

MUGSHOT

Official newsletter of the Ocala Macintosh User Group which meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Multipurpose Senior Center
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From the Presidents Corner

As I see it we are meeting on election day! If you haven't voted please do so. It is pretty widely agreed that if you do not vote you forfeit your right to complain about the outcome. I found it very easy to get information (too much information) about the major candidates. I did not find it so easy to get information about all the amendments we need to vote on. Google was my friend here. I googled "FL constitution amendments" (without the quotes). I found several sites that gave a better explanation of the amendments than we received from the Supervisor of Elections mailout. Even though we are meeting on election day and I, like most of you, am anxious to see the election coverage on TV I will be at the meeting and I urge you to be there also. I expect the returns will not be getting interesting until we get home. We have a great program planned which is a continuation of an earlier one. (see below).

I'm sorry I missed the October meeting as I hear it went very well. The part I heard about seemed very interesting. Many Thanks to our super capable vice-president and webmaster Phil Davis for arranging the program and presiding.

Shelley and I were gone 23 days. We overnighted in 11 different locations. That is a lot of loading and unloading the car. We were mostly visiting family and friends but we did see two places you may wish to visit if you are nearby: The first was a delightful happenstance. We stopped for lunch in Dover, OH and saw a sign advertising Warthers Woodcarving Museum. By looking at their web page <http://www.warthers.com/museum.htm> you can learn a bit about it but the carving pictures do not do justice to the carvings. This was a great find for us and we really enjoyed our 2 hours or so there, especially a few minutes with Mr Warther's grandson who now runs the place. I think there are 61 exquisite carving relating to the history of steam. I will be putting some pics on flicker after I have time to process them. The other place is Morton Arboretum in Lisle IL. <http://www.mortonarb.org/> . If you are near, especially with small children, this is a great place to stop. I went there as a destination after reading about it in a photo magazine. I thought it was worth the time I spent there, but not worth the time I spent getting there and back. (it added about 400 miles to our trip.)

My 5 year old Powerbook G4 connected flawlessly to the wireless networks of all the hotels we stayed in even though at the last one, the hotel's network would not connect to the internet.
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October Program

Part 2: Using iMovie and iDVD Rudy Gasser, OMUG Member

This will be a continuation of the excellent program that Rudy started in August showing us how to create a movie from still photos, add transitions and sound, and save the result to a DVD.

Apple News

New MacBook a Laptop Editors' Choice

by Dana Wollman on October 17, 2008

"It's not just beautiful. It breaks the mold for thin-and-light notebooks. The new MacBook's unibody aluminum construction, one-of-a-kind touchpad, and edge-to-edge glass display draw you in, but what impresses us most about Apple's overhaul of its most popular portable is that it offers robust productivity and graphics performance without sacrificing endurance. Yes, you can find comparably configured and attractive Windows systems for less money. But in the case of the newest MacBook (and the new MacBook Pro as well), users get impressive style and speed—and a software bundle that's actually useful and not chock-full of crapware—with very few trade-offs."

Read more <http://tinyurl.com/omug-07>

Review: Aluminum MacBook Core 2 Duo/2GHz and 2.4GHz

by Jonathan Seff, Macworld.com

In the two and half years since the first MacBook model, Apple has tweaked and improved its consumer-level laptop line three times. But the latest (fourth) version is a giant leap for the MacBook,

compared to the baby steps of the earlier updates. With the latest design (both inside and out), the MacBook has become a lot more like a MacBook Pro mini.

Read more <http://tinyurl.com/omug-08>

Other News

Members-Only Section

This is a reminder about the new "Members-Only" Section on the Website. A new section has been added to the ocalamug.org website that will only be accessible to members. This section will contain special offers, discounts, and information for members. You can get to this section by clicking on the "**For Members Only**" link in the Member Services section.

You will need to enter the following user id and password to access the new page. The password may be changed periodically with changes announced in the newsletter.

User ID: omugmember

Password: mug2001

OMUG Minutes

The monthly meeting of OMUG took place at the Senior Center on Tuesday, October 7 and with thirty two in attendance, including guests Della Marteny, Henry Perry, Joan Espinship, John Derr, Roy Wimmer, Lorraine Wieskamp and Roberto Putzeys.

Phil Davis, sitting in for President N.C. Sizemore.

Judy Rankin read the Treasurer's report: \$926.52 balance on hand. Motion to

accept was made and approved. Phil does a stellar job keeping the Web Page fresh: go to the web page ocalamug.org for current information. There is a new "members only" section, informative and educational links, discounts on good books such as "Total Control" E books), and more. Use the following to gain access to the "members-only" section -- username: omugmember; password: omug2001. Check it OFTEN!

Phil introduced our speaker Susan Reynolds who has degrees in Behavioral Sciences, Studio Arts and Library & Information Sciences; she has been with the Marion County Public Library for over four years. Prior to this she was a network and technology support consultant. In addition to her technical skills she is an experienced digital artist using Photoshop and other software. She talked about how technology is changing the way libraries provide services.

Ms. Reynolds began by creating a picture of what current Library technology is coming to. "Libraries are no longer conservative, brick and mortar buildings". The digital world, virtual libraries, are taking over. Go to our web site to see Susan Reynolds entire presentation. Thank you Phil for your expert and complete coverage of pertinent information. Her point by point issues were complex, suffice it to say that very soon, like Netflix, no human hands will ever touch books when you go to the libraries of the future. Everything will be digitally automated, which by the way, is the direction of the newspapers in our country. Hard copy readership is down due to online syndication of your favorite journalists, same goes for authors of your favorite books ~ they will come to you digitally and you can either print them out or spend even MORE time in front of your computer!

You will eventually have an electronic library card and password to access resources such as audio books, videos, language programs: project Gutenberg to get out of print books, and on and on. Go to our wonderful Marion County Library and talk to Ms. Reynolds who is most gracious and Phil Davis gives computer courses regularly at the library....who, along with Susan and another volunteer, provides computer help every Thursday. Contact Phil for more information at davistech@gmail.com.

Q&A..... New member Roberto Putzeys offered to do a program on acquiring correct medical information on the internet. Members said that the Library presentation was "fascinating." The group was asked if they would like a program on genealogy and most raised their hands.

Thank you Bob and Carolyn Docteur for the refreshments, after which our annual Christmas Party was discussed.

Once again, Sally Smyth, Carolyn and Bob Docteur, Joan Greenwood, Ed and Merrill Anderson and Judy Rankin will handle arrangements. With luck, we'll have Sonja and Rudy Gasser's Pumpkin Cheese Cake..... Virtual R.S.V.P. invitations will be sent out by Judy Rankin.

Winners of the 50/50 raffle were: Cash, Della Marteny and Tim Rankin (AGAIN), Virginia Baldwin and Shirley Steiner took objects from the goodie table.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sally Smyth Secretary, OMUG

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<http://www.ocalamug.org>

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Tip Of The Month

Customize Your Mighty Mouse

Whether you're using a wired or wireless Mighty Mouse, you can customize it easily:

Choose System Preferences from the Apple menu.

Click Keyboard & Mouse; then click the Mouse tab.

You can program the four buttons on your Mighty Mouse, set scrolling options, and set response sensitivities for tracking, scrolling, and double-clicking.

Treasurer's Report November 2008

Account Balance 10/01/08			\$926.52
Income 10/07/08 Meeting	50/50 Raffle	56.00	
	2008-09 Membership	<u>60.00</u>	+ 116.00
	Putzeys, Wieskamp Martenev/Wimmer		
Expenses 10/07/08 Meeting	Rent (Senior Center)	28.00	- <u>28.00</u>
 Account Balance, 9/30/08			 <u>\$1014.52</u>

Respectfully submitted by Judy Rankin for Clint Jones, Treasurer

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