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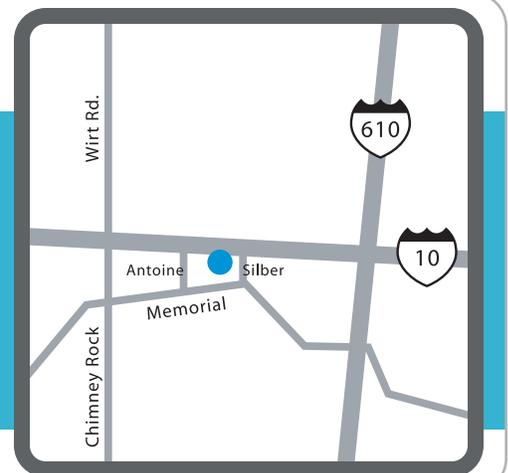
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Boss HAAUG Speaks

By David Jaschke, HAAUG President

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As the year winds down, it's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner, and the end of my second term in office as President. This year started off with many challenges for the Board and myself. We faced a lawsuit challenge, the loss of our membership records, and the abrupt shutdown of our bulleting board system. The **Apple Barrel** editor was struggling to produce a publication and felt hampered by the Boards "restrictions." Any one challenge was more than enough, but all these things at once was staggering. Maintaining a cool head during all these crises was difficult at best.

Each of these problems was resolved one at an agonizingly slow time. The lawsuit eventually faded away, the membership records have been reconstructed and a brand new way of communicating has slowly evolved. One exceptionally bright spot was the discovery of a new **Apple Barrel** editor. Micah has been a godsend. He had prior experience in making newsletters and has been producing an exceptional publication. I now can only expect that the "light at the end of the tunnel" is not an on coming train, but the promise of a shining new year!

Best of the Holiday Season to all!



Photo Contest Winners

Results of HAAUG's First-Ever Digital Photo Contest



Grand Prize—First Place

Sean Johnston

People/Portraiture



Grand Prize—Second Place

John Reeves

Nature/Landscape



Grand Prize—Third Place

Stephen Ruback

Macro/Abstract

The Apple Barrel would like to congratulate all of the photo contest winners!

The entire library of submitted photos can be found at http://haaug.org/photo_contest/photo_contest.html

Opposite Page

The finalists of HAAUG's First-Ever Digital Photo Contest

Photo credit

Jeff Davis

Hot News

Important information for the discerning Mac user

Apple to Open First Retail Store in Europe on London's Regent Street

London, England—November 18, 2004

Apple's first retail store in Europe [has opened] on Regent Street in London's West End shopping district. The Apple Store Regent Street will offer the first opportunity to experience Apple's unique retail stores in Europe, where customers can shop for and learn about the company's innovative products and solutions.

"We're bringing the world's most amazing retail experience to London on November 20 with the Apple Store Regent Street," said Steve Jobs, Apple's CEO. "This new store will provide millions of people the opportunity to experience Apple's newest products like iPod photo and the iMac G5, and get help from the most knowledgeable Mac experts around."

At the Apple Store Regent Street, knowledgeable sales people are available to help customers learn about all the latest products from Apple including iLife '04, Apple's award-winning suite of digital lifestyle applications featuring GarageBand, Apple's



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Courtesy of Apple Computer

revolutionary new music application that turns a Mac into a recording studio. The hands-on Apple store experience provides visitors with a chance to test-drive Apple's entire product line including the new iPod Photo, the newest member of the iPod family that lets you take your entire music and photo library with you wherever you go, as well as the full line of Apple notebooks and desktop computers. Customers can also visit the Genius Bar where they can get their Mac questions answered by an Apple "Genius."

With 99 retail locations worldwide, Apple stores have hosted more than 51 million visitors since the first store opened in May 2001. •

A complete schedule of Regent Street store events and classes is available at: <http://www.apple.com/retail/uk/regentstreet>



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The History of HAAUG

Part Five: 1983—New Disk Library and New Apple



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1983—New Disk Library and New Apple

Mike Kramer finally came to his senses in late 1982 and decided to not run for a second term as president. Steve Knouse became the first HAAUG president to be elected while not actually a member of the club. Clark Johnson joined Steve as Vice President, and Ruth Hughes became the new treasurer. Midge Kocen replaced Lee Gilbreth as membership chairman in mid-year. An expanded Board of Directors was formed through a change in the bylaws in the fall. This new board consisted of the club officers, the past president, and six directors-at-large.

Another problem confronting software library managers was Apple's change from a 13-sector to a 16-sector disk format in 1980. Initially, separate copy programs were required for these two formats. In 1983 HAAUG converted all of its 13-sector library to the new format and discontinued its support of the 13-sector format.

Phil Lauter became disk librarian in mid-1983. Phil instituted a change to the copy session format and began a major revision to the library catalog. This latter project was continued under the direction of Jim Bradshaw, who replaced Phil in early 1984.

The Apple Barrel was loose-leaf (folded and stapled) until February. In August, the cover went to a slick paper stock. October saw the first cover with the upright pic at the computer console on top of the capital "H." The hog-on-a-platter was put on the back cover as part of the return address logo.

1983 provided the setting for a dazzling new product from Apple, the Lisa computer. A product well in advance of its time, the Lisa suffered from too much computer, too different an interface, too expensive, and too much competition from "Big Blue" (IBM). It was, of course, the precursor to the Macintosh. Apple's aggressive attempt to invade the top offices of the Fortune 500 was unsuccessful. The top management people in these companies had not yet realized they would have to adapt to these new computers sooner or later, but for now they felt these machines were only to be used by secretaries and clerks.

Apple Computer Company also introduced the latest Apple II. The Apple //e computer was unveiled at the same January stockholders meeting as the Lisa. The //e solved a lot of problems and limitations of the old][+. The motherboard had been redesigned to allow for easy memory expansion, the video display was expanded to 80 columns, a complete keyboard with both upper- and lower-case display was created, and it was able to run all of the previous Apple II applications. The Apple //e kept the Apple II line going for quite a while. It allowed VisiCalc : Advanced Version to run at the II level. Until this time, it had required an Apple III computer to run. The appearance of the //e created the avenue for a new product to appear. "The Incredible Jack" was a "three-in-one" program that included a spreadsheet, a database and a word processor all integrated into one package. This precursor to AppleWorks could only run on the //e.

While Apple was still trying to break into the upper levels of the business world, IBM was developing a new home-user computer. The much-awaited, and not well-remembered, PCjr was released in 1983. A small memory base, a "not-ready-for-prime-time" keyboard and memory modules (like those of the old Ataris) proved to be a monumental failure. To an office worker, any home computer they would buy from IBM had to support Lotus 123. With the way IBM designed the PCjr this was not possible without a memory redesign or a much-despised plug-in memory module. The latter was also overly priced for the home consumer.

Well, that is enough for now. Next time I will cover events from 1984 up to the present. Apple unveils a new and decisive product that was to forever change the look of computing and change HAAUG. Until then, happy computing! •

Picks and Pans

Reviews of the latest accessories for your Mac

Harmon/Kardon® SoundSticks II

by Doug Smith, First Vice-President—Programs

Life was fine before the offer. "Hey, Doug. Want to review some speakers?" I thought no harm could come of it. I was wrong. I thought my speakers were fine. I had purchased them at the Apple Store for half price. I was wrong. Micah placed some box of stick-like things in my car and said "Let me know what you think of these. See you in a month." No problem, right? Did I tell you that I was wrong yet?

Let's set the stage, or desktop in this case. I have over 4000 tunes in my iTunes library. That came from a full month of work ripping CDs into my library one by one before I ever purchased an iPod. Music is playing continuously on my desktop. Good sound matters to me. My speaker were fine, I thought so before this exercise. I was wrong. The "box" in question contained Harmon/Kardon SoundSticks II with their own powered sub-woofer. They do not appear powerful. I tried a few tunes to check out the range and response of the setup. Then came an old version of "Roll Over Beethoven" by ELO that starts off so easy and classical. I heard nuances in the music for the first time. I also heard a thumping sound that did match the beat of the music. That was my wife at the door. She hates it when I am 17 again and in control of the volume. Thank goodness it was Sunday afternoon and not the middle of the night. She is much more understanding mid-days, so are the neighbors.

Back to the speakers. Next came Elton John's "Live in Australia" album, Frank Sinatra classics, George Strait (fight the urge to two-step here), and a bit of INXS. This setup is perfect! In GarageBand, everything is crystal clear and easy to work with. Playing DVD movies feels like a little theater at my desk. I tried "The Day After Tomorrow" and it sounded very real—too real at points. The room became too cold, so I moved my feet next to the blue glow of the sub-woofer to keep them warm. It turns out I did need new speakers. Thank goodness I have these.

Micah, about me returning these next at next month's meeting. I was wrong. •

For more information on H/Ks 3-Piece Plug and Play Multimedia Speaker System, visit: <http://www.harmanmultimedia.com/>

Crazy Apple Help Desk

The staff at [Crazy Apple Rumors Site](#) answer common help questions based on their vast experience with Apple products and their fervent belief that they know more than we do.

Q: I was experimenting with installing a Linux distribution on my 12-inch PowerBook and now I can't get the OS X installation CDs to recognize the drive. What do I have to do to get my OS X environment back?

A: [Wait, why were you trying to install Linux on your Mac?](#)

Q: Um, well I don't see how that really matters at this point. I'm just trying to get back to OS X.

A: [I think it matters. I mean, here you have the best desktop Unix environment there is—OS X—and you go and screw it up by trying to install Linux. Why should I help you?](#)

Q: Wh-what kind of help desk is this?!

A: [Well, I could show you how to get OS X to recognize your drive again, but what are the guarantees you won't go dabbling in inferior operating systems again? To truly help you, I need you to see the error of your ways.](#)

Q: I'm starting to think my error was going to you for help.

A: [Oh, this is not about me. This is about you. Now... give me the Linux disk.](#)

Q: No! No! I can quit any time I want!

A: [You have a problem! GIVE! ME! THAT! DISK!](#)

Q: Just one more installation! One more!

A: [No! Friends don't let friends install sub-standard operating systems on sweet hardware like a 12-inch PowerBook!](#)

Q: It helps me relax! I like myself more when I'm on Linux! I'll cut back!

A: [Don't you see you have people who love you?! People who don't mind physical confrontation?!](#)

Q: OW! Get off of me!

A: [You'll thank me when this is over! Howard! Ugluk! Chet! Stop him!](#)

Q: No! No! HeIIIIIIp!

A: [Grab his legs! He's a kicker!](#)

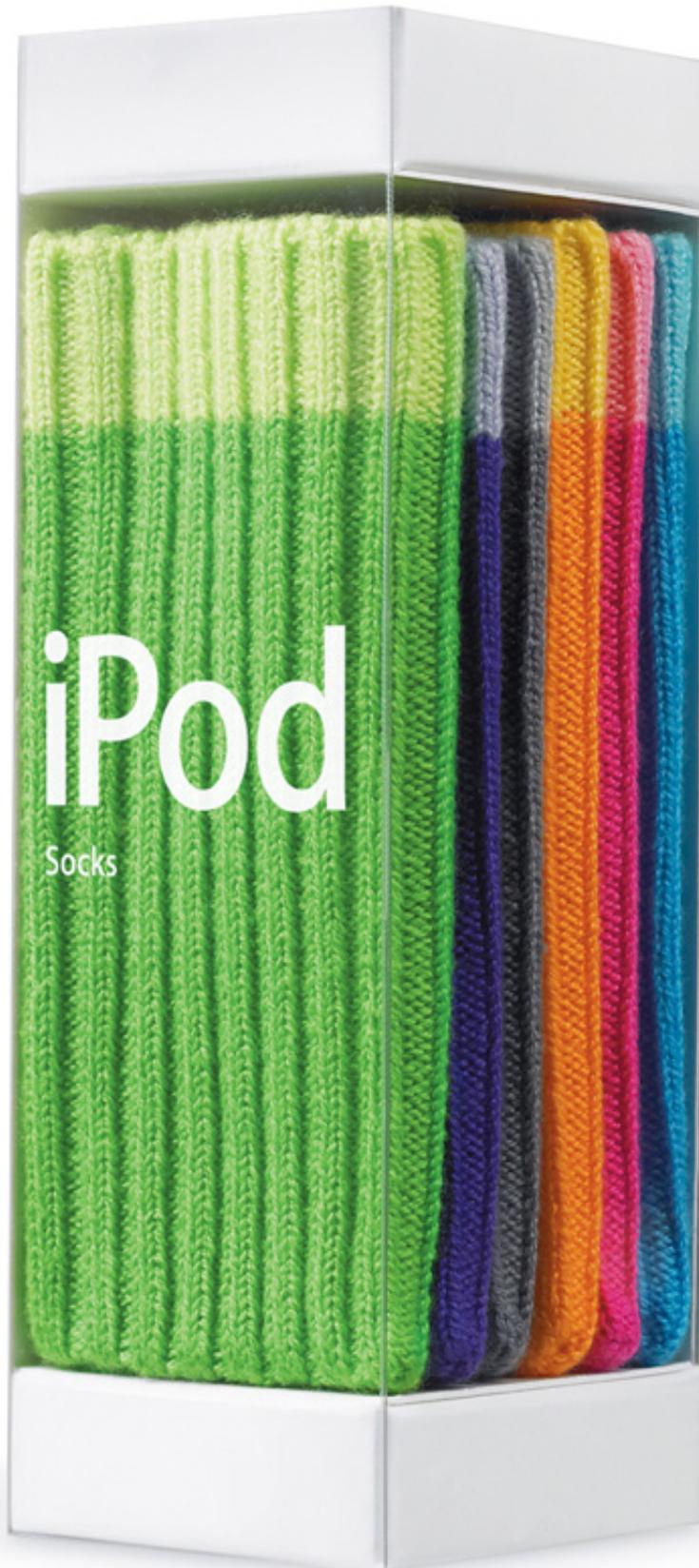
Q: I don't have a problem! **You** have the problem!

A: [Ugluk! I can't... get his... ah, crap, he got away!](#)

HOWARD: He'll be back. I got his pants.

MACGRUDER: Those... those are mine.

HOWARD: Oh. So they are. Sorry about that. There were just so many legs and... Well. Sorry. •



Introducing Apple iPod Socks

Add a dash of color to your iPod with iPod Socks, the year's coziest and most vibrant iPod accessory.

It doesn't matter which iPod model you have because iPod Socks fit all of them. And it doesn't matter what your mood is because each iPod Socks package includes six bright colors so you can pick the one that feels best.

Forgive us if we're stating the obvious, but here's how it works: Just slide your iPod into the sock to keep it safe and warm. Slide it out to dock or change playlists. It's as easy as... putting on a pair of socks.

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Classifieds

Products and support for the Macintosh community

New and Renewing Members

Tom Aubin, Jr.
Kenneth Bennett
Frank Coe
F. Carter Crain
Hazel Greenberg
Christine Infante
Julie Kennicott
Cathy Kent
Rebecca A. Liewer
Joseph L Lockett
Barbara Long
Jonathan E. Magnus
Jack M. Maywald, Jr.
Robert Meineke
David E Rosenberg
Joseph Salanitra
Edwina K. Shepard
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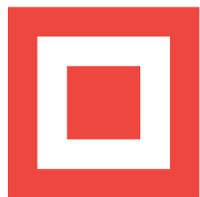
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December SIG Topics

General Meeting—Saturday, December 11, 2004

Mac 101 — Jonathan Magnus
Prerequisite, owning a Mac or Mac clone: this one hour SIG is for beginners or those with basic Macintosh questions.

Digital Photography — Joe Muscara
Bring your cameras, bring your photos (printed or electronic) and we'll discuss what makes a great photo; tips and techniques for taking better pictures; where using digital differs from film, and much more.

HAAUG Heaven Forums — Robert Lacey
This is a SIG for Members who want to use the new HAAUG Heaven forums. This session will demonstrate how to sign up, log on, create and respond to posts.

OS X — Rex Covington
Panther Fundamentals.

Photoshop — Micah Gartman
This month, Micah will discuss the use of Photoshop's color channels.

Macintosh Fundamentals — Jonathan Magnus
Rick Roberts will substitute for Jonathan this month and discuss back-up strategies.

New Member Orientation
Getting the most from your membership. How HAAUG Works to serve you.

| | 9:00am | 10:00am | 10:45am |
|------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Room One | HAAUG Heaven | OSX | |
| Room Two | Digital Photography | Photoshop | |
| Room Three | Mac 101 | Mac Fundamentals | |
| Room Four | Open | Open | New Member Orientation |

Business Meeting

The business meeting will be conducted before the Main Presentation.

iLife '04 — Micah Gartman

This month, Micah will guide us through steps of editing video clips in iMovie.

Cirus Ponies Notebook — Phil Booth

If you purchased a copy of Notebook after the October meeting, drop by and either pick up a few tips or give the group a tip or two about this interesting software.

iPod — Rick Roberts

Catch up on all of the latest and greatest news on the Apple's revolutionary iPod.

Mac One-on-One — Volunteers as available

We will try to have a few experienced Mac users to meet with people who need assistance either with a Mac or with the club itself.

Please look for the numbers designating the areas that the SIGs will meet.

| 11:15am | 12:30pm | 1:45pm | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------|------------|
| Main Presentation | iLife '04 | Open | Room One |
| Open | iPod | Open | Room Two |
| Open | Cirus Ponies Notebook | Open | Room Three |
| Open | Mac One-on-One | Open | Room Four |

Minutes

Of the HAAUG Board of Director's Meeting—November 2, 2004

ATTENDEES

David Jaschke, Doug Smith, Joe Kudrna, Clair Jaschke, Barbara Long, Mike Epstein, Rick Roberts, Joe Fournet, James Warren, Jeff Davis, Morton Butler, Micah Gartman, Bruce Baker, Robert Lacey, Philip Booth, Casey Sivula, Rex Covington

Call to Order: 6:30 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REPORTS

Secretary: Clair Jaschke

Clair presented the minutes for the October Board meeting. They were approved without changes.

Clair also presented the results of the October 16, 2004, general meeting at which the amended by-laws were approved with one grammatical change.

Report on By-Laws Vote at General Meeting, October 16, 2004

The amended HAAUG By-Laws were presented to the members at the October 16, 2004, regular General Meeting. The By-Laws were approved as amended. One member pointed out a grammatical error in Article 4, Section 2, paragraph 2. This change was not contested by any members present and was accepted by the President and Secretary, who made the change. The Secretary sent the corrected approved By-Laws to the Board of Directors later that day.

1st Vice President: Doug Smith

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| November 20 | CMS Backup | Monica Golden |
| December 11 (2nd) | HP Team | |
| January 15 | Swap Meet | Bellaire Civic Center |
| February 19 | State of Mac | Bob LeVitus |

Doug reported that he is working on presenters for 2005 for meetings in March and beyond.

2nd Vice President: Joe Kudrna

Joe reported that the November and December meetings will be held at the Uptown Hotel and Suites (formerly Holiday Inn) on the Katy Freeway. Casey Sivula found the locations and made the reservations. The January and July Swap Meets will be at the Bellaire Civic Center. No meeting place has been reserved for February thru June.

Treasurer: Barbara Long

Barbara reported the bank balance is \$14,462.48. Year-to-date profit is \$1,268.99. Rent has been paid for the November and December meetings. Income from members for October: \$1,150; from HAAUGNet: \$180; from the Photo Contest: \$95. Barbara is working on HAAUGNet and ad billings; many of the HAAUGNet clients are paid up.

Boutique Manager: Barbara Long (acting)

Barbara reported that 1 Digital Robot was sold for \$15.

Membership: Morton Butler

Mort reported that there were 401 members. A number of alert letters were sent out, reminding members to renew. He is working on welcome packets to give new members at the meetings.

Apple Barrel Editor: Micah Gartman

Micah reported that he has sent out a draft of the November Apple Barrel. David will do a Boss HAAUG article. Submissions are due by the end of the upcoming weekend. There was discussion regarding leaving space in the December Apple Barrel for the ballot. It was decided that the ballot would be a separate document to be mailed to members; the December Apple Barrel would be e-mailed as usual.

SIG Coordinator: Philip Booth

Phil reported that IAV has been a successful location for the evening SIGs.

The following SIGS may be scheduled in the evenings in November.

| | | |
|-----|---------------------|---------------|
| TBA | OS X Orientation | Rex Covington |
| TBA | FileMaker | Rex Covington |
| TBA | InDesign | Philip Booth |
| TBA | MYOB and Quickbooks | Peggy Weis |

For the Saturday SIGS: Rick Roberts filled in for Jonathan Magnus at his SIG at the October general meeting. Isabel has dropped out of doing SIGS; Micah will do the Photoshop SIG in November. Joe Muscara will do the Digital Photography SIG. The iLife SIG has been launched. The InDesign SIG is on hold; Doug Smith will do a processor upgrade SIG instead.

HAAUG Heaven Sysops: Robert Lacey

Robert reported that there has been slightly more activity late. He will do a Forums SIG at the November and December general meetings. This SIG will be scheduled in the morning instead of the Green Apple SIG. Micah will be the moderator of the Apple Barrel forums.

HAAUGNet Sysops: Jeff Davis (Rex Covington)

Jeff reported that there are 21 members. He recently helped a member who was having problems getting online; this client's HAAUGNet membership will be reset to start November 1st. Otherwise, HAAUGNet is up and running and being backed up.

HAAUG Hotline: Rex Covington

Rex reported that he is still working on the Hotline. He is checking out two different companies that offer online services for \$20-\$25 per month, including messaging and mailboxes (messages are e-mailed to the recipient). Right now, the Hotline is still forwarded to Rex. While a few calls are from members, most are junk calls and calls for the Apple Store.

Webmaster: Rex Covington

Rex reported the website is up and running. He is trying to get Version Q (by Adobe) running but is having some problems. Micah suggested "Contribute" by Micromedia; Rex will check it out. He requested e-mails if any information on the website needs to be corrected.

Vision Committee: Joe Fournet

Joe sent out a report of the Vision Committee meeting of last week. Topics discussed included: guest fees (not at this time but can reconsider later); nominations (nice to see new names); facilities (we must keep looking not only for primary meeting places; but also back-ups); budget (discussed); and brochures (for guest at general meetings and for stores).

Volunteer Coordinator: Casey Sivula

Casey reported there were 75 attendees at the October meeting including 3 visitors. She wants to have more handouts at the Welcome desk, especially for HAAUGNet. Rex will send old brochures to Micah.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MacFest 2005 Committee: Phil Booth (Rex Covington, Barbara Long, Casey Sivula)

Phil had no report except that Chris Breen and Bob Levitus will be presenters.

Relocation Committee: Casey Sivula (Rex Covington, Doug Smith, Phil Booth, Joe Kudrna)

Casey reported that the Uptown Hotel and Suites will be demolished after January 1, but is available for general meetings this year. The committee will meet and begin looking for new meeting locations for 2005. We would like to have Internet connection at the Bellaire Civic Center. MicroCenter is considering putting in a Roadrunner Hot Spot. The committee will check with HCC for availability for the meeting in February (Bob Levitus).

OLD BUSINESS

Board Indemnity Insurance: Doug Smith

Doug reported that he gave his information to Steve Jolly. Casey has a lead and will give her information to Doug.

Apple Barrel Ads Accounting: Steve Jolly

Casey reported that she has taken over this topic. She put together a list of Apple Barrel ads for the last couple of years and gave them to Barbara. It was noted that the ad for the company that has been providing tables and chairs should be removed since we are no longer using them. An ad for HAAUGNet should be in the Apple Barrel.

HAAUG Digital Photo Contest: Rex Covington

Rex reported that submitted photos are on the website and will be put into categories later. He is going to Camera Co-op for the judging tomorrow. Over 124 photos have been received. Micah will have a note in the Apple Barrel that winners will be announced at the November meeting.

Purchase Projector Screen: Phil Booth

Phil will purchase the screen. He was waiting for information regarding the Uptown Hotel and Suites.

Nominations Committee: David Jaschke, Phil Booth

David presented the list of nominees, which will be finalized at the November general meeting. There are several contested races so a ballot will be mailed.

The nominees are:

1. President
Phil Booth
Rex Covington
2. First Vice-President-Programs
Doug Smith
3. Second Vice-President-Facilities
Amy Denton
Casey Sivula
4. Secretary
Tamara Lewis
5. Treasurer
Barbara Long
6. Membership Chairman
Morton Butler
7. Apple Barrel Editor
Micah Gartman
8. HAAUG Heaven Sysop
Robert Lacey
9. Special Interest Group (SIG) Coordinator
Rick Roberts
10. Webmaster
Rex Covington
Jeff Davis
11. Four Directors-at-Large
 1. Jim Connell
 2. Mike Epstein
 3. James Warren
 4. Gene Zimmerman

Budget Committee: David Jaschke (Mort Butler, Christina Huston, Barbara Long, Clair Jaschke, Howard Fitter)

David reported that several members of the committee met and put together a proposed budget. After some discussion, the Board approved the budget as presented. The budget will be presented to the general membership in December.

NEW BUSINESS

Projector Purchase

A motion was approved for up to \$2000 for a new projector. Rex and Mike Epstein will review and purchase the projector this year.

Rent

A motion was approved for rent up to \$900 for November and December general meetings at Uptown Hotel and Suites.

Student running for office

One of the nominees for office holds a student membership, which ordinarily is not a voting membership. The Board approved accepting the student member as an officer if there were no other nominees for the position.

Candidate speeches

Time will be allowed at the November general meeting for each nominee to give a short speech.

Adjourned: 8:25 P.M.

NOTE

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

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Director-at-Large 3
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Director-at-Large 4
Joe Fournet

Director-at-Large 5
Steve Jolly

Director-at-Large 6
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Semi-Annual Swap Meet

February 2005

[Bellaire Civic Center](#)

State of the Mac with Bob Levitus

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

2005 Board of Directors

Candidates for the 2005 HAAUG Board of Directors

President

Phil Booth
Rex Covington

First Vice-President-Programs

Doug Smith

Second Vice-President-Facilities

Amy Denton
Casey Sivula

Secretary

Tamara Lewis

Treasurer

Barbara Long

Membership Chairman

Morton Butler

Apple Barrel Editor

Micah Gartman

HAAUG Heaven Sysop

Robert Lacey

Special Interest Group (SIG) Coordinator

Rick Roberts

Webmaster

Rex Covington
Jeff Davis

Directors-at-Large (four positions)

Jim Connell
Mike Epstein
James Warren
Gene Zimmerman



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President

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Philip Booth
President
1989

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

SIG Coordinator
Chair, MacFest committee

**A word from
the candidate**

I would like to bring my experiences and new ideas to the Houston Area Apple Users group I have served on the board for 3 years and chaired the successful MacFests. HAAUG has momentum and I would like to build on that to bring on new programs to help members.

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Rex Covington
President
1994

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

President
Regional Liaison for Apple Users Groups

**A word from
the candidate**

My business contacts and resources in the community (both locally and nationally) help me stay at the pulse of the computer world. Having served as President previously, I am familiar with the scope of the position and its demands, and I welcome the opportunity to again contribute to the leadership for this year's HAAUG. I appreciate your vote of support and will work consistently on your behalf to continue the progress of our club.

First Vice-President – Programs

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Doug Smith
First Vice-President – Programs
2000

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

VP of Programs
Door guard for Casey's crew at the HAAUG 25th anniversary meeting

**A word from
the candidate**

As I think about this, I am scrambling to locate a substitute speaker for the November general meeting. I have developed a small network of contacts locally and around the country. These contacts are with vendors, developers, and within Apple. That network will only continue to grow with a second term in office. I am excited to be attending Mac World 2005 in January and hope to bring exciting possibilities home so that we will have a great year at HAAUG.

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Doug Smith is running unopposed.

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Second Vice-President – Facilities

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| <p>Candidate Position HAAUG member since</p> | <p>Amy Denton Second Vice-President – Facilities 1998</p> |
| <p>Previous HAAUG roles/positions</p> | <p>Boutique At-Large Chairmanship Chairman of the Mentor program</p> |
| <p>A word from the candidate</p> | <p>I love HAAUG and what it stands for. I want a place to meet that's as nice as the group itself. (Corny, I realize but it's true). Also, visitors and members judge the group by where we meet. Simply because we are an amateur group doesn't mean we have to look like one.</p> |

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| <p>Candidate Position HAAUG member since</p> | <p>Casey Sivula Second Vice President – Facilities 2002</p> |
| <p>Previous HAAUG roles/positions</p> | <p>Volunteer Coordinator</p> |
| <p>A word from the candidate</p> | <p>I have met many people while working at our newly established Welcome Table, so some of you may know me from there. As a Volunteer, I have recently assisted in the search for a new home for our HAAUG meetings. I feel passionate that we need to have a consistent location which meets our needs at the lowest cost. The previous holders of this position over the years should be given a huge round of applause as it is not a piece of cake just to find a place that can fit over 100 people on our budget, and a place which has two or three decent sized breakout rooms for training, convenient parking, be in a great location and possibly have snacks, sodas, coffee and water close by. Oh, and we also want internet connectivity! But yet they have consistently been able to find creative ideas to keep us going. The 2nd VP Facilities position and the Facilities Committee have an extreme challenge to meet as many of these needs as possible. I want to be a part of the team that secures the locations and handles the behind-the-scenes details of planning and layouts for our HAAUG General Meetings, Board Meetings, week-night SIGs, our semi-annual Swap Meets, and MacFest. I consider all of these areas to be a part of this position's responsibilities. If we meet our HAAUG members' needs, one of which currently is a consistent General Meeting location, we can attract more visitors and sponsors who might then want to be a part of our program. That's my vision. I ask for your vote of support.</p> |

Secretary

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Tamara Sasha Lewis
Secretary
2004

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

Member

**A word from
the candidate**

I am a well organized leader and hard worker that enjoys spreading the word about HAAUG and how they can get involved.

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Tamara Lewis is running unopposed.

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Treasurer

**Candidate
Position**
HAAUG member since

Barbara Long
Treasurer

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

**Candidate
Position**
HAAUG member since

Barbara Long is running unopposed.

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Membership Chairman

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| Candidate Position HAAUG member since | Morton Butler Membership Chairman 1987 | |
| Previous HAAUG roles/positions | Membership Chairman OSX SIG Leader Mac Librarian | Facilities V.P. Copy Desk Helper |
| A word from the candidate | Retired with lots of time. | |

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| Candidate Position HAAUG member since | Morton Butler is running unopposed. | |
| Previous HAAUG roles/positions | | |
| A word from the candidate | | |

Apple Barrel Editor

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since** Micah Gartman
Apple Barrel Editor
2003

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions** Member

**A word from
the candidate**

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since** Micah Gartman is running unopposed.

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

HAAUG Heaven Sysop

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Robert Lacey
HAAUG Heaven Sysop

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Robert Lacey is running unopposed.

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Special Interest Group Coordinator

Candidate Position
Rick Roberts
Special Interest Group (SIG) Coordinator

HAAUG member since

Previous HAAUG roles/positions

A word from the candidate

Candidate Position
Rick Roberts is running unopposed.

HAAUG member since

Previous HAAUG roles/positions

A word from the candidate

Webmaster

**Candidate
Position**
HAAUG member since

Rex Covington
Webmaster

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

**Candidate
Position**
HAAUG member since

Jeff Davis
Webmaster

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Directors-at-Large

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Jim Connell.
Director-at-Large
2003°

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

Volunteer

**A word from
the candidate**

HAAUG performs a great service to Mac users. I want to help HAAUG expand its activities and increase its membership. Although I am a relatively new member, I believe I can bring a fresh perspective and new ideas to help lead HAAUG to greater success.

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Mike Epstein
Director-at-Large

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

Directors-at-Large

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

James Warren
Director-at-Large

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

**A word from
the candidate**

**Candidate
Position
HAAUG member since**

Gene Zimmerman
Director-at-Large
1997

**Previous HAAUG
roles/positions**

Member

**A word from
the candidate**

I have been an Apple owner since I bought an Apple II in December 1978, and have been a strong supporter of Apple and their products since then. The HAAUG has been a good help to me on numerous issues since I moved here in 1997, and since I have just retired, I now have time to give back to the HAAUG some of what it has given me.