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February Meeting *Scott Randell*

At the February meeting our own Bradley Dichter, did an instructional presentation on how to get started with iCloud. To begin with he went over the requirements for using iCloud which are as follows:

- A Macintosh running Lion OS X 10.7.1 or better
- A Windows PC running Windows Vista or Windows 7
- An iOS Device running iOS 5.0.i

Brad started out by explaining that iCloud is most useful for syncing your Mac and iDevices. He then explained how to set up iCloud on the various devices your may have.

First, setting it up on your Mac.

- 1- Go to System Preferences. Click iCloud, enter your Apple ID, and select the services you'd like to enable.
- 2-These include: Mail & Notes, Contacts, Calendars, Bookmarks, Photo Stream, Documents & Data, Back to My Mac, and Find My Mac (See Screenshot Below)



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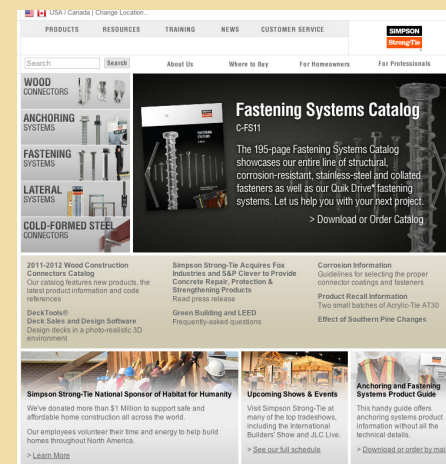
March Meeting *Rick Matteson*



The iPad is not just an entertainment, gaming or personal time management tool, it's a tool for real world business too. This month Brett Belair will show us how he uses the iPad in his daily work as Territory Manager for Simpson Strong-Tie, a building products manufacturer. His company catalog, ordering and email can all be handled from his iPad instead of paper catalogs, office computers and high powered accounting software. Come and see how Brett has simplified his workflow.

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Of course we'll have our two Q&A sessions, raffle and SIG discussions as usual. You should join us. You'll get a lot out of it and have fun too.



Next, Setting it up on your iOS device.

- 1-Make sure you are running iOS 5.0.1
 - 2-Turn on iCloud. Follow the onscreen instructions to activate your device and set up iCloud. (See Screenshot-2)
 - 3-Customize your settings. Tap the Settings icon and select iCloud. Tap the On/Off switches to enable individual iCloud services, including Photo Stream, Documents, Find My iPhone, and more. (See Screenshot-3)
 - 4-To enable Backup, tap Storage & Backup, then switch on iCloud Backup.
- Brad then went on to explain, and demonstrate how to use some of the features.

These included Photo Stream, iCal, and find my iPhone/iPad/Mac etc. Photo Stream allows you share up to 1000 photos between your Mac and your iOS devices. The photos are stored in a special album in the cloud so you don't run out of space on your iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch. You can edit a photo on one device, and the edited version will be visible on your Mac, and all of your iOS devices. This is a non-destructive process, so your original remains intact and visible.

Then, Brad demonstrated the Find My iPhone/iPad/Mac feature. To use this, Location Services must be turned on. We were able to see it in action. The locations were displayed on a map and the exact positions, and addresses were shown. In one case, it showed Brad's iPhone



Screenshot-2



Screenshot-3

as being in the parking lot. Well, sure enough, he had left it in the car. Brad also showed how to sync iCal, and Address Book. This feature can be very useful.

<http://www.apple.com/icloud/features/>. Clicking on a feature, will provide a good explanation of how to set up and use it.

There are more things that can be done with iCloud, but there was not enough time to show them all. If you want to know more, point your browser to;

As usual, much thanks to Brad for his informative presentation. All of us in attendance, now have a better understanding of the functionality iCloud can provide. ↗

Bradley's Tech Session



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► **I have a iPad 2 with iBooks 2.0.1 and iOS 5.0.1. I tried downloading a sample textbook via the Store and get a error message of "iBooks is required to download this document. You can download iBooks for free from the App store." I searched online and found others had this problem when you also have other PDF readers loaded. I have about 6 or 8 of them. What can I do about this?**

■ It's been a problem for many months and not limited to the current *iBooks 2* series. Considering you are in *iBooks* at the time, you'd think, 'How can this happen?' I've heard various apps are the culprit, like *Save2PDF* from one user and another blamed *Sign-N-Save* and other claimed *PDFExpert* was to blame. There is also *Sign-N-Send* and dozens more PDF handlers you could have. I'd suggest deleting them one at a time and trying again. You would have to quit *iBooks* after each candidate deletion before launching it again in the new environment of less conflicts. After *iBooks* works once more, you can later go back to the App Store, tap Updates, tap Purchased, tap Not On This iPad and redownload/install whatever you need, with the possible exception of that last deleted PDF handler app that got in the way of *iBooks*. Considering that *iBooks 2* deals primarily with ePUB files for the Store, you'd think this should happen, but as we know, it also handles PDF files.

I guess *iOS* needs a rebuild launchservices database tool like the *Mac OS X*.

► **This may be related, but if I get a PDF attachment in Mail on the iPad, there is the arrow to the right where I should get a button for Open in "iBooks" and a Open In... button which leads to a list of possible apps. iBooks is not on the list?**

■ That list can only show 10 apps if *iBooks* is installed and you have too many others installed. The iPad and *iOS* supports a much longer list of choices, but *iBooks* seems to limit this. Call it a bug. Report the problem to Apple via the feedback page. I imagine when you have deleted the offending apps and the iPad shows *iBooks* as the default app, then *iBooks* will work too.

► **I start up iPhoto 9.2.1 on Snow Leopard and there is no window visible. I can switch to full-screen mode but the regular window disappears if I exit out of that mode. How can I get my window back?**

■ Pretty easy, just quit *iPhoto*, then in the *Finder*, go to your home folder, open Library/Preferences/ and locate and delete the com.apple.iPhoto.plist file. Startup *iPhoto* and everything should be visible again. Then go to the *iPhoto* menu, select Preferences... and reset your settings like Show item counts. If you have this same problem and you are running *Lion*, the Library folder in the home folder is hidden, so you need to hold down the option key and use the Go menu and select the Library menu item to get there. ↴

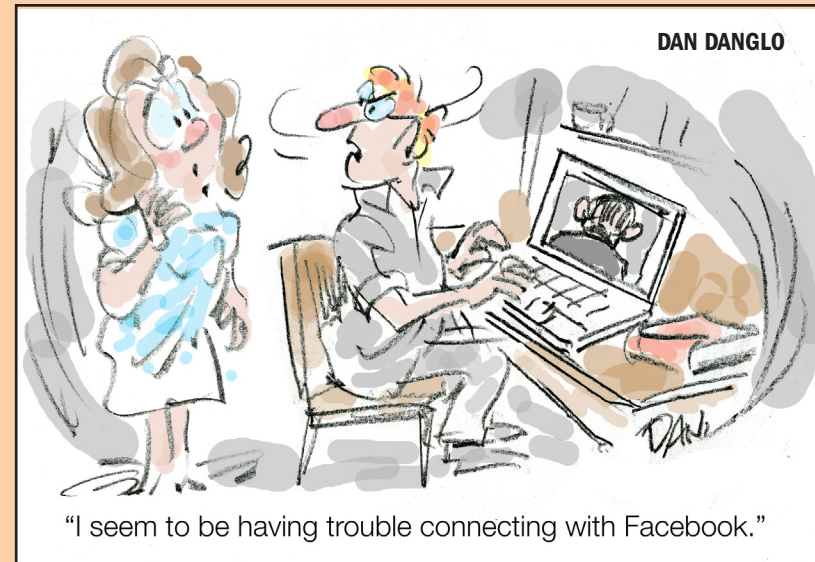
President's Message



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It is almost spring and we are expecting so many new things. Apple announced Mountain Lion for the summer, saying that it will be more compatible with the iPhone & iPad. That also means new iPads and new iPhones. Last year Apple created iPhones that are compatible with AT&T, Verizon and Sprint. If after all that, anyone doesn't have an iPhone the next iteration will be even more desirable. Not to be left behind will be the iPad which will be bigger or will it be smaller, faster or more compatible. This year will be exciting with better things to come.

Here we are with all of this being used for fun and business. Be sure to come down to our March meeting where we will show how all of this comes together and will make your life lighter, faster and even save you some time.



User Group Offers



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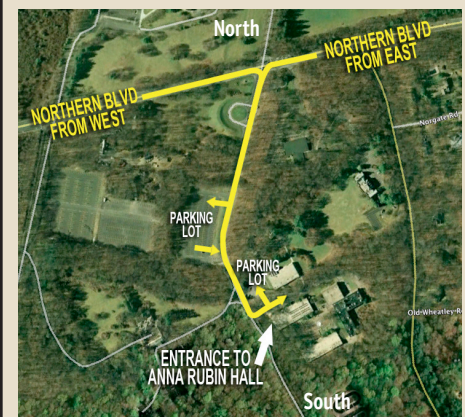
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General meeting time schedule:
Meetings are held at
The New York Institute of Technology,
Building 300 (Anna Rubin Hall),
Old Westbury, Long Island.
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Meetings start promptly at 7:00 P.M.
Bradley's Q&A: 7:00 - 7:30 P.M.
MacBasics Q&A: 7:00 - 7:30 P.M.
Featured Presentation: 7:30 - 8:20 P.M.
followed by announcements and raffle drawings.

After general meeting
iOS SIG: will be a roundtable discussion of business apps.

Mac Basics SIG: For March we will be covering Mac utilities; programs that are included with all Macs. These include wonderfully useful goodies such as Dashboard & Widgets, Preview and Disk Utility. As always come with questions.

- ▶ In bad weather, call (516) 686-7789.
- ▶ The next LIMac board meeting will be at the Plainedge Library, (516) 735-4133, on Wednesday, March 14th, at 7:30 P.M. For more detailed information about this location go to limac.org

Renewal

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