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CLUBHOUSE 1 \* 7:00 P.M.**



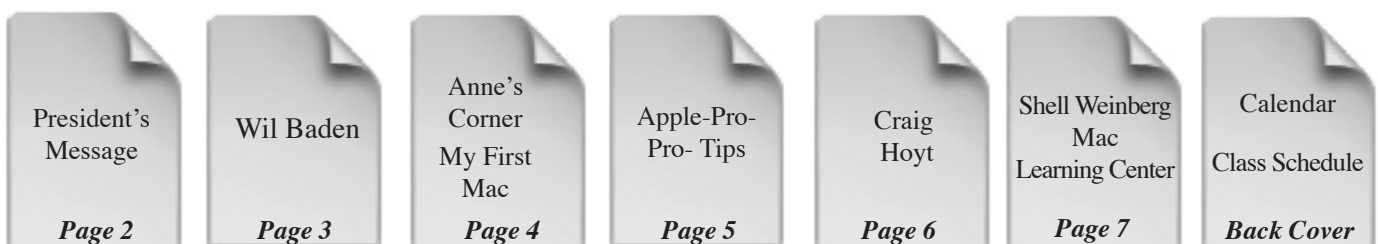
*“History of Apple Computer,  
Leopard and Spaces”*

*by Wil Baden*

Thursday, November 13, 2008  
"Another Revolution that Started in 1984"  
Our Speaker, Wil Baden, will talk about the  
latest revolution.

**6 p.m. “Ask the Gurus” Q & A**

*Inside Apple PEALINGS...*



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**Board Meetings**.....Tuesday afternoon, 1:15 p.m.,  
following the Thursday General Meeting each month.

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## President's Message...



**Board Matters.** Metche Franke has been elected to our Board. Metche is a retired music teacher and holds a PhD degree. More importantly, she is an enthusiastic Mac user. She also helps Anne as a teaching assistant in the Email/Internet class as well as the Photoshop Elements 6 class.

**New Treasurer.** After 15 years of service, John Hansen is retiring as Treasurer effective November 15, 2008. John is a charter member of our Mac Club. He has fond memories of attending meetings when there was only one Computer Club which held meetings in a small room in Clubhouse 1. Usually these members owned a Mac or a PC or were wondering what the fuss was about with these wonderful personal computers.

John also acted as Membership chairman for our club for these many years. Recently, Carol Peterson has assumed this role. Meanwhile, I hope John can relax and enjoy his photography hobby and his family.

Wim Vermolen has accepted the Treasurer's position effective November 15. Wim is now assisting John in processing the checks for members renewals. (Hint: Please send in your 2009 membership now.)

**Call for Volunteers.** Several months ago I made an appeal in our general meeting for members to step up and become more active in our club. Metche attended our Board meetings and is now a Board member. Dennis MCGovern has volunteered to create a database for our club roster that will aid our Treasurer, Membership, and Librarian. Dennis is using FileMaker Pro, and the early efforts look impressive. Lee Wight, a recent new member, has volunteered to be our software reviewer. This can be a fun job.

Perhaps you have interests or skills that could help improve the club. Let us know how you would like to help. We need a Historian, for example.

**Call me at 837-6080 or email me.**

**Cheers.....Charles**

“Happy Thanksgiving.”



## *Thursday, November 13, 2008*

*“Another Revolution that Started in 1984”*

*Our Speaker, Wil Baden, will talk about the latest revolution.*

The Macintosh computer, that was introduced and released in January, 1984, has changed how people use computers. It also changed publishing, graphic design, education, and much more. Now Apple has done it again with an effort that began in 1997 with the return of Steve Jobs, and finished a year ago with the introduction of  
Operating System Leopard.

**Apple has again changed the best way to operate a Mac.**

Wil Baden, a professional programmer, a consultant and advisor for many companies and organizations, has spoken not only in the U.S., but also in China and in Germany. In 1990 Wil Baden became moderator of the OACC Users Group.

His “Open-Firmware compiler” was adopted by Apple and was used in every Mac from 1995 until the Intel Machines.

After the Presentation, there will be  
Door Prizes for Mac Club Members.

Here are the names of the door prize winners of the  
October 2, 2008,  
General meeting, in the order drawn:

Anne Clark Shell Weinberg Patricia Rook Ruth Reich  
Russ Hofgren Jackie Riegel Dennis McGover  
Marianna Spoelder John Dewey

# "Anne's Corner"



## HELPFUL MAC WEB SITES AND ONLINE TUTORIALS

HERE ARE SOME INFORMATIVE WEB SITES FOR NEW AND INTERMEDIATE MAC USERS ALIKE:

1. [MyFirstMac.com](http://MyFirstMac.com) - ARTICLES NOT ONLY FOR FIRST-TIME MAC USERS.
2. [SwitchToAMac.com](http://SwitchToAMac.com) - MANY ARTICLES TO ASSIST IN SWITCHING TO A MAC.
3. [Apple.com/findouthow/mac/](http://Apple.com/findouthow/mac/) - ONLINE APPLE VIDEO TUTORIALS.
4. [Apple.com/support](http://Apple.com/support) - HELP TOPICS AND DISCUSSIONS.
5. [MacInstruct.com](http://MacInstruct.com) - INFORMATIONAL ARTICLES.
6. [OSXhelp.com](http://OSXhelp.com) - TUTORIALS AND TIPS FOR ALL MAC USERS.

ENJOY!

ANNE CLARK

### *Apple - Pro - Pro -Tips*

Dragging Text on the Dock for Fast Results

Let's say you're reading an article online, and you read a sentence that you want to email to a friend. Don't do the copy-and-paste thing. Instead, just highlight the text and drag-and-drop it right on the Mail icon in the Dock. It will open Mail and put that sentence into a new mail message. This tip also works in other Cocoa applications like TextEdit, Stickies, and Safari. For example, if you're reading a story and want to do a Google search on something you've read, just highlight the text and drag-and-drop it on the Safari icon in the Dock. It will launch Safari and display the Google Search Results.



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# Apple - Pro - Pro -Tips



Safari instantly tells you how many times the term appears on the page. The first occurrence is indicated in your highlight color, and all subsequent ones are framed in white. The remainder of the page dims to gray.

You can advance from one occurrence to the next by pressing the Return key (or typing Command-g). Holding Shift while pressing return (or typing Command-Shift-g) steps you backwards between occurrences. When you're finished, press the Done button next to the search field, closing the Find Banner.

For Google searches, just type Command-Option-f. This jumps your cursor to the main Search field, ready for you to type a search phrase.

It's easy to revisit your Google search results. Each time you enter a new search, Safari remembers the search results page. Click through to as many pages as you like — if you want to snap back to the Search results, simply click the orange arrow to the right of the Search field.

## Searchin' Safari

Safari's search features are more powerful than ever in Mac OS X Leopard.

To search a web page for text, type Command-f, which opens the Find banner near the top of the browser window. Type your search term. (No need to press Return.)



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## *Are You Part Of The Problem? Craig Hoyt*

Junk mail, don't you hate it? This is one of those topics that we all can agree on and disagree on. We get bombarded with junk mail daily, and it seems to never stop. No one wants it, needs it, uses it, but it comes anyway. Now that we are in the 'Computer Age', there is yet another way to get more crap delivered to us. The common term for junk email is 'SPAM'. As of April 2008, the total volume of spam is over 100 billion emails per day.

There is an old saying, 'One Man's Junk Is Another Man's Treasure'. This clearly illustrates that we can't seem to agree what is junk and what is not. Some of us are glad to receive coupons in our standard mail, while others take it straight to the trash can. Most of us agree that the Viagra, weight loss pills, hair growing/removing, get rich quick schemes and such, are spam, and we surely don't want these. The definition of junk gets blurry with others. We also get jokes, cute, funny or interesting pictures and videos, political diatribe, and more from our friends or relatives. Hello! This is spam too!

Some say, 'Wait a minute, I like this stuff and want it'. Others say, 'I thought this was funny so I forwarded it to all my other friends'. Do we need a better definition of spam? Not really, as the true definition is, 'Any Unsolicited Email Attachments Are Spam'. So forwarding that joke to a friend is spamming them, and makes you a spammer.

As the sender of spam, it is not up to you to define exactly what is spam and what is not, what is desirable and what is not. It is the recipient's call, not yours. Do you get permission to forward spam before you send? I think not! Many that engage in spamming claim that they are doing no harm. Is this true or a gross misunderstanding of the facts? Let's look at the unintended consequences to our actions.

We all spend a lot for our fast broadband internet accounts. How many times have you noticed that the internet seems to bog down for no apparent reason. This can be caused by many issues but the most common is excessive traffic. Our highways can operate at normal speeds, but add just 5% more vehicles and the speeds drop to stop and go. The internet operates much the same way. So sending spam attachments adds to the traffic and slows us all down. We fail to get the internet speed we pay for because millions send useless spam everyday. Another adage, 'Time Is Money'. So there is an actual financial consequence to spam. But this is the tip of the iceberg.

Forwarding large pictures, several pictures, or videos can clog others email mailboxes and prevent real and wanted emails from being delivered. They also take much longer to download, so even if you filter out this junk mail, and never see it, it delays you from getting the emails you do want.

Many of those emails that we like to forward contain virus, worms, trojan horses, popups, and other malware. Why? Because, the truly bad guys know we will send that joke or picture around to our friends and family and thus infecting them. Once a computer is infected, it grabs the email address book and forwards itself to others. This allows a single email to contaminate millions in just a few hours, all without you knowing that you were involved. These emails appear to be from you, so the recipient will open, and the process starts over and spreads. So you say, 'I have a Mac, I don't get viruses'. Well this is true as of today, but this can change at any time. We all have friends, relatives, and neighbors who use PCs. We can forward all this bad stuff to them and they are susceptible unlike us Mac users. There is a cottage industry selling antivirus software that would be unnecessary if we curtail our bad habits. Another waste of money is paying the tech guy to remove and rid us of this bad stuff. Do you really want to be responsible for infecting your friends and family? I know of several cases where victims have had to buy new computers because they were infected so badly, again a financial consequence to our bad behavior.

So, if you're not sure, use this as a method to decide whether or not to forward that email. If the attachment is important enough to print it out, using your expensive ink and paper, put in an envelope, put a stamp on it, and drive to the post office to mail it, then go ahead and send. But if not, don't. Better yet, print it out and actually mail it anyway, just to keep you honest. If you receive spam, send them back this article (this also would be considered spam). If you want to stop getting spammed, the first step should be stop sending it. Tell your friends and family to not send you anymore spam. Always be careful who you give your email address to. Reliable web sites can and will sell your email address, without your permission. Stop being part of the problem and help make all our lives just a little bit better.

## Macintosh Learning Center

--- Shell Weinberg

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Laguna Woods Village Community Center, 3rd floor

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday

### **Reviewing Fundamentals & Basics:**

#### **Finder and the Desktop** (when using OS X)

An area of some confusion for Beginners and new users is the Finder and its partner the Desktop. So I thought it would be helpful to repeat the Fundamental & Basic information I had offered in a column two years ago.

The subject today is the often used **Finder**. Interestingly, when you boot the Mac you will always see **Finder** in 2 locations on the screen. Each presents information, or commands, that can be used to navigate within the computer system. However, even though the word **Finder** is the same, there is actually a very different reason for using one or the other.



Look at the upper left corner of your Menu Bar... next to the Apple is an area referred to as the *Application menu* and this is where the word **Finder** will probably be showing. (Note: The **Application menu word** will change according to the Application you have launched or activated.)

When you drop this menu you will see the **commands** available to you. Some of them appear black (*available*) and some of them are grayed (*this means not available and will not function in the mode on your screen*). A single click on a black command will activate or open that item. These commands deal with management of the Operating System.

Because the word **Finder**, as it appears on the Menu Bar, always shows when you are in the **Desktop** mode, it sort of makes these two words interchangeable. So, when active in the



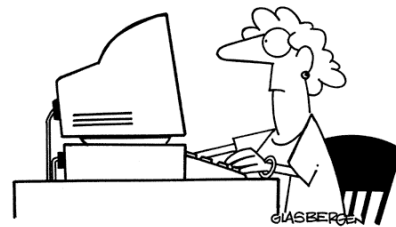
Finder you're also at the Desktop, and vice versa. The fact is, there really is a technical difference between the two words but for simplicity I prefer to think of them as interchangeable. You will never see the word Desktop on the Menu Bar.



Now, the second location for **Finder**, is the icon in the first position on the Dock. Same word, different use. A single click on this icon **opens a window** which will show you the applications, programs, folders, and files that are stored on your Hard Drive. A double click on one of these icons will launch the program or open a window.

And now you know the difference... when you want to access the **Finder commands**, go to the **Finder on the Menu Bar**.

When you want to see the **Finder window**, showing where your various files are stored, go to the **Finder on the Dock**.



**"Welcome to the Weight Loss Forum. To lose one pound, double-click your mouse 6 million times."**



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* <b>e-Mail / Internet CLASS</b> ( <i>Anne Clark</i> )	Thursday, November 6	1:00 - 3:00 pm
<b>Comp BEGINNERS' SESSION</b> ( <i>Murray Massin</i> )	Friday, November 7	1:00 - 3:00 pm
* <b>Mac for Dummies &amp; Pages class</b> ( <i>Shell Weinberg</i> )	Wednesday, November 12	1:00 - 3:00 pm
<b>GENERAL MEETING</b>	Thursday, November 13	6:00 - 8:15 pm
<b>BOARD Meeting</b> in Spruce Room ( <i>Adm. Bdg.</i> )	Tuesday, November 18	1:15 - 3:30 pm
* <b>Photoshop Elements 6 CLASS</b> ( <i>Anne Clark</i> )	Thursday, November 20	1:00 - 3:00 pm
<b>iMovie Q &amp; A</b> ( <i>Michael Moore</i> )	Friday, November 21	1:00 - 3:00 pm
* <b>INTERMEDIATE OS X CLASS</b> ( <i>Wim Vermolen</i> )	Tuesday, November 25	1:00 - 3:00 pm
<b>THANKSGIVING DAY (L.C. CLOSED) Tuesday &amp; Friday, November 27 &amp; 28</b>		

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