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All Things iMovie®



Saturday, October 21st

Want to learn what iMovie® can do for you? Find out at the Main Presentation at the October HAAUG General Meeting. Special Interest Groups (SIGs) begin at 9:00 a.m. and the Main Presentation starts at 11:15 a.m.



P.O. Box 570957
Houston, Texas 77257-0957

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



Boss HAAUG Speaks

Monthly Address from the HAAUG President



September was a busy month for HAAUG, We had the regular meeting and then MacFest. The September Meeting was held at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge on South Main due to a scheduling mix up with the Rice Media center. I will not paint a rosy picture the facility was not posh, but we were able to meet and those members who attended got there questions answered.

September also kicked off a several month series of main presentations covering Apple's iLife suite of software. HAAUG member Rick Roberts gave a presentation on iTunes and the iPod. Rick is enthused about Pod and Tunes and he gave a great presentation. His iPod SIG at most monthly meetings is well attended.

In October, we have another home brewed presentation on iMovie, given by Doug Smith. Doug uses his knowledge of iMovie to create presentations for Dow Chemical, and some freelance clients. He may even bring that shiny new MacPro to the meeting. One other thing, the exile is over we will be back in the friendly confines of the Rice Media Center.

November is going to concentrate on digital Photography, Rex Covington has arranged for Canon, Nikon, and HP to give short presentations and display there offerings. There may be a special presenter so go to haaug.org to get further details as the November meeting gets closer.

It is time to sort though your iPhoto Library, sift through your collection of SD and Compact Flash cards and enter your best shots in the Annual HAAUG Photo Contest. The entry fee is five dollars and that allows you to enter as many photos as you want up to the limit per category. For more details and contest rules go to the HAAUG web site where you can post your photos, and pay your entry fee through KAGI.

HAAUG's fourth version of MacFest was a success, we had four good presentations and the people who came seemed to enjoy themselves. It was not the event that the committee had planned, there were some dropped arrangements but we were able to recover. A special thank you to Dreux St Marie for agreeing to present at the last minute. Thanks to Bob LeVitus for presenting twice during the event. Thanks to Rex Covington for doing the legwork to arrange the iChat session with Andy Ihnatko. It was not as good as having him here live, but we were treated to his wit and wisdom about the Macintosh and Technology. I really want to get him here live for some event.

In November and December HAAUG has several important business items on the agenda. We are currently seeking nominations for the HAAUG Board of Directors. HAAUG is always looking for good people to be on the board. Being a member of the board amplifies your membership. Please consider running for a position on the board. The other major item is the approval of the budget for the next year. The budget is the major plan for the organization; it determines how and where we spend your money. A Board Budget committee will meet on Tuesday 10/24 at 6:00 at Ziggys to discuss and formulate the budget for next year. Members are always welcome.

Phil Booth
2006 HAAUG President

House of Macs

By Doug Smith

Paying homage to the old, used and collected.

I had to begin cleaning the house after the "DSL Event" last month. It was a task long past due. There were seven Macs in the house. That is SO many over the sane limit. Please learn from me and SELL your old Macs to complete strangers at a HAAUG Swap Meet or give them away to family and friends who live beyond the free tech support line of 37.9 miles away from your home. All of these machines have good memories, pun intended, in them and will still be a great little Mac for someone who will enjoy them.

Mom gets the next one I have time to set up in the coming weeks, a great little G4 Digital Audio box that paid for itself composing QTVR images for a few local real estate professionals. Mom will run laps around dad's aging old PC that still runs Windows 98 everyday of the week and she will smile all the while. She had the opportunity to test a Mac desktop where she worked for 12 weeks and loved it! She still doesn't understand why that company chose to end the use of Macs. I found out last week that the company is now using Mac Pros to run its Unix database and more than a few Macbook Pros are on the site too. Things might be changing for the greater a little bit each week out there.

As for my Mac assortment, they are being banished to the garage and the barn out back, until the January Swap Meet at least. Watch for a sale then if I fail to find users here in Lake Jackson, since I do make house calls with free tech support when needed. I might not know much, but I do know that I love the Apple OS. And that is a feeling everyone shares after they use it.



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



Kilimanjaro, Tanzania. – Courtesy Tyna Ellenbogen.

This Month's Crop of New & Renewed Members

- William T. Anderson
- Frederick Benn
- Philip Booth
- Broose Dickinson
- Roger Eichhorn
- Menges Gebreselassie
- Arnold Grossman
- Michael King
- Barbara Long
- James H. Moody
- Andrew Polk
- Joseph Salanitro
- Connie Smith
- W. Joe Williamson



Bob "Dr. Mac" Levitus, Phil Booth and Joe Muscara at MacFest 2006. – Courtesy Rex Covington.



This year's MacFest included many goodies including Andy Ihnatko. via iChat – Courtesy Rex Covington.

2006 HAAUG Nominations

Club Announcement

Call for nominations.

Well, it's that time of year again. Elections will be held in December for the 2006 HAAUG Board members. Do you feel that you can do a better job or have ideas on how to improve HAAUG? Do you want to have a say in how HAAUG's funds are spent? Do you want fame and fortune? Well forget the last one, but HAAUG needs a few brave souls to help guide it through the next year. Please consider being a member of the Board of directors. We have a number of positions and are interested in having new people on the Board.

If you wish to run, please contact either **Rex Covington** or **David Jaschke**.

To view the current roster of the Houston Area Apple Users Group, visit www.haaug.org/board

Get connected. Get involved.

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HAAUG 2006 Election Nomination Contacts

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October SIG Topics

General Meeting - Saturday, October 21, 2006

Ad hoc

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 General Meeting, or email him at rroberts@mac.com.

Mac 101 Fundamentals

Rick Roberts

This SIG is for basic Macintosh questions.

Green Apples

David Jaschke

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

Adobe® Creative Suite 101

Tamara Alexander

Basics of Adobe Applications, desktop print and web publishing.

Digital Photography

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.

Mac OS 9

An opportunity for OS 9 users to organize a SIG.

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October 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.	All Things iMovie® presented by Doug Smith and Rex Covington.			
12:30 p.m.	Adobe® Creative Suite 101		Mac OS 9	Mac One on One
1:30 p.m.	iTunes/iPod			
2:30 p.m.	Tear down, pack it up, and clean it up...			
3:30 p.m.	BBQ SIG location to be determined by consensus.			
Room assignments and SIG topics are subject to change at any time. SIG leaders are volunteers, be nice to them.				

October Main Presentation:

All Things iMovie®

Doug Smith and Rex Covington share their experience with Apple's video tool for regular guys.

HAAUG PhotoContest 2006

University of Houston Hilton Hotel, Shamrock Ballroom – Houston, Texas

H A A U G A n n u a l

Digital Photo Contest 2006

Saturday, November 18th

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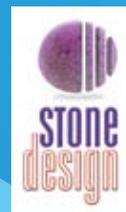
- Sign up at Kagi, a \$5.00 Fee: <http://tinyurl.com/lyfqw>
- Submit photos to: contest@haaug.org or give Rex J. Covington a CD-ROM of the photos at the Saturday Oct 21st HAAUG General Meeting.
- Full size photo accepted to a MAX size of 2MB.
- Please list the Category for each photos with a caption or a description.
- Only 2 photos per Category will be accepted (A total of 30 photos per person)
- Previous HAAUG Photo Entries WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- READ THE RULES FIRST! Contest Rules
- Any questions, please send them to: Rex J. Covington at rexjc@mac.com

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HAAUG Membership Survey '06

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How we are doing...

Has your membership with the Houston Area Apple Users' Group met your expectations?

Y | N

If not, why? _____

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 benefits to those with active membership? **Y | N**

What member benefits do you value the most? (Check all that apply.)

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly General Meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> HAAUG Heaven Forums |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Interest Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> HAAUG Hotline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friendship / Networking | <input type="checkbox"/> Mac User Group (MUG) discounts |

What changes would you like to see HAAUG implement to better serve its members?

Do you find the HAAUG Monthly General Meetings to be at a convenient time and location?

Y | N

If not, when and where do you feel would be more convenient? _____

Are you aware that HAAUG hosts Evening SIGs? **Y | N**

Have you ever attended an Evening SIG? **Y | N**

If not, why: _____

Do you access or visit the official HAAUG website (www.haaug.org)? **Y | N**

Do you find the website to be helpful and informative? **Y | N**

If not, what changes or additions would you like to see on the website?

Do you use the HAAUG Hotline (713.522.2179)? **Y | N**

If so, do you find it informative and/or helpful? **Y | N**

How did you hear about HAAUG? _____

Do you know someone who would be interested in joining HAAUG? _____

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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3X \$65

1/4 Page Ad

Dimensions: 3.75" x 5"

Frequency: 1X 65, 2X 60, 3X 55

1/6 Page Ad

Dimensions: 5" x 2.5"

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

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Business Card Ad

Dimensions: 3.5" x 2"

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

3X \$15

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Minutes

Of the HAAUG Board of Director's Meeting - September 5, 2006

Attendees:

Phil Booth, Barbara Long, Mike Epstein, Jim Connell, David Jaschke, Clair Jaschke, Rick Roberts, Mike Miron, Joe Fournet, Doug Smith.

Call to Order: 6:32 p.m. by President, Phil Booth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chris Breen will be unable to present at MacFest due to knee surgery. Jonathan Magnus is back. He has left the Apple Store and is now at Schlumberger.

REPORTS:

Secretary - Lyda McGhee: The August minutes were not presented. Both the August and September minutes will be presented at the October board meeting.

1st Vice President - Doug Smith: The September main presentation will be All Things iPod; October, All Things iMovie; and, November, All Things iPhoto. The December meeting will feature the Photo Contest and the election of officers for 2007. The swap meet is in January and Bob LeVitus is confirmed for February.

2nd Vice President - Mike Miron: We could meet at Rice for the September general meeting but we would have to share and the other group would have exclusive use of the main auditorium. Several other places were suggested including the Howard Johnson Motel on South Main which has quoted a room for \$212 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the September general meeting.

Treasurer - Barbara Long: There is money in the bank and all bills are paid.

Membership - Jim Connell: There are 257 members: 243 regular members, 5 student members, 1 associate member, and 8 lifetime members. The membership survey results were sent out yesterday to club business but Jim will send it again. Seventy five surveys were sent in by members.

Apple Barrel - Tamara Alexander: No report.

Advertising Manager: No report.

Boutique - Barbara Long: no sales.

HAAUG Heaven - Robert Lacey: no report.

Publicity: no report.

Vision - Joe Fournet: no report.

SIG Coordinator - Rick Roberts: The SIG schedule will be the same as it was in August. The OS 9 SIG is on the schedule but a leader is needed.

HAAUG Hotline - John Reeves: no report.

HAAUGNet - Jeff Davis: The HD has been upgraded and the Tiger server has been updated. All is fine.

Webmaster - Jeff Davis: No report.

Volunteer Coordinator: This position is open.

Mentoring - Amy Denton: no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MacFest 2006 Committee - The committee met last week and it was decided to advertise for MacFest in the college newspapers. We will also do a postcard mailer. There is no price yet but \$500 has already been budgeted for this expense. MacFest will be held on September 30, 2006.

OLD BUSINESS

Brochures - The total cost from American Printing for 2500 brochures is \$466 plus \$60 for the proof. Tamara passed the proof around and it looked great. She will order 2500 brochures.

Calendar Cards - The current cards go through July. We need to get more printed for the next quarter.

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
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NEW BUSINESS

MacFest - A motion was approved to spend \$700 for MacFest advertising. A motion was also approved to spend \$400 for the MacFest postcard mailout. Jim Connell will get with Tamara on the postcards.

Photo Contest - Rex Covington volunteered to be in charge of the Photo Contest. The website needs to be setup to accept photos.

Nominations Committee - Rex Covington (chair), Doug Smith, David R.

If there are any problems regarding the club business email announcements, please contact Rex.

Adjourned: 7:32 p.m.

NOTE:

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

Get the most of your membership.



Board positions are open to Members only.
Please visit with a HAAUG Board Member during the General Meetings or visit www.haug.org for more information.

Upcoming Events

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Tuesday, November 14th

Lake Jackson SIG • 7pm - 8:30pm

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Saturday, November 18th

General Meeting • 9am -2pm

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Tuesday, November 21st

FileMaker Pro 7 & 8 SIG • 7pm - 9pm

Ziggy's Healthy Grill • 2202 W. Alabama @ Greenbriar & W. Alabama, (713)527-8588
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Woodlands SIG • 7pm - 9pm

Montgomery College
3200 College Park Drive • Room C125, Conroe, TX, 77384
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Saturday, December 9th

General Meeting • 9am -2pm

2006 Mac Wish List
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Check # _____

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Mail check to:

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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

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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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