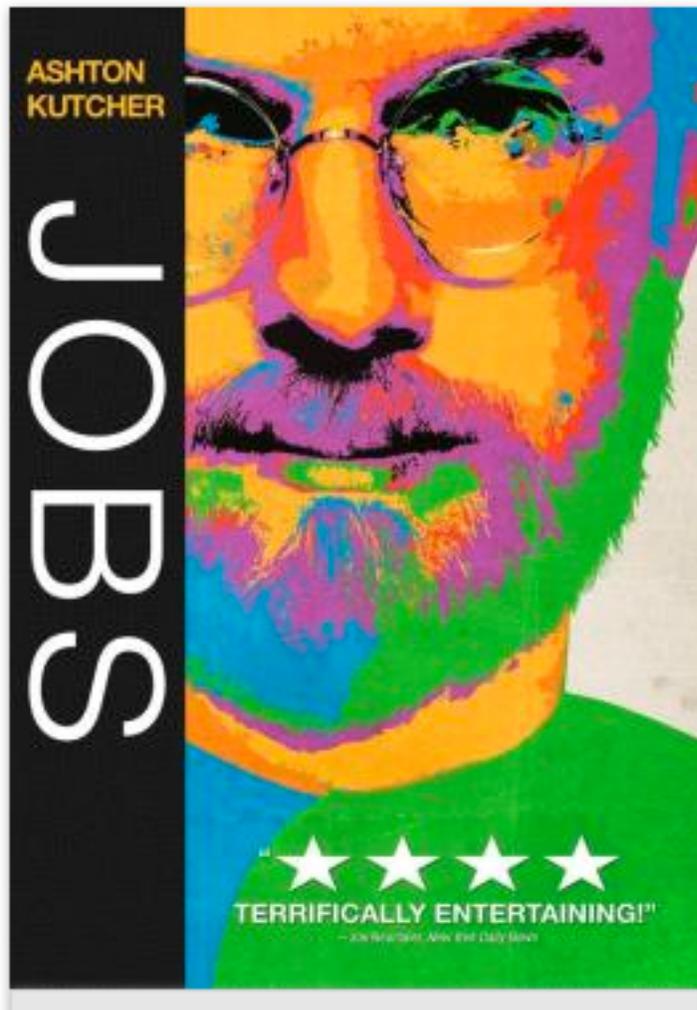


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The Macintosh is 30 years old!
Can you believe it?

Apple is celebrating this event by showing a bit of history on its website and there are other sites with information as well.

MACNJ is going to celebrate 30 years of Macs by featuring the Hollywood movie "JOBS"

as the program for this month's meeting.

You won't want to miss this one! Refreshments and Q & A will start the session, and the

movie begins at 10 AM sharp!



Illustration by David Davis

“It’s Time to Pay Your MACNJ Dues”

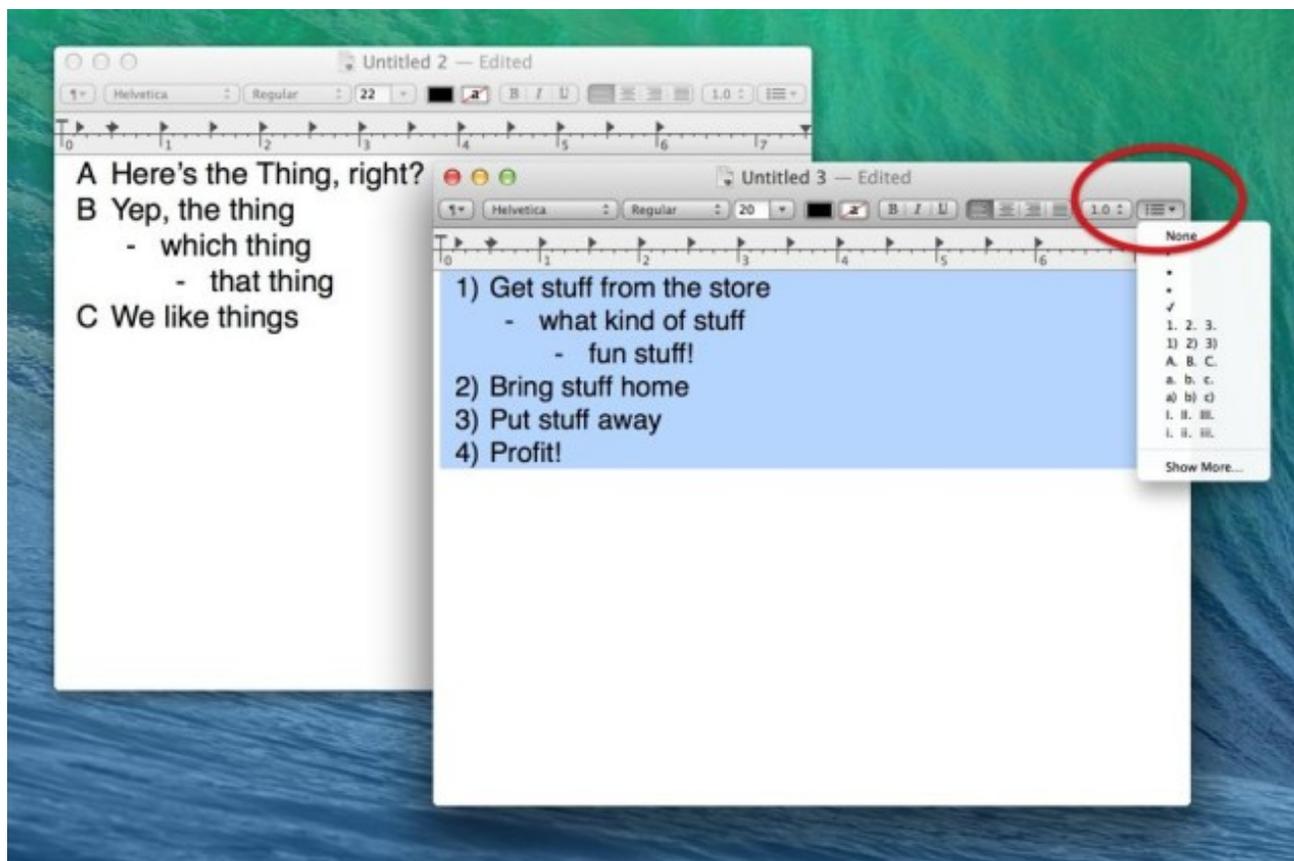
If you have not paid your **2014** dues, Please bring your check for \$24 to Saturday’s meeting at Voorhees High School.

If you’d prefer, you can also mail your check to the address on the membership form of this newsletter.

Thank you in advance for your prompt payment!

Use TextEdit as a Quick Outlining Tool

by Rob LeFebvre



I use TextEdit all the time to jot down notes, phone numbers, and any time I need to just get some info down super quick.

I forget, sometimes, that it's a fairly robust [text editor](#) (hence the name, I suppose), and there are a lot of great features to be had.

If you need to make a quick outline, TextEdit can be pretty helpful. Though it's not as extensive as an outlining feature in something, say, like Word or Pages, it can be useful. It's also extremely easy to use.

Launch TextEdit and create a new document in the [File menu](#). Choose File, New, and a new window will open. Next, head up to the Format menu, and choose the List option. You'll get a little window where you can choose a prefix, suffix, bullet type, and where you want the outline numbering to start.

Hit OK and type your first item. When finished, hit Return, and TextEdit will automatically place the next list item in order. In other words, if you start with A, it will [print](#) out B for the next list item. If you begin with i, it will place a ii on the next line.

If you want to create a sub-item, simply hit the Tab key on your keyboard. You'll get an automatic dash character and an indent, which is as extensive as this outliner will get. Hit Return and Tab twice, and you'll get two indents and another dash. There won't be any of those outlining sub-items like you learned in school here, but it's still fairly useful if you're jotting down notes and need some simple organization.

You can also select the outlining format from the menu in the upper right corner of the document window.

Five Ways to Reset a Lost Administrator Password

by *Alicia Katz Pollock*

Several years ago, I was helping a client upgrade her Mac running Mac OS X 10.5 Leopard, but she couldn't remember her administrator password. Because she also couldn't find the original system CDs that shipped with her iMac, I had to resort to some advanced techniques few home users would ever be able to figure out.

Starting with 10.7 Lion, you could still call on all those options, but Apple added a method so easy that even an inexperienced user can do it — the Apple ID-based password reset. Let's explore all the options to reset a password. Which you should use depends on the specific version of Mac OS X, and how the Mac is set up.

But first, there's an important caveat about any of these methods, related to the login keychain.

Reset Login Keychain Password — No matter which of these methods you use to reset a forgotten administrator password, it won't update the password protecting the account's login keychain, which stores all of the user's passwords. Since the keychain is protected by the now-forgotten administrator password, there's no way to get back into it. Newer versions of Mac OS X may prompt about this problem at startup; otherwise you'll need to delete the keychain and start it over again, using these steps:

1. Open Keychain Access from / Applications/Utilities, and choose Keychain Access > Preferences (Command-).)
2. In newer versions of Mac OS X, you'll see a button labeled Reset My Default Keychain in the General pane. If you have that button, click it to remove the old keychain and create a new one with the new password.
3. If that button is not present, choose Edit > Keychain List (Command-Option-L), select the login keychain, and click the minus button to delete it.

4. Quit Keychain Access and restart the Mac. A new login keychain will start collecting and storing the passwords for Wi-Fi networks, email accounts, Web sites, and other logins as they occur.

If you can't work with Keychain Access because of something like Messages Agent constantly asking for the forgotten login keychain password, you'll have to resort to the command line, with these steps:

1. Reboot into Single User mode by restarting the Mac and holding Command-S while the system comes back up. Numerous lines of status messages will scroll by.
2. Once you have a command-line prompt, enter this command to mount the root Mac OS X drive as writable, so you can make changes to the filesystem: `mount -uw /`
3. Figure out the shortname of the account you want to reset by looking through the list that results from typing this command: `ls /Users`
4. Now enter this command to delete that account's login keychain, replacing shortname appropriately:
`rm /Users/shortname/Library/Keychains/login.keychain`
5. Restart the Mac by typing: **reboot**

When the Mac comes back up, Mac OS X should create a new login keychain.

Now let's move on to resetting the password!

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Reset

#1: Use the Command Line -- In early versions of Mac OS X, the command line was the best way to reset a forgotten administrator password. Even now, command-line password reset remains available, making it the most universal approach that will work in any situation. If you're not turned off by typing highly specific commands, follow these steps:

1. Make a note of the user account shortname by opening the Home folder (in the Finder, choose Go > Home) and checking the folder name at the top of the window. If you can't get into the account at all, you can determine the shortname later on.



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3. Reboot into Single User mode by restarting the Mac and holding Command-S while the system comes back up. A lot of arcane status messages scroll by, and leave you with a command-line prompt.
4. Mount the root Mac OS X drive as writable, so you can make changes to the filesystem, with this command: `mount -uw /`
5. For those running 10.7 Lion, 10.8 Mountain Lion, or 10.9 Mavericks, enter this command at the prompt to load Open Directory (which manages user accounts) manually, since it was deprecated in Lion:
`launchctl load /System/Library/LaunchDaemons/com.apple.opendirectoryd.plist`

Skip this step if you're running 10.6 Snow Leopard or earlier.

6. If you don't know the shortname of the account you want to reset, look through the list that results from typing this command: `ls /Users`

7. Next, enter the following command, replacing "shortname" with the desired account's shortname:

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dscl . -passwd /Users/shortname
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If you get this error message, you may ignore it:
launchctl: Couldn't stat

8. ("`/System/Library/LaunchDaemons/com.apple.DirectoryServicesLocal.plist`"):
 9. No such file or directory nothing found to load
 10. Type in the new password.

10. Type in the new password.

11. Restart the Mac by typing: `reboot`

#2 Use One Account to Reset Another. Since 10.4 Tiger, if a Mac had multiple administrator accounts, you could log into one account to reset the password in another. This remains possible, and is one of the reasons that many people who are responsible for the Macs of less-experienced users will often create a separate administrator-level account for troubleshooting. Here are the steps you need to follow to use this approach, assuming you have the necessary access:

1. While logged in an administrator account in which you know the password, open the Users & Groups pane of System Preferences (it was called Accounts before 10.7 Lion).
2. Select the name of the user whose password you want to change, and click the Reset Password button. (You may need to click the lock icon in the lower left of the window and enter an administrator password to be able to make changes.)



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3. Enter the new password, the same password again for verification, and a hint in case it's forgotten again.



#3: Use the Installer CD or DVD -- Up through 10.6 Snow Leopard, if the Mac had only the original administrator account, and resetting the password via the command line was too scary, you could use the original Mac OS X Install disc instead. (Actual snow leopards may be endangered, but installer discs went extinct with 10.7 Lion, so this method is only for older Macs.) Here's how:

1. With the Mac turned off, power it up, insert the disc immediately, and hold down the C key to make the Mac boot from the disc's version of Mac OS X.
2. From the Utilities menu at the top of the screen (or the Installer menu in 10.3 Panther), choose Reset Password.
3. Select the hard disk volume, and the name of the original administrator account. (Stay away from the Root account.)
4. Enter the new password, and then click Save.
5. Quit the Mac OS X Installer, and restart the Mac normally.

Apple provides a support document with more details, along with instructions for Mac OS X 10.1 through 10.3,

should you run into such an ancient setup.

#4: Use the Recovery Partition -- Starting with 10.7 Lion, which was sold only through the Mac App Store, the installer disc was replaced by the Recovery partition, a small chunk of the boot disk that contains a stripped-down version of Mac OS X and essential utilities. To reset the administrator password when running Lion or later:

1. Restart the Mac while holding down the Option key, and double-click the icon for the Recovery partition. A Mac OS X Utilities screen appears.
2. Choose Utilities > Terminal.
3. In Terminal, type `resetpassword`. Rather unusually for a task performed from the command line, a graphical Reset Password window appears.
4. Select the startup volume at the top of the window, and then choose a user account from the pop-up menu. In the fields below, enter the new password, confirm it, and add an appropriate hint.
5. Click Save, and then choose Restart from the Apple menu.

5: Use Your Apple ID -- Starting with 10.7 Lion, it also became possible to use your Apple ID to reset your administrator password. It's turned on by default in the Network pane of System Preferences, but double-check to make sure.



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Reset

2. Enter your Apple ID and its password, then click Reset Password to proceed.
3. Enter a new administrator password, verify it, and fill in the Hint field so that you'll get a memory trigger the next time you forget.
4. Click Reset Password, and you're done.

If you've also forgotten your Apple ID password, you can reset that at Apple's [My Apple ID](#) [7] page. Doing so relies on having access to the email address associated with your Apple ID; if that email account could be compromised, allowing the administrator password to be reset by the Apple ID might provide a way that the physical security of your Mac could be attacked. If you're really worried, turn the feature off in the Users & Groups preference pane.

One quirk. If you upgraded from 10.6 Snow Leopard to 10.7 Lion, you may not get the reset message after three incorrect attempts. To fix this problem while you can still access the account, open the Users & Groups

preference pane, delete the affected Apple ID, and then add the same Apple ID back.

It's also important to know that encrypting your Mac's boot disk with FileVault 2 prevents you from using your Apple ID to reset your password (since the password is used in FileVault's encryption). Read this Apple support document [8] for more information about FileVault.

<http://support.apple.com/kb/HT4790>

No Excuse for a Lost Password -- Regardless of how or why an administrator password has been lost or forgotten, there are a variety of techniques that you can use to reset it and regain full access to a Mac. These techniques aren't to be used willy-nilly, since the login keychain will be lost in the process, but whether the simple method of using an Apple ID is sufficient or you need to drop down to the command line, you should be able to get the access you need.

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USE THE MACNJ FORUM!

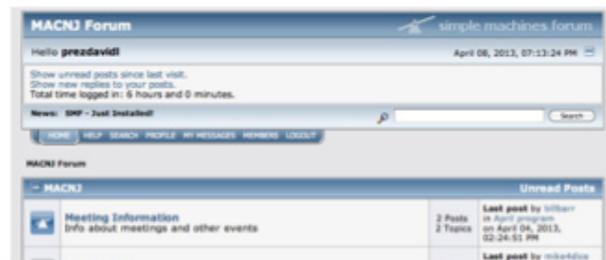
Our forum, using new software to keep out spambots, is only as good as we make it. All members are encouraged to use the forum. It can be of great help in answering questions, providing news, etc., between meetings.

To Register:

There are two links to the forum on the MACNJ home page; or go to macnj.org/forum/ and you are there.

Click on "register" (top right). You'll have to agree to conditions.

Enter a user name which can be used to identify you as member of MACNJ—not strange encrypted names such as xyz123—or you won't be approved. Check the member list to see what names have been accepted.



Enter a valid email address.

Enter and confirm your password. Then remember it! **You can also stay logged-in**, if desired. Look under Profile Information and **enter your location** (City, State). This is mandatory. Enter any other profile information which you choose to use. Click "submit" button, bottom of page. You will be notified by email that you are registered as a MACNJ Forum member. Most questions about the forum are answered in the FAQ Section.

Freshly Squeezed Review: I Wanna Be Free

by Frank Petrie

When I first moved into my studio apartment three years ago, I had made up my mind that I was going to do my best to 'cut the cord.' After some trial and error, I was able to successfully meet my viewing needs 99% of the time without hearing a gigantic sucking sound emanating from my wallet each month.

Now, I'm about to move again and I may have to change my approach some.

Or a lot. But my mantra is still the same - 'Cut the Cord.'

Let's review what works, what I have learned and what adaptations may be necessary for my new digs.

REVIEW YOUR VIEWING HABITS

Make note of the programs that you actually WATCH, not stuff that you keep running in the background just to keep you company. Once you list what shows you follow, then check Hulu PLUS, Netflix and networks apps. You may be able to get all your programs online or OTA (over the air) free!

NETWORK PROGRAMMING

Let's start with the most basic requirement. Now, I don't watch a lot of network TV. Luckily, the shows that I do follow regularly can be found elsewhere (see below). And because the U.S. Government passed a law that stipulates that stations must send out a digital signal over the air, you can pick up broadcast stations for free.

Maybe.

There are indoor and outdoor antennas. There are expensive antennas. There are basic, simple antennas. I've heard and read arguments each way. A good place to learn all about antennas is AntennaWeb <<http://www.antennaweb.org>>.

The quality of your reception will depend on numerous factors: signal strength, obstacles obstructing your signals, the positioning of the antenna and so on. But it's

not as daunting as it sounds. If you're old enough to remember adjusting 'rabbit ears,' then you're up to the task. (It's that easy. Ask your grandfather.)

Remember. these are broadcast channels only. You won't get any of your cable channels (A&E, TBS, ESPN, et al.). And depending on several factors, you may not get every network. In my case, I can't get ABC. But I only watch one or two shows on that network. And I can get these shows through both Hulu PLUS and ABC's iOS app, so I never miss an episode.



For me, the greatest need for network reception is live sports. Baseball I can get through MLB.TV. I can watch those games on my AppleTV, iPad and iPhone. That's worth approximately \$130+ per year to me.

But I can get my football fix satisfied through CBS, FOX and NBC, all of which I do receive. Worst case scenario, if I can't get a game that I want to see, I go to a family member's house or a bar. Great excuse, don't you agree?

CABLE PROGRAMMING

Many cable channels have their own apps. Some will ask you upon launch which cable company you're signed up with. But don't worry. Bypass that screen and drill down into the site. You'll find some full episodes of your favorite shows. (i.e., I use HGTV. Food Network and the Conan apps.) Dig through the app store and see if your favorite cable station has an app.

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Free

APPS/APPLE TV

AppleTV is just one of the cards that I hold in my hand, but it's not the most important - yet! It does deliver Hulu PLUS (as does my mobile devices), MLB.TV, Apple Trailers MSL and lots more. And Hulu PLUS has an added bonus; I can watch my beloved British Comedies! Gone are my inferior VHS copies of Black Adder, Fry and Laurie, Absolutely Fabulous Fawlty Towers, ... And as I have a degree in film, HuluPLUS has the entire remastered Criterion collection at the ready (film buffs will REALLY appreciate this).

Of course, there's always Netflix for new movies and older TV series. And you can rent or purchase yet more content from the iTunes store.

LIVE NEWS

Local news you can pull off your local network feeds. And your local stations invariably have weather apps, Breaking News apps, etc. For world news, I watch Sky News on Apple TV. I can also follow national news with NBC's Nightly News app. Or Fox's app, if you prefer.

PODCASTS

Finally, I have new shows that I follow regularly. I'm speaking of podcasts. Video from AppleTV or via mobile device with AirPlay (ScreenCastsOnline is a perfect example - wink, wink, nudge, nudge!

SUMMARY

Yes, I may miss a show here and there. But as I write

this, I'm about three hundred hours behind in my viewing. So, I guess that I can pretty much consider my efforts a success.

All it takes is a little planning, some research, under \$100 (\$30 if you're really good) and you can save up enough for your next MacBook. Or iDevice. Or Apple TV ...

... AND THEN CAME THE MOVE ...

I've moved into my new digs and an initial overview looks like I have no choice but to reconnect to the cable. Aaaargh!

The premiere reason is that my new apartment is located in a valley, a geographical Tupperware bowl. Ergo, my antenna is rendered useless. And as I want to get the cable for some of my shows (I NEED the NFL and Barclay Premier league) I may as well bundle internet service into the package, as well. (Ironically, I'll be saving money on the internet. With my old set-up, I was averaging 3-4Mbps from a 4G modem. From the cable, I'm downloading 20Mbps for ten dollars less a month! A no brainer.)

But I still have all of my podcasts that I will be watching through my AppleTV. Plus, then some. With a broader pipeline, I'll be renting a few films from the iTunes Store. And Hulu PLUS still has the remastered Criterion film collection and my beloved BBC comedies.

So, in the end I can take satisfaction in knowing that I did save thousands over a period of three years. Now, I'm going to have a bit of think as to how I can prune back my newfound reliance on cable.

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ExtraBITS by TidBITS Staff

Trello Eases Working with Multiple Boards



<http://blog.trello.com/>-- The Web-based Trello collaboration tool has been refreshed with a redesigned boards page — they're now arranged in a tight grid — along with customizable backgrounds for each board. You can also star boards for quick access, and Fog Creek Software has added a boards drawer to make it easier to jump between boards. Since boards tend to map to high-level projects, many of us were having trouble moving among our large collections of boards. Some of Trello's heavier styling elements have also been removed, leaving a flatter look and improving performance.

Rdio Now Free on the Web

<http://blog.rdio.com/us/2014/01/>-- Streaming music service Rdio is now free on the Web, where it's supported by ads. Featuring a library of 20 million tracks, Rdio lets you play whatever music you desire, or it can generate personalized "stations" like those of Pandora and iTunes Radio. Rdio Unlimited remains available for \$9.99 per month, offering ad-free playback and use of the Rdio mobile app.



Avatron's Everydisk Promises File Sharing without the Cloud

] -- Concerned about security and privacy when using cloud services? A new Kickstarter project from Avatron Software (a TidBITS sponsor) could help you come back to earth. Based on the company's Air Connect system for securely establishing direct connections between machines anywhere on the Internet, Everydisk aims to give you access to all your files, on



all your machines, wherever you are, without ever storing them in a cloud-based service. The Kickstarter project runs through 25 January 2014 — as little as \$20 will get you a year subscription to Everydisk if the project funds, and, as always with Kickstarter, you pay nothing if the project doesn't fund

<http://kck.st/tee3IM2>

Google Chrome Simplifies Silencing Noisy Tabs

<http://chrome.blogspot.com/2014/01/>-- At last! The latest version of Google's Chrome Web browser has added tab icons to notify you if a tab is playing audio, accessing your microphone, or being cast to a Google Chromecast. The new audio alert icon should make it easier to find and silence annoying autoplay videos, such as on sites like -cough-Macworld. The other interesting addition is a preview of the new supervised users mode (ideal for young children), which lets you see a user's browsing history and restrict access on a per-site basis.

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Meeting Notes, January 11, 2014

by Hugh Murphy, Jr. and Doris Kiziah

At 0940, David Davis and Bill Barr again tried to demonstrate sharing from the Club iPad to other members' devices. The devices must be on the MACNJ Book Pro network, getting its signal from the internet, sharing ethernet via Airport. Only one device can connect to the system at a time. Mirroring must be enabled on the Airplay menu. Although Dave and Bill had success at home, the demonstration at the Club was not eminently successful.

In a discussion period, Ronnie Buffington questioned the ethics of Apple manufacturing in China with child labor and poorly paid workers, where workers have been reported to commit suicide rather than work under deplorable conditions.

Don McBride wants to buy a cheap iPhone on eBay and install a SIM card from another phone. Dave cautioned him about trying that. Phone companies are forcing consumers to buy data plans. Bill Barr has AT&T service with an unlimited data plan grandfathered in.

The merits of LinkedIn were discussed.

Bob Fasanello has trouble with contacts in Mavericks mail. Other members do not have that problem.

David, who publishes the newsletter, asked how many actually download it. He showed a video from a Channel 13 application about Silicon Valley.

Hugh and Margo left during the break.

David had closed the club iPad during the break, and when we began the meeting again, he had trouble getting back on AirPlay. Finally, he and Bill asked everyone in the room to shut down their devices to see if that would make a difference. He then could use AirPlay, but because there was a problem again later on, he was not sure if this was the key to making it work.

While using AirPlay, he showed us a couple of apps that he had downloaded to the iPad. One of them was Weatherplus, which is free. There is also a \$1.99 version that offers more information. He had also added GarageBand to the iPad. Another free app he demonstrated was Big Lens. It has a primitive photo editing tool that enables you to select

a portion of a photo to keep in sharp focus while the other sections are blurred. The idea was to simulate depth of field. At this point, Don McBride mentioned that he had some camera apps listed on his web site and that he would also post them on the Forum.

Don also told us about an incident he had with problems using his track pad on his laptop, followed by a failing battery. When the battery was replaced, he learned that a battery expands when it is failing, and once the new battery was installed the problems with the track pad ended. He has a post about this on the Forum.

We also looked at Google Earth. David downloaded that after Doris Kiziah told him about a web site (MappingHistory.org) started by a historian from Delaware Township that works with Google Earth to show the location of historic places and points in Hunterdon County. Although the history site currently only maps Delaware Township, work is in place to get information for the rest of the county on the web site.

While talking about possible topics for upcoming MACNJ meetings, Bill and David mentioned that they were currently checking with Dave Marra to see if he would be available for the April meeting. David was concerned about the smaller audiences that have turned out more recently and hoped that Dave would still be willing to do a presentation for us.



"WILL YOU TAKE AN IOU?"

MACNJ Meeting Information

Check the latest meeting information on the MACNJ website at www.macnj.org



MACNJ's general monthly meetings are usually held on the second Saturday of each month at Voorhees High School, in High Bridge, New Jersey, from 9 AM to noon. Visitors are welcome.

From the Morristown area

Go west on State Route 24 to County Route 513. Go southwest on 513 for 4.9 miles through Califon. Continue on 513.

Voorhees High School will be on the left at 256 Route 513, across from Voorhees State Park.

From the Somerville area

Go north on US Route 202 until it intersects with interstate 287. Take I-287 northwest for 4.2 miles to I-78 west. Follow I-78 west for 13 miles to Route 31 north (this is the Clinton/Washington exit.) Follow Route 31 north 2.1 miles to a traffic light where there will be a sign for High Bridge. Turn right onto County Route 513. Follow 513 north for two miles into the town of High Bridge. Voorhees High School is two miles further north at 256 Route 513, on the right, across from Voorhees State Park.

From points west

Go east on I-78 to exit 15 (Clinton/Washington exit for Route 31 north) Follow 31 north 2.1 miles to a traffic light with a sign for High Bridge. Turn right onto County Route 513 North. Follow 513 for two miles into the town of High Bridge. Voorhees High School is two miles further at 256 Route 513, on the right, across from Voorhees State Park.

From the Flemington area

Take Route 31 north past Clinton to a traffic light with a sign for High Bridge. Turn right onto County Route 513 north. Follow 513 for two miles into the town of High Bridge. Voorhees High School is two miles further at 256 Route 513, on the right, across from Voorhees State Park.

Parking and Entrances

Parking is plentiful and free. Park in the main parking lot of the school, enter the main entrance by the flag pole, and follow the signs for the MACNJ meeting room in the choir room on the first floor.



Photo by Bill Barr



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city

state

zip code

Home telephone number

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