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

2021 CALENDAR

Mac SIG	May 18	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	May 27	4 th Thursday
Mac SIG	June 15	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	June 24	4 th Thursday
Picnic	July 11	Sunday
Help SIG	July 22	4 th Thursday
Mac SIG	August 17	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	August 26	4 th Thursday
Mac SIG	September 21	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	September 23	3 rd Thursday*
Mac SIG	October 19	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	October 28	4 th Thursday
Mac SIG	November 16	3 rd Tuesday
Help SIG	November 18	3 rd Thursday*
Christmas Party	December 21	3rd Tuesday
Help SIG	December 30	5 th Thursday*

**DIFFERENT FROM 4TH THURSDAY OF MONTH*

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

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Denver Apple Pi Mac SIG Meeting
May 18, 2021
Tuesday, 7:00 pm

Presenter: Larry Fagan
Subject: Potpourri

Special notes:

Officer elections at this meeting. Bring your ballot (Page 5 of April Seed) or notify elissamc@comcast.net

If you plan to attend this meeting, call Elissa at 303-421-8714. We need to set up the meeting room with socially-distanced chairs. You will need to wear a mask and bring a signed release. If you don't have a printed release, Extra forms will be available at meeting to give to the Church for their files.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS – NEW FORMAT

This May 2021, DAPI is instituting a new format for membership dues. **Our \$15 annual dues are now due on May 1 for the year for all DAPI members.** We didn't collect dues during the pandemic, so this is an opportune time to begin anew. Dues submitted during the hiatus will be applied for 2021-2022. Please send *DAPI dues for 2021-2022 to Elissa at 6501 Welch Court, Arvada CO 80004-2333.*

COMING EVENTS: May 18 Mac SIG. May Election of officers. Send ballot to Elissa McAlear at 6501 Welch Court, Arvada CO 80004-2333, with DAPi ballot in subject line. You may also bring it with you to the Mac SIG.

June 15: MacSIG speaker – Dave Taenzer of "Apple Addicts" – Cloud Storage, backups, contact lists.

DAPi Annual Summer Picnic July 11, 2021

This year our picnic will be at Allen House located at W64th Avenue and Quail Street on the SW corner (just north of Arvada West High School).

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.

SENIOR PLANET FROM Older Adults Technology Services (OATS)

Suggested by Roslyn Kinkel, DAPi member

Originally founded in 2004 in New York City, the organization was founded to give seniors the training they need to understand the power of technology no matter their circumstances. After a series of successful

collaborations, Older Adults Technology Services (OATS) formally joined the AARP family as a charitable affiliate in 2021 and now has an affiliate in Colorado. Through Senior Planet, this AARP-supported group can provide help for "Apple Addicts" thru Zoom conferences (during the pandemic).

Dave Taenzer gives online help for "Apple Addicts" groups on:

- 9:30 am, Tuesdays, iPhones and iPads
- 9:30 am, Thursdays, Mac laptops and desktops

John Rough gives individual assistance during a 30-minute appointment on:

- Fridays between 10 am and 12 noon

Websites for information and how to get involved are:

<https://seniorplanet.org/get-involved/online/>
<https://seniorplanet.org/locations/colorado/>
<https://seniorplanet.org/event/tech-talk-about-zoom/>

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- Senior Planet Colorado Local Tech Hotline: 720-776-0233



AIRTAGS

How to Find Your Stuff with an Apple AirTag attached

From your iPhone:

- Say "Hey Siri, Find My WHATEVER," and follow the sound to Whatever's unknown location, and/or,

- Follow the arrow direction shown on your iPhone screen and follow the directions.



AirTag was introduced in the Apple 21, 2021 livestream presentation and is now available. How does it work? Using Find My app on your Apple devices,

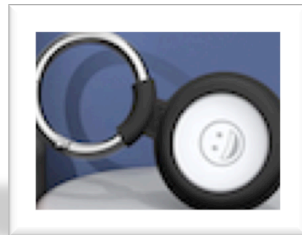
AirTag emits a signal that is end-to-end encrypted meaning no one else can use the signal to find your missing stuff. The AirTag sends a Bluetooth signal that can be detected by nearby devices in the Find My network, and then using iCloud, Find My app shows it on a map.

Cost: USA \$29, or four for \$99

Battery life: Apple says ~ 1 year depending on which battery you use

Devices:

- Newer iPhones, (iPhones 11 and 12 that use ultrawideband precise locator abilities) running iOS 14 work the best. Older phones from 6S thru iPhone SE (second generation) running iOS 14.5 will work, but maybe not as well as newer phones
- iPod Touch 7th generation, and various iPads and iPads from 2016 on



AirTag cases, key rings and armor cost extra, from \$13 each

<https://www.apple.com/airtag/>
<https://www.techradar.com/how-to/how-do-apples-airtags-work-your-questions-answered>

<https://beebom.com/ultra-wideband-technology-explained/>

AIRTAGS AND STALKERS

Megan Cerullo of CBS news writes on May 11, 2021 / 3:54 PM / MoneyWatch:

Apple's AirTag technology, the company's new device for helping people find lost items, could also let stalkers keep tabs on their victims. AirTags are "terrifyingly good at tracking stuff — and potentially helping stalkers."

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/apple-airtag-stalking-risk-tech-experts-warn/?ftag=CNM-00-10aac3a>



OWC AWARDED THREE GOLD STEVIE® AWARDS FOR 2021

From American Business Awards®

Other World Computing (OWC) will receive three awards, Nicknamed the "Stevies" for the Greek word meaning "crowned," during the 19th Annual American Business Awards® for 2021 at a live event on Wednesday, June 30.

The three awards are:

1. OWC Copy That, an app for iPhone and iPad (Consumer Electronics Category)
2. OWC Envoy Pro FX, a portable SSD (Hardware Storage Category)
3. OWC Thunderbolt Hub, (Computer Hardware Category)

Go to the website for complete explanations of these award winners. A record number of nominations were made this year, and OWC won three.

The OWC website has many Mac specials: SSD, Memory, Drives, Docks, Thunderbolt, Batteries, Macs. OWC provides expert phone and online support as well. 1-800-275-4576 and 1-815-338-8685

<https://eshop.macsales.com/blog/author/owc-newsfeed/>



iPhone 12 Overheating Issues

<https://beebom.com/fix-iphone-overheating-issue/>

A May 6, 2021 article from BeeBom gives tips on how to keep your iPhone 12 and iPhone 12 Pro from overheating. Using illustrations, this report gives ten tips to fix the overheating issue. In addition to these ten tips, Rajesh Mishra says you should first check out the "usual suspects" like software bugs and power-hungry features.

Included in the tips is the suggestion that your cheap, bulky case may not allow the phone to dissipate heat properly. Also, you should force quit apps if you aren't using them. Go to the above website for all ten tips along with illustrations to help you get rid of the overheating problem.



HARD DISK DRIVE VS. SOLID STATE DRIVE WHEN REPLACING YOUR STARTUP DISK.

Bob LeVitus writing for TheMacObserver on April 15, 2021 suggests "...if you are

replacing your startup disk, or will use this disk to boot your Mac," get an SSD even though it is more expensive. Read the full article that will help you decide what to do.

https://www.macobserver.com/columns-opinions/dr-macs-rants-raves/choosing-a-hard-or-solid-state-disk/?utm_source=tmo-express&utm_medium=email

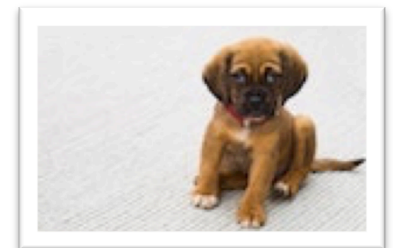


AIRPODS SURVIVE IN JIMMY'S DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

From the Web, April 2021

While Rachel was playing with her puppy and giving him Easter treats, Jimmy the puppy knocked AirPods out of her pocket and swallowed them—case and all.

Rachel rushed Jimmy to the local vet clinic that specializes in out-of-hours emergency care for pets. The X-ray images showed the AirPods lodged in the pup's digestive system. Apart from causing an obstruction, there was also the risk of the battery acid leaking. So, the vets decided to operate on the dog immediately. To their surprise, the AirPods case didn't have even a tooth mark and the charging light was still on.



IMAGEBOX SCANNER- GIVEAWAY

DAPi will give this "gently used" Pacific ImageBox flatbed scanner to a DAPi member at our next meeting on May 18, 2021. If you want it, go to the meeting and ask Tom King for it!



Specifications

Scanning media:	35mm film strips and mounted slides (Positive or negative, color or monochrome) Paper photos up to a format of 4" x 6" / 10cm x 15cm
Image Sensor:	9 mega pixels CMOS sensor (equal to 2400 dpi for 35mm film/slides 560 dpi for 4"x 6" Photo prints)
Display:	2.7" TFT LCD panel
TV Out:	PAL/NTSC
Memory card:	SD/SDHC (up to 32G, card not included)
Output file size:	File size in JPEG format is subject to compression setting
Interface:	USB 2.0 for SD/SDHC Card Reader used only
Light Source:	LED back light
Power:	5V, 1A DC adapter
Dimensions:	180 mm (H) x 229 mm (W) x 245 mm (L) 7.02" (H) x 8.93" (W) x 9.55" (L)
Weight:	1.8 Kg /3.97 lb

Package Contents

Imagebox 9MP Scanner Unit
Printed Quick Installation Guide
USB 2.0 cable

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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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