG?				
Mail check to: HAAUG				

P.O. Box 570957

Houston, TX 77257-0957 Attn.: Membership Chairman

Membership Benefits

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Monthly Meetings

This is where the excitement begins. On the third Saturday of each month, members of HAAUG meet for a day filled with activities, including presentations by major software and hardware vendors, special interest group (SIG) meetings, public domain software libraries, raffles and much, much more. Swap Meets are held twice each year, in January and July

Software Libraries

HAAUG maintains public domain and shareware libraries for the Apple II, Macintosh and Newton systems. HAAUG also distributes system software for the Macintosh (7.0.1 and earlier), Newton and all Apple II series computers. HAAUG has been designated by Apple Computer to be the Central United States Repository for Apple II Software.

Bulletin Board System & Internet Link

HAAUG Heaven is our 24-hour meeting place with several gigabytes of downloadable software, helpful information and discussions on all topics of computing, all accessible at rates from DSL speeds down to 33,600 bps.

HAAUG Heaven

provides each member with an internet e-mail address allowing exchange of world-wide electronic mail. Many discussion topics and many internet newsgroups make the answers to your questions as close as your keyboard.

Club Magazine

Club and industry news, meeting information and special member offers are published in our monthly newsletter - The Apple Barrel. The Barrel's content is also available to members on HAAUG Heaven in Adobe Acrobat format.

Mentor Program

The HAAUG Mentor Program puts people with hardware, software, system or network problems in contact with volunteers who can provide solutions. Contact with the mentors can be made through the HAAUG Hotline, HAAUG Heaven, e-mail or at the monthly meetings.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

People with common interests, including Macintosh and OS X basics, Newton, internet, games, educational computing, databases, publishing, graphics, desktop video, programming and more gather for in-depth discussion, product demonstrations, tutorials and general knowledge sharing.

HAAUG Hotline

Call the HAAUG Hotline at 713-522-2179 for the latest meeting information, to leave voice mail for officers.

Lots of Fun & Friendships

HAAUG is a not-for-profit volunteer group founded in 1978, three years before there was an IBM PC. Approximately 300 members enjoy the benefits of HAAUG. We range from beginners to experts, but we all know the secret to making our computers more valuable - a HAAUG membership.

Learn more about the benefits of HAAUG membership at www.haaug.org.

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