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From the Presidents Corner

The Way I See It
by: **Tim Rankin**

Google is a great search engine. You can find out more than you need to know about anything imaginable. It does other things that you might find a need for. **Tricks with Google.** Go to Google.com in your browser. • **Find an Address.** You've got a phone number, but you don't know the address? Type the phone number (area code, etc.) in the search box. Google will find the address and give a link to maps. • **Find Pictures.** Select Images on the Google page. Type the kind of pictures you want to see and click Search. Control-click on the picture you want and select "Download image to disk" to put the picture on your desktop .

March Program

For the March presentation Ed Muhs, a VMUG member will bring his computer and have an open discussion of how he uses his computer and how he got there. He has found that when he talks with people that we all use and do things differently on the computer. He feels that if he shows you what he does and which programs he uses maybe he will start someone down a different path. Some of the programs he uses daily and will discuss in his Presentation are Apple's Mail, Safari, iTunes, 1passwd and different photo programs. Ed will not have a set program, but will spend time and energy where the groups interest leads.

Apple News

.AMD Chips for Apple

A report from DigiTimes says that Apple will start using some AMD chips in its laptop computers. This is so Apple will have more than one supplier. We will see if this comes true.

Mac OS X 10.5 Leopard

Apple has moved the Worldwide Developers Conference to June 11-15, a couple of months earlier than usual. There are rumors that Apple has done this so that Leopard can be released at the Conference. Rumors are also saying that iLife 07 and iWork 07 will be released at the same time.

Other News

DiskWarrior 4.0 is here

Disk Warrior, one of the leading disk repair utilities for the Mac, is now available. It is for use with both PowerPC-based and Intel-based Macs. The update will discover problems early and will identify corrupted Preference (.plist) files. It costs \$100 or \$50 for an upgrade

OMUG Minutes

OMUG Minutes of February 6, 2007

Arriving early, Earl Satterfield sat alone at the entry table, eager and ready, as always, to sell 50/50 Raffle tickets. He was joined presently by Treasurer Clint Jones and Judy arrived with her new project which



was a WOWER! She explained it all later at the Q&A portion of the meeting.

We were 18 in all, including new potential member Pat Dreyfus and returning members Carolyn Thomson and Dennis Moeder, guest presenter James Lee and wife, Mary Ellen.

Remembering the old and much loved Classic NotePad, Mr. Lee of Tropical Software, Inc., has created TopXNotes which is an advanced NotePad for Mac OS X. He speaks to Mac User Groups all around the country and says the he "Wants to speak to them ALL!" The software costs \$40.00 but is \$35.00 to Mac User Members.

TopXNotes is a rich and an intuitive program which encompasses QuickNotes, NoteOrganizer, MultiView, Templates, Encryption, Text and so much more. It works in iSpeech and is MacSpeech ready. It has a large range of fonts, styles, icons, tools, bookmarks, import/export capacity, background page colors sizes and a special "emphasis color" which creates a permanent "highlight" to text on the note. Multiple notes can be shown in one window and links added to the note can go straight to the website (you can customize and edit those URL links). A desktop feature is a QuickNotes floating icon. When "clicked", it shows the top ten or twenty notes. An additional important option in the preferences is the "auto save" which is great for we FL residents with those pesky power outages. It takes snap shots of notes in "save" so you can go back and retrieve deleted notes. Several OMUG members purchased the software from Jim and we were all most appreciative for a truly interesting and informative program. Thank you James.

It was Q&A time and Judy Rankin took the floor and revealed to us the "how-to" of her current project. At an earlier meeting she had won the 50/50 raffle and had chosen a "Elements Craft Projects" book from the table. Months later, she set to work and produced four tiles on which, she had "printed" a most decorative motif (using special laser paper, printing, drying, soaking the decals and laying them on the tiles, followed by a polymer coat after drying) proving that one can not only print tee shirts and such, but can

even create coasters or even tiled table tops ~ the sky's the limit, it seems, using the unlimited and imaginative PhotoShop Elements program, an active imagination, time on your hands and of course, dexterity with good printer! Thank you Judy.

50/50 winners were Virginia Baldwin and Bill Raines who took the cash and Mel Brantley and Clint Jones who chose from the table.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Treasurer's Report

February 28, 2007

Beginning Bank Balance February 1, 2007	\$211.33
Income: February 6th meeting - 50/50 raffle	+ 27.00
Expenses:	
Newsletter	30.00
50/50 Items	24.98
Rent	28.00
Refreshments	21.38
Speaker Fee	<u>30.00</u>
	<u>-134.36</u>
Bank Balance February 28, 2007	<u>\$103.97</u>

Respectfully submitted by Judy Rankin
for Clint Jones, Treasurer

Membership Report

As you can see our treasury is getting rather low but with the new membership year beginning May 1st hopefully we can squeak by another month. Membership dues are \$30 per year for either a single or family membership and will secure your membership through April 30, 2008.



Tip of the Month

This one may not be too important for those sitting at a desktop, but I'm sure the laptop users will find it useful in lieu of struggling with the touch pad.--Al Sypher

Become the Ultimate Menu Master

Want to really speed things up? How about jumping right to the Apple menu without even clicking the mouse? Just press Control-F2, press Return, and the Apple menu pops down (if you're using a MacBook, press Function-Control-F2). Oh, but there's more! Now that you're in the Apple menu, press the Right Arrow key on your keyboard to move to the other menus (Finder, File, Edit, View, etc.) and the Left Arrow to move back. Once you get to the menu you want, press Return, then type the first letter of the command you want in the menu and it jumps right there. Now press Return again to choose that command (and you did it all without ever touching the mouse).--From Scott Kelby's book "Mac OS X Tiger Killer Tips"



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