

MUGSHOT

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From the Presidents Corner



The Way I See It by: Tim Rankin

Here are some excellent tips from Jack Kraft, VMUG President as excerpts from one of his recent computer columns.

Are there times when you wished you had an encyclopedia at your fingertips or access to a big city library system? The first encyclopedia that comes to mind is called Wikipedia, it is free, and is located at <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Encyclopedia>. Of course there are others, and Yahoo Education is excellent <http://education.yahoo.com/reference/encyclopedia/>. This even has a pronunciation key or guide.

Now that we have touched on encyclopedias and education, that brings the subject of libraries to mind. Library Spot is a good starting point - www.libraryspot.com/librariesonline.htm. This has links to many other libraries, so you now have a full education or reference section in your computer with the help of the Internet.

Do you like audio books? These are great for serious walkers or joggers. Try going to Free Classic Audio Books - <http://freeclassicaudiobooks.com/>. Most of these are real classics where the copywrite has expired and they are now into the public domain.

February Program

Do you remember the 3D movies when you went to the theater and were given a pair of 3D glasses consisting of a cardboard pair of glasses with red & blue lens that allowed you to view the movie in 3D? Once again, this will be possible, but this time all you need to do is come on out to the February meeting where you will be provided with the 3D glasses and have an opportunity to view an extensive, narrated slide show of 3D anaglyphs courtesy of Jim Sprunger, a local graphic artist, who has been working with analglyphs for some time now and has mastered the technique of converting digital and scanned images (including some of his own art work) into breaktaking 3D images. The only thing we can't offer is popcorn. This may be one of the most interesting and amazing demos you've seen. Check out the first Slide of the program at the end of this newsletter. This is in 3D which with the 3D glasses you will be able to see as an analygph.

Apple News

By [Antone Gonsalves](#)
[InformationWeek](#)

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Apple has postponed the release of the Apple TV software update by a week or two, saying it needed more time to finish the upgrade that would let people rent movies directly from their televisions.

The company also said on Wednesday it had started shipping the MacBook Air, the ultra-thin **notebook** introduced at Macworld in San Francisco this month. The Air, which costs \$1,799, weighs about 3 pounds, has a 13.3-inch display, and is 0.16 of an inch thick at its thinnest point.

In delaying the Apple TV upgrade, the company said the software wasn't quite finished. "Apple now plans to make the free software download available to existing Apple TV customers in another week or two," the company **said in a statement**. Apple chief executive Steve Jobs had said **during his Macworld keynote** that the software would be ready by the end of January.

The software update will allow people to rent movies from Apple's **iTunes** online music store directly from their TVs. Apple expects to have more than 1,000 movie titles available by the end of February, including more than 100 high-definition titles.

Apple's catalog represents only a tiny portion of the movie libraries of the six major studios that have agreed to make films available on iTunes. The studios include 20th Century Fox, Warner Bros., Walt Disney, Paramount, Universal, and Sony. New films will not be available on iTunes until 30 days after they ship to retailers on DVD.

Apple Financial News

Apple reports best quarterly revenue and earnings in its history

Announcing financial results for its fiscal 2008 first quarter, which ended December 29, 2007, Apple today posted revenue of \$9.6 billion and net quarterly profit of \$1.58 billion, or \$1.76 per diluted share. These results compare to revenue of \$7.1 billion and net quarterly profit of \$1 billion, or \$1.14 per diluted share, in the year-

ago quarter. In attaining its highest revenue and earnings in company history, Apple shipped 2,319,000 Macs, a 44% unit growth and 47% revenue growth over the year ago quarter; sold 22,121,000 iPods, representing five percent unit growth and 17 percent revenue growth over the year-ago quarter; and sold 2,315,000 iPhones in the quarter. [Jan 22, 2008]

Other News

New Experimental Website Converts Photos Into 3D Models

ScienceDaily (Jan. 28, 2008) — An artist might spend weeks fretting over questions of depth, scale and perspective in a landscape painting, but once it is done, what's left is a two-dimensional image with a fixed point of view. But the Make3d algorithm, developed by Stanford computer scientists, can take any two-dimensional image and create a three-dimensional "fly around" model of its content, giving viewers access to the scene's depth and a range of points of view.

This seemed a timely item. (Ed.)

OMUG Minutes

There will be no formal minutes for this meeting simply because your President totally forgot (Senior moment plus) to ask someone to take minutes since our regular and most efficient OMUG Secretary, Sally Smyth had advised him in advance that she would not be able to make this meeting. Here is a quick overview of the meeting. We had 28 folks in attendance with Ray Gonzalez becoming a new member. Phil Davis

our OMUG Homepage webmaster, gave us one more fantastic program which he entitled the "Best of Both Worlds" highlighting running both Mac OS X 10.5 (Leopard) and Windows XP Professional version (or Vista, if desired) on a Mac Pro tower with an Intel Processor. He utilized software known as VM Fusion to have both platforms up and running at the same time and was able to seamlessly switch back and forth. He also showcased several of his favorite Mac programs many of them free downloads and he has put this information on the OMUG website. We had our 50/50 raffle and a brief Q & A session and adjourned.



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Tip Of The Month

Searching Just Your Bookmarks

If you're trying to search for a particular bookmark, you'll want to know this trick: First, click on the Show All Bookmarks icon in the top-left corner of the Bookmarks Bar. Doing this makes the Collections column visible on the left side of Safari, but more importantly, it adds a Search field at the bottom center of the Safari window. When you type search terms in this field, it searches just within your bookmarks, so you get super-fast results.-- Courtesy of Scott Kelby from "Mac OS X Killer Tips"

Treasurer's Report

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TREASURER'S REPORT

January 31, 2008

Account Balance 12/31/07			\$594.13
Income: 1/08/08 Meeting	50/50 Raffle	52.00	
	Membership	<u>10.00</u>	+62.00
	(Ray Gonzalez)		
Expenses:1/08/08 Meeting	Rent (Senior Center)	28.00	
	Quarterly Donation		
	(City of Ocala)	50.00	
	Refreshments	2.59	
	50/50 Items	<u>28.99</u>	-109.58
Account Balance January 31, 2008			<u>\$546.55</u>

Respectfully submitted by Judy Rankin
for Clint Jones, Treasurer

A Slide Show

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Illustrated

In 3D

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