

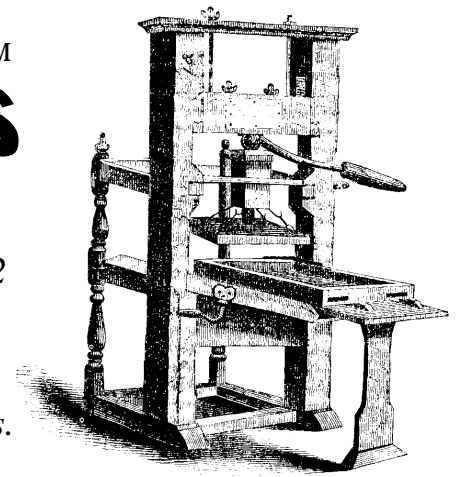


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## AppleSiders News

### AppleSiders PRESS Goes Electronic

The officers decided that we will give the electronic version a try. You all will receive two (2) more hard copy issues in addition to the PDF file of AppleSiders PRESS. After that, you will just be sent the email PDF version. When you receive your next PRESS, check to see that you received an email message with the attached PDF file. If you haven't, you should check that the membership secretary has your current correct email address. And be sure to keep AppleSiders apprised of any changes to your address.

We plan to also make the issues of AppleSiders PRESS available on our web site. You will be able to get back issues should you misplace your PDF file. The current issue will be posted about one week after it is sent to all members in good standing (dues current).

We hope you will enjoy receiving and reading your AppleSiders PRESS newsletter this way. Get in the habit of checking your email at least once a day, just like your USPS mailbox, so you don't miss any important announcements or your newsletter.  
—Terrance F. Crooker

When sending email from or to or through EOS (Exodus Online Services) do not use a subject that just contains "Hi". In Microsoft Outlook Express this will return a error message stating that your mailbox is full and the message cannot be sent. This is an incorrect error report from Outlook, however your message will NOT be sent.

#### The reason?

EOS is filtering messages that use "Hi" as the subject. Most of these are SPAM. You may use "Hi" as long as you include more text, just not "Hi" all by itself.  
—Terrance F. Crooker

### Apple Receives Technical Grammy

For many people, the Grammy awards are an annual event wherein the music recording industry congratulates itself for selling lots of albums, and shamelessly uses the occasion to sell a few more albums by putting some hot-selling acts and half-naked celebrities on prime time television.

Beginning in 1994, however, the Recording Academy began awarding technical Grammys for individuals and companies which have made "contributions of outstanding technical significance to the recording field." Past winners include Les Paul (a pioneer of the electric guitar and multitrack recording), Ray Dolby (noise reduction technology), Digidesign (high-end digital recording tools), and George Massenburg (parametric EQ, mix automation, and other production tools).

This year's technical Grammys will go to Robert Moog and Apple Computer. Bob Moog was an early developer of analog synthesizers whose instruments brought electronic music into the mainstream beginning in the late 1960s, while Apple is being praised for playing a leading role bringing computer technology into the process of writing, producing, and recording music. Although Windows-based PCs have made some inroads in the last few years, professional audio is one of those niche markets where Apple sells a lot of high-end hardware, and since the late 1980s Macs have led the way in professional and semi-professional computer-based recording (often in combination with hardware from companies like Mark of the Unicorn and/or Digidesign).

It's nice to see the industry acknowledge that Apple's systems and inventiveness continue to play such an important role, although that merely adds to the irony of the record labels' online music services not being compatible with the Mac. [GD]

### PCs and Macs

Here is a book review from TidBITS for those of us who have to learn to work with those PCs in addition to our beloved Macs.

*Crossing Platforms: A Macintosh/Windows Phrasebook A Dictionary for Strangers in a Strange Land*

By Adam Engst, David Pogue 1st Edition  
November 1999 1-56592-539-4, Order  
Number: 5394 326 pages, \$29.95 US \$43.95  
CA £20.95 UK

#### Full Description

Like travelers in a foreign land, Mac users working in Windows or Windows users working on a Mac often find themselves in unfamiliar territory with no guidebook. *Crossing Platforms: A Macintosh/Windows Phrasebook*, with information presented in a translation dictionary-like format, offers users a handy way of translating skills and knowledge from one platform to the other. Whether it's explaining the difference between Macintosh aliases and Windows shortcuts or explaining how a Windows user would go about setting up Internet access on a Mac, this book provides readers a simple means to look up familiar interface elements and system features and learn how that element or feature works on the other platform.

*Crossing Platforms: A Macintosh/Windows Phrasebook* includes:

- \* A general introduction to the key differences between the Mac and Windows
- \* A to Z sections for each platform: one section where Mac users look up familiar Macintosh terms to find the equivalent function in Windows along with an explanation of the differences; and another section where Windows users

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ers find familiar Windows terms with pointers to the Macintosh equivalent along with full descriptions of how the function works on the Mac and important differences between the two platforms.

The complete translation dictionary-like reference book, *Crossing Platforms: A Macintosh/Windows Phrasebook* provides a simple solution for everyone who has been confused and frustrated by the arbitrary and sometimes capricious differences between the Macintosh and Windows operating systems. This book bridges the Mac-PC knowledge gap many users are faced with when work or preference demands the use of both a PC and Mac. Whether you already know the Macintosh or Windows, this book helps you navigate in the other operating system using your existing skills and knowledge.

Reviews "*Crossing Platforms* is an extremely useful book, whichever platform you're more familiar with. It won't burden you with information you don't need, and it won't force you to take the time to read cover-to-cover in order to gain familiarity with your new operating system. Instead, it takes advantage of what you already know, translating your need (in the vocabulary of one system) to the solution (in the vocabulary of the other)." -- Paul Fatula, ATPM, June 2001

"A simple solution for everyone who has been confused and frustrated by the arbitrary and sometimes capricious differences between the Macintosh and Windows operating systems." --Reginald Bosanquet, Freelance Informer, Feb 18, 2000

"So why would a Macintosh user want to cross over and learn a Windows-based computer? The answer is sooner or later, your work will force you to learn a second language. And when you do, you'll find *Crossing Platforms* invaluable." -- Sam McMillan, Communication Arts, May/June 2000

"A definitive guide to terminology, techniques and system information for individuals working in both Windows and Macintosh environments." --Paper Clips, March 2000

"Pogue and Angst are two of the premier Macintosh authors, having exceptional talent in writing with skill and wit for all levels of the Mac community. Their hearts are firmly entrenched with us Applefiends, but they realize Windows is here to stay (and vice versa) In this concise, no-nonsense book, Adam and David don't have the opportunity to wow us with the pithy prose they use in their regular TidBITS and Macworld columns, but don't let that deter you from buying and studying every word in this RECOMMENDED and ground breaking new book from Book Bytes Award winners." -- John Nemerovski, My Mac Magazine, April 2000

"Anyone who is proficient on one platform and finds himself needing to identify and learn the alternative operating system counterpart will love this book. It's well-thought-out and could be indispensable." -- Houston Chronicle Dec 31, 1999

"This invaluable guide will be treasured by everyone from the harried corporate IT Manager to the hapless temp who

knows not what machine-set awaits at to-morrow's assignation. It is a bridge over garbled command sets that will help foster office peace." --Tony Reveaux, Film/Tape World, January 2000

"It could be one of the most important books that you'll be buying this year. In fact, it's one of those books that should be in every reference library of every business in town... this book should be included automatically with your computer when you buy it... this book has been needed for a long time, and I would like to welcome it to the world." --Mark Burrows, Western Slope Sunday, Glenwood Springs, CO, Jan 9, 2000

"Third Annual Book Bytes Award: Best Mac-Win Book" Feb 2001

## AppleSiders Newest Special Interest Group Genealogy SIG

The first meeting of the AppleSiders Genealogy SIG was held on Valentine's Day, Thursday evening, at the Maple Knoll Village on Springfield Pike.

Twenty five or more persons met. Most have email capability. Most are AppleSiders.

We began by introducing ourselves and each person told something about his experience and interest in genealogy. It is truly a diverse group. Four persons have more than ten years of genealogy experience. About 5 have no experience at all. The rest are in between.

Of those that use software for keeping family tree information in an orderly fashion, the majority use the Macintosh application Reunion. A few use Family Tree Maker. Formerly it was available for Mac, but the last few versions are for PC only. A number have not used a program and are interested in learning to use Reunion.

For beginners, Jack Countryman and Don Sheehan have agreed to meet, perhaps at the AppleSiders meeting room at Rapid Copy Printing, and give some basic instruction of where to start such as how to enter information in the name, birthdate, birth place fields, etc. Further instruction will teach users to

enter information for sons and daughters or grandparents. The monthly SIG meetings will be a place to discuss Reunion questions and problems.

Reunion, version 7, will work with any Macintosh computer which has a CD drive using operating system 7.6 or later. Purchasing earlier versions on ebay or at a swap or convention is an option for those with pre-PPC hardware. For anyone who has not seen Reunion, there is a demo version for free downloading at <leisterpro.com/>. Before the next meeting, for those not familiar with Reunion, download the demo and play with it. Follow the simple instructions for downloading. Follow the usual Macintosh practices for opening the application and you will have a sample family file, the John Fitzgerald Kennedy family. Play with this application by clicking on buttons for any of the fields. Change or alter whatever you wish. Have fun.

We discussed the tremendous resources already available in Hamilton County, including the public library and the Family History Centers run by volunteers of the Latter Day Saints. These Centers are extensions of the world's largest genealogy system that has been set up and maintained by the Mormons (Latter Day Saints).

Peg Sulsted is arranging with one of the Family History Centers (FHC) for an orientation tour for interested SIG members during normally closed hours. One of the things we will learn is how to access the IGI system which now includes 700 million individual names. Hands-on use of the resources will be assisted by the volunteers. If the numbers interested require it, the center will open on two dates for ease of use and assistance.

The next AppleSiders Genealogy SIG meeting will be on the second Thursday of March at Maple Knoll Village. The first choice for the FHC tour is a Saturday afternoon in March. If a second date is needed, it could be the same day and time or another choice. More information will be posted soon on the listserv.

—Don Sheehan and Peg Sulsted

## 2002 Programs

The program director and the officers are working on lining up programs for the main monthly meetings. Below is a list of what are on tap so far. We welcome your input. Send ideas to: [program@applesiders.com](mailto:program@applesiders.com)

Feb 20: Ralph Cautley, Institute for Learning in Retirement - "Photoshop For All Ages"

Mar 20: Peggy Odell, Special Ed Resource Center - "Enabling Technologies"

April 17: open\*

May 15: open\*

June 19: open\*

July 17: MacWorld Update

August 21: open\*

September 18: open\*

October : open\*

November: AppleVention?

December: open

SIGs - let each SIG pick a month to present a program.

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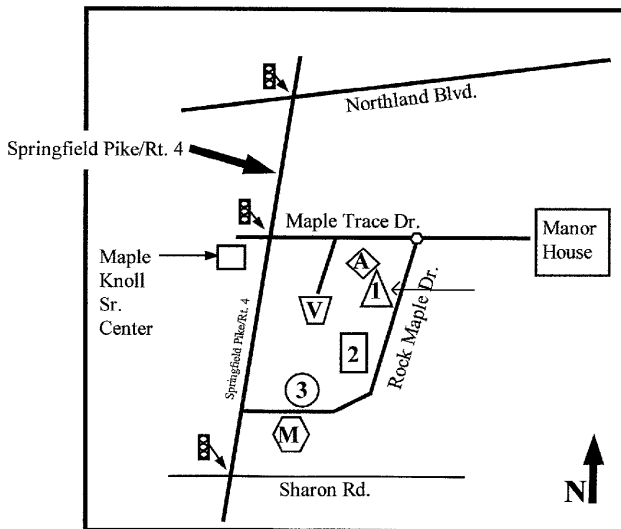
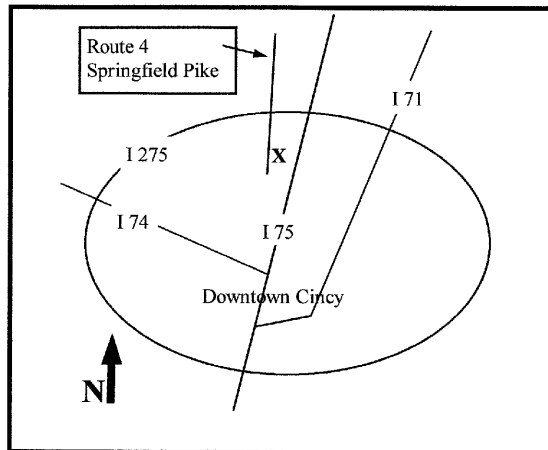
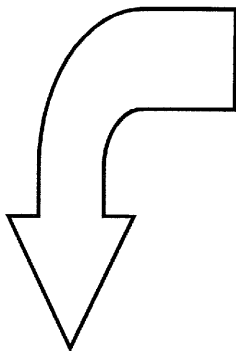
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