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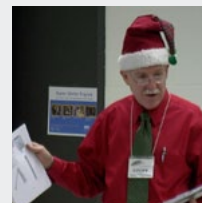
December Meeting *Scott Randell*



December 10th was our annual holiday party meeting. Bradley did his usual Q & A, and then we proceeded to do our traditional gift guide presentation.

First, Bill Medlow (our President) spoke about his long time favorite, Audible Books. Then Rick Matteson took over directing the presentation. Rick showed lots of of websites that will give you ideas for buying:

- Macintosh computers
- Books
- Games
- General Software
- iOS apps and mobile device accessories
- Camera accessories
- Music themed gifts
- General gift guide websites



Next, Geoff Broadhurst took over and showed (while Rick displayed relevant information about each on the screen) the following items:

- iPad accessories: Compass portable stand
- Griffin Cinema Seat for iPad (you can use this to hang your iPad on a car seat so passengers in the back can watch a movie during a trip)
- Marware Eco-Flip for iPad (combination case and stand)
- Kensington PowerBack (Battery Case with kickstand and dock)
- Mac/MacBook/MacBook Pro Accessories:
 - Bose Computer MusicMonitor (multimedia speakers)
 - Logitech USB Laptop Speaker Z30
- Other (Decorative accessories for your notebook computer)
 - Gelaskins

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January Meeting *Bradley Dichter*



LIMac is pleased to continue Bradley Dichter's Mac IOI series with the final part of the Mail presentation. While Bradley got farther than anticipated in the first part in November 2010, there are still to cover the topics of creating a signature and using Stationary templates to dress up your new messages. There were also a

few items we skipped over and will get to, like links to web sites that work. We will cover editing forwarded messages before sending and editing the contents of a web page before sending. You may want to review the speaker notes for this two-part presentation, available online at <http://www.limac.org/MacIOI-Mail.pdf>.



Bradley's Tech Session



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► **I want to use a song from a DVD in a personal movie I'm making in iMovie. Is that possible without recording from my TV?**

■ I've done this before. I've used *DVDxDV Pro* a \$80 application, but for this task, you could use their \$29 *DVDxDV* version that also offers audio extraction at 16-bit stereo quality. There is a Preview window, and a time line window. You just mark the approximate start and end points and select Sound from the Extract menu. The program can extract video as well. The program generates a nice .aiff format file which you can use most anywhere. If the length is not quite right, you can trim it in *iMovie*. I use Felt Tip Inc.'s *Sound Studio* (now at version 4.0.1 and formerly available from Freeverse) to trim and normalize the volume first.

► **I thought the new iOS 4.2.1 for the iPhone would enable the AirPrint function so I could print wirelessly, but it doesn't seem to work for me. Could the installation have gone wrong somehow and how can I fix it?**

■ Actually the AirPrint function currently only works with several new HP ePrint enabled models. See <http://www.hp.com/sbso/printing/mac/apple-airprint.pdf> Any old wireless printer won't do. There are no downloadable printer drivers. These wireless multi-function models allow direct printing from the iPhone/iPad with the

new iOS update. If you want to print to one of your existing printers, I'd suggest installing Ecamm Network's \$9.95 *Printopia* which allows your WiFi enabled Mac to share its printers with the iPhone. Of course your Mac and the printer have to be on for this to work. It can also send the print job to a PDF on the Mac for storage. There has been older and more limited printing iOS apps, like the Epson *iPrint*, which was limited to your iPhone's pictures. It supported a range of Epson brand WiFi equipped printers. See http://www.epson.com/cmc_upload/pdf/mobile-printing_wifi-printers_2.pdf. Canon also has *Easy-PhotoPrint*. See http://www.usa.canon.com/cusa/consumer/standard_display/iepp_home

President's Message

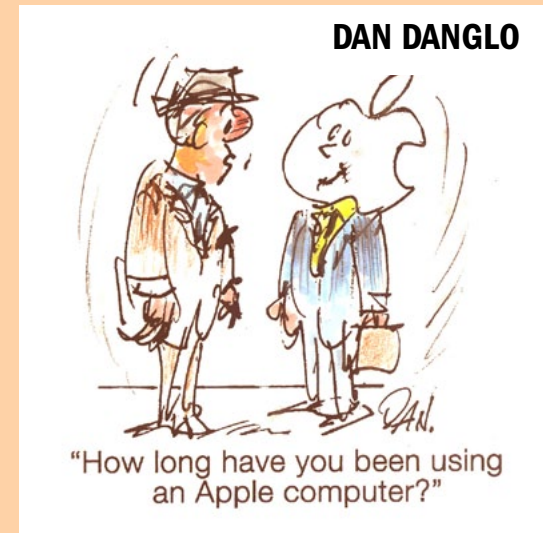


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Why wait?

Members usually wait for the next general meeting with their questions on issues they are having with their computer, printer or anything else they can't figure out. Bradley will usually make these items clear in his monthly Q&A, however, Bradley or another member can answer questions in the intervening period if you were to post it on the LIMac Bulletin Board. This is a free service to our paid members. All you have to do, is to go to Bulletin Board, which resides below the Members menu on our web site or go direct at <http://limac.board-directory.com/>. It is a simple matter to register or log in and you will find different topics with information, places to post questions, items for sale, discount offers, etc. This is a great opportunity to stay in touch and find some opportunities.

Bill



- DecalGirl

At this point, yours truly took the Mic. The topic of my portion was; iPad Styli (Actually these can be used with any touch screen device.) Check out my Keynote presentation online.



I covered the following products:

- iPad Styli
- Pogo Stylus
- Griffin iPad Stylus
- Targus Stylus
- Alupen
- OStylus

After I completed my presentation, Rick took over once again and showed the following computer and photography related books:

- Books
- Stop Stealing Sheep & Find Out How Type Works [quirky title; good info], Eirk Spiekermann & E.M. Ginger

- Understanding Exposure revised edition, Bryan Peterson
- Learning to See Creatively, Bryan Peterson
- The Digital Photography Book series (3 volumes), Scott Kelby
- The Moment It Clicks, Joe McNally [legendary magazine photographer; Sports Illustrated, Time, National Geographic...]
- The Adobe Photoshop Lightroom 3 book for digital photographers, Scott Kelby
- Almost any of the Missing Manual series (Pogue Press, O'Reilly publishers)
- Books on many areas of graphic design by Robin Williams (usually from Peachpit Press)

After the presentation, we had some surprise entertainment. One of our long time members, Roy Miller, performed a very impressive magic act. He involved the audience, and it was truly fun and entertaining. I must say, we were all amazed at how good this really was.

Many thanks to Roy and our presenters for taking the time preparing to inform, and entertain us. 🐰

Roy Miller does his final magic trick



User Group Offers



George Canellis
User Group Ambassador &
Vice President

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Entourage database recovery software ever made that repairs a damaged or corrupted Entourage database and restores it at a default or user-defined storage location. The *Entourage Repair Software* is normally \$129, but discounted to only \$90.30 with this offer. Coupon code: Entourage Repair ENT-DR-30 (30% off). *Stellar Phoenix Macintosh Data Recovery v.4.1* is a Mac data recovery software that recovers lost/deleted data due to accidental deletion or formatting of HFS, HFS+, HFS Wrapper, and FAT file system volumes or corruption of the storage media. It comes with a Boot DVD that can be used to boot the system if the file system crashes or the OS does not load. The Mac Data Recovery is regularly \$99, but the special Apple user group member price is only \$89.90. Coupon Code: [REDACTED]

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youtube.com/watch?v=0zNofO3pr3c This special Apple user group offer will get 20% off on Intego VirusBarrier X6 – standard pack (including one-year full protection for 2 Macs); the regular price is \$49.95. Purchase from: <https://secure.intego.com/buynow/> Rebate code: [REDACTED] This offer is valid through February 15, 2011.

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General meeting time schedule:

Meetings are held at

The New York Institute of Technology,
Building 300 (Anna Rubin Hall),
Old Westbury, Long Island.

For more detailed information about this location go to limac.org

Meetings start promptly at 7:00 P.M.

Bradley's Q&A: 7:00 – 7:30 P.M.

MacBasics Q&A: 7:00 – 7:30 P.M.

Beginner Q&A meetings

Photoshop SIG: After general meeting

Photoshop Elements 9 Layers

Featured Presentation: 7:30 – 8:20 P.M.

followed by announcements and raffle drawings.

Mac Basics

For the January general meeting, the MacBasics SIG will get into examining a basic word processing program that comes with every Mac: TextEdit. How is this program accessed, and how can it be useful to users? Also covered will be the character pallet and keyboard viewer; handy tools for users. If time allows, the topic of fonts will be discussed. How are font choices made; how can other fonts be added into the Mac; where can one get new fonts?

► In bad weather, call (516) 686-7789.

► The next LIMac board meeting will be at the Plainedge Library, (516) 735-4133, on Wednesday, January 19th, at 7:45 P.M. For more detailed information about this location go to limac.org

Renewal

Membership renewal for 2011 takes place from October onwards. A bonus discount was passed by the Board of Directors a few years ago: Bring in a new dues-paying member and get a \$12 discount off your membership renewal. Bring in three new members and your renewal is free!

Bringing in a new member also includes getting a past member back into the group.

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