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Mac SIG & Help SIG Meetings are held at  
Applewood Community Church  
12930 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Golden CO 80401  
7-9 pm

## 2022 CALENDAR

MAC SIG	March 15	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
HELP SIG	March 24	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday
MAC SIG	April 19	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
HELP SIG	April 28	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday
MAC SIG	May 17	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
HELP SIG	May 26	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
MAC SIG	June 21	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday
HELP SIG	June 23	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday*
MAC SIG	July 17	Sunday Picnic

\*DIFFERENT FROM 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY OF MONTH

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

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**DAPi Mac SIG**  
**Tuesday**  
**March 15, 2022**

**Presenter: Larry fagan**

**Using the Pages App -  
Some Guidelines and Tips**

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

In May 2021, DAPi instituted 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. You can pay your dues to Elissa at the meetings or send *DAPi dues for 2021-2022 to Elissa at 6501 Welch Court, Arvada CO 80004-2333.*

**COMING EVENTS:**

Help SIG – March TBA

DAPi Election Nominations – April 2022

DAPi Election – May 2022

**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 [elissamc40@comcast.net](mailto:elissamc40@comcast.net) or at (303) 421-8714. Tom King says if you have questions about Excel for Mac (the spreadsheet software program), call Elissa in advance to get on the list.

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.

**DIFFICULTY HEARING AT DAPi MEETINGS?**

Using an FM radio with headphones, DAPi members can listen on their portable radio headphones to the presentations at DAPi meetings. The FM frequency will be announced at the meeting.

**APPLE SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS****New iPhone SE**

A new iPhone SE will have 5G, a physical home button and the A15 Bionic processor. This budget model starting at \$429 is

"nearly as capable as the super-expensive iPhones" according to *Wired*. Using this new chip enables better battery life. It can be charged wirelessly, but not with MagSafe technology. The home button allows touch ID but no facial recognition. Another headline elsewhere said Apple expects this iPhone SE will account for 40% of sales this year. And, the SE comes in three colors: midnight, starlight, and "Product" (red). Goes on sale March 18, 2022.

**M1 Ultra chip**

There is a new chip—the M1 Ultra. This chip is "essentially two M1 Max chips smushed together using die technology Apple calls "UltraFusion." This chip has 128 GB of graphics memory and seven times more transistors than the M1 chip says Boone Ashworth of *Wired*. The other chips Apple still uses are M1, the M1 Pro and the M1 Max.

**Mac Studio desktop**

Apple introduced a new desktop PC called the Mac Studio. It looks a bit like a big Mac Mini, but it is chunkier and WAY more powerful. The silver block is 4 inches tall and has many ports: Thunderbolt, USB-A, HDMI, and a headphone jack on the back. On the front are two USB-C ports and an SD card slot. Wi-Fi and Bluetooth are built in. The Mac Studio can use either an M1 Max or the new M1 Ultra Chip. Several monitors, called Studio Display, are designed specifically for this new Mac Studio. So, the desktop PC starts at \$1,999 with M1 Max Chip and \$3,999 with the M1 Ultra Chip. The Studio Display monitor starts at \$1,599. Stand options, including one that tips, are extra.

## iPad Air

The new iPad Air has a custom-designed M1 chip (same as in iPad Pros) that improves performance up to 60 percent. The front camera includes a 12-megapixel wide-angle camera and supports a software feature called Center Stage that keeps humans zoomed and centered in the frame during video calls. There are 64-GB and 256-GB configurations. It uses Wi-Fi, but cellular connectivity is an option. Starts at \$599.



## PEEK PERFORMANCE (THE SPECIAL EVENT ON MARCH 8, 2022)

If you missed this live event, you can always go to the website below to see the video.

To watch videos of previous Apple events, go to:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/apple-events-video/id275834665/>



## OTHER APPLE NEWS

- On Apple's official website, <https://www.apple.com/>, is a notice they will contribute 100% of your donations to Ukraine via a UNICEF link they show at the top of the page.
- A 2-27-2022 report online at Yahoo Finance: "Apple is 'ungodly well managed,'" Berkshire Hathaway's vice chairman Charlie Munger says. He also

said he has zillions of friends "who would almost part with their right arm before they'd part with their iPhone." He said he judges a company based on how much customers love it. Berkshire Hathaway is one of Apple's largest shareholders and Chairman Warren Buffet said that in 2020 Berkshire "probably made \$50 billion from Apple stock."



## YOUR APPLE ID

<https://appleid.apple.com/>

Apple ID is your personal account you use of access Apple services including

- App Store
- iCloud
- Messages
- Apple Online Store
- FaceTime

When you set up a new device or make a purchase or use any Apple Service, you use your Apple ID and password. Use the same ID everywhere you sign in to make sure all your Apple services and devices work together, and you can access your personal content from all your devices.

Learn more about security and your Apple ID. <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT201303>. Note that depending on the iOS for your devices, verification methods may differ. So check the above site for specific methods for your device(s).



## APPLE TO ALERT YOU IF YOUR Apple Devices Are INFECTED BY SPYWARE

[https://www.komando.com/security-privacy/apple-hack-alert/817819/?utm\\_medium=nl&utm\\_source=apple&utm\\_content=2022-03-07](https://www.komando.com/security-privacy/apple-hack-alert/817819/?utm_medium=nl&utm_source=apple&utm_content=2022-03-07)

In Kim Komando's article she describes what's behind this notice from Apple. It's complex, so read on the above website the details. In this case, hackers stole software designed by an Israeli tech firm.

Given the level of seriousness of these types of hacks, Apple says it will notify users when their Apple devices have been compromised by state-sponsored malware and spyware. <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT212960>.



## HACKERS CAN CRIPPLE A NATION'S INFRASTRUCTURE

*Sandworm* by Andy Greenberg

This book is not a novel. It's a carefully and tediously researched study named *Sandworm*. It "Shows how high-tech warfare is waged today in Eastern Europe," says Clifford Stoll, author of *Cuckoo's Egg*.

Hackers can cripple a nation's infrastructure, and author Greenberg has written a historical document that describes the professional hackers of Russia's government. The *Business Insider* says *Sandstone* is "The must-read guide to state-sponsored hacking." *Publishers Weekly* says, "Greenberg is an adroit investigator and gifted metaphorist. His lucid, dynamic exposé is a must-read." The book gives us a glimpse of the cyberwars of the future.



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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](mailto: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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