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SEPTEMBER MEETING

ALL ABOUT THE TOOLS TO BUILD A BETTER WEB SITE

Three of Smug's members will be showing you three different ways to approach building your web site, hopefully this will help you in your choice of applications to use.

COMPOSER Bill Maxwell

An overview of Composer and its features

Netscape Composer integrates powerful What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get (WYSIWYG) document creation capabilities into Netscape Communicator's already rich set of World Wide Web features. In addition to electronic mail, threaded discussion group, and file transfer features included in Netscape Communicator, Composer makes composing for the Web, email, or newsgroups a simple cut-and-paste, drag-and-drop process.

The document creation capabilities in Netscape Composer are designed to provide both experienced and beginning content creators with a simple yet powerful solution for editing and publishing online documents. WYSIWYG editing allows first-time users to create dynamic online documents easily and publish them to local file systems and remote servers with ease. / Free

DOT MAC Frank Smith

Create Your Own Home on the Web

HomePage lets you create personalized websites to showcase your interests and life events, share photos and movies, and more. Since HomePage takes care of all the HTML coding, you're free to focus on creativity and communication.

Design. Publish. Share

It couldn't be simpler to create your own site. First, select a theme from our vast selection of templates. Then add your own photos, movies and documents, click the Publish button, and you are done.

Multiple Sites - and Security, Too

HomePage lets you maintain multiple sites, so you can have a personal site for friends and family and separate sites for hobbies or work. Need security? Use the password-protection option to control who can visit a site. /Medium price

DREAMWEAVER Steve Bellamy.....

Dreamweaver by Macromedia is not a folk rock song from the 70s but an oddly named software program that allows you to build a website yourself making use of the Mac's graphical interface without either having to write HTML code or rely on fixed templates. As you build the page from images and text, Dreamweaver writes the code for you in the background. You can display the code or the page layout or both on the screen.

If you do write your own code, Dreamweaver will helpfully point out any errors (like forgetting to close HTML tags), but you don't have to write any if you can't or don't want to. You can type text or drag images onto the layout page and see immediately what it will look like, then check how it looks in any browser with just a couple of keystrokes.

Additionally, Dreamweaver helps you manage your website easily - you can see your files on the computer and on the website next to each other and make changes to the site simply by dragging files from one window to another. Having said all this, it is actually helpful if you do know some HTML or at least have some understanding of the principles of building web pages with HTML and/or CSS (cascading style sheets). Dreamweaver has become the industry standard for building websites because of its integration with other programs such as Flash and because it is both more flexible and writes more elegant and simpler code than rival programs such as Microsoft's Front Page or Adobe's Go Live. /High price

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Meeting Schedule 6:30 - 9:00

6:30 - 7:00 Q&A

7:00 - 7:30 SHAREWARE

Louis Bookbinder & Shareware team

7:30 - 7:45 BREAK

7:45 - 9:00 BUILD YOUR OWN WEB SITE.

Our own Smug members will show you how it is done, with 3 different programs.

COMPOSER - Bill Maxwell - Free

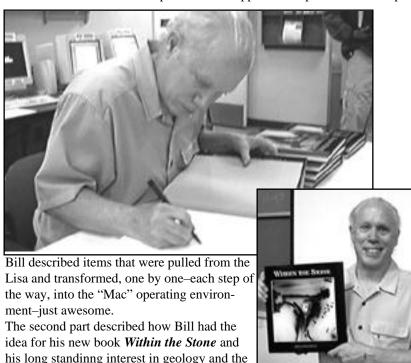
DOT MAC - Frank Smith - Medium Price

DREAMWEAVER - Steve Bellamy - High Price

9:00 Raffle

August Meeting Report

We had the great pleasure of having Bill Atkinson make this presentation to SMUG members and to many folks who saw our writeup in several newspapers. The first part of the presentation was Bill's description of the early history of the Macintosh and how it developed from the Apple "Lisa" predecessor computer.



even more spectacular interest was the detailed description of how his book was put together and collaborated with the folks in Japan. The intercracies of digital color transfer from image to lens to camera to press to paper were explained in detail. At this Bill is an expert and a past master of this art. The Japanese printing company estimated they save approximately ONE MILLION DOLLARS a month using Bill's color management techniques.

wonderful patterns and colors found within

particular rocks from around the world. Of

Above is Bill autographing copies-below proudly displaying his latest masterpiece.

SMUG SUMMER 2004 CD-ROM

New Contents Audio & Music ByteController 0.5 Stave Jobs 2.0.2

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Adium X 0.60 Mail Scripts 2.2.2 Safari Extender 1.3.6 Sogudi 0.4.3b

Speed Download 2.3.5

Design & Graphics

FontFX7 1.0 Lunar Cell 1.5 (Cbn) PhotoInfo 1.04 SolarCell 1.5 (Cbn)

Development

Fink 0.7.0 Jurtle 1.6

Fun and Games

BoXiKoN 1.2.4 JewelToy 1.3.1 Nanosaur 2 Demo Phoenix Ball 1.0 Retro Arcade 1.0

Interface

Ansel Adams Screen Saver 2.0 (Cls) Ansel Adams Screen Saver X 2.0

Camera Helper 1.1.1 Compost 1.1.1 CopyPaste Lite 1.0.1 Dock-it 2.0

FavoritesBar 1.0.2b Folder Contents CM 1.0.5

Holding Pattern 1.0 HotApp 1.8.2 KeyCue 1.0 Path Finder 3.2.1

Kitchen Sink

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Alarm Clock S.E. 3.1.2 Diabetes Tracker 1.3 EarthBrowser 2.0.2

Fish 0.98

Meteorologist 1.4.0b Spendthrift 614a

US Constitution&GovernmentQuizzer6.0(Cls)
US Constitution & Government Quizzer X 6.0

Multimedia

darken / brighten 1.1 DiapOPict 3.1.6 Edge Detect 1.1 EvoCam 3.4 ImageBrowser 1.2 MMT_EZ 1.0 motion detect 1.2.0 Picture Namer 1.4 Screen Movie Recorder 1.8 Simple Image Browser 2.1.1

Productivity

inkBook 1.1 moEnvelopes 0.6.1 Project Timer Lite 1.0b4 Menu Calendar 2.0b2

Pads X 1.3.1 Snail Mail 0.5.1 SubEthaEdit 2.0.1

Utilities

AddressService 1.0 Control Freak 1.2 Dent du Midi 0.9 Doublet Scan 10.1.5 DVD Juggler 1.1 Duplicate Catcher 1.2.1 Eudora Mailbox Cleaner 3.4 Eudora vCard Export 1.2.4

iHook 1.0.2

Image Info Toolkit 1.5 iPhoto Diet 2.1.6 iPhoto Extractor 2.0b4

iPulse 2.0.2 KeepAnEye 1.7 MacJanitor 1.2.1 mediaRECOVER 2.0.5 Netflix Freak 1.2.2 Peek-a-boo 2.0 Pod2Go 0.7.3

Ringtone Converter 4.4.3 (Cls) Ringtone Converter X 4.4.3 Robs iPod Exporter 1.0 The Serial Keeper 3.2.3 The Serial Keeper X 3.2.3

Watch It 0.4.1 XBit 1.0b14

STOCK CONTENTS

Graphics

GIFBuilder for OSX 1.0 GifBuilder 1.0 (Cls) Goldberg X 2.4 Goldberg 2.4 (Cls) GraphicConverter X 5.2 * GraphicConverter 5.2 (Cls) *

Jade 1.2 (Cls)

Internet

AOL Instant Messenger 4.7 (Cbn)

Better Telnet 2.0b4 (Cls)

Camino 0.8 *
Eudora X 6.1.1 *
Eudora 6.1.1 (Cls) *

Fetch 4.0.3 Firefox 0.9 * iCab X 2.9.8 * iCab 2.9.8 (Cls) *
Interarchy 7.1.1 *
Interarchy 6.3 (Cls)
Internet Explorer X 5.2.3
Internet Explorer 5.1.7 (Cls)
MacSSH 2.1fc3 (Cls)
Mozilla X 1.8a1 *
Mozilla 1.2.1 (Cls)

MT-NewsWatcher X 3.4

MT-NewsWatcher 3.1 (Cls)

Netscape X 7.1

Netscape Communicator? 7.0.2 (Cls) Netscape MRJ Plugin X 1.0.1 Netscape MRJ Plugin 1.0b5 (Cls) Niftytelnet SSH 1.1r3 (Cls)

OmniWeb 5.0b8 * Opera 7.51 * Opera 6.03 (Cbn)

Outlook Express 5.0.3 (Cls) RealOne Player 9.0 RealPlayer 8 6.0 (Cls) Thunderbird 0.7 *

Windows Media Player X 9 Windows Media Player 7.1.3 (Cls)

Others

BBEdit Lite 6.1.2 (Cls & Cbn)

BBTidy 1.0b10

DarkSide of the Mac 5.0.6 (Cls) Extension Overload 5.9.9 (Cls)

MacTracker X 2.1.1
MacTracker 2.1.1 (Cls)
Mariner LE 3.1.4 (Cls)
MP3 Rage 5.8.1 (Cbn) *
SoundApp 2.7.3 (Cls)
SoundJam MP Free 2.5.3 (Cls)
Tex-Edit Plus X 4.7 *
Tex-Edit Plus 4.1.3 (Cls)

textSOAP 4.0 *

Utilities

Adobe Reader 6.0.2 *
Acrobat Reader 5.1 (Cbn)
ADBProbe 1.0.3 (Cls)
Aladdin DropStuff 6.0.1
Aladdin Expander? 6.0.1

Andrew's Disk Copy Scripts 2.1.1

AntiWordService 2.0.1
Default Folder X 1.9.4 *
Default Folder 3.1.5 (Cls)
FinderPop 1.9.2 (Cls)
PopChar Lite 2.7.2 (Cls)
PrintToPDF 2.4.4 (Cls)
SCSIProbe 5.2 (Cls)
ShrinkWrap? 2.1 (Cls)
Sleeper 3.5 (Cls)
Snitch 2.6.7b2 (Cls)
TechTool Lite 3.0.4 (Cls)

TinkerTool 3.2.1





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59-8 locates all the countries in the world. The interactive world map is based on NASA's visible earth photography and the coordinates are based on CIA's The World Factbook data.

Requires OSX 10.2+ and QuickTime 6.0+. \$7.



Compost 1.1.2

Compost is a preference pane and daemon that allows per-user limits on the maximum size and age of trash contents. It will incrementally purge files to meet those restrictions.

Requires OSX 10.2+. Free.



CopyPaste Lite 1.0.1

The lite version of the one and only award winning easy to use multiple clipboard editing and display utility. This version gives you hundreds of clipboards at your fingertips in the most convenient way. Access the clipboard via keyboard, menubar, contextual menus or floating palette.

These are the benefits of CopyPaste-Lite:

- Simplicity
- Affordable
- No Dock icon
- · Small download
- Upgrade path to CopyPaste-X 2.0

Requires OSX 10.1+. \$15.



Fish 1.0

Fish is an aquarium simulator. It allows you to add fish to an underwater environment and customize them. Fish show complex behavior. You can feed them, see their evolution as they grow, use different cameras to track them, and save different aquariums for later usage. Fish can be shared with others over the local network using Rendezvous.

Requires OSX 10.2+. Free.



Holding Pattern 1.0

Turns your idle computer screen into an airplane win-

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dow, complete with a moving aerial view. Each time the screensaver plays, a unique flight path forms. Be patient: Let the screensaver play for a while, and you'll see that this flight does have a destination.

Requires OSX 10.1+. Free.



MacJanitor 1.2.1

MacJanitor allows you to manually startup daily, weekly, and monthly cron maintanence scripts. These scripts are important when keeping MacOS X in "good shape". Usually, these scripts are set to automatically launch at times of the day when little activity occurs. However, if your Mac is turned off during these times, then the maintanence scripts don't have a chance to run.

Requires OSX 102.2.+. Free.



Sogudi 0.4.3b

Sogudi is an add-on for Apple's Safari Web Browser that allows you to visit and search your favorite sites using just a few simple keystrokes in the location bar instead of long and complex URLs. These shortcuts allow you to enter additional parameters that would not be possible with standard bookmarks. Sogudi comes loaded with several common shortcuts and more can be added by the user. *Requires OSX 10.2+. Free.*



Spendthrift 614a

A Cocoa-based personal finance program with day-to-day money-management tools as well as scheduled transactions, interest, reporting, and graphing abilities.

Requires OSX 10.2+. Free.



Stave Jobs 2.0.2

Stave Jobs allows you to create professional looking blank sheet music quickly and easily.

Requires OSX 10.1+. \$15.



US Constitution & Government Quizzer 6.0 (Cls) US Constitution & Government Quizzer X 6.0

US Constitution and Government Quizzer is an easy to use drill and practice flash card style quizzer to aid students in learning about the US Constitution and Government. The questions asked cover a wide range of topics that may pique the students curiosity while helping

prepare them for exams which they may have in the classroom. It has 50+ new questions. It also now includes full text of US Constitution, all amendments, and Declaration of Independence.

Requires OS 8.6+ or OSX 10.1+. \$15.

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--- IMPORTANT READ-ME - - Security and You

To pass through the security gate on **September 13** you will need:

- To be on our list of members
 If your membership has lapsed, send me an email by Saturday, September 4
- aquaman47@mac.com, to tell me you plan to attend
- (Of course, err, um, don't forget to pay your dues at the meeting)

AND !!! Be prepared to show a photo ID at the gate.

All guests are welcome as always, but you or they must email me by **September 4** so they can be on the list of attendees to be submitted to SLAC security.

Thanks for your cooperation.

-Frank Smith

Apple Store Opportunity

Scott Spencer

(Reffering to an article in July '04 SMUG Newsletter, pg. 2 "Michael Jackson, Apple–speaks at SMUG")

I stopped by the downtown Palo Alto Apple Store and spoke to xxxxx a 50ish saleslady who got in touch with "Daniel", a younger salesman. They agreed that Michael Jackson teaches .Mac classes at the Apple store and sometimes makes offers of reduced rates to his "students". They further agreed that if a current SMUG member were to bring in their copy of the July newsletter and show it to a "salesperson", the store would honor Jackson's offer — which was \$30 off the retail price.

While there, I picked up a copy of the store's standard class schedule and noted this:

- Mac presentation—each Sunday 2pm, each Friday 1pm (an hour long)
- "iLife, iPhoto, and .Mac"—Monday, throughout the day

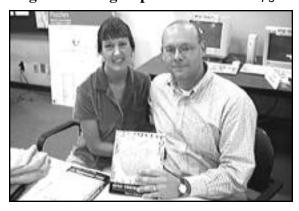
(Below is the article in July '04 SMUG Newsletter, page 2) Mac OS X P/A Apple Store to You: Michael Jackson.

Michael Jackson from the Palo Alto Apple Store presented their new Apple •Mac (Dot Mac) Subscription Service. He was ably assisted in the background by Apple Store Mac Genius Scott Player. This new service costs \$99- per year (\$30- per year for SMUG users). Its an unique service and works something like this: First, sign up and get a User ID. Then get from Apple access to an "I disk" on their server. This is a 100 megabyte size storage space for your own use—windows/Mac. This amount of i disk storage is useful for storing and transferring files or folders through the i disk remote server. You can use multiple folders and it includes a Virex Scan utility.

You can back-up files/folders with scheduling options; import pictures from a digital camera thru the USB port to laptop, and insert the pix in your own •Mac home page. You can even have sub-accounts for your own friends or clients to access.

This is a real nice application/service and it should have a lot of people and children, etc. who want to have an easy to create Web site without all of the things that have to be done when creating your "own" home Web site from home (or office) without all of the difficulty/work of creating one's own Web site from scratch. And it doesnt not leave any "cookies" on one's own computer. You can even save a virtual (local copy of i disk) on one's own computer so one doesn't have to be hooked up to the internet.

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Owen Linzmayer and Fred Balin gave a thrilling description of the "Macintosh: The Truth Behind the Mythology." This sequel provided an insight of the common misconceptions— and the real truth concerning the Mac. After this discussion we were able to purchase a signed copy of his recent book, Apple Confidential 2.0 for \$20. Shown above is Owen with his charming wife Alane.

Apple Summer 2004 WHAT'S HOT, WHAT'S NOT

Glowing Financials Sales up 25%, profits tripled from same quarter in 2003.

Heads of State

Steve Jobs has undergone surgery for removal of a rare and treatable form of pancreatic cancer. CEO expects to return to work in September. VP of Worldwide Sales Tim Cook will lead the company in Jobs's absence.

New Cinema Displays

Revised line of Cinema Displays introduced Flat panel sizes are now 20, 23, and a whopping 30 inches.17" model discontinued.

New hydra display connector used; supports PCs.Pricing is \$1299, \$1999, and \$3299 respectively. Additional bigscreen gotcha: top-of-the-line 30" model requires additional \$600 graphics card.

Price Cuts on Outgoing Cinema Display Inventory 17" now at \$664; 20" at \$1150, 23" at \$1754 (while supplies last via our Account Exec at Club Mac). Connects with single, elegant cable to PowerMac G4 or PowerMac G5s with Apple Display Connector.

Rarefied Minis

Seen an iPod Mini anywhere? Introduced in January to great demand. Apple having problems getting needed 4GB microdrive in quantity. Relatively few Minis shipped; very hard to get.

Enter the New Maxis

Standard iPod upgraded to incorporate neat Click Wheel technology used in the Mini. Pricing for the 20 GB model is \$299; for the 40 GB, \$399

Non-click models inventory reflect slightly reduced pricing; may drop further as supplies of new models come in.

Airport Shrinks

Apple introduces Airport Express mini-base station Lower \$120 price. Easy way to repeat and extend wireless signal from an Airport Extreme base station. Can work alone if entire network is wireless. Combo digital/analog audio jack supports streaming iTunes music to stero from any Mac on the network. "Neat product."

MIA: Older Aiport Cards

Apple has stopped manufacturing older Airport (802.11b) cards. "I can't see the valid reason for doing this." PowerMac G4, CRT iMacs, PowerBook G3, and iBook G3s no longer have an internal wireless solution; external solutions exist but I have not used them Titanium PowerBook G4 users can use a non-Apple card that goes in the external PC slot.

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Dirt Cheap Visit With Relatives and Friends

Got Panther and Broadband access? Just add iSight, Apple's \$145 video camera. "Old news by now, but I really like this technology." Now works with recent PC operating systems and AOL. Mac OS X v 10.4 (i.e., "Tiger") to be released, next year will extend capability to allow up to four people to video chat at the same time.

Apple Blows iMac Transition

Inventory of flat-panel iMacs runs out before new models are ready. IBM manufacturing issues with new G5 chip appear to be the cause. New iMac line now said to be introduced in September. Apple decides not to build more of the current model in the interim.

eMacs Not Available Remaining stock used to fill the iMac hole in the school market.

Dirt Cheap Older Model Laptop Inventory

12" iBook G4, 800 MHz, 256 MB RAM, 30 GB HD, CD (Read only), \$739* Next step up is \$350 more*

Dirt Cheap Older Model PowerMac G5

PowerMac G5, 1.6 GHz, 256 MB RM, 80 GB HD, SuperDrive, \$1559*

OS 9 Booting Still Needed?

PowerMac G4, 1.25 GHz, 256 MB RAM, 80 GB HD, Combo Drive, \$1294 PowerMac G4, 1.25 GHz Dual Processor, 256 MB RAM, 160 GB HD, SuperDrive, \$1794

Faster PowerMac G5s Behind Schedule

Promised 3 GHz models for June long past target date. IBM chip manufacturing issues again at fault. New dual 2.5 GHz, "water-cooled" model announced; said to ship at end of month. Prices drop on new dual 1.8 and 2.0 GHz models, but some specs trimmed.(Let's discuss if your interested) Outgoing dual processor models still available.

PowerBook Speed Bumps

Processor now running at up to 1.5 GHz
Products now support up to 2GB of RAM
For power users, I recommend special configuration with faster (5400 RPM) hard drive and increased graphics RAM; will bump the price by about \$100.
Outgoing 15" and 17" models cut by \$200, 12" model

Time Sensitive Software Deals

FileMaker Pro 7 upgrade, 50% off if registered by September 17 Other Software Offers of Interest Office 2004 Student/Teacher Edition Adobe Creative Suite Upgrade

Retrospect Desktop (support 3 uses for under \$100)

Hardware

Any ATA hard drive, internal or external, is a good deal. Let me know if you have questions.

Best,

Fred Balin Principal, MacResolutions

If you would like to join Smug please fill out the above form and mail to the address indicated. Please check out our website for more information or call if you have any questions.

Calendar of EVents

Monday, September 13

General Meeting:

Panofsky Auditorium, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC),

2575 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park.

Shareware Team meeting at Owen Saxton's house,

1442 San Marcos Circle, Mt. View.

Meeting starts at 7:15 pm.

(See page 2 for Owen's phone number and E-mail address).

Tuesday, September 21

Board of Directors meets at 6:45 pm Harmony Bakery, 299 California Ave. Palo Alto.

Friday, September 24

DEADLINE for Newsletter articles and Calendar items to be submitted by email to **bleiler@pa-smug.com**

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We thought the above calendars would be helpful for those people who don't have E-mail. This is the projection for the upcoming meeting dates.



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NEXT MEETING

Monday September 13, 2004 in Panofsky Auditorium

All About the tools to build a better web site COMPOSER, DOT MAC and DREAMWEAVER

REMINDER

September's Meeting will be held on the **September 13** due to the holiday weekend

