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SIG and Help Meetings are
HELD AT THE CONSOLIDATED MUTUAL
WATER DISTRICT BUILDING
12700 W 27th Avenue
Lakewood – 7 to 9 pm
unless otherwise noted
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MEETING DATES SET FOR
DEC 2009 – JUN 2010

Mac SIG	Dec 15	Tues Christmas Party
Help SIG	Dec 30	5 th Wed
Mac SIG	Jan 19	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Jan 27	4 th Wed
Mac SIG	Feb 16	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Feb 24	4 th Wed
Mac SIG	Mar 16	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Mar 24	4 th Wed
Mac SIG	Apr 20	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Apr 28	4 th Wed
Mac SIG	May 18	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	May 26	4 th Wed
Mac SIG	Jun 15	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Jun 23	4 th Wed



December 15, 2009

Tuesday

7 to 9 pm at

Consolidated Mutual Water District

12700 W. 27th Ave

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DAPI Recycles

**Please bring your used inkjet
and laserjet cartridges to our
meetings so we can recycle
them.**

*Please bring finger food such as cookies, candy, chips and
dip, or your favorite Christmas hors d'oeuvres to share with
others.*

The club will provide punch, napkins, plates and cups.



SPRING CLEANING 10

Tools to remove clutter from your Mac

- Optimize and protect your Mac
- Eliminate hidden files
- Clean out duplicate files and images
- Uninstall old software

Most people are familiar with the term “Spring Cleaning”—which means that you do a more thorough cleaning of your house every spring. Well, SmithMicro has taken this concept and applied it to your Mac. Their program Spring Cleaning is full of tools that help you to clear away clutter and improve the performance of your Mac. Let’s start by examining the options that are available in most, if not all, of the tools:

Actions Menu:

After you search for and find a file (using the following tools), you can use the Actions menu to open, delete, move or compress it. Additional options are: Burn to disc, Duplicate to folder, Make Alias, QuickCompare, Rename, and Run Script. The last group of options are program specific, meaning they only show up when you open a specific tool. They are: Add to iTunes, Edit Cookies, Edit History files, Import into iPhoto, Install/Uninstall Widget, Slim Universal Executable, Delete, Secure Delete, etc.

Most of the tools allow you to Apply a Search Filter. This lets you specify if the search is to include or exclude certain names, extensions, sizes, created/modified/last accessed date or label. All tools also let you choose the search location (e.g. Computer, Home folder, Partition etc.).

Requirements:

- * Mac OS 10.4.2 or newer.
- * Snow Leopard compatible.
 - Mac OS 10.5 or newer required for scripting support. (NOTE: Uploading to Picasa in Photo A.K.A. requires Mac OS 10.5 or newer or an Intel machine.)

<http://my.smithmicro.com/mac/springcleaning/index.html>



GETTING READY FOR INSTALLING SNOW LEOPARD ON YOUR MAC

Joyce Etherton

Tom Nelson on about.com suggests taking several housekeeping steps before downloading the new OS for Mac, Snow Leopard. He gives step-by-step instructions to make your upgrade a success at the website <http://macs.about.com/od/applications/gr/cccgr.htm>.

Removing old files, unused applications and just cleaning things up for the new application will make room for Snow Leopard. Backing up what you really want to keep is very important just in case something misfires. A cloning utility can create a bootable clone of your startup drive. This allows you to return your Mac to exact condition it was before you upgraded.

Programs to create a bootable clone of a startup drive include:

[Super Duper](#)
[Carbon Copy Cloner](#)
[Apple Disk Utility](#)

Tom Nelson mentions another way—the PTIDIAHFTB Method—which he confesses to using occasionally but he doesn’t recommend it: *put the install disk in and hope for the best.*



MAC OS X --MAKING ZIP FILES (COMPRESSED FILES) IN ONE CLICK

One of Mac OS X features is the ability to create ZIP compressed files from within the OS (basically, this shrinks the file size, ideal for files you’re going to email — smaller file sizes mean faster file transfers).

To create a compressed file, either Control-click on the file and choose Create Archive (which is Apple-speak for “make a compressed ZIP file”), or you can click on a file, then go to the Action menu (the button that looks like a gear up in the Finder window’s toolbar), and choose Create Archive from there. Either way, it quickly creates a new file, with the file extension “.zip.” This is the compressed file.

You can also compress several different files (like three, for example) into one single archive file — just Command-click (or Shift-click contiguous files) on all the files you want included, then choose Create Archive of X Items from the Action menu. A file will be created named “Archive.zip” (that’s it!). By the way, if someone sends you a ZIP file, don’t sweat it — just double-click it and Tiger (and Leopard) will automatically decompress it.

Mac OS 10.3 and later has built into it the ability to open any ZIP file as well as create its own. To open a ZIP file double-click on the file.

To create a ZIP archive, go to the Finder, find the file(s) to be archived and highlight them. Select Create Archive of... or Archive from the File menu. The Finder will create an archive which will contain the selected files.



STAY CONNECTED TO YOUR MAC WITH LOGMEIN FREE FOR MAC

If you're planning to take time off of work and travel over this holiday season, you can leave your Mac at home or the office without worrying that you've forgotten an important file or presentation. With **LogMeIn Free**, you can access your Mac from any computer with an Internet connection.

Getting started is easy and only takes about two minutes. Simply install **LogMeIn** on any Macs you may want to access while you're out of town. It's that easy.

LogMeIn Requirements: Mac OS 10.3 and later has built into it the ability to open any ZIP file as well as create its own.

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https://secure.logmein.com/US/products/free/mac/Default.aspx?originid=6250&destination=/US/products/free/mac/Default.aspx&WT.mc_id=5997



BIRTHDAY CALENDAR From Kandy Maharis

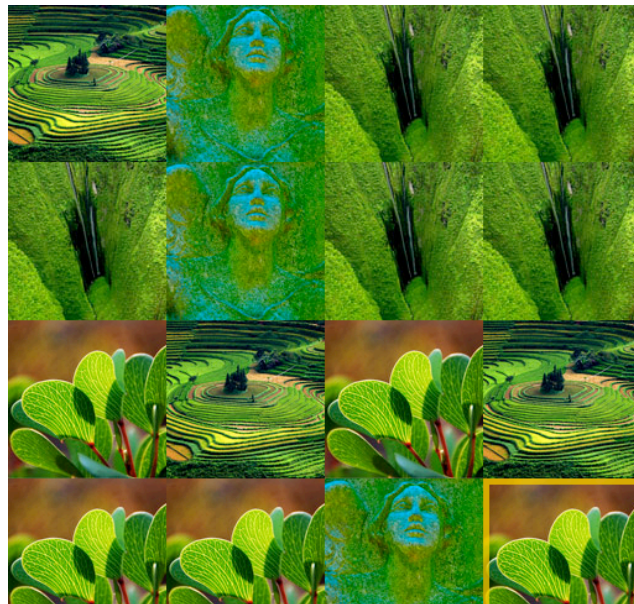
Enter your birthdate in the blanks and you'll discover many useless things, but it's fun. Have you any idea what the "hit" songs were the day you were born? Do you know what your lucky number is?

<http://www.paulsadowski.com/BirthData.asp>



Infinite photograph

This web site from National Geographic is a photo-mosaic portrait of the Earth as seen through the eyes of users. It's made up of hundreds of photos of the natural world submitted by users. Go to this site to view infinite photos—just keep clicking to see a new photo. You are encouraged to send your own photo in. Below is an example of one of the mosaics.



http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/greenguide/infinite-photograph?source=email_photo_20091022&email=photo



ABOUT THE INTERNET ARCHIVE

The **Internet Archive** is a non-profit organization founded to build an Internet Library. Remembering that the ancient Libraries of Alexandria in Egypt

“which contained a copy of every book in the world” were completely destroyed by fire and that many early movies were destroyed to recover the silver contained in the film, this organization is working to assure that this historically significant new medium, the Internet, will not lose its historical beginnings and will have a well- documented history with open and free access for the public. Working in collaboration with institutions, including the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian, the Internet Archive is actively working to prevent the digital age from disappearing into the past.

Below are several web sites concerning this interesting project.

<http://www.archive.org/about/about.php>

[How to get free accessto the Archive's Internet collections](http://www.archive.org/web/resarcher/proposal.php)

<http://www.archive.org/web/resarcher/proposal.php>

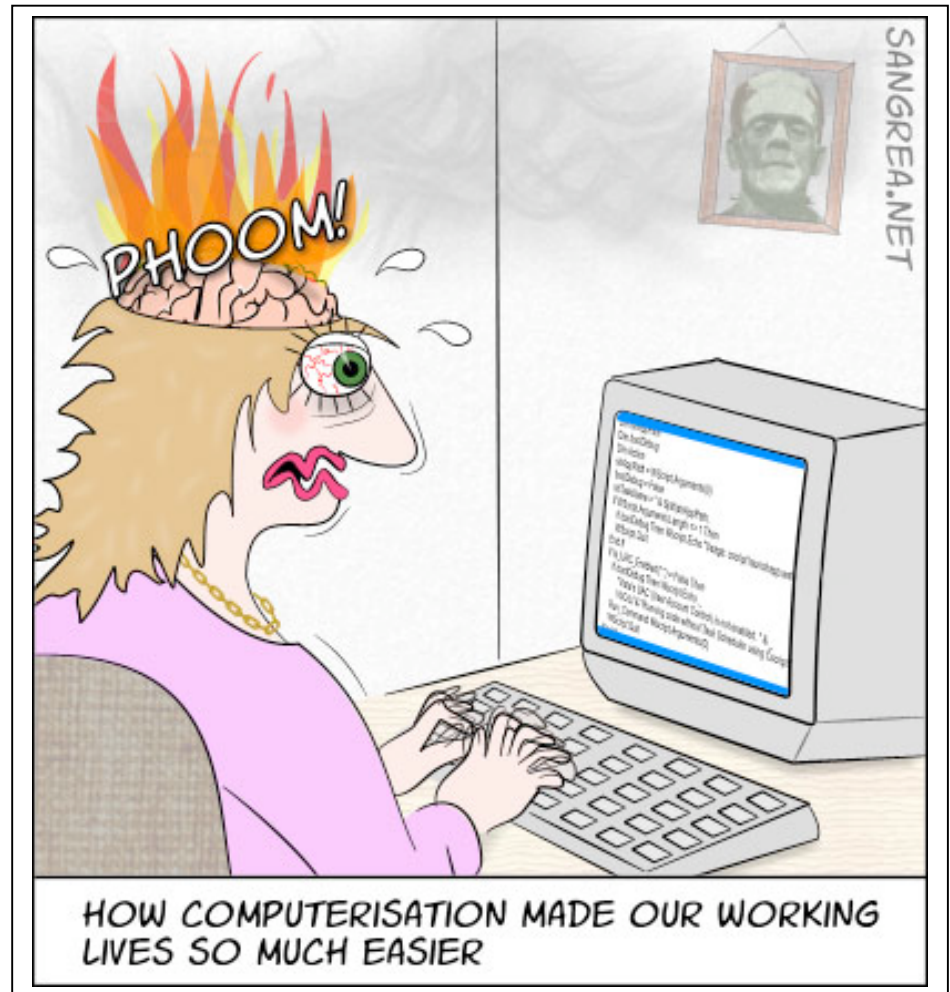
[http://www.archive.org/about/contact.php - lists](http://www.archive.org/about/contact.php)



RECYCLE YOUR ELECTRONICS FOR CASH

Joyce Etherton

If you have unwanted electronic devices lying around—new, used, or broken—get some cash in return. Go to this website, <http://www.BuyMyTronics.com/> to read about this metro area business which in just a few short years has grown into a very successful recycling site right here in Denver. MacLife says, “Old iPods don’t die, they’re harvested.” Owner Brett Mosley’s BuyMyTronics was featured recently on KUSA Chanel 9 television. Beginning in his own home a few years ago, he now has a 2000 sq foot warehouse in Denver. BuyMyTronics appears to be for newer models. Go to their web site and look for your model to see whether they will accept it for recycling.



Mail Attachments Iconizer

An annoying Mail feature attaches a photograph to your email (which you can do easily from iPhoto) which becomes imbedded. In other words, it appears as a photo rather than as an attachment. There is no way around this feature unless you use something like this plug-in called Mail Attachments Iconizer.

Here is a brief overview of what Mail Attachments Iconizer enables compared to the default behavior of Apple Mail:

Requirements and Compatibility:

This plug-in requires at least Mac OS X 10.5.x “Leopard” and is fully compatible with Mac OS X 10.5.6 “Snow Leopard.” Both Power PC and Intel processors are supported natively.

Mail Attachments Iconizer is shareware and costs \$14.99 for single user license. For more information, go to:

<http://lokiware.info/Mail-Attachments-Iconizer>

Mail Attachments Iconizer	Apple Mail default behavior
Images & PDF documents will be displayed as icons either always, or if they exceed a specified size.	Mail tries to display everything directly in the message, regardless of number and size of files, including large PDFs and PostScript files.
Attachments will be displayed respecting the sender's intention.	Mail never respects sender's intention when displaying images or PDF/PostScript documents.
Attachments in outgoing mail will have correctly set content disposition so that they will be displayed to the recipient as you specify.	You can neither determine nor control content disposition of the attachments you send. However, most email software is standards-compliant and respects content disposition.
Text & HTML attachments will not be erroneously displayed as if they were a part of the message body	Text files erroneously sent with inline content disposition are displayed as part of the message's text and cannot be viewed separately.
Mail will not try to render PostScript documents directly in the messages	The whole file is processed and then the first page is displayed. This always completely freezes the application for seconds to minutes and sometimes results in crashes. PostScript is often rendered improperly.



PREVIEW OF 2010 DAPI MEETING SUBJECTS

- **Bento 3: Personal database from FileMaker that's as easy to use as your Mac**
- **How to Print**
- **Media Convergence— convergence of television and computers**
- **Streaming—listen to live radio from around the world on your computer**
- **IWork—office suite of desktop applications for Mac OS X to create documents, spreadsheets and presentations**

Dates for these presentations will be announced in *The Seed*. Members are encouraged to suggest additional subjects as well as presenting something with which you have expertise. Call Elissa at 303.421.8714 with your suggestions.

WE ARE PLEASED TO NOTE THAT THE 2010 DENVER APPLE PI MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE TO BE HELD AT
THE CONSOLIDATED MUTUAL WATER DISTRICT BUILDING
12700 W 27th Avenue
Lakewood, Co —7 to 9 pm

Thank you, Nancy!

Nancy Fagan recently purchased the new DAPI video camera to be used to record presentations at our meetings. No big deal? She arrived at Best Buy at 3:00 am., stood in line until 5:00 am., ran from pillar to post at the (mis)direction of store clerks and by sheer will convinced the clerk that she was in fact the first in line to purchase the one Canon HF 20 they had on sale on Black Friday. Oh, and the temperature outdoors that morning?

25 degrees Fahrenheit

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