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The 12-inch MacBook

A Different Mac for a Particular User

by Julio Ojeda-Zapata

When I consider Apple's new 12-inch MacBook, I can't help but think of my retired parents. My dad is a fan of his iPad mini, while my mom is glued to her 13-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display. But if they had to do it over again, I'm convinced they would get his-and-hers MacBooks. (For the rest of this article, when I say "MacBook," I mean the recently released 12-inch MacBook, not any of the previous models that share the same name.)



With the new MacBook, Apple is improving on its consumer-notebook experience with features like a Retina display and Force Touch trackpad, while also radically simplifying the overall package. Replacing most familiar ports with a single USB-C port has stirred controversy among Mac geeks, but my parents wouldn't care, or even notice. They'd use the USB-C port to charge the machine, and wouldn't have much interest in the port's other purposes, such as data transfer or driving an external display.

The MacBook is underpowered compared to MacBook Pro models and even the MacBook Air. Those who have benchmarked the MacBook say it's about on par with a 2011-era MacBook Air. But, again, my parents wouldn't care. My mother's 2014-vintage MacBook Pro packs more power than a MacBook, but she rarely needs it, given her relatively modest computer uses. A MacBook would suit her just fine.

For Dad, a MacBook would be an iPad-alternative fitted with a better keyboard.

For Mom, the MacBook would be the simple notebook she wants for use at home and on vacations. It would have the same Retina resolution as her MacBook Pro, but in a more portable package. The MacBook delivers on that score at just over 11 inches and just over 2 pounds with a maximum thickness of just over a half inch.



That's crazy small even by MacBook Air standards, and perfect for Mom.

Cost? My mother paid \$1,279 for her MacBook Pro with Retina display (a refurb purchase made last month), which puts her squarely in MacBook territory. The new notebook starts at \$1,299. That's steep for my father given that his iPad mini cost much less, but I'd wager he'd go for it given a laptop's better functionality.

I'd bet my parents would also swoon over the MacBook's good looks. Mom would get her MacBook in gold, I am all but certain. Dad? He'd definitely go space gray.

My point in bringing up my parents: the MacBook is a different kind of Apple notebook for a particular kind of owner who values minimalism and simplicity above all else.

If you've been gnashing your teeth at the MacBook's relatively modest performance, and panicking about that

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USB-C cables and adapters to figure out how to integrate a MacBook into your Apple existence, you're not that sort of user. Get a MacBook Pro, for pete's sake.

But the 12-inch MacBook looks to be a nice fit for other kinds of users. Here are profiles of some such hypothetical MacBook buyers — see if you resemble one of these people.

The Cloud Navigator -- I'm surprised at the degree with which I have forsaken native Mac apps for Web or "cloud" equivalents — notably Google services. I'm in a browser or browser-based app (like TweetDeck or MailPlane) almost all the time.

While you can fire up a browser on any Mac for hardcore Web-app use, doing so seems especially appropriate on this MacBook. The machine may not be able to keep pace with other portable Macs but it has more than enough power for mainstream computing tasks, with Web browsing being among the most common of those

The MacBook may be, in some ways, Apple's answer to the Chromebook, the increasingly popular kind of notebook running Google's Web-centric Chrome OS and intended for use almost exclusively with Web apps.

Chromebooks, like the MacBook, are being positioned as simple laptops for users who don't need much power and don't want any complications.

Most Chromebooks are much cheaper than the MacBook, but that tends to make them chintzier. Apple would argue that buying a MacBook is money well spent for top-flight hardware along with the option to run native apps alongside Web apps.

The only Chromebook roughly similar to the MacBook is Google's Chromebook Pixel, with a just-as-nice screen and greater power under the hood at a lower cost than the MacBook, starting at \$999. The Pixel is heavier and bulkier, but has two USB-C ports along with two standard USB ports.

The Entertainment Addict -- The MacBook's glorious 2304-by-1440-pixel screen makes it a terrific computer for watching streaming video, viewing and editing photographs, reading books, and other kinds of passive entertainment.

What's more, its petite size makes it less of a burden for such pleasurable pursuits than, say, a MacBook Pro. And while you can't hold the MacBook in one hand while reading, the way you would with an iPad, it also sits better in your lap or on a table than an iPad.

The iPad has long been positioned as the perfect device for entertainment and information consumption. It still is, but I would argue that the MacBook is a tempting alternative — more so than, say, an 11-inch MacBook Air with a lower screen resolution and screen

proportions that suddenly seem awfully cramped to me.

The Tablet-for-Work Recanter -- The iPad, though primarily a device for information consumption, is also positioned as a tool for getting real work done. I've long pounded that drum, noting that the keyboard cases from a wide range of manufacturers turn iPads into pretty nifty mini-laptops.

With the MacBook's arrival, though, that argument may be wearing thin. The MacBook is only slightly longer and wider, and considerably thinner, than an iPad Air 2 in my favorite keyboard case, Belkin's QODE Ultimate Pro Keyboard Case for iPad Air 2.



The MacBook has a larger, more comfortable keyboard than the cramped ones built into iPad cases. And the keyboard is fully integrated, not wirelessly linked via sometimes-unreliable Bluetooth. The display is bigger. The apps and operating system are more capable on the Mac than the iPad. In short, an iPad Air 2 with a keyboard

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The Hardcore Keyboarder -- Some will buy a MacBook for casual pursuits that do not involve heavy keyboard use. I am looking at you, Mom and Dad.

But others, like myself, put a lot of miles on our keyboards. That brings me to what may be the MacBook's most controversial feature: its revamped keyboard, which feels markedly different from those on older Apple notebooks. The keys have a larger surface area but less vertical "throw," due partly to the laptop's thinness. They have a harder, harsher feel.

This bugged me at first and, as I write this, I have not completely adapted, but I am getting there. I'm seeing decent accuracy after an initial period of clumsiness. Interestingly, I'm most at home on the keyboard when taking notes during interviews, which involves super-fast typing in a hyper-concentrated state. In other words, when I forget about the hardware and just let my fingers fly, the keyboard performs splendidly

I'm also starting to like the keyboard's extra-firm clicking due to a redesigned key switch mechanism ("butterfly" instead of "scissor").

Little is more personal than someone's preferred keyboard, and the MacBook keyboard could be a dealbreaker for some. I think I'm fine with it, though. And since the MacBook is a near ideal device for writers of all kinds, I suggest having an open mind about its keyboard. But I also strongly encourage you to try one in person before buying.

Modest Multimedia -- I was surprised to see Apple's advanced Final Cut Pro X installed on demo MacBooks in Apple retail stores. I shouldn't have been. Though the underpowered MacBook is not a video editor's dream, it does run Final Cut reasonably well.

I tossed a couple of my modest work-related video projects at it and felt little frustration. I got my projects done with minimal delay, and I have more Final Cut work queued up for the week remaining in my MacBook press-loan term.

I do chafe a bit at certain limitations. The MacBook does not have a much on-board storage for media files, and my standard strategy of hooking up external solid-state storage via a Thunderbolt port doesn't work here.

So, if video editing is your bread and butter, the MacBook shouldn't be your primary Mac. But those with

lighter video-editing needs (via iMovie or something fancier) shouldn't have major issues apart from using USB-based external storage via an Apple AV adapter (see below).

MacBook Gear -- Some who buy MacBooks may want to spend a bit extra on accessories to make their use of the laptop a bit more practical and pleasurable. None of the following are must-haves for all MacBook users, but you will know if you need one or more of these.

Apple's own audiovisual adapters, including the USB-C Digital AV Multiport Adapter and the USB-C VGA Multiport Adapter, are necessary if you want to use an external monitor or projector via HDMI or VGA. While you're doing that, you can power the MacBook via a USB-C port in either adapter, and use a standard USB port built into either adapter for whatever you wish.

My test monitor has a DVI port, but I was able to get the MacBook working with it by adding a DVI-to-HDMI adapter to the mix.

Apple also offers a USB-C to USB Adapter for plugging in a wireless-mouse transmitter, external drive, and the like, but you can't charge the MacBook while using the adapter with an external USB device.

If you need a standard USB port for charging some other device, Twelve South's PlugBug attaches to an Apple laptop charger (including the new one for the MacBook) and supplies a USB port, as well as its own prongs for plugging into the wall.



Alas, it's only for charging; there's no data-transfer link to the MacBook. Note, also, that the PlugBug is not an exact fit for the new USB-C charger, but it works just fine. A MacBook-customized version is surely coming.

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Twelve South has two PlugBug models, including a \$35 U.S. model and a \$50 World version with an assortment of international plugs.

A spare charger can come in handy, and you don't have to use Apple's \$49 charger because USB-C is an open standard, unlike Apple's MagSafe. For instance, you can use the Chromebook Pixel's \$60 charger if the Apple one is out of stock, and there will be cheaper ones.

Apple in a support document, says third-party USB-C power adapters will charge the MacBook "if they adhere to the USB Power Delivery specification." As an experiment, I attached an iPad charger to the PlugBug and tried to charge the MacBook that way. While this arrangement charges an iPad just fine, it doesn't seem to supply enough power to charge the MacBook. Finally, a bag, case or sleeve may be a good idea because I suspect that shiny, non-glowing Apple icon on the lid will scratch easily. I have always been partial to gear from *WaterField Designs*, and the company has a line of products designed for the MacBook.

Wrap-Up -- I'm conflicted about the MacBook. It's a beautiful machine I would never buy, partly because its USB-C port is too restrictive, and also because I can get far better performance for the money with other portable Macs.

These are hardly concerns for the people Apple wants to woo with its new laptop. They include folks like my parents who want a notebook that looks lovely, isn't overly complicated, and is thin and lightweight enough to take everywhere. It's also great for Web-app users, video and ebook addicts, tablet-for-work recanters, hardcore keyboarders and casual video editors.

The MacBook is kind of exotic now, but its newfangled technology is undoubtedly headed for other Apple laptop models in the coming months and years. And, like the original MacBook Air, the MacBook will someday be seen as a bold trendsetter. For now, it's a gorgeous and capable Mac with a very specific audience and some practical limitations.

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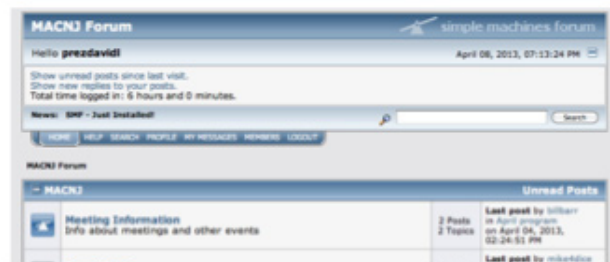
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Click on "register" (top right). You'll have to agree to conditions.

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.



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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.

MACNJ lost a longtime member and friend on May 13, 2015 with the passing of Graham Curtis. As our treasurer for 15 years, Graham kept our members' list in order and provided us with witty comments both verbally and in print. In tribute to the timelessness of ideas, we offer some reprints of "Graham's Gleanings" from the first portion of this century. Enjoy!

Graham's Gleanings

Wit and wisdom collected by Graham Curtis

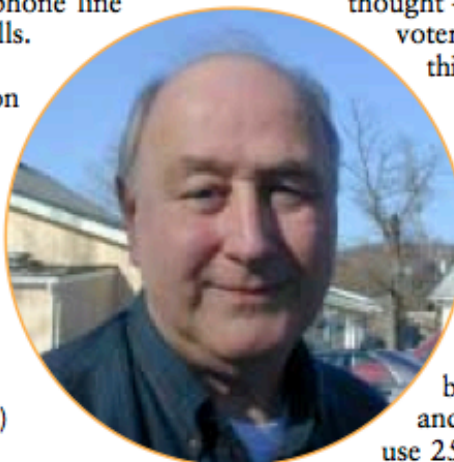
Technology is closing in when

You get a second phone line to receive phone calls.

Every commercial on television has a web address on screen.

You consider 2nd day delivery painfully slow.

You tilt your head sideways to smile. :)



a month on average. (Gratuitous thought — why not charge the voters 5¢ per message for this privilege!)

Use your friendly e-mail

Although the USA constitutes only 3% of the world's population, we consume 30% of its paper. In the period between Thanksgiving and the New Year, we use 25% of this quantity of paper. We trash more paper in a year than is used by all the people in China. *source: Worldwatch Institute*

Who hires the Women?

According to the National Foundation for Women Business Owners, women business owners have staffs which are on the average 52% women and 48% men. Men who own businesses hire only 38% women and 62% men.

Believe it or not!

An RHI Consulting inspired survey of IT professionals unearthed these unusual requests...

Welcome to my world!

Americans are turning 50 at the rate of 1 every 7.6 seconds. 9 million people receive membership materials from AARP every month.

"Could you install the Internet on my computer?"

"This PC just performed an illegal operation! Will I get into trouble?"

Congress bogged down again

Two years ago, the Congressional and Senate Offices Chiefs of Staff did not think e-mail was a problem. Now it's the biggest problem they are facing. Congressional Officials were not prepared for the rapidity of its growth. Most offices lack the staff or technical workers to handle the traffic. Before 1995, few offices had email accounts. Last year, the volume climbed beyond 80 million messages. House offices get as many as 8,000 a month, compared with 55,000 a month in some Senate offices. The overall number is rising by 1 million

"How do I prevent the coffee cup holder from going back into the computer."

"Please warn me if my computer is going to crash!"

Goldwyn-isms

"We're overpaying him, but he's worth it!"

"You've got to take the bull by the teeth!"

"Anyone who goes to a psychiatrist ought to have his head examined!"

Graham's Gleanings

by Graham Curtis

Welcome to another installment of "Graham's Gleanings." Watch for more in future issues.

"Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has thought."

—Albert Szent-Gyorgyi, Nobel Prize Winner.

You're Getting Old When...

- You finally get your head together, but your body starts falling apart.
- It takes twice as long to look half as good.
- You and your teeth don't sleep together.

Big Brother is Watching

According to The New York Civil Liberties Union, at this present time, there are at least 2,500 surveillance cameras scanning major New York public spaces and subway stations. Note the inconspicuous white-and-gray globe hanging high above 46th. Street and Broadway, just south of the George M. Cohan statue. "It's good enough to count the change in your hand." —New York Magazine, September 4, 2000.

Fun With Numbers

Since the first iMac exploded on the scene two years ago, Apple has sold 3.7 million of them. That means 5,000 iMacs are sold every day, 200 every hour and 3.5 every minute! What else crazy has happened? Well, 0.5 iMacs were sold for every child born in the U.S.A. last year. 70 iMacs were sold for every resident in Cupertino. 37,755 iMacs were sold for every year that Sen. Strom Thurmond has been alive and 3.7 million iMacs were sold for every dollar of Steve Job's annual base salary at Apple. —MacWorld, October 2000.

More Fun with Numbers

"According to recent statistics, at age 70, there are five women for every man. Isn't that the darndest time in life for a guy to have these odds?" —Ann Landers, 8/30/00, Star-Ledger

The Web in Rural America

According to a report by the Department of Commerce, the percentage of towns with fewer than 10,000 people that have access to DSL service from their regional phone company is below 1% (closer

to 0%). That percentage is 86% in cities above 100,000 residents. The figures for cable modem services are 1% for towns under 10,000 people and 72% for communities above 250,000 people. —New York Times, 5/18/2000

Uncommonly Asked Questions

- If flying is so safe, why is the airport called the "Terminal"?
- If you throw a cat out of the car window, does it become kitty litter?
- If you choke a Smurf, what color does it turn?
- Why do they put Braille dots on the keypad of a drive-up ATM?
- If the 7-11 is open 24/7/365, why does it have locks on the door?

And Now, For Something Completely Useful...

The home page for the New Jersey State Government on the web is www.state.nj.us and the New Jersey State Library can be found at www.njstatelib.org



Foscam Security Camera

by Linda Cameron

A while back, I reviewed a free app called Presence which can turn an iPad or other Apple device into a security camera, allowing you to check in with your iPhone while away. The only problem with that setup is that you have to find the perfect spot to plug in the iPad (or other iOS device) and it only shows one view. When it is dark, you only see the blackness.

I decided I wanted a security camera that can pan and tilt and see in the dark. After a bit of research, I ordered a Foscam HD Vision FI9831P. One feature that sold me was the ability to use an app on my iPhone that can scan a code on the bottom of the camera, automatically putting in the settings for my iPhone app to use it.

When I got the camera, I realized I didn't know how to set it up so it would be on my wireless network. It wasn't something you just plug in and it works by putting in the password for my network—like setting up a Roku or AppleTV. Luckily, I had ordered directly from Foscam and that gave me free tech support for the life of the camera.

The tech support guy had a thick accent and was in India. He and I had trouble understanding each other. He didn't even bother trying to talk to me that much. He had me download and install an app called Teamviewer which allowed him to see my computer and have access to it so he could just set it up himself. First of all, it would have been nice if he had asked permission to have access to my computer. I had no idea that he was planning to do that. He downloaded a few small apps that provided information (once I plugged the camera directly into my router temporarily). These apps gave the IP address of the camera and the port number. He opened Airport Utility and when I needed to put a password into my Network, he opened Keychain Access to get the password! That blew my mind! I tried to put in the password myself, but while he had access to my Mac, my keyboard refused to type all the letters.

After a bit of time, he got the video to show up on Safari and then I unplugged the camera and put it back where I wanted it, in the living room. Then he did a couple more things so it worked wirelessly.

He got it set up and working and I was able to view the camera video on my iPhone, so I finally hung up and went about trying to scan the code with my iPad so I could use it also to view the camera's video.

When I first scanned the code with my iPhone, it took quite a while before it was successful and I could move onto the next step. For some odd reason, the iPad never did successfully scan the code. However, I was able to manually set up the iPad by looking at the settings on my iPhone.

When I was at my Toastmaster meeting that night, I looked in on the cats who were sleeping in chairs. I turned on the mic and talked to them. Their heads popped up and their eyes stared straight at the camera. It was night time so the video showed in black and white since it uses infra-red at night. In the daylight, the video is in normal color. I can move my fingers across the iPhone to move the camera lens to different places. It is like a ball that can be turned in any direction.



Right at the moment, the camera sits on a desk with a view of the living room and kitchen. I had planned to mount it on the wall, thinking it would be a better view, but I had a friend hold it up on the wall while I went to check the view and I decided the desk was actually a better location. This camera does come with a wall mount that uses 2 screws. It has to be plugged into AC, so that limits where I can put it.

The next day, I thought I would try and use Foscam's Cloud service that lets you login to see your camera video from any web browser. They have a free account if you don't care about a lot of features, or you can pay \$8, \$20 or \$50 a month to store video and pictures from your cameras on their website. I am sure a lot of people buy more than one camera so they can have security monitoring several locations. For now the free cloud server is fine for me since I can just go there and view the live feed whenever I want. There is an SD card slot on the back of the camera but I am not using that because I need to buy an SD card

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I think when I use the Foscam Viewer app on my iPhone or iPad, I can record or take pictures if I want to.

The video from the camera is high definition. When viewed on the iPhone or iPad, it looks pretty good until you pan the room, which blurs the video until it stops. Stopping where you want is tricky when viewing remotely from your device. It is easy to go too far in any direction and it takes a bit of patience to get the camera facing where you want it.

The main reason I wanted this camera was because I needed to go to San Diego for a few days. A brother was getting married for the first time. My whole family would be there. I hadn't gone anywhere in 7 years and my cats have never been left alone. The whole idea was making me nervous.

While I was on my way to San Diego, and while I was there and even coming back—I would check in on the cats several times per day. Seeing them doing their normal thing

(sleeping and eating) helped to alleviate my worries. I even saw Derek there cleaning the litter boxes and checking their food and water a couple of times. The hotel I stayed in had free WiFi and a couple of computers in the lobby anyone could use. I was also able to go to the Foscomcloud.com site to see my camera's video. That was nice since it was a bigger screen than my iPhone.

Next time I go somewhere, I might get a second Foscam camera for the bedroom, since one cat spent more time in there than in the rooms I could monitor.

I am pleased with this camera so far. The tech support is pretty good as far as helping you right away, but it would be better if the person could let you know what he is doing as he does it, and if he could speak English better. The price seemed very reasonable to me—\$128 including 2 day shipping.

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Notable Software Updates

by TidBITS Staff

FileMaker Pro 13.0.9

FileMaker Pro and FileMaker Pro Advanced have been updated to version 13.0.9 with a fix for a vulnerability with FileMaker's root SSL certificates that could allow network communication to be compromised. Note that after this version is installed, FileMaker Pro and FileMaker Pro Advanced will not be compatible with versions of FileMaker Server prior to 13.0.9 if you're using the built-in SSL certificate and requiring SSL connections. Be sure to read the FileMaker support page for this security update to follow the correct update path for the FileMaker product you're running. (\$299/\$549 new, free update, 620 MB, 10.8+)



GraphicConverter 9.6.1

Lemkesoft has issued GraphicConverter 9.6.1, a maintenance release with a modicum of updates to the venerable graphic conversion and editing utility. The release improves HPGL import, adds an option to disable tooltips inside an image, increases a JPEG's special file size limit to 8192 KB, adds support for PDC metadata date when renaming by EXIF date, fixes a bug during smart crop of large files, addresses an issue related to batch conversion of multi-page PDFs, and fixes a problem with the Copy command in the contextual menu. (\$39.95 new from Lemkesoft or the Mac App Store, free update, 234 MB).



Meeting Notes, May 2, 2015

by Hugh Murphy, Jr.

The meeting was opened with attempts to solve Margo Murphy's email problems - she can send messages from her Mail application, but only receives email through Xfinity in Safari. The problem could not be solved by the members present.

Lee Roth now has the Mavericks OS and wonders what applications he will lose if he upgrades to Yosemite. Chod Lang suggested using "RoaringApps" to determine the compatibilities of his various applications with the OS.

Bill Barr demonstrated the edit features now available on the iPhone. Chod and Lee discussed differences in PDFs, and Chod mentioned that annotations could be added in Preview, which application Lisa Lomauro used to edit a Mother's Day photo to produce a greeting card. Hugh Murphy described his method for retrieving data from his PC and printing it from his MacBook Pro.

Chod presented a video of a new Chinese phone - Huawei Honor 6 - which has a superior camera. He will post a link on the Forum. He also described EasyCrop, a method for for sizing photos, which is available for OS 7 or later. It is part of a suite of applications from YellowMug.com, which may be used for editing photos.

In a discussion of various photo systems, Lee Roth compared Elements with Photoshop.

Dave entertained us with a video about a mysterious black hole which proves to be the undoing of its greedy discoverer.

Chod concluded the meeting with a video about the Rocketbook; notes may be recorded in this book using a Pilot FriXon pen and scanned to the Cloud using a Smart phone. The notes are then erased by placing the Rocketbook in a microwave oven for 30 seconds. Two notebooks and 6 pens are available for \$65.

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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MACNJ Membership

David L. Davis

13 Smith Street

Hampton, NJ 08827

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