



# Apple Pickin's

Macintosh Computer User Group Publication

## Word Wrap

by Bob Moffat May 2011

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### New User Meeting

Thursday

May 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

I Mail, You Mail,

We Mail, E-Mail

### General Meeting

Sunday

May 15<sup>th</sup>

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Are Typewriters

and Party Lines

Obsolete?

### Meeting Locations

**The New User & General Meetings are typically held at the Lakewood Public Library**

Located at the southwest corner of Gravelly Lake Drive & Wildaire Road

[www.nwapplpkrs.org](http://www.nwapplpkrs.org)

Sometimes the techie world in which we live seems to have a hiccup. You may have noticed the effects of several million folks using modern communications devices suddenly astonished by those "terms of service agreements" they so quickly agreed to by clicking "OK."

It is tempting to slide by those dialog boxes that pop up all too often when you install new software or activate a new device. Often the pesky dialog box sits there waiting for your action before you can proceed. You just want to activate the newest and greatest and there you are, expected to read that End User License Agreement or some other such treatise describing what your rights are and are

not. It is a daunting task to comprehend all those legal phrases. It is a challenge to understand the responsibilities you or the service/product provider share.

It's not easy being techie.

Or, is it?

For most current users of technically advanced devices of the computer persuasion, getting the darn things to do what they are supposed to is pretty easy. The phone rings, you answer it. You want to place a call, you punch some buttons. As these devices have become "smarter" they handle a bunch of other functions, too. Now you can surf the web on a portable

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## Anderson's Awesome Assistance!

Notice anything different about this issue of the Newsletter? We have converted from Pages to Adobe InDesign. Thanks to the patience and guidance of Teresa Anderson in helping our Editor, David Putman, in preparing for the changeover. Thanks, Teresa!

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### NOTES & REMINDERS

**Board Meeting May 15th**

1:45 to 2:30

**OPEN TO ACTIVE MEMBERS ONLY**

**REMEMBER! This month's Sunday Meeting is A WEEK later than usual!**

**South Sound Adobe Users Group**

See Page 6 and SSAUG's website

[www.ssaug.org](http://www.ssaug.org)



A Macintosh Computer User Group Serving Pierce County Washington



## New User Report

April's meeting explored Safari, Firefox, and Chrome—three Internet browsers. We looked at settings and features. We demonstrated some of the ways to improve security and safety when using the Internet. There was also a demonstration of the latest iPads.

On May 5th we plan to explore Mail and look at the ways our Macs handle text. We will look at the difference between text editors and word processing applications to see how you may use them to best advantage. The program will include a demonstration of iWork's Pages.

Please join us **May 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** at the Lakewood Library.

Contact Bob Moffat

(phone 253-845-5233 or email [ramoat@me.com](mailto:ramoat@me.com))

## Mortvedt Session

The May 13th meeting at the Lutheran Retirement Community's Mortvedt Recreation Center is another place to learn about Mac computers. These monthly morning sessions, held the second Fridays, are open to all Mac users whether or not they live in the complex. Our coaches work with small groups to help answer questions. If you have a MacBook, bring it to the meeting. You don't have to have a computer to attend.

Mortvedt Center is at 1705 N. Vassault St.

Please join us Friday, **May 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to Noon**

Contact Bob Moffat

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## NWAP General Meeting

"A Mac is Not a Typewriter": Val Dumond will explore the differences between your computer and the typewriter -- important whether you write books, articles, essays, ad copy, business correspondence, email, tweets! or other readable messages. "Social Media—to be or not be Social": Kathryn Whitacre will explain how some of the online Social Media systems work.

Please join us **May 15<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at the Lakewood Library

☞ **A week later than usual because of Mother's Day** ☞

Contact Bob Moffat

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## Board Meeting

**May 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:45 to 2:30 pm**

Contact Peter Winderling: email

[pwindy@earthlink.com](mailto:pwindy@earthlink.com)

## NorthWest Apple Pickers

NWAP is an Apple Macintosh User Group which meets the second Sunday of the Month. Annual Dues are \$35 for an individual or a family.

Send inquiries to P.O. Box 99388, Lakewood WA 98496-0388

< [www.nwapplpkr.org](http://www.nwapplpkr.org) >

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Since your entire email will be posted as a PDF file, please keep the "for sales" items and the "wanted" items in their own appropriate email.

### Tacoma Area PC User Group

NWAP and TAPCUG, a PC user group, are two organizations working together to support the Macintosh and PC platforms in the Greater Tacoma/Pierce County area. TAPCUG meets the second Saturday of each month.

Send inquiries to: 6824 19 Street West PMB#170, University Place WA 98466

< [www.tapcug.org](http://www.tapcug.org) >

## Help & Information

General Club Matters . . . Peter Winderling . . . . . 253-536-1165  
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See our website for maps and driving directions for all meetings:

< [www.nwapplpkr.org](http://www.nwapplpkr.org) >

### Red Chip

Buy your tickets, build the jackpot!

May starts at \$11

## Editorial Comments!

I will be leaving for AZ next week so due to time constraints the May newsletter may look a bit different. Please be patient.

David C. Putman  
Editor  
April 13, 2011



Notice to our members:

Because of David's move, this edition of the newsletter has been assembled by Yours Truly. Please forgive any glitches and oversights.

The Putmans will soon be settled in Sunny Arizona and David will again be driving this publication.

Bob Moffat  
Assistant Editor (for this edition)

## New User Recap by Bob Moffat

Three browsers—Safari, Firefox, and Chrome—were the featured topics for the April 7th New User Group. We explored how the three were similar and some of the features that were unique to each one. Since these three browsers have recently been updated, we discussed some of the security measures that have been enhanced and looked at ways to tweak settings to improve personal online security, such as managing cookies and private browsing. We also looked at the way to find extensions and add ons expand the capacities of the browsers.

The Extra Feature of the meeting was a chance for members to examine the iPad. Two of the latest models and one of the first generation were available for folks to play with so they could see what some of the hype is all about.

The topic for May 5th will be email: using Apple's Mail app. We will also look at some of the common text handling features of Mac programs-- text editors and word processors-- and some of the shortcuts and tips that are built in to OS X.

### Web Browser Security

Safely browsing the Web was discussed at the April meeting. Here is a link to an article from Macworld which includes more useful information.

< [http://www.macworld.com/article/158918/2011/04/web\\_security\\_primer.html](http://www.macworld.com/article/158918/2011/04/web_security_primer.html) >

## General Meeting Recap by Peter Winderling

ISO, f/stop, megapixels and The Rule-of-Thirds were some of the photographic terms covered at the April General Meeting. NWAP President Peter Winderling covered a number of photo terms and tips amongst a lively question/ discussion session. Members interacted with answers and tips from their own experience in photography. After the break, Peter showed a power point type presentation on "Beginning Digital Photography", a session from the recent Macworld in San Francisco he attended. This session explained more terms and gave pictorial examples of good photo techniques. Based on the response we can consider more meetings on photography.

## Membership Report for April 2011

by Francette Beeler

Total Memberships: 62 Active

New Membership:

Chuck Hayden

Membership Renewals:

April: Kathryn "KaCe" Whitacre, Ivan Richardson, Chuck Hayden,

Due in March 2011:

Eunice Robeck, Lee Perry, Ben Thompson, Kay Thompson

Due in April:

Norma Bartlett:

Due in May:

Paul Cooper Jr, Charlotte Cooper Jr:

### Meeting Attendance:

April 7<sup>th</sup>, New User: Members - 18, Visitors - 3

April 8<sup>th</sup>, Mortvedt Center: Members - 8, Visitors - 1

April 10<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting: Members - 8

April 10<sup>th</sup>, General Meeting: Members - 16, Visitors - 3

## Photo Op? Friday, May 6th

In support of National Public Gardens Day, Better Homes and Gardens is offering magazine readers a free admission coupon for two to visit a public garden on National Public Gardens Day, May 6, 2011... including PowellsWood!

(Located in Federal Way.) Photo ops? Download a coupon.

<http://www.powellswood.org/>

# NWAP Board Meeting Minutes

## 4-10-11

Meeting called to order at 1:45 pm  
8 members in attendance

Last year's budget was distributed for review and discussion about the upcoming year, including costs of newsletters and printing.

Any members can remove themselves from the mailing list and receive their newsletter electronically to save printing costs, mailing and paper.

The group membership is currently around 60 members.

All members are asked to promote the group to raise the membership numbers. Tell your friends, pass out some fliers, or share your newsletter.

Val and Eunice performed the audit of last year's books.

Treasurers report accepted as read.

Membership report:

Approximately 63 members but 3 will be dropped this month for non payment of dues.

Average attendance at the monthly meeting is 19 members

Each member is given 45 days past their expiration date to pay dues and remain on the active member list.

Membership report accepted.

Discussion was held concerning group participation. Since the group is run by the members it is expected that all members should take turn contributing in some way, such as programs or officers.

New Business:

Membership recruiting. More discussion on ways to get new members. Extra flyers will be brought to the next meeting for members to share.

Roxanne will add meeting dates to TNT calendar on line.

Board meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

General meeting to follow.

**Roxanne Burns, Secretary**

# Word Wrap

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device which may be the size of a pack of cards. Even notebook and netbook computers are modestly sized and easy to haul around. The iPad and other tablets use Wi-Fi and or phone networks to connect to the webby wonders of the wide world.

There's an app for that...and that, too.

There does not seem to be an app for the naivety of some users. The same folks who chose a particular product because of the features that amazed and amused are alarmed when they discover they have agreed to hold a product that pays attention to where it is located.

How many times have we marveled at stories of missing or injured persons located when their cellphone providers were able to pinpoint their location and send help? What use would a call to 911 be if you did not connect to the nearest dispatch center? How relieved we are to learn that The Authorities have traced the sender of a threatening email and brought the offender to justice?

Big Techie is watching you.

From the moment the Internet came into our lives (many years ago!) our every move online has been recorded. Your computer is identified and tracked as your email bounces around the web on its way to your correspondent's ISP.

Every time we visit a webpage the path from here to there is passed through multiple servers. There are thousands of sad folks today discovering that photos, videos, and comments they posted in an adolescent hormonal state, have remained circulating in The Cloud: so embarrassing when potential employers do an online search.

Software applications installed on the iPad, for example, often begin by requesting permission to use your location information (which you may or may not agree to.) How do you think your smart phone can provide info on local merchants unless it knows where you are? How does your call connect unless the service provider(s) know which cell towers you are using?

So, for all those hordes of OK Clickers who never bothered to engage their brains before agreeing to the unread terms: sorry. You probably believe you actually own all the software you purchased. You probably thought your emails and surfing were private, personal, and secret. You probably believe in Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny.

Hey, Techie, is that your ring tone I hear?

# Opt To Read Newsletter Online

by Val Dumond & Erick Camp

Remember when we were told tales of a “paperless world”? When visions of trees left standing encouraged us to think of ways to save paper?

You can do your part to save the trees (and club funds) by reading your Apple Pickin’s Newsletter on the website instead of waiting for the mail delivery.

Around the first of the following month, check online to read your newsletter. It may take a few weeks to cancel your postal copy.

Member options, such as whether to allow their photo to be used or whether to receive the paper newsletter, are part of their member account information. As such, the options are found on the “My Account” tab (visible AFTER the member has logged onto the nwap site.)

Notice the **edit button** at the bottom of the screen. Click on edit and the page looks like this.

At the bottom are the option control selectors (their usage is described on the page.) Notice that in the views show above for my account, the option to opt out of the newsletter is “yes”. Once the member has selected the options they wish to invoke, they must use the “**update**” button at the bottom to save the information. The changes will go into effect immediately (options that have been marked as “yes” also have their text color changed to red to be more visible). Since the options are under the member’s personal control, the member can move back and forth at will.

Note! The newsletter goes out on a household basis. So if two members of the household are listed as club members, both members must opt out before the newsletter will stop being mailed to that address.



## What do the selectors mean?

Stop E-tips / hints: The Club periodically sends e-mails with technical tips and hints. Select “Yes” if you do not wish to receive these e-mails.

Stop E-Club News: The Club sends out a monthly e-mail alerting members of upcoming events. Select “Yes” if you do not wish to receive these e-mails.

Stop NewsLetter: The Club mails out a newsletter. Select “Yes” if you are willing to read the newsletter on-line. (This saves the Club money!)

Has Picture: The Club website shows photos of Board and leadership positions. Members who allow their photo to be used select “Yes” to authorize use.

Flags [1, 2, 3]: Reserved for future growth.

## Sneak a Peek at Lion

Curious about what OS 10.7 Lion is all about? If you can’t wait until it is released this “Summer” check this out!

<http://www.lifehacker.com.au/2011/02/screenshot-and-feature-tour-of-mac-os-10-7-lion/>

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“There is no point in driving yourself mad trying to stop yourself going mad. You might just as well give in and save your sanity for later. “

Douglas Adams , Life, the Universe and Everything

# South Sound Adobe Users Group

<http://ssaug.org>

South Sound Adobe Users Group will meet on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m at the Tacoma Lutheran Retirement Center Education Center.

1301 N. Highland Pkway, Tacoma 98406

Our members represent a wide variety of interests and skill levels. We explore several Adobe applications including Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, and Dreamweaver.

See our website for information about meeting topics and driving instructions:

<http://ssaug.org/TacomaLutheranDirections.pdf>

## Show/Hide Toolbar in Finder Windows

from TidBITS Talk <[tidbits-talk@tidbits.com](mailto:tidbits-talk@tidbits.com)>

Randy B. Singer

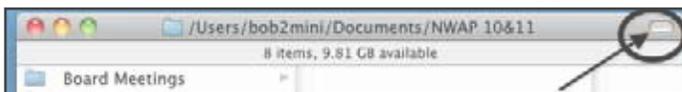
Co-author of

**The Macintosh Bible (4th, 5th, and 6th editions)**

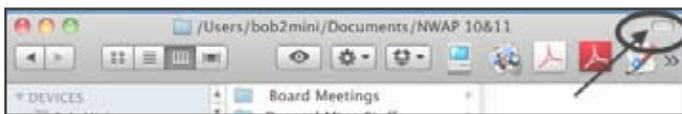
There are times when items disappear from the menu such as the search bar. I look at the preferences and it tells me that the search bar should be visible at the top of the page, but it is not.

I find this coming up more often recently, especially among Microsoft Word users. It is actually a simple problem that is easy to remedy.

At the very far right end of the Title Bar is a clear oblong button. Click on it and all of the tool bars will appear.



Apparently just about no one ever uses that button, and few know what it is for.



But it is there in every Mac OS X Finder window and in many applications, and it always does the same thing. It makes toolbars (and sidebars in the Finder too) disappear and reappear.

It is sort of an instant Classic-style Mac OS transformation. In addition to hiding toolbars and sidebars, if you use this button in the Finder, folders will now open to a new window and leave the old window open, just like in the Classic Mac OS's.

I don't know what Apple calls this button. I've heard users call it the "capsule" or the "pill." If someone clicks on it by mistake, it sure \*can\* be a pill!

**MOTHER'S DAY IS  
MAY 8TH  
SO...  
...OUR  
GENERAL MEETING  
WILL BE A WEEK LATER  
MAY 15TH**

## Teresa Anderson Video Class

Teresa Anderson announces another class. If you are interested in After Effects then these class may interest you.

This session is an all day, about 5 hours.

**Intro to Video On May 21st**

Come and join us for the Intro to Video Class. This class is aimed at designers interested in learning **After Effects**. This workshop will cover video basics, importing footage, exporting footage, making assets move, masks and a whole lot more.

<http://www.teresaanderson.com/secondseminar.html>

Day is done...  
Gone the sun  
From the lake...  
From the hills...  
From the sky.  
All is well...  
Safely rest  
God is nigh.

Fading light....  
Dims the sight  
And a star....  
Gems the sky...  
Gleaming bright  
From afar....  
Drawing nigh  
Falls the night.



TAPS

- Major General Daniel Butterfield

## Memorial Day 2011

Erich Rast wrote:

“The phone company knows where you are merely because the phone is \*on\*. Always. Period. They don’t tell anybody either; unless they get a warrant from the courts or unless Homeland Security invokes whatever rights they have to do so. The real time tracking you see on NCIS is pretty much bogus.”

Incorrect. The phone company also knows where you are when the phone is \*off\* -- as long as it contains a working battery and SIM card.

There is a solution that comes to mind that doesn’t require removing the battery. When not using your phone keep it in a Faraday cage. Always use your phone at the same location, like home. Someone else’s home so THEY don’t know where you live. Just remember to remove your aluminum foil hat before using the phone to maximize reception.

--Charles M. Sklar, TidBITS Talk, April 22, 2011

# May 2011

# June 2011

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From the Chambers Creek Golf Course looking across Puget Sound southwest toward Steilacoom, Ketrion Island, and Anderson Island. Photo taken on March 25.



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