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Mac SIG & Help SIG Meetings are held at
Applewood Community Church
12930 W 32nd Avenue
Golden CO 80401
7 to 9 pm
SEE WEBSITE FOR MAP

2020 Calendar		
Mac SIG	Oct 20	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Oct 22	4 th Thurs
Mac SIG	Nov 17	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Nov 19	3 rd Tues
Xmas Party	Dec 22	3 rd Tues
Help SIG	Dec	Unknown

On occasion, Applewood Community Church may have shelter obligations. You will be notified by email if DAPi meetings are to be cancelled.

First things first, but not necessarily in that order.

Denver Apple Pi Announcements

October 2020

We are awaiting conditions to change so we might continue our regular meetings.

The Applewood Church has established COVID-19 safety regulations that DAPi members must sign in order to attend meetings. When we resume meetings, Elissa will print off a number of waivers for attendees to sign at the meeting.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

We are putting collection of dues on hold until we are able to have meetings.

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

COMING EVENTS: TBA

REMINDERS:

Help SIG—Call Elissa to get your name/problem on the list so our DAPi Help people will be prepared. You will need to bring your computer, your own power cord, mouse, and keyboard. Elissa will keep a sign-up list for those asking for help at the Help SIG meetings so members can be helped in a prioritized way. Drop-ins are welcome. Contact Elissa at elissamc@comcast.net or at 303.421.8714. Tom King says if you have questions about Excel for Mac, the spreadsheet software program, bring your questions to the Help SIG meeting. Please call Elissa in advance.

Need help with iPad, iPhone? If you would like

assistance with navigating and synchronizing your iPad and iPhone, bring them to the Help SIG meeting. Notify Elissa what help you need, and we will try to get the problems resolved.

As of September 29, 2020, the following Apple stores are open in Colorado, says The MacObserver Express:

1. Boulder, [Twenty Ninth Street](#)
2. Broomfield, [FlatIron Crossing](#)
3. Colorado Springs, [The Promenade Shops at Briargate](#)
4. Denver, [Cherry Creek](#)
5. Littleton, [Aspen Grove](#)
6. Lone Tree, [Park Meadows](#)

"HI, SPEED"

APPLE SPECIAL EVENT 11 MDT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020

This big Apple event will present the iPhone 12 in various colors and options including 5K—therefore, the clever "Hi, Speed" event title and logo colors, possibly representing the new iPhone colors.



If you miss the actual online event just search the Apple website for "Hi, Speed" to view it later. <https://www.apple.com/apple-events/october-2020/>

As is mentioned in ads, you must have a 5K device to get 5K speed.

Update from the "Hi, Speed" Apple October 13, 2020 event: Apple says new iPhone 12 models have:

- Apple's A14 Chip ("fastest smartphone chip in the world," 50%

faster than chips powering other smartphones).

- Front glass is 4 times more durable.
- Magnets are inside phones so that wireless chargers can snap on more easily.
- All models have more advanced cameras.
- Preorders October 16: iPhone 12 and iPhone 12 Pro. Shipping October 23.
- Preorders November 6: iPhone 12 mini and the 12 Pro Max. Shipping November 13.



BIG SUR MACOS 11

MacWorld says, "It's a tidy up and a spring clean rather than a brand new macOS"

Big Sur, macOS 11 is coming soon. The Beta testing has been going on for months and the public Beta is out now. Some Apple geeks suggest that before upgrading to Big

Sur, it might be wise to put it on a different computer, e.g., your laptop vs your desktop, to experiment with it before committing to this change. The following comment from MacWorld is also worth noting.

But we just feel that this time round there isn't anything to make us stop in our tracks. It's a tidy up and a spring clean rather than a brand new macOS. The real changes are happening under the hood and until we get the [Silicon Macs](https://www.macworld.co.uk/feature/mac-software/mac-os-big-sur-review-3795660/) we won't really benefit from them.

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Many will be pleased to hear the return of the familiar Mac chime that we used to hear when Macs started up (most Macs sold since 2016 have been silent in their start up).

The free macOS 11 Big Sur software update will be released to all users with a compatible Mac in the fall, according to Apple.

Macs compatible with macOS 11 Big Sur:

- 2015 and later MacBook
- 2013 and later MacBook Air
- Late 2013 and later MacBook Pro
- 2014 and later iMac
- 2017 and later iMac Pro
- 2014 and later Mac mini
- 2013 and later Mac Pro

Accordingly, the following models capable of running macOS Catalina *will not* be able to be upgraded to macOS Big Sur:

- 2012 and Early 2013 MacBook Pro

- 2012 MacBook Air
- 2012 and 2013 iMac
- 2012 Mac mini

<https://www.macrumors.com/2020/06/22/mac-os-big-sur-compatible-macs/>



PREDICTION FOR WHEN FIRST APPLE SILICON MACS WILL ARRIVE

Multitudes of online Apple tech writers and reviewers have been busily predicting when the new Apple Silicon Macs using the custom chips will be available. In these unusual times with production delays, it is difficult to separate the wheat from the chaff, but the "reliable analyst Ming-Chi Kuo"* says it will be in November 2020. Likely the first Apple Silicon Macs would be a MacBook Pro and a 24-inch iMac. 9-5Mac online writer Michael Potuck says this is confirmed by Bloomberg as well.

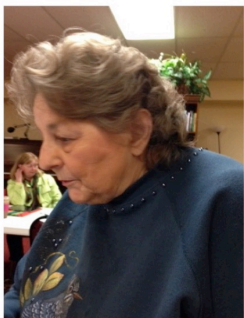
* Ming-Chi Kuo is an analyst at TF International Securities, a financial services group in the Asia-Pacific region. He gathers intelligence from his contacts in Apple's Asian supply chain, translating the information he gleans into research notes for clients.

<https://www.macrumors.com/guide/ming-chi-kuo/>



PHOTOS FROM DAPi Seed FILES

On the following two pages are photos from previous DAPi events. On Page 5, at one of our annual picnics at Oak Park is a photo of a special cloud that arrived while DAPi members were packing up to go home.





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Mac SIG meets the THIRD Tuesday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Troubleshooter Group Help SIG meets the FOURTH Thursday of each month from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. unless a holiday necessitates a change. Seed articles should be mailed to jjetherton@comcast.net, subject: Seed article.

Membership Form

Date _____ ☐ Renewal ☐ New ☐ Change
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Phone(s) _____
 Email _____
 Kind of Computer: Apple II _____ GS _____ Mac _____ OS _____

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