September 2009

Mac OS X Snow Leopard

Special Presentation by Apple's Dreux Ste. Marie

Saturday, September 19th

Snow Leopard is finally here! Join us on September 19th as Apple's own Dreux Ste. Marie takes us through Snow Leopard from top to bottom. This will be a very popular meeting, so come early and join us for the SIG's!

SIG's start at 9am and the main meeting begins at 11:15. See you there!

Meeting Location

Bellaire Civic Center
7008 South Rice Avenue
Bellaire, TX 77401

Just outside Loop 610 and south of Bellaire Blvd.
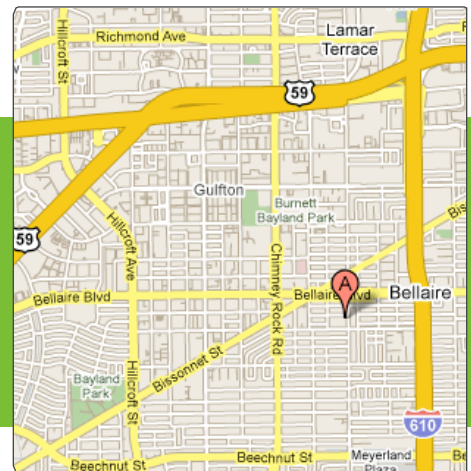
Boss HAAUG Speaks
Monthly Address from the HAAUG President

Fellow HAAUG members –

Welcome to the September issue of the Apple Barrel! I hope that this issue finds everyone enjoying the cool (if wet) weather; this is much more like home for me so I'm soaking it up as much as possible. This city never seems to slow down much, and neither has Apple. September's not yet half-over and there is lots of news from Cupertino:

Mac OS X 10.6 Snow Leopard
Apple released Snow Leopard on August 28, ahead of an expected September release. This new version costs $29 and is a "under-the-hood" update to Mac OS X, providing more updates to the underlying code and structure of OS X than major changes to the interface and daily usage. OS X 10.6.1 was subsequently released on September 10 and contains some minor upgrades to the software. Dreux Ste. Marie from Apple will be talking in-depth about what's new in Snow Leopard, so be sure not to miss our September meeting on the 19th.

Updated iPods
Apple announced updates to the entire iPod family on September 8 at a special press event in San Francisco. Ready for the upcoming holiday season, the updated lines include additional colors, increased storage and lower prices depending on the model. We cover the updates in depth on Page 4.

iTunes 9
At the September 8 iPod event, iTunes 9 was also announced. In addition to a revamped iTunes Store, the application itself gets some visual updates and a smart new feature called Home Sharing, which to me looks like Shared Libraries on steroids. With this feature, you can automatically sync songs between multiple computers in the same household. This is great for me: I have an iMac that I use as my primary Mac, and a MacBook that I take on the road. By syncing exactly what songs I want to the MacBook, I can keep it up to date and not have to worry about streaming songs using Shared Libraries or playing songs in the Finder though a connection to the iMac. From what I can read, this only works on a local network, so you won't be able to use it between computers at work and home.

New Version of Final Cut Studio and Logic Studio
For the professional A/V production crowd, Apple announce new versions of Final Cut Studio and Logic Studio, which are Apple's Pro video and audio production suites, respectively. Final Cut Studio is available for $999 and Logic Studio for $499. These suites are above the level that most HAAUG members need, but we did receive some feedback from the membership survey indicating an interest in hosting a pro A/V SIG. If you have experience in the field, please let us know!

As always, thank you to everyone who volunteers their time and energy to help make HAAUG successful. It's because of your hard work that everyone can enjoy the benefits of the group. With that said, our volunteers are always glad to have other members help in the planning, setup and support of the group's events. We have board positions open that need to be filled, and are looking for HAAUG members who are willing to donate a small amount of time to help make everything happen. If you're interested, please let us know!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the event on Saturday, September 19th; until then, let us know how we can help! You can contact us at the Web site (**http://www.haaug.org**/) or on the HAAUG Heaven Forums (**http://www.haaug.org/forums**). See you all in a couple weeks!

Matt Willmore
President, HAAUG

iPhone App Recommendations

Jim Connell, Secretary
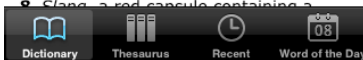
I recommend these three FREE Apps to every iPhone or iPod Touch user:

Dictionary.com (*Dictionary.com*): I have found this App, which is both a dictionary and a thesaurus, to be an invaluable companion. I can easily find the meaning of a new word in seconds. This is one of several dictionary Apps in the Apps Store.

Yellow Pages (*Avantar LLC*) and **White Pages** (*White Pages.com*). These Apps make finding residential and business telephone numbers and addresses a snap--no more calling 411. Both include maps and directions. These are just two of several Yellow Page and White Page apps in the Apps Store.

OpenTable (*OpenTable, Inc.*). If you've discovered OpenTable online, you know it's an easy and fast way to make a restaurant reservation in most large cities in the U.S. and overseas. The OpenTable App covers restaurants in the U.S., Canada and the U.K. With this App, gone are the days of calling a restaurant for a reservation and being put on hold, only to learn that no tables are available when you wish to dine. OpenTable members earn points towards free meals at OpenTable restaurants, can read reviews of restaurants by other OpenTable members, and view restaurant menus via the Web.
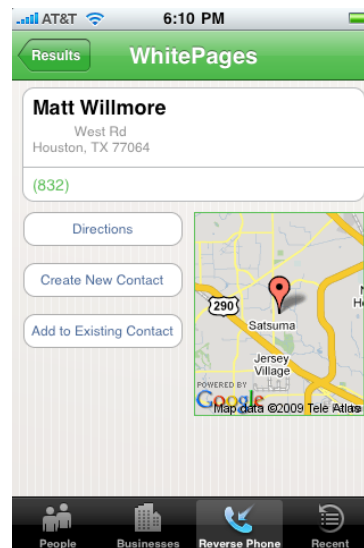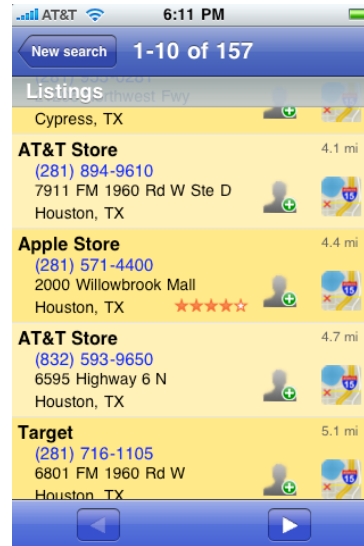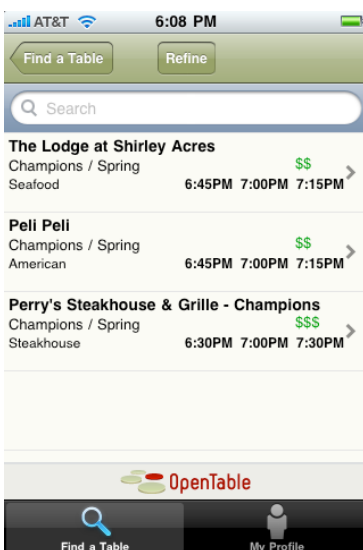
QuickTip

When I step away from my Mac at work, I want a quick way to lock the screen, and hitting a hot-corner with the mouse is problematic for me. This hint details how to lock the screen from the keyboard by using Automator to build a Service in Snow Leopard.

First, check the General tab on the Security System Preferences panel to ensure that the *Require password [some period] after sleep or screen saver begins* box is checked.

Then, open Automator in the Applications folder, and select Service from the screen that appears. At the top of the new Service's actions, in the *Service receives* drop-down, select *no input* from the options. Make sure that *any application* is selected in the second drop-down.

Add the Start Screensaver action (in the Utilities group of actions) to the Service by dragging it to the right. Save the Service (Automator does not ask you where to save it, just to name it). Next, open System Preferences and select the Keyboard preference pane. Select the Keyboard Shortcuts tab at the top, then the Services group on the left. The service you created should be near the bottom of the list of Services under the General disclosure triangle.

iPhone App Recommendations

Phil Booth, Immediate Past President

QuickTip

A little-known feature of the iPhone is its ability to display subtitles on movies. To do this, you just need the free programs **MKVtools**, **SubCleaner**, and **Subler**, and a conversion program -- I recommend **FilmRedux**. Once those are installed on your Mac, do this:

1.) Convert the file to a raw, un-subtitled .mp4 with FilmRedux

2.) Extract the UTF8 subtitle file (.srt) from the original file with MKVtools.

3.) Clean up the .srt with SubCleaner

4.) Merge the .mp4 and the .srt together in Subler

Then sync the movie over to your iPhone. Next to the rewind button, a new subtitle button will appear.

http://www.macosxhints.com/article.php?story=2009081913171253

Here are some recommended iPhone apps from Phil Booth, HAAUG's immediate past president:
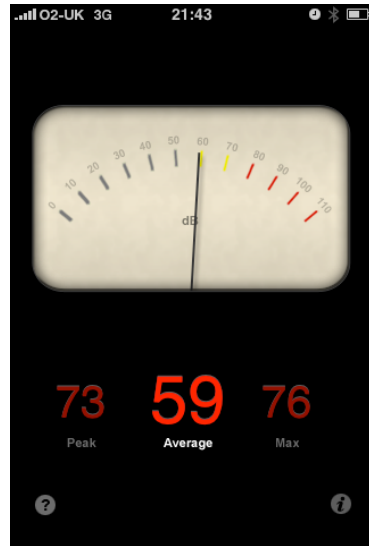
Utilities

Decibel (**www.gadgetfrontier.com**; *@gadgetfrontier)*: Turns your phone in to a Sound Pressure Level meter. I like to measure the noise level in Movie theaters and Restaurants.

Convert (**www.taptaptap.com**; *@taptaptap)*: A measurement, currency what have you converter This has a great interface.
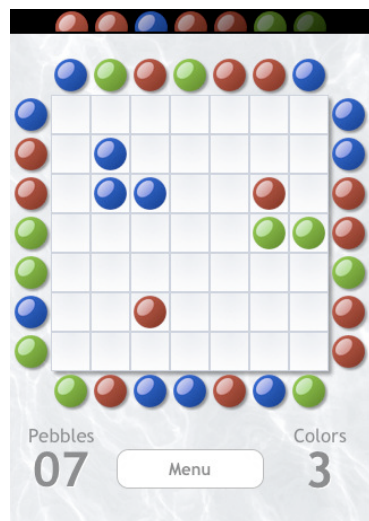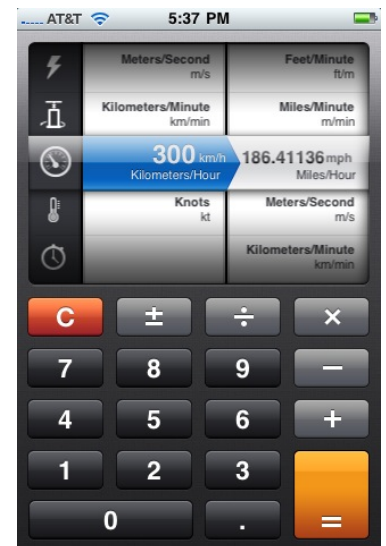
Games

Pebbles (**www.obdev.at/products/pebbles**): A very additive puzzle game. The object is to remove the pebbles from the game board by rolling the same color pebble at the target pebble. I am up to six colors with 12 pebbles. It can be frustrating as well as fun.
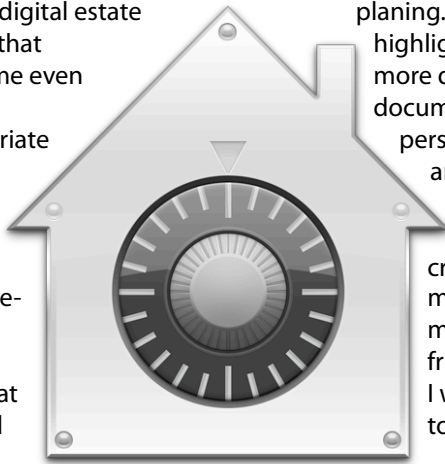
Digital Estate Planning
Phil Booth, Immediate Past President

Estate planning is not something that we really want to do because it makes us face our mortality. I am a member of the generation that would never grow old, but I did, so I have written a will. I need to create "directions to Physicians" and give someone "power of attorney" so I have someone to handle my affairs if I die or become incapacitated. But what about that "Digital" presence that many of us have? If you follow the advice of the tech security experts you need to keep your logins private, and change your passwords. I can't argue with those recommendations but that means your family may have problems gaining access to your e-mail, social media and the other accounts that require a login/password.

This situation was brought to my attention a few months ago when I was listening to NPR's All Things Considered. They have a weekly segment called All Tech Considered; this is where I first heard about digital estate planing. I came across another article on Yahoo Finance that highlighted these same issues. I am sure that as we become even more dependent on electronic delivery of financial documentation, we will need to provide access to appropriate persons to keep our affairs in order or to bring them to an end.

I get e-mails every week encouraging me to "Sign up for E-Delivery" of this credit card or that utility bill. I have resisted this as my e-mail inbox is usually crammed with more marketing material that real communication with friends, family and colleagues. I am afraid that I will delete an e-bill by mistake. I have converted to mostly electronic bill paying though.

Many of us have social networking sites such as Facebook, MySpace, or LinkedIn; what do you want your family to do with theses sites, if you die? Delete the site? Turn it in to a permanent memorial? You need to make these plans ahead of time. Check with the services to see their policies and what documentation will be required to gain access to these sites. You need a plan and a method for family members to gain access to the web resources that you own.

I really don't have any suggestions about this other than you need to think about these matters. I am using 1Password (**http://agilewebsolutions.com/products/1Password**; @*1password*), a password utility that holds my web log-ins and will automatically will fill in the log-in information using just one password. Putting that password in a safety deposit box will allow my agents access to the accounts. I may check with an attorney do see if I need to grant a formal digital power of attorney. I will need to leave instructions about how to dispose of my digital presence on the Internet.

Check out the link below to the All Tech Considered story on digital estate planing.
http://www.npr.org/blogs/alltechconsidered/2009/05/ your_digital_life_after_death.html

QuickTip

One of the new features in Snow Leopard is that you can set a delay before the password is activated for your screensaver/wake from sleep. This is helpful because I had my password disabled previously, since I didn't want to enter it in all the time. However, the only options for the delay are: Immediately, 5 Seconds, 1 Minute, 5 Minutes, 15 Minutes, 1 Hour, 4 Hours.

For me, 15 minutes is too short and 1 hour is too long: I want 30 minutes. Fortunately, there is a way around this -- a simple Terminal command. The Terminal command is:

```
defaults -currentHost write com.apple.screensaver askForPasswordDelay -int 1800
```

To set it to however long you like, edit the last item (**1800**) which is 30 minutes * 60 seconds/minute) to the desired delay in seconds. Copy and paste the command into Terminal, change the time limit, and hit Return. Now, all you have to do is log out and back in again and you're good to go!

http:// www.macosxhints.com/ article.php? story=20090831053120918

Updated iPods Announced

Matt Willmore, President

On Wednesday, September 9th Apple held a special event in San Francisco where they unveiled the latest round of iPods and iPod touches in preparation for the upcoming holiday season. Every iPod model was affected, though some just in price. Here's the breakdown:

iPod classic: This stalwart model received a memory bump on the high-end model from 120GB to 160GB, a 33% increase. The price remains at $249. This is the only size offered, and is available in either black or silver.

iPod shuffle: Apple's buttonless iPod got new color options of pink, green and blue that match the colors already found on the iPod nano line, in addition to the existing black and silver options. The price also dropped on the shuffle; the 2GB model is available for $59 and the 4GB for $79. In addition, Apple is offering a "special edition" 4GB model in polished stainless steel for $99. (For all the metallurgy geeks out there – any bets on what grade of stainless steel Apple chose?)

iPod nano: The nano received the most upgrades this time around, and will likely be the must-have iPod for this holiday season. The new nanos now offer a video camera for recording 640x480 video (although no still pictures); an FM radio with 15-minute live pausing; VoiceOver support that originally appeared in the shuffle; and a new Genius Mix feature similar to what we saw first in iTunes 8. The Genius Mix lets you create "smart" playlists on the fly either with or without selecting a starter song for the iPod to base its playlist on. A microphone and speaker are now present on the nano (for the video camera) and even a pedometer. The nano is available in nine different colors (see seven of them above), and will set you back $149 for the 8GB model or $179 for the 16GB.

iPod touch: Not to be forgotten, the iPod touch received both a price drop and memory bump, but not a video camera as was heavily anticipated (reports indicate they may have had hardware issues). These are now available in 8GB ($199), 32GB ($299) and 64GB ($399); the latter two models have upgraded hardware and will run OpenGL ES 2.0, an improved graphics library for faster, smoother game and application performance.
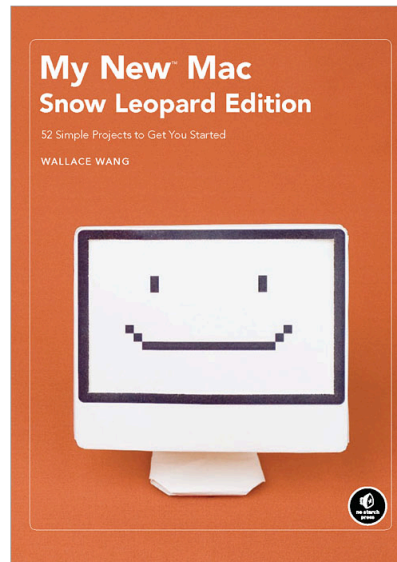
Expand Your Noggin with O'Reilly

Matt Willmore, President

HAAUG has partnered with O'Reilly Media to bring three special offers to HAAUG members. For those not familiar, they are one of the largest technical book publishers in the world, and they love Macs. Many a programmer will have multiple O'Reilly books on their shelf or next to their computer.

The earliest books (and a huge variety still produced today) are easily recognizable with their white background and animal woodcut—such as a hummingbird for their new iPhone SDK Application Development book. O'Reilly has also been expanding into other book areas in the past few years, and now offers books for a wide range of experience and technical levels.

What does this mean for you, the faithful HAAUG member? Three opportunities for you to benefit greatly from O'Reilly's catalog:

1) As a HAAUG member, you are eligible to purchase any O'Reilly, No Starch Press, PC Publishing, Pragmatic Bookshelf, Rocky Nook, SitePoint or YoungJin book in O'Reilly's catalog at 35% off their listed price. Please note, this is for sales from their Web site, not an affiliate such as Amazon.com. If you wanted *My New Mac: Snow Leopard Edition* (shown above), for example, instead of the list price of $29.95 you'd only pay $19.50. Add a few books up and it's a tremendous savings, just for being in HAAUG. To get the discount, use the discount code **DSUG** at checkout.

2) We love to have HAAUG members share their ideas and thoughts, and that extends to the Mac books you read. To support this, if there is an O'Reilly book that you would like to get, and are willing to write a review of for the Apple Barrel within a reasonable amount of time after receiving the book (say, 90 days) O'Reilly will give you that book for **free**. You read that right—if you want the aforementioned *My New Mac* and are willing to write a review in a timely fashion, you can get a free copy of said book (so long as they are not sold out).

This is a really exciting offer, and should not be abused. If they give HAAUG members lots of free books and get no reviews in return, we'll lose that privilege.

3) You are also eligible for reduced rates to O'Reilly conferences and tutorials (check their Web site for more information).

If you're interested in reviewing a book or have more questions about the arrangement, please come see Matt Willmore for more information at a meeting, or email him at **president@haaug.org**.
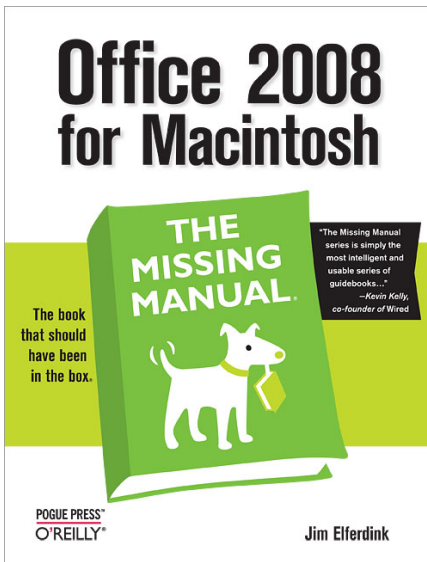
QuickTip

If you hold down the Command or Shift key while in the Applications tab for your iPhone/iPod touch in iTunes 9, you can choose multiple applications at the same time, then slide them over to a new screen on the iPhone/Touch. Finally an easier way to move multiple apps!

Minor GUI nitpick: the Shift key should allow a whole row or selection to be chosen in a contiguous manner, while the Command key should allow for non-contiguous selections. This would make the behavior consistent with the Finder.

[**robg adds:** Don't overlook the ability to drag entire pages, too, as noted in the short note on that screen. If folders get added in OS3.2/iTunes 9.1, app management will (finally) be basically perfect for my needs.]

http:// www.macosxhints.com/ article.php? story=20090910001514193

Find great specials online!

Special Offers for HAAUG Members via HAAUG Heaven

Check our forums for daily deals!

HAAUG discounts can be found on the HAAUG Heaven forums.

http://haaug.org/**forums**
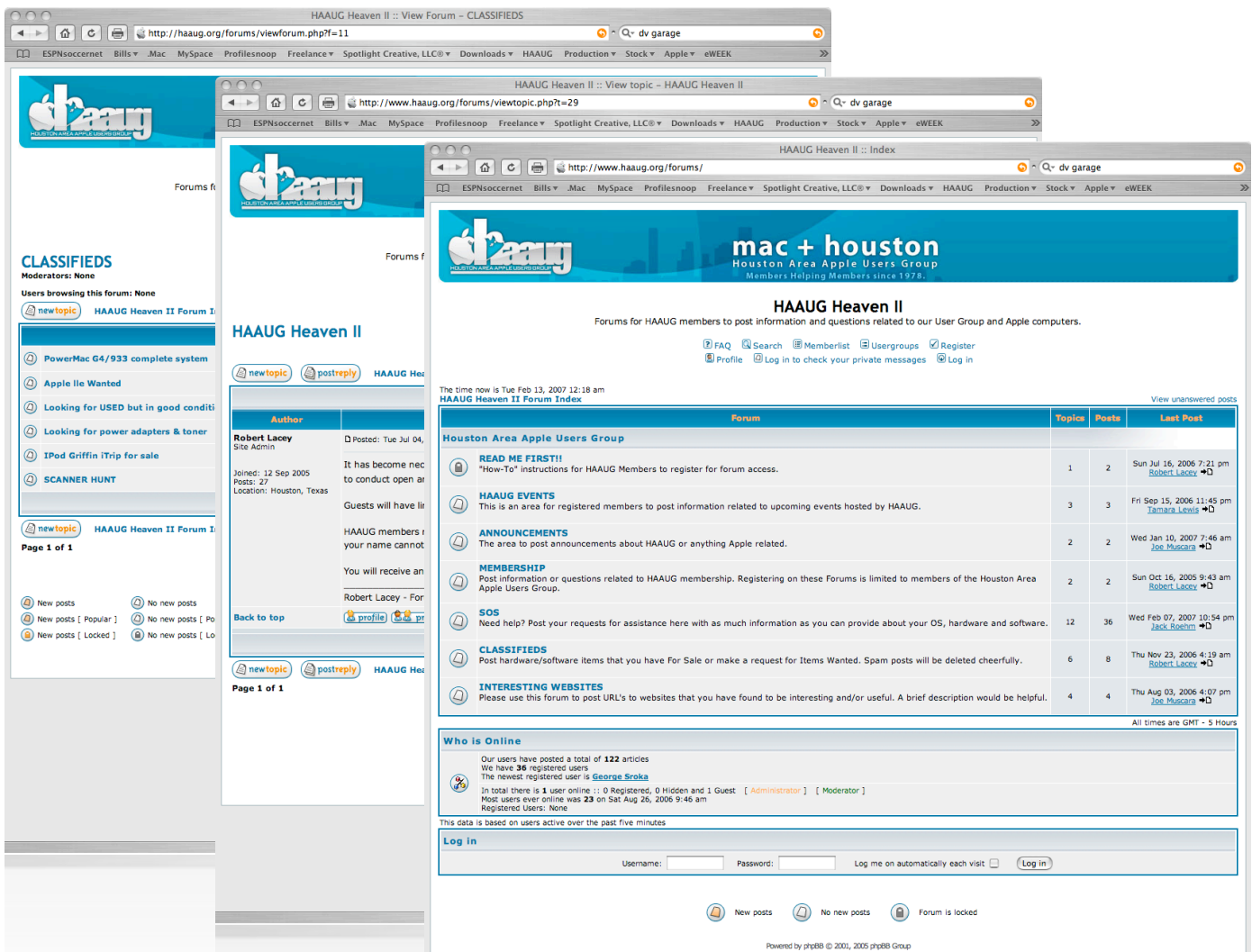
NOTE: You must be a current registered HAAUG member to use these discounts.

Classifieds
Products and support for the Macintosh community

ADVERTISING RATES

General Rate Policy
If more or less space than specified is used within one year from the date of first insertion, the rate will be adjusted to the earned rate published here.

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

Black and white rates (per issue):
2/3 Page Ad
Dimensions: 5" x 10.125"
Frequency: 1X $125, 2X $120, 3X $115

1/2 Page Ad
Dimensions: 7.625" x 5"
Frequency: 1X 90, 2X 85, 3X 80

1/3 Page Ad
Dimensions: 7.625" x 3.375"
Frequency: 1X $75, 2X $70, 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, 3X $30

Business Card Ad
Dimensions: 3.5" x 2"
Frequency: 1X $30, 2X $25, 3X $15

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

Minutes

Location: Industrial Audio/Video, Inc., 2617 Bissonnet Street, Houston, Texas.

Attendees: Philip Booth, Jim Connell, Michael Epstein, Clair Jaschke, David Jaschke, Barbara Long (via iChat), Rick Roberts, Doug Smith (via iChat), and Matt Willmore.

Call to order: 6:42 p.m. by President Matt Willmore, a quorum of voting members of the board being present when the meeting was called to order.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Secretary – Jim Connell: The minutes of the board meeting held on July 7, 2009, were unanimously approved as submitted.

Treasurer – Barbara Long: Barbara reported that all bills she has received have been paid. HAAUG has about $8,000 in the bank. Barbara has paid IAPC for web hosting services for the month of August.

1st Vice President – Programming - Open: No report.

2nd Vice President Facilities – David Crook: Phil Booth reported that HAAUG has paid for the use of the Bellaire Civic Center for June and July. He will get contracts for the August and September meetings from the City of Bellaire.

SIG Coordinator – Rick Roberts: Rick reported that the topic of email use seems to be drawing interest from the members and suggested a panel discussion on the topic at a General Meeting. Matt stated that he had received a request for an iLife SIG. After discussing the issue of who would lead the SIG, the board decided to change the name of the iTunes SIG to the iLife SIG and to rotate leaders of the SIG according to the particular iLife software program being discussed at the SIG. Rick suggested that interest in iMovie might increase as a result of the video capture feature on the new iPhone.

Apple Barrel Editor– Tamara Alexander: Matt reported that Tamara would like to relinquish responsibility for the Apple Barrel.

Membership – David Jaschke: HAAUG had 210 members at the end of July 2009, an increase of two members since June 2009. HAAUG had 252 members in June 2008. Two new members joined HAAUG, and eleven members renewed their membership, including two 2-year renewals.

Webmaster – Jeff Davis: No report.

HAAUG Heaven Forum/HAAUGNet—Robert Lacey: No report. Rex Covington needs to explain how the domain name registration is handled, including sharing passwords. Jeff Davis should know and be able to explain how and when the payment for the domain name registration is handled.

Old Business:

MacFest: Phil Booth announced that a meeting of the MacFest Committee on Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at the Uptown Cafe Express.

August Main Presentation Topic: The board decided to hold a panel discussion on email issues as the Main Presentation for the August General Meeting. Phil Booth suggested contacting Smile on My Mac, a past MacFest sponsor, for a possible future presentation of some of its software programs via iChat.

New Business:

HAAUG Web Hosting Committee Report: Matt reported that the committee, consisting of David Jaschke, Matt Willmore and Greg Wright, looked at several web hosts and considered factors such as price, storage, band width, and type of server. The committee recommended that HAAUG select MacHighway for web hosting services. MacHighway's large plan, which costs $14.95 per month, would provide, at a small fraction of what IAPC is charging HAAUG each month, the same web hosting services that IAPC is currently providing,

except for hosting of the FileMaker database and the HAAUG Hotline. The committee recommended that Jeff Davis host the FileMaker database. An 800 number service or a service such as Google Voice (which is currently in beta development) could handle the HAAUG Hotline. If either service is chosen for the HAAUG Hotline, HAAUG would lose its listing in the Yellow Pages. The board discussed the limited usage the HAAUG Hotline is getting. HAAUG members who have dial-up or DSL service through HAAUG will remain with IAPC. The board will meet during the August General Meeting to act upon the committee's recommendation.

Membership Survey Results: Matt made a Keynote presentation on the 104 responses received from those who participated in the membership survey. A link to the presentation will be posted on the HAAUG website.

August AB Content: Matt requested short articles for the next issue of the Apple Barrel. Articles that are put in the Pages template for the newsletter do not need to have content in the sidebar.

Adjourned: 8:31 p.m.

Upcoming Events

**Houston Area
Apple Users Group
2009 Officers
and Directors**

President
Matt Willmore

1st Vice President Programs
OPEN [Doug Smith]

2nd Vice President Facilities
David Crook

Secretary
Jim Connell

Treasurer
Barbara Long

Director-at-Large 1
Michael Epstein

Director-at-Large 2
Michael King

Director-at-Large 3
Ed Truitt

Director-at-Large 4
Greg Wright

Apple Barrel Editor
Tamara Sasha Alexander

HAAUG Heaven Sysop
Robert Lacey

Membership Chairman
David Jaschke

SIG Coordinator
Rick Roberts

Immediate Past President
Phil Booth

Boutique Manager
Barbara Long

Webmaster
Jeff Davis

HAAUGNet Admin
Robert Lacey

HAAUG Hotline
Phil Booth

Mentor Program
- OPEN -

Publicity Chairman
Jim Connell

Vision Committee Chairman
Joe Fournet

Volunteer Coordinator
David Crook

Senior Advisor
Claire Jaschke

Apple User Group Liaison
Doug Smith

Saturday, September 19th, 2009
Snow Leopard by Apple's Dreux Ste. Marie
Join us as we get the grand tour of Snow Leopard and what it all means from Apple's own Dreux Ste. Marie. This will be a popular program, so come early!
Location: Bellaire Civic Center | Map online at www.haaug.org

Saturday, October 24th, 2009
Topic TBA   NOTE: Special Date!!
Location: Bellaire Civic Center | Map online at www.haaug.org

Saturday, November 21st, 2009
Topic TBA
Location: Bellaire Civic Center | Map online at www.haaug.org

Saturday, December 19th, 2009
Topic TBA
Location: Bellaire Civic Center | Map online at www.haaug.org

Find out the latest news on future HAAUG meetings...

www.haaug.org/**meetings.htm**

Got Junk?
Computer recycling opportunities in the Houston area

Houston area recycling centers:

Environmental Service Center
11500 South Post Oak Road • Dial 311 or 713-837-9130

Westpark Recycling Center
5900 Westpark • Dial 311 or 713-837-9130

Commercial electronics recyclers:

ScrapComputer.com
350 W. 38th St., Houston, TX 77018 • 713-691-9995
  **Accepts all computer-related items free; offers free pickup for large amounts.

Altech Metals, Inc.
10612 Hempstead, Building A • 713-680-9325
  **No TVs or monitors

ARM Trading, Inc.
2476 Bolsover, Suite 557 • 713-665-0213

Compucycle
620 W. 6th St. • 713-866-8021

ONYX Environmental Services
Baytown • 1-800-624-9302

Houston Computer Recycler
6102 Brittmoore, Suite N • 713-937-3334

Recycle America Waste Management Asset Recovery Group
2102 Atascocita Road, Humble • 281-540-8900

Eagle Electronics
10612 Hempstead, Building A • 713-934-8585

Become Part of the Action

Join or renew your membership with the one and only Houston Area Apple Users Group today!

Join by Mail:

Please fill out and complete the following form. Send a check or money order payable to HAAUG and mail it to the address shown below. First year dues are $45 and renewals are $40 per year thereafter. Memberships are available for full-time students at $25 per year, including the first year. Associate memberships are also available for $25 per year.

Your membership card will be mailed to you. You may pick up your starter kit at the next HAAUG meeting.

First:_____Last:_____

Company:_____

Address:_____

City/State/Zip:_____

Home Phone:_____Work Phone:_____

Email:_____

Type Of Computer:_____

Membership:

- ☐ New Membership ($45.00)
- ☐ Early Renewal ($35.00)
- ☐ Associate ($25.00)
- ☐ Renewal ($40.00)
- ☐ Two Year Renewal ($70.00)
- ☐ Student ($25.00) *Requires Student ID*

Check #_____   Member # (if renewing):_____

How did you hear about HAAUG?
_____
_____
_____

Do you know someone who would be interested in joining HAAUG? Y | 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
Enjoy the benefits of being a HAAUG member.

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
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 and 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**.

HAAUG's New Facebook + MySpace Pages

Club Announcement

We're on Facebook + MySpace! Check it out.

Starting this month, the basic frameworks for HAAUG's NEW Facebook and MySpace pages have been created thanks to active HAAUG member and new 2009 HAAUG President, Matt Willmore.
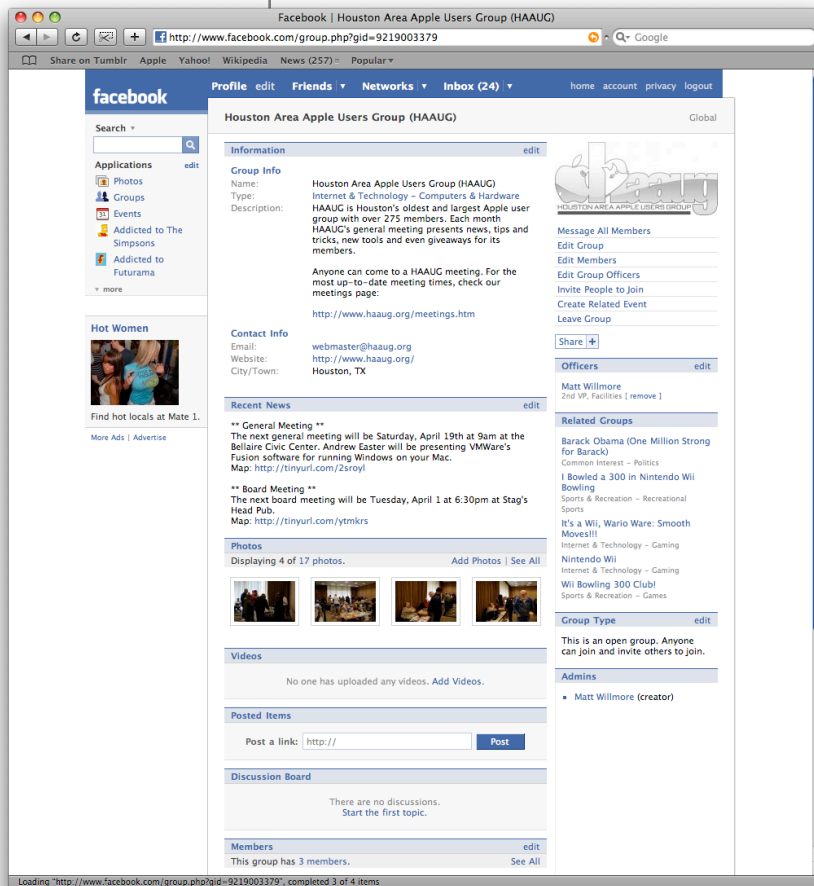
Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=9219003379

(must be a Facebook member to view)

MySpace:

http://groups.myspace.com/haaug (open to the public)

These pages are part of a larger plan drafted by the Vision Committee to create more of an outreach to potential HAAUG members in the Houston area and beyond. Both Facebook and MySpace have been found to be immensely successful in informing and recruiting youth that otherwise may not have become aware of organizations such as HAAUG.

We highly recommend that current members pass along this information to fellow Apple Users and take a quick look for yourself at our progress.