

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
Prescott Public Library
January 17, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM. Roger Lakner presiding.

We had nineteen members and four guests in attendance. Roger stated the PMUG policy for recording meetings. We gave the birthday wishes to: Glenn Blossom, Bob Duncan, David Passell, Jackie Tillotson, Bobbie Pastor and TK Ryn.

Roger talked about Paypal and the problems that David had with its application. The Board voted to discontinue Paypal at David's request, at this time anyway.

The Public Library now has CD books on line available for Mac users. Before, it was system required for Windows only.

Roger announced that the Simpsons would no longer be associated with PMUG. Due to work load commitments and other circumstances, they felt that they need to withdraw from our club at this time. This left two Board openings. We have a need to fill these positions. Roger asked that anyone interested contact Jim Hamm.

Roger has volunteered to take over the website management until we can get someone to do it permanently.

At 1:15 Roger introduced our speaker for the month. John Sykes from Argosy West. John Discussed the products and services that Argosy West provides. He also discussed the stepping down of Steve Jobs who is having health challenges.

John did a quick summary of MacWorld '09 with a slide presentation. He hit on highlights of iLife '09 and iWorks '09. Some very interesting changes to Pages and iPhoto. It was a very well done presentation.

BUSINESS MEETING

Bobbie gave the Treasurer's report for David, who was absent.

Cash in Accounts: December 13, 2008 Cash Flow

Checking Account (76)	566.30	-1.00
Savings Account (10)	379.41	+2.51
Savings Account (00)	112.33	+ .05

Total	\$1058.04	+1.56

Cash in Accounts: January 14, 2008 Cash Flow

Checking Account (76)	363.30	-203.00
Savings Account (10)	380.99	+1.58
Savings Account (00)	112.38	+ .05
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Total	\$ 856.67	-\$201.37

Secretary Report: Bobbie reminded those who still have to pay member dues can either mail the check to her or bring it to the next meeting. We still have to resolve Marshal Wallers Paypal payment to the account. Roger said that Jim Hamm will check up on this.

Editor's report: Elaine asked for contributions to the Blog. She also asked for a volunteer to be a back up for her in the event she absent and can not make blog entries. The person will need a Google account. They would have access to the Blog with their own password. Someone interested, please let her know.

Ambassador Report: We have an opening for this position. Roger talked about what is involved with the job. Roger said he is covering the job right now. John Carter is helping him look into this. Roger thinks that we should drop the .Mac account that is free because of what is involved in keeping it.

A visitor (Allen Laudenslager) said that he would be willing to help Roger use the iWeb for the website. He uses it all the time and it is easy. Roger doesn't agree. He said it is very difficult to use.

Roger wants to use other programs that are free for the website. Bobbie said she would like to see us use iWeb even if the club buys a .Mac account each year. Ted Orahood thought that free is the operative reason to go with Roger's idea.

This discussion will be carried on to the Board meeting in February.

Adjourned at 12 Noon.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac Users Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Room
February 21, 2009

The meeting was called to order with Jim Hamm presiding.

We had twenty-six members and ten guests. Jim introduced the guests. They were: Sharon Bloxam, Allen Laudenslager, Paul and Pat Mauro, Bill and Dot Williamson, Sharron Haworth, Lindsay Barrowclough, Lance Quealy and Sabin Snow.

Jim announced that we would be setting up a SIG New Users class. We still have two positions open on Chairs. The Webmaster and Ambassador. Roger has very successfully taken over the duties of Webmaster. He has streamlined the website and set up a new account for our site with MacHighway.com. The pages load a lot faster and the site is easier to use. Roger does not want the position permanently, however.

Art Gorski was our guest speaker. He taught us about security on the Mac. He was kind enough to make a .pdf version of his presentation and it will be put on our Blog to be download by our members. He covered accounts, passwords, how to protect data in files, firewalls and security problems with the Internet. It was an excellent lecture.

After a short break we had our Business meeting. Jim announced that the Board is meeting up in the Bump Conference Room after the General meeting and members are invited to attend if they so choose.

We had reports from the Chairs:

Secretary - Bobbie Pastor. She asked if the meeting notices sent out the Tuesday before the meeting was timed conveniently. The consensus was yes. She also said that we have had a good response to renewals.

Treasurer - David Passell. Dave gave the Treasurer's report for February.

Cash in Accounts: January 14, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.38+	.05
Your Savings	(10)	380.99	+1.58
Money Market Checking	(76)	363.30	-203.00
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Total		\$ 856.67	-\$201.37

Cash in Accounts: February 20, 2009 13, Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.43+	.05
Your Savings	(10)	464.58	+83.59
Money Market Checking	(76)	822.30	+459.00
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Total		\$ 1399.31	+\$542.64

NOTE: To reduce the chance of confusion, I changed the order of presentation and identification of accounts to correspond to the online statement from the Credit Union. All future reports will have this format.

Major transactions for the Checking Account were 23 renewing members (\$460.00). Two members, Emmet Buell and Glenn Blossom won one year annual dues. An automatic \$1.00 was transferred to Your Savings

The \$100.00 check sent to the Friends of the Prescott Public Library has finally been cashed.

A check for \$49.50 to Roger Lakner to cover the new MacHighway host for our PMUG Website will be presented at this meeting, and will be covered in next months report.

The Major transaction for the Your Savings account was four membership renewals, and the \$1.00 automatic transfer from checking.

NOTE: Normally renewals should be deposited to the Money Market Checking account, but will be left in the Your Savings for now.

Paypal has 0.00 balance. Marshal Waller who attempted a payment has been credited since the money was unclaimed. He has sent us a check for his membership.

Because of the difficulties experienced trying to access this money, and contact PayPal to correct the problem, the board voted by E-mail to remove the PayNow button from the PMUG website which has been done in the redesign. We still have a PayPal account and a linkage to our Money Market Checking which could be accessed for all sorts of mischief. Termination of the account will come up at the February Board Meeting.

Newsletter Editor - Elaine Hardt. Elaine told us how to get our blog downloaded in the RSS format to our email inbox. She asked for more stories and pictures of what members are doing. Elaine also announced that she and Don were selling their 23" cinema display for \$150. It was sold to a member at the meeting.

Further discussion about RSS choices were talked about. Al Gorski said he preferred Netnewswire for an RSS application. Allen Laudenslager said he liked "Daring FireBall" for the computer geeks.

Webmaster - Roger Lakner. He said that the website has been moved from iWeb to MacHighway. They offer a lot more possibilities in the future for our website than iWeb does today. He reduced the size of the site from five and a half gigs to not quite one gig. There are many more changes to be made. However, we now have a good start and a good base to expand on.

Ambassador - Roger Lakner. Roger is working on redoing the Ambassador site. He has Peachpit and O'Reilly already posted. He will have the page for product discounts up and running soon. He can get free books for our library through the Peachpit and O'Reilly publishers. If a member sees a book that they would like for themselves, they can get a 35% discount by going through our website.

Librarian - Randy Calvert. Randy culled out many older books that no one was checking out anyway. He said we are working on plans to update and streamline the whole library process. More to be announced.

Jim said we will be buying some new books to add to the library as well. Members can check out these books on current programs. If they like it and want it for their own collection, they can buy it through Peachpit and O'Reilly at 35% discount.

We approved the January Minutes.

Next month we will have Bill Williamson give a presentation on converting pictures and slides into an iMovie format.

John Carter said he will investigate buying a subscription to a magazine for the club. He believes that an on-line version can be accessed through our website to all members.

Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL Founders Room
March 21, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. Jim Hamm presiding.

We had twenty-seven members and ten visitors. The new members since February's meeting were: Warren Austin, Karen Zelonka, Pam Wickstrom, Helen Parsons, Allen Laudenslager and Sharon Bioxam.

Jim welcomed the guests. They were: Alicia Tietje, Sabin Snow, Betty Ann Bradshaw, Fred Brown, William Miller, Milbeth Mauer, Sharron Haworth, Donna Negrette and Barbara Walker.

Jim announced the new PMUG SIG Beginner's Class that started March 20.

Jim introduced our guest speaker, Bill Williamson. Bill demonstrated how to use iMovie to convert old photos and slides into DVD's for viewing.

We had break and refreshments at 11:15.

Business meeting convened at 11:30 AM.

David gave the Treasurer's report:

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Your Savings	(10)	464.58	+83.59
Money Mkt Checking	(76)	822.30	+459.00
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Total		\$ 1399.31	+ \$542.64

Cash in Accounts: March 20, 2009		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00)	112.47+	.04
Your Savings	(10)	466.58	+ 2.00
Money Mkt Checking	(76)	1065.99	+ 243.69
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Total		\$ 1645.04	+ \$245.03

Checking Activity was

17 member's dues		+\$340.00
Hefty interest		+ .21
Check 337 to Roger Lakner cashed	-	49.50

Check 452 to Bobbie Pastor cashed - 37.95
Purchase of a packet of deposit slips from CU - 8.07
Transfer to Savings (10) - 1.00

Elaine gave her Editor's report.

She asked for tips and articles for members to submit to the Newsletter.

Webmaster report.

John has taken over the position of Webmaster. He and Roger have completely revamped the website. It looks great and loads faster and is streamlined for maintenance. The library page with Delicious Library is up and running.

Ambassador's report.

Roger gave an update to his new page. He covered the new passwords to get the Discounts and discussed the Peachpit 35% off offer to members.

Librarian report.

Randy thanked Roger for getting the Delicious Library up on our website. We had a giveaway table in the back of the room for obsolete books. The books didn't get taken were donated to the PPL. Randy said it will be a lot easier to just bring a few books to the meeting. Members can now brows our Virtual Library from the website and request the books to be brought to meeting.

We want to buy new books from time to time. If a member has a suggestion for a book, please email Randy and he will take the book into consideration.

Approved Minutes for February.

Ellen Tyler will present the second half of her presentation on April 11. She will show us to repair and restore photos using PhotoShop and PhotoShop Elements.

We took questions, answers and tips from the floor.

Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL Founder's Room
April 11, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Jim Hamm presiding.

We had twenty-one members and one guest. Bill and Dot Williamson joined at the beginning of the meeting. Our guest was John Lakner, Roger Lakner's brother visiting us from Saint George, Utah.

Jim made the announcement that we have a table full of old Apple software books donated by Kitty Newell. They are there for the taking. What books that are left over, we will donate to the library.

Jim talked about the new SIG for beginners that he is teaching. He announced that the door prize will be two tickets to "Jazz in the Stacks" that will be on May 3, four to seven. We bought the tickets to show our support to the Library.

Our speaker this month was Ellen Tyler, who demonstrated how to touch up, repair and restore photos using Photoshop and Photoshop Elements.

The Business meeting convened at 11:30. Jim reminded us that elections will be held in June. Anyone wanting to volunteer for an Office should let someone on the Board know.

Secretary's report: Bobbie told us we have 71 members at present. We have brought in 29 new members since June, 2008. There have been 31 members lost to attrition since December.

Bobbie sent out a memo to subscribe to the PMUG Club iCal. Keep in touch with the SIGs and monthly meetings.

Treasurer's report: Dave Passell.

Cash in Accounts: March 20, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.47+	.04	
Your Savings	(10)	466.58	+ 2.00	
Money Mkt Checking	(76)	1065.99	+ 243.69	
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Total		\$ 1645.04		+\$245.03

Cash in Accounts: April 4, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.52	+ .05	
Your Savings	(10)	469.12	+ 2.17	

Money Mkt Checking (76)	1271.40	+205.41	
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Total	\$ 1853.04		+\$207.63

Checking Activity was

12 member's dues deposit		+\$240.00	
Interest		+	.90
Check 338 to Roger Lakner: iLife/iWork	-	9.75	
Check 339 to Jim Hamm: MicroDVI > VGA	-	24.74	
Transfer to Savings (10)	-	1.00	

Also wrote check for \$50.00 04/06/09 to Friends of Prescott Public Library for two Jazz in the Stacks Tickets for April Door Prizes.

Newsletter Editor's report: Elaine asked that she would very much like to hear any news of vacations, how you are using your Mac. New programs, new problems, some questions to club members. Subscribe to the RSS feed in your mail to get the latest update to the Newsletter.

Webmaster Report: John Carter said that many of his changes has been subtle and are in the background. The website has a new look and easier to read. If anyone has any suggestions to improve the website, please email the Webmaster from the website.

Ambassador Report: Roger got the update to what books we are keeping and the ones we got rid of recorded. He just received the iWork 09 manuals. He will be getting new books for our library. Bobbie said she had some new books that Dan Simpson received recently from when he was Ambassador. It takes some time to change over to sending them to Roger. Bobbie gave the books to Roger to put in our holdings.

We approved the minutes from the March meeting.

Next month the speaker will be John Carter. He will be talking and the program "GnuCash".

We held the drawing for the tickets to 'Jazz in the Stacks'. The winners were: Roland Michaelis and Bobbie Pastor.

Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Room
May 23, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. Art Gorski presiding. Twenty-one members and three guests attend.

Art welcomed the new members since April's meeting. They were: Betty Rohrback, Ingrid and Tom Votava, Bill Warren, Bill and Dot Williamson and John Lyle who is a returning member.

The guests at this meeting were: Paul Dearnaley, Arnold Watson and Kevin Serr.

The recording policy of the meeting was mentioned and there were no birthdays this month.

The Announcements and Reminders were covered by Art. The remaining scheduled SIGs meetings were listed. Future SIGs will be scheduled if the demand is there.

Art talked about the up coming elections for officers that will take place next month. The current slate of nominees for Officers and Chairs from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, were:

- President - Allen Laudenslager
- Vice President - Bill Williamson
- Ambassador - Roger Lakner
- Webmaster - John Carter
- Secretary - Bobbie Pastor
- Treasurer - David Passell
- Librarian - Randy Calvert
- Newsletter Editor - Elaine Hardt
- Refreshments Chair - Ginger Carlson

If we don't have any additional volunteers running for these positions, we will not hold a vote. The nominees and volunteers will stand as elected as of the June General meeting.

At 10:15 we had our guest speaker, Art Gorski, give a great presentation on 'All Things iTunes'. It was interesting to learn the many facets of iTunes and how we can use the tools of that application to organize our music. Those of us who have a large collection of music found this presentation invaluable, I am sure.

At 11:15 we had our break and refreshments. June and Willis Schmidt brought in some delicious goodies for us. Thank you June and Willis.

At 11:30 we had our Business meeting. We had several Officers and Chairs that were not present due to other commitments.

Elaine, our Newsletter Editor, gave us a hand out about new features with Google Maps. One can click on an address in the Address Book and a map and picture of the site will come up. One can scroll in a 360 degree circle to see the neighbors. Its great!

Elaine also invited ll writers to come and visit Writers' Networking Group in Prescott Valley meeting almost every Thursday 10 to 11:15 am at the Windsong Villas Library on Windsong, behind Good Samaritan Rehab, 3380 Windsong Drive. Elaine, 775-2706

David Passell gave the Treasurer's report:

Cash in Accounts: April 4, 2009, Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.52	+	.05
Your Savings	(10)	469.12	+	2.17
Money Market Checking	(76)	1271.40	+	205.41
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Total		\$ 1853.04		+\$207.63

Cash in Accounts: May 22, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.54+	.02
Your Savings	(10)	471.19	+ 2.07
Money Market Checking	(76)	1251.78	- 19.62

Total		\$ 1835.51	-\$17.53

Checking Activity was

Interest		+	.26
3 member's dues deposit		+	\$60.00

Check 340 to Friends of Library (Jazz)	50.00
Check 341 to Jim Hamm: Laser Pointer	21.56
Check 453 to B. Pastor: Roll of raffle tickets	7.32
Transfer to Savings	1.00

We approved the minutes for April.

Next months speaker is Chris Dean of EMI Printworks. This is tentative as Chris' wife is expecting around that time. John Carter will step in with his long awaited presentation on GnuCash if Chris is unavailable.

Adjourned at 12 noon.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Room
June 20, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Roger Lakner. We had eighteen members in attendance. New members for this month were introduced. They were: Nancy Alder, Paul Dearnaley and Arnold Watson. Harold and Arlene Minuskin joined the club at this meeting. Roger covered the recording policy for the meeting.

Roger gave the Announcements and Reminders.

There was an Ecycle day at the Prescott Mall. Anyone could bring in their non-working electronic equipment and drop it off.

Bobbie and Jim will conduct the ongoing Beginning SIGs as long as there is interest.

Snow Leopard will be released in September. Safari 4 has been released.

The Prescott Library has ordered a new, aluminum-body MacBook Pro that is for the patrons use. When they receive the Mac, Jim and the Library will set up a computer-mentoring program wherein patrons can come in and sign up for a one-on-one session with Jim on the Mac. This mentoring program will be available to all Library patrons, and they don't have to be a member of PMUG. People do, however, have to be a member of PMUG to attend our SIGs.

On August 21, 2009 it will be 20 years that PMUG has been in existence. The Board is planning an Anniversary celebration. More information to come as it is developed.

Roger introduced the featured speaker of the month. Chris Dean of EMI Printworks here in Prescott.

Chris has been in printing for 20 years. He has a degree in Graphic Arts from Phoenix. He said he grew up with Apple. He has seen all the changes that Mac has gone through. He started in the printing industry in the conventional way. He learned the way the craftsman learned how to print. He does what he would call "production artwork".

Conventional learning has really helped in the process of what he does now. He learned about maintaining and troubleshooting Macs. He loves the way the Macs perform with multiple platforms and high-end software. The Macs have a more stable platform with a greater horsepower than a PC and running as many as twelve applications at one time.

EMI Printworks is probably the most full-service printer in Prescott. They don't print hard bound books, however. Everything is done in-house. EMI stands for Educational

Ministries Inc. Originally, printed material for church education. They are no longer in that business. Website for EMI is: www.emiprintworks.com.

At 11:30 Roger conducted the Business meeting.

Since there was no one running opposed to the Offices, the nominees for the Offices and Chairs stood as elected for the fiscal year July 1, 2009.

President - Allen Laudenslager
 Vice President - Bill Williamson
 Ambassador - Roger Lakner
 Webmaster - John Carter
 Secretary - Bobbie Pastor
 Treasurer - David Passell
 Librarian - Randy Calvert
 Newsletter Editor - Elaine Hardt
 Refreshments Chair - Ginger Carlson

Reports from Officers and Chairs:

David gave his Treasurer's report.

Cash in Accounts: May 22, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.54+	.02
Your Savings	(10)	471.19	+ 2.07
Money Mkt Checking	(76)	1251.78	- 19.62

Total		\$ 1835.51	- \$17.53

Cash in Accounts: June 18, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.56	+ .02
Your Savings	(10)	473.30	+ 2.11
Money Mkt Checking	(76)	1322.86	+ 70.08

Total		\$ 1908.22	+\$ 72.21

Checking Activity was

Interest		+ .27
6 member's dues deposit		+\$120.00

Check 454 to Bobbie: New box set-up for name tags.		25.77
Check 455 to Bobbie for cart.		21.56
Transfer to Savings	1.00	

The minutes for May were approved.

Speaker and topic for next month is Connie Kramer. She will be discussing how she uses a Mac to write a book in conjunction with EMI Printworks.

Meeting adjourned at 12 Noon.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL-Founder's Room
July 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. with Allen Laudenslager presiding. We had nineteen members and three guests in attendance.

Allen went over the recording policy for the meetings.

The new members since last meeting were Arlene and Harold Munuskin.

The guests were Craig Blossom, Glen Blossom's son visiting Glen from Indiana and Clare and Joan Feiereisel who live here in Prescott three months out of the year.

The members Birthday wishes went to June Schmidt, Ruth McBride, Roland Michaelis and Ted Orahood.

Allen said the remaining SIG dates are posted on the Website under "Meetings" tab.

Allen announced the Jim Hamm is teaching the Mac mentoring as a volunteer at the Library. The sessions are from one to two hours long. Anyone who is a Library member can sign up at the front desk or call 777-1526.

The Library has bought a new Mac laptop. However, it is not available for general check-out at this time.

Our guest speaker for the month was Connie Kramer (Johnson). She is a local writer of articles, books, poems and children's books. She co-authored the book with her sister, "Farm Kids of the 1950s Wisconsin Memoir". She also wrote the child's book " Mr. Bunny's Secret Party". She gave us a slide show presentation on the background of how the book started and the process of developing the book and presenting it to the printer.

After our break we had our Business Meeting.

Allen brought up the idea of someday video taping our meetings. He asked who thought this might be useful in the future. His question to the members was: Is there any value to going back and looking at the presentations later? He suggested that we think about that, and consider it later. A question was asked what would we do with it if we did video. Would we put it on the Website? That would take up much space. Someone said we could "You-Tube-It"

Reports from Officers and Chairs:

Treasurer's report - Dave Passell

Cash in Accounts: June 18, 2009 Cash Flow

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Your Savings	(10)	473.30	+	2.11
Money Market Checking	(76)	1322.86	+	70.08
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Total		\$ 1908.22	+	\$ 72.21

Cash in Accounts: July 17, 2009 Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.58	+	.02
Your Savings	(10)	475.38	+	2.08
Money Market Checking	(76)	1299.39	-	23.47
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Total		\$ 1835.51	-	\$ 21.37

Checking Activity was

Interest	+	.28
1 new member half year		+\$15.00

Check 456 to Bobbie: copies for SIG	22.19
Check 342 to Ginger: Refreshments	21.56
Transfer to Savings	1.00

Made a motion and seconded the Treasurer's report.

Ambassador - Roger Lakner.

We are planning a celebration for PMUG's anniversary for next month. We will discuss details at the Board meeting following this meeting.

News editor - Elaine Hardt

Elaine encouraged members to keep sending her items that she can put in the blog. She also gave us a handout that gave us some websites with tip and tricks that we can do with our Mac.

Allen talked about his experience with NetNewsWire as a RSS feed and how we can incorporate that method with our own RSS feed for our Blog.

Allen asked that if a member has an idea of what they may want to see covered in presentations, have them email Allen with the suggestions.

Secretary - Bobbie Pastor

She brought up the question on who is responsible for the distribution of the PMUG brochures? It seems that Dave and Bobbie are the only ones distributing at this time. Jackie took some for the Adult Center. Allen asked Bobbie to send him the letter from Bob Hale on distribution dated July 11, 2007.

Webmaster - John Carter

John said he is working on the RSS feed to our website. He has had a few problems with it.

We introduced the new Officers: Allen Laudenslager and Bill Williamson.

Speaker and topic for next month will be John Carter. GnuCash is a financial organization like Quicken but not as fancy as Quicken. It will handle personal financial needs as well as a small business. It is free every year. No costly yearly updates.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Suite
August 15, 2009

At 10:00 a.m. the meeting was called to order with Allen Laudenslager presiding. Our guests for this meeting were Sam Jacobs and Shea Richland.

Allen welcomed our new members this month. They were Ed Cowan and his wife Jean and Harry Morel and Mary Norman.

Allen mentioned the recording policy for the meetings and gave the Birthday wishes for the the months of August to; MaryBeth Lakner, Nancy Davis, Mitch Tilotson and Lynn Bischoff.

We had twenty-two members and two guests in attendance.

Elaine Hardt, Editor, brought us a handout of interesting websites that you can use to search out information. She went over the use of the Blog and about the tidbits of information and helpful tips that we can get from the Blog. She asked that members send her any items of interest that they did on their vacation as well.

Randy Calvert, our Librarian, said he hasn't had a single request to issue a book to a member. The program Delicious Library was implemented to assist the members in checking out a book. All one has to do is choose the book and he will deliver it to the meeting or make arrangements for one to pick up the book. This program is not being used at all by the members.

Our guest presenter for this month was John Carter. John gave a presentation on the Mac version of GnuCash, an open source (free) application. GnuCash is designed to be easy to use, yet powerful and flexible. GnuCash allows you to track bank accounts, stocks, income and expenses. As quick and intuitive to use as a checkbook register, it is based on professional accounting principles to ensure balanced books and accurate reports. The presentation included how to convert from Quicken to GnuCash. One can access information on how to download and use GnuCash at his website:
www.jrcarter.com.

The second half of the meeting was devoted to celebrating PMUG's twentieth year of service to the Prescott community.

We had cake and coffee and a social hour. We had two guest speakers that were among the pioneer members of the group.

Sam Jacobs gave us an entertaining account of the days back when the club was just getting started. They were limited by resources that gave technical support and the Internet was in its infant stage. Prescott was small and so was the club.

Jeff Ian was one of the founding members as well. Jeff is owner for Think4Ink. He told us that he got started using Macs for his business when he needed a program call Desktop Publisher. He started his business in Ventura, CA sometime in 1999. He had eight Macs in his shop. He currently has EMacs at his business today.

The door prizes were awarded to Ed Cowan with the Video Capture program that Roger got through his Ambassador position.

The Galileoscope went to Harold Muskin.

We did not have a regular business meeting this month.

The Treasurer's report submitted by David Passell is:

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Total		\$ 1835.51	- \$21.37
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Cash in Accounts: August 14		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00)	112.60	+ .02
Your Savings	(10)	477.50	+ 2.12
Money Market Checking	(76)	1312.52	+ 13.13

Total		\$1902.62	+15.27
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Checking Activity was

Dividend	+	.28
2 new members (reduced rate)		+\$20.00

Check 457 to Bobbie: copies for SIG 4.57

Check 458 to John Carter: door prize 16.50 (not cashed yet)

Transfer to Savings 1.00

NOTE: Correction to July: Check 342 to Ginger was 15.56 not 21.56

Regards: David 08/14/09

Submitted by;
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

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General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Suite
September 19, 2009

At 9:30 a.m. the meeting was called to order with Allen Laudenslager presiding. We had twenty-two members and three guests in attendance. Our guests at this meeting were Audrey and Keith Prosch and Robert Reister.

Allen stated our recording policy for the meetings. Birthday wishes for September went out to John Lyle, Ingrid Votava, Celia Lynd, Harry Morel, Mary Norman and MarshalWaller.

Allen went over the remaining SIG sessions for the year. He reminded the group that all this information is on iCal and instructions to subscribe to the PMUG Event calendar is on our website.

Elaine Hardt, our newsletter editor brought in some really neat hand outs with websites that we can all use.

Allen discussed the mentoring program here at the Library for all Mac users. You do not have to be a PMUG member to use this. The sessions are from one to two hours and one needs to make an appointment with the front desk by calling 777-1526. Our own Jim Hamm and John Carter are the official volunteers for this mentoring program. TheLibrary has a new laptop 13" Mac for lending out to anyone wanting to use it at theLibrary.

At 9:45 a.m. Allen introduced our guest speaker for the month. Roger Lakner, our Ambassador, presented a DVD called 'Welcome to Macintosh'.

This DVD was written and directed by film makers Robert Baca and Josh Rizzo. This documentary delved into the world of Apple Inc. With interviews from a variety o findustry insiders, Baca and Rizzo chronicled the history of Steve Jobs/Steve Wozniak founded corporation and tracked the meteoric growth of the Mac phenomenon.

At 10:45 a.m. we broke for refreshments.

At 11:00 a.m. we resumed the DVD and finished the film.

At 11:15 a.m. Allen conducted a quick business meeting.

Ambassador report: Roger told us that the DVD we just saw is also available on Netflix. The DVD will be listed in our library. Roger said he has three or four books coming in to him and they will be added to the library. The membership will be notified when new books become available. Roger has a suite of programs called Printfolio. That should be coming in the mail. He said that he has a limited time that he can present it and he would like to do that in November.

Webmaster report: John asked that anyone having suggestions to improve the website content, please email him with the ideas.

Librarian report: Be sure to check out our holdings in the library from our website. Email Randy and he will arrange a pickup or bring to next meeting. If a member has a suggestion for a book that we don't currently carry, contact Randy and he will order it.

Editor's report: Elaine mentioned the hand outs she brought today. She also encouraged members to check our blog often as she posts interesting articles and tips that we can all use.

Dave gave his Treasurer's report:

Cash in Accounts: August 14		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00)	112.60	+ 0.02
Your Savings	(10)	477.50	+ 2.12
Money Market Checking	(76)	1312.52	+13.13
Total		\$1902.62	+15.27

Cash in Accounts: Sept. 18		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00)	112.62	+ 0.02
Your Savings	(10)	479.62	+ 2.12
Money Market Checking	(76)	1268.60	-43.92
Total		\$1860.84	-41.78

Checking Activity was

Dividend	+	0.28
Check 342 to Ginger: Refreshments		4.57
Check 348* to John Carter: Door Prize		16.50 **
Transfer to Savings		1.00

* Out of sequence: Checks 344 - 347 still to be written

** Replaces Lost Check 458 to John Carter:

The minutes for last month were approved.

Topic for next month will be an overview of Pages. Allen will be the presenter.

We held a drawing for the door prizes. David Passell and Randy Calvert won the coffee mugs. Sandra Garramone and Harry Morel won the magnets.

Marshall Waller and Roland Michaelis won the T-shirts. Arnold Watson won the poster.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30

Submitted by Bobbie Pastor PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL, Founders Suite
October 24, 2009

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM with Allen Laudenslager presiding. We had twenty-six people in attendance.

Allen welcomed the new members for this month. They were: Joan and Clare Feiereisel, Paul and Mary Goodwin, Audrey and Keith Prosch, Carol Spencer and Norma West.

Our guests for this meeting were: Robert Thomas, Mary Moore, Gail Stewart, Paul and Pat Mauro.

Birthday wishes for this month went out to Tala Lindaro, David Crooks and Ginger Carlson.

Allen announced that the remaining SIGs for the year will be on November 6 and 13. The SIGs will resume next year with John Carter leading with several SIGs on Photo shop. We will still have Basic Mac SIGs as well.

Library patrons can sign up for a one-on-one mentoring sessions on a Mac with John Carter or Jim Hamm. Sign up at the desk or call 777-1526. You don't have to be a PMUG member for these sessions. John and Jim are the official volunteers for the mentoring program.

At 1:15 Allen gave his presentation on an '*Introduction to Pages*'. We learned that Pages is an easier application to use than Word for the general user. Some things are not as user friendly as Word, but this applies to specific formats for technical writing. Pages integrates so well with other Mac applications. Pages is part of the iWork suite.

At 2:15 we had break and refreshments.

The Business meeting started at 2:30. We had reports from Officers and Chairs.

David gave his **Treasurer's report**.

Cash in Accounts: September 18, 2009			Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00)	112.62	+	.02
Your Savings	(10)	479.62	+	2.12
Money Market Checking	(76)	1268.60	-	43.92

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Total		\$1860.84	- 41.78

Cash in Accounts: October 24, 2009

Cash Flow

Share Savings	(00)	112.64	+ .02
Your Savings	(10)	481.71	+ 2.09
Money Market Checking	(76)	1169.14	- 99.46
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Total		\$1763.49	- 97.35

Checking Activity

Deposits:

Dividend	.26
Deposit from new members	70.00

Disbursements:

Check 345* to PPL: Donation	150.00
Check 459 to Bobbie Pastor: VGA cable	18.72
Transfer to Savings	1.00

* Out of sequence: Checks 344, 346, 347 still to be written

Ambassador's Report: Roger received two new books that he gave to Randy for our Library. He has updated the books to Delicious Library.

Webmaster - John Carter said that the site is updated every month. He said he hasn't made any formatting changes lately, however, he plans to make some small changes in the near future.

Newsletter Editor - Elaine. She has a hand out in the back for all to pick up. She told us how to access the RSS feed to our mail.

Allen noted that he was using the NetNewsWire RSS feed and it no longer supports Tiger, which is the OS he is running. He has switch over to the Google Reader. He doesn't like it quite as much as the NetNews Wire, but it is OK.

Secretary - Bobbie. Bobbie asked if the members got her email memo about the meeting. She said she was having a little problem with delivery of all her emails. She also polled the members as to the April meeting time. She was able to get 2:15 PM as of now, or wait until the fourth Saturday opens up and see what we could get then. They opted to take the 2:15 time slot on the third Saturday.

We approved the minutes for last month.

Allen asked for Q & A from the floor. We discussed the bug in Snow Leopard when someone uses the Guest accounts. Art said to delete the Guest account until the fix comes out in a week or two.

Next month's topic will be presented by Roger Lakner. It will be on Print Folio. It is a suite of applications on two dimensional art work.

Adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary

Prescott Mac User Group
General Meeting Minutes
PPL-Founders Suite A & B
November 21, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 1 PM. Allen Laudenslager presiding. We had twenty-one members and one guest in attendance. The guest was Joan Fullmore.

Our new members since the last meeting were Arlene and Carleton Douglas, Gail Stewart, and Paul and Pat Mauro.

Allen went over the recording policy and birthday wishes for the months of November and December were given out.

Allen announced that the SIGs would start up again in January. John Carter will be doing a series of meetings on Photoshop. Bobbie Pastor will be doing Mac Basics again. Jim Hamm will not be available for the SIGs as he is traveling the first four months of the year.

John Carter will do Mac mentoring only at the Prescott Valley Library next year. Jim asked if we would have volunteers to take over his Mac mentoring at the Prescott Library. If one is interested, please let Jim know.

Jim Hamm talked about the Library's new program of installing RFD chips in all the books, tapes and CDs. He is one of the volunteers who are helping to do this. The Library has 150 thousand books to complete. This is to help eliminate the huge theft problem that the Library has experienced.

Roger Lakner did a presentation on Printfolio, a Belight software application.

The Business meeting followed.

David Passell gave the Treasurer's report:

<u>Cash in Accounts: October 24, 2009</u>		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00) \$ 112.64	+	.02
Your Savings	(10) 481.71	+	2.09
Money Market Checking	(76) 1169.14	-	99.46

Total	\$1763.49	-	\$ 97.35

<u>Cash in Accounts: November 20, 2009</u>		Cash Flow	
Share Savings	(00) \$ 112.66	+	.02
Your Savings	(10) 483.84	+	1.93
Money Market Checking	(76) 1189.39	+	20.26

Total \$1785.89 + \$21.95

Checking Activity

Deposits:

Dividend	\$.25
Deposit for new members	\$ 20.00
Disbursements::	
Transfer to Savings	\$ 1.00

We approved the minutes from last meeting. We had some questions and discussions from the floor.

There is no meeting for December. The speaker and topic for January will be Roger Lakner. Roger will be demonstrating Avery's Design Pro application. There will be door prizes for everyone who attends.

We had two door prize drawings. Robert Thomas won the Printfolio software. Pam Wickstrom won the Back-up software application.

Adjourned at 3:00 PM

Submitted by,
Bobbie Pastor
PMUG Secretary
January 7, 2010