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Mac SIG Meetings are held at
APPLEWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH
12930 WEST 32nd AVENUE
Golden CO 80401 – 7 TO 9 P.M.

Help SIG Meetings are held at
COURTYARD AT LAKEWOOD
7100 WEST 13th AVENUE
LAKEWOOD CO 80214 – 7 TO 9 P.M.

MAPS TO THESE LOCATIONS ARE ON OUR WEB SITE.



MEETING DATES

JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2013

PICNIC	July 14	Sunday
Mac SIG	July 16	3rd Tues
Help SIG	July 25	4th Thurs
Mac SIG	Aug 20	3rd Tues
Help SIG	Aug 29	5th Thurs
Mac SIG	Sept 17	3rd Tues
Help SIG	Sept 26	4th Thurs
Mac SIG	Oct 15	3rd Tues
Help SIG	Oct 24	4th Thurs
Mac SIG	Nov 19	3rd Tues
Help SIG	TBA	
XMAS PARTY	Dec 16	3rd Tues

DAPI Program
July 16, 2013 – 7 to 9 p.m.
Apple Scanning Software
Presenter: Larry Fagan
Applewood Community Church
12930 West 32nd Avenue
Golden CO 80401

During the presentation Larry will demonstrate a few scanners which copy text, photos and slides. Members are encouraged to bring a few photos or slides and a thumb drive so Larry can scan some of your photos for you to take home. A thumb drive with 1GB capacity should be adequate.

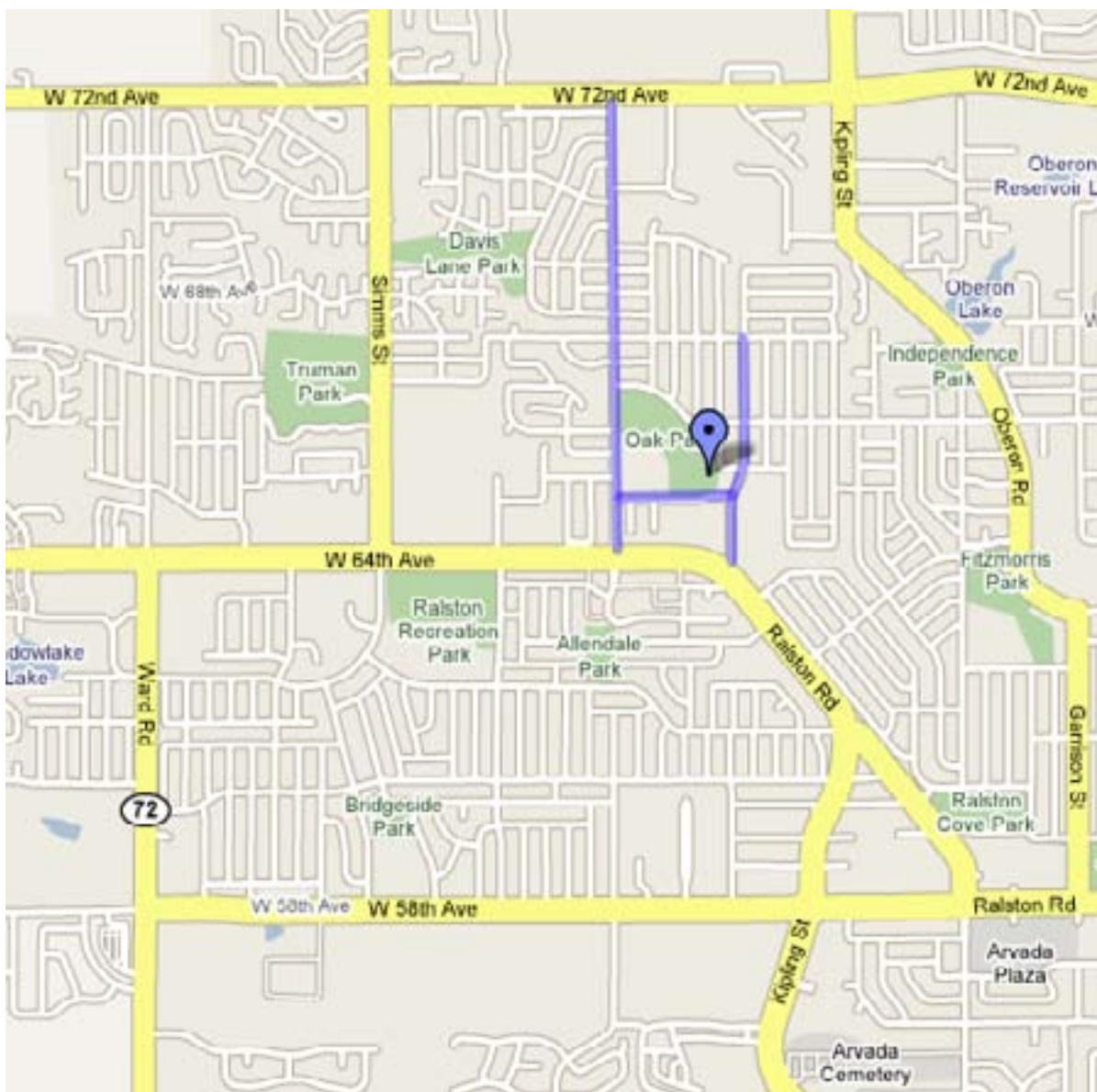
Membership dues for DAPi are \$15 per year. Members receive the monthly newsletter, *The Seed*, in PDF format via e-mail. Those who prefer to do so can pay \$20 and receive a snail mail copy of the newsletter. You can bring your payment to the monthly meetings or you can send your remittance to the club mailing address: Denver Apple Pi, 6501 Welch Court, Arvada CO 80004-2223.

Picnic

July 14, 2013 – 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Location: Oak Park Pavilion, Arvada

West 64th Place between Oak and Miller Streets, behind Campbell Elementary School



What to bring: a dish (salad, veggies, dessert, etc.) that will serve about 8 people.

The club will provide: meat and vegetarian patties, hot dogs, buns, condiments, water, pop, cups, plates and eating utensils. The environmentally conscious may bring their own dishes and eating utensils if they wish to do so.

Games: Bring any games you would like to play. Killer croquet will be set up by Tammy Hanson.



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When to Buy a New Mac?

<http://buyersguide.macrumors.com> tells you when each model was last upgraded. If a new version just came out, you won't have to worry that your new purchase will shortly be outdated. But if it's been a while, Apple might shortly be due for an upgrade.

How Good is the iPad's Camera?

The iPad shoots in 720p or 1080p resolution, the same as a decent camcorder. IMDB has a free iOS app – info about every movie ever released, trailers, reviews, etc.

Apple's One-To-One Program

On this program, you can sit down with someone at the Apple Store and receive guidance one on one. It is available at the time you buy your Mac or your iPad, and you can also buy it within 14 days of that purchase. If you slide just a little bit past that deadline, the Apple Store might make an exception and let you in, but you probably shouldn't count on that. You can renew this program twice so that you can be on it for a total of three years.

Diana reports that when you have an iPad but no computer and no credit card and you try to "buy" free apps from the App Store or use your gift card, you can't do it. You have to log in to the iTunes Store on someone else's computer, click on *Edit credit card*, check the *None* box, and click on *Redeem your gift card*. Diana is sending feedback to Apple about this glitch.

BearExtender Mini

MacWorld has written a review of the BearExtender, which enables you to use your Mac farther away from a wireless base station. The device is about the size of a house key. Its range is two to four times farther than the AirPort card. It plugs into your USB port via a small cable. <http://www.macworld.com/article/2029823/review-bearxtennder-mini-gets-your-mac-connected-to-faraway-wi-fi-hotspots.html>



Mac Observer



Mac Observer has an article about Apple's back-to-school discounts by Jeff Gamet, our club's favorite guest speaker. These discounts run through 9/6/2013. There is also an article about the death of Douglas Engelbart, inventor of the computer mouse. macobserver.com

BusyCal 2.0

If you're on Mountain Lion, you can use BusyCal 2.0, which is touted to replace Apple's iCal. BusyCal supports OSX's Notification Center. busymac.com



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Apple's Pricing

Unlike most companies, Apple is able to keep retailers from discounting its products. Wal-Mart is notorious for using its strong market position to get large discounts from manufacturers and even putting some of them out of business. But they and others like them can not touch Apple or cause Apple to sell to them at huge discounts.

How does Apple control this?

Other products can be discounted because of the difference between the wholesale price and the retail price, which is usually from 30% to 55%. Apple gives retailers a very small discount, so as a result, retailers can't make a profit if they discount very much.

Because of this system, retailers have very little incentive to carry Apple products. They can, however, sell such products as loss leaders to gain other advantages, such as pulling people into the store.

Apple offers other monetary incentives to get retailers to advertise its products at or above certain prices. This enables Apple to avoid having other retailers competing with its own stores.

Although Apple's customers don't get big discounts on their computers, the control that Apple maintains results in higher quality at only slightly higher prices.

Change a File's icon

- (1) Select an image.
- (2) Copy (Command C).
- (3) Select a document/file.
- (4) Command I.
- (5) Select the icon shown.
- (6) Paste (Command V).

By doing this, you can have interesting, fun icons instead of boring standard icons.

Insert a Hyperlink into an E-mail

Type the link (example: *www.agame.com* or *Free Games* or whatever you want). Select the link. Hit Command K. A box comes up asking for the Internet address (URL) for the link. Type it or copy and paste it (example: *www.agame.com*). Now the link will work for the recipient of the e-mail. However, it will not work from your sender e-mail unless you then shift click the link, in which case it will take you to the URL.

Carpool to DAPi Meetings

If you need a ride to our DAPi meetings and would be interested in carpooling, please contact Elissa at 303-421-8714. DAPi does not publish members' names or phone numbers, so arrangements have to be made through a central source.



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Have trouble seeing small text?

Rather than make the text larger, just zoom in.

Word. View > Zoom.

Pages. View > Zoom. Also, at bottom left of screen, choose percentage.

Safari. View > Zoom. Also Command +.

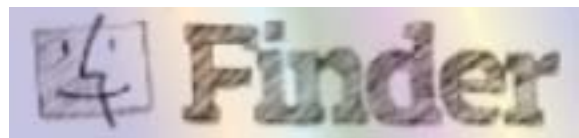
Firefox. View > Zoom. Also Command +.

Track Pad. Pinch out to zoom in. Pinch in to zoom out.

Finder. View > Show View Options. Select Text Size.

Mail. Preferences > Fonts & Colors.

Monitor. Command + to zoom in, Command - to zoom out. (You don't have to use the Shift key.)



Screenshots

- (1) Screen. Command Shift 3. Full screen.
- (2) Selection. Command Shift 4 and drag marquee over the area you want.
- (3) Object. Command Shift 4, then spacebar, then click object. (This works if you click on a window or the desktop.)
- (4) Grab. This program comes on your Mac.

Transfer Movies from Your iPad to Your Computer

Here is the quickest way. Connect your iOS device to your computer using its USB cable. Open the Image Capture app. See photos and movies. Drag and drop these onto your computer desktop. You can also import them using iMovie or iPhoto. iMovie can resize your movies on importing them. It can also add effects, image stabilization, and other enhancements.

Convert Movies into OSX-friendly Formats

Get free or cheap apps such as Handbrake or MPEG Streamclip from the Mac app store.



Five Dictionary Tricks

MacWorld came out with an article describing five dictionary tricks in Snow Leopard, and they are:

- Use the Dashboard widget.
- Use Spotlight.
- Use a launcher utility.
- Use pop-up definitions.
- Use OS X's auto-complete.

The complete article is at <http://www.macworld.com/article/1150720/dictionary.html>

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Macintosh SIG meets the THIRD TUESDAY of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Troubleshooter Group Help SIG meets the FOURTH THURSDAY of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. *The Seed* articles should be e-mailed to jjetherton@comcast.net, subject: "SEED Article".

Membership Form

Date _____

Renewal New Change

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Kind of Computer: Apple II ___ GS ___ Mac ___ OS ___

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