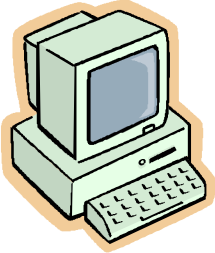


# SCPD "Let's Compute" Computer Club



## BITS & BYTES

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## The Pres Sez...

By Lyn Morse

Since I last shared with you, I've had quite a few people asking for information on two items. This information has been in earlier Bits and Bytes, but it's worth one more time. May I suggest if you even think you might be using either of these that you copy the info down in your computer address book?

It seems that working with the slide scanner and Photoshop has made several of you aware that there are old movies that you'd like to have put on DVD; others have asked if I knew anyone who could transfer cassettes, reel to reel, 45s and LPs onto discs. The answer is yes, and his name is Greg Venable – who just happens to live off Cook Street and Country Club.

Check out his website at [www.soundtransferhouse.com](http://www.soundtransferhouse.com) or give him a call at 773-4073.

The other question asked was about Peachpit Press. This is a clearing house for computer books, from beginning texts to the very advanced, discounted. As a member of Let's Compute,

you can go to their website and register. When you order, use the CODE for Let's Compute, and you'll get a further discount. Our CODE is UE-23AA-PEUF

You can choose from the monthly offers or from their catalog. If you ask, one will be sent to you, or there is an online catalog you can use. Browse the website; you'll find both PC and Mac books, and maybe, just maybe, one that you just have to have!

Your new membership card will be issued this month. Kent will be sending out a notice to those of you who have paid for 2006-2007, letting you know when they may be picked up in the lab.

You may have heard people talking about going to SWUG, Southwest Users Group, in San Diego in August. If you're interested in knowing what it's all about, and think you might like to get out of the desert heat and go yourself, visit the website for information. Go to [www.swugconf.org](http://www.swugconf.org) and find out where, when, what and how much.

If you've ever thought about teaching a class for Let's Compute, but weren't sure, you might consider giving it a try during August or September.

Class sizes are small during the summer and provide the perfect opportunity for you to start. Remember the old TV commercial, and I paraphrase, "Try it, Mikey, you'll might like it."

## Lab Closed

Keep these date in mind

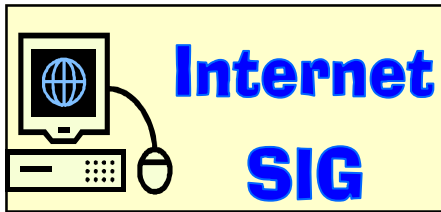


The lab will be closed **Thursday, July 27** for inventory.

The lab will also be closed for carpet installation beginning

**July 31 through August 12.**





By Sharon Kiel

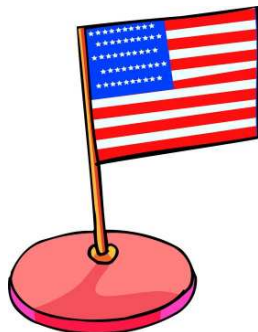
The future is now!

Alex Chavarin talked to us at our June meeting about how the Internet is also used to talk with friends by *telephone*. Many are already using this method to contact distant friends. It is VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). Alex explained the pros and cons of using this technique. He discussed such issues as security, installation, cost, and reliability.

VoIP is offered by Verizon and Time Warner, as well as many other providers. A good Q & A session followed.

Terry Kaye asked for more suggestions on Internet topics, and the topic of interest was **PRIVACY** while using wireless internet (WiFi) connections from a laptop while traveling. We will need more on this subject at a future meeting.

Don't forget to attend our next meeting on **July 11, at 7:00 pm** in the lab.



## About Adobe Photo Shop Elements 2

By Kent McDonald

A lot of club members are users of Adobe Photoshop Elements 2. In case you have experienced a computer freeze when starting up this program or Photoshop 7 on a Macintosh, you may be interested in the solution that member Bill Young found following his research at Adobe. The PE 2 program has the option of checking for software updates every time you start it, and also if you invoke the Updates feature on the Help menu. If this option has been selected, your computer will freeze because Adobe no longer responds to the update query. (There are no more updates for this version)

To fix this problem, you must first disable your Internet service, then start the PE 2 program and select the "Never" option for Check for Update frequency in the Adobe Online section of the Preferences for PE 2. Then, reconnect your Internet service. Details are found at the Adobe site: [www.adobe.com/support/techdocs/328333.html](http://www.adobe.com/support/techdocs/328333.html)



## New Membership CARDS



It's that time of year again when membership renewals are due.

Watch for an email from Kent McDonald to let you know when you can pick up your new membership card.

Remember, you must display a current membership card when taking classes, using the lab during open lab time and attending meetings.

**Election Results**

No big surprise here. The current Board Members have retained their positions for another year.

Without members willing to serve as Board Members, we wouldn't have a club.

# July Schedule of Classes

DAY	DATE	TIME	CLASS	BOOK	TEACHER
Sat	July 1				
Mon	July 3		Lab Close - Happy 4th of July !		
Tues	July 4				
Wed	July 5	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Thurs	July 6	3 - 5	Word 5 Part 1 & 2	2	Jan Grenert
Fri	July 7	8:00	The Mouse (PC)	3	Shelia Harbet
		9:00	Navigating Windows Desktop and Using Short Cuts (PC)	3	Shelia Harbet
Sat	July 8		<b>10:00 to 12:00 Open Lab</b>		
Mon	July 10	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Tues	July 11	9:00	Creating & Managing Favorites	7	Shelia Harbet
		7:00	<b>INTERNET SIG</b>		Lab
Wed	July 12	9:00	File Maintenance & Management (PC)	12	Charlie Voelker
		1 - 3	iPhoto (Mac)	1	Lyn Morse
Thur	July 13	1 - 3	Files, Folders, etc (Mac)	1	Lyn Morse
		3 - 5	Burning a Music CD (Mac)	1	Lyn Morse
Fri	July 14	1 - 3	Downloading Photos without Your Camera (Mac)	1	Lyn Morse
Sat	July 15		<b>10:00 to 12:00 Open Lab</b>		
Mon	July 17	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Tues	July 18	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Wed.	July 19	2 - 3:50	Word 1 and 2 (PC)	2	Shirley Celli
Thur	July 20	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Fri	July 21	2 - 3:50	Word 3 and 3.5 (PC)	2	Shirley Celli
Sat	July 22		10:00 to 12:00 Open Lab		
Mon	July 24	2 - 3:50	Apple's email Application	1	Shirley Allan
Tues	July 25	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Wed	July 26	10 - 2	Open Lab		
Thur	July 27	9:00	<b>Board Meeting</b>		Lab
			<b>Lab Closed for Inventory</b>		
Fri	July 28	3:00	Typing Master Workshop	15	Barbara Kaye
Sat	July 29		<b>10:00 to 12:00 Open Lab</b>		



## July Classes Listed Alphabetically

<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Apple's email Application	7-24	2:00+	Navigating Windows Desktop and Using shortcuts	7-7	9:00
<b>BOARD MEETING</b>	7-27	9:00	The Mouse (PC)	7-7	8:00
Burning Music CDs (Mac)	7_13	3:00+	Typing Tutor	7-28	3:00
Creating and Managing Favorites	7-11	9:00	<b>Word Series - PC</b>		
Downloading Photos w/o camera	7-14	1:00+	<u>Shirley Celli</u>		
Files, Folders, etc. (Mac)	7-13	1:00+	1 Creating a Basic Letter	7-19	2:00
File Maintenance & Management (PC)	7-12	9:00	2 Revising a Basic Letter	7-19	3:00
<b>INTERNET SIG</b>	7-11	7:00	3 More business letter basics	7-21	2:00
iPhoto	7-12	1:00+	3.5 Envelopes and Labels	7-21	3:00
			<u>Jan Grenert</u>		
			Word 5, Part 1 and 2	7-6	3:00+

# Mac Notes and News

## Mac TIPS of the Month

Courtesy of Apple eNews

### DRAG AND DROP COPIES

One of the easiest ways to copy a file is to hold option as you drag a file. The cursor will show a (+), indicating that it will make a copy of the file in the new location when you release the mouse button. Option-dragging is limited to the Finder, though. You can option-drag content just about anywhere to make a copy of it, including Microsoft Word and Adobe Photoshop.

### SLIDESHOWS

Wouldn't it be great if you could create professional slideshows like magic? That's precisely what Boinx Software promises with FotoMagico. The 2004 winner of the O'Reilly Mac OS X Innovators Contest, FotoMagico works flawlessly with iPhoto and iTunes, helping you create live interactive slideshows certain to impress your audience. If you're a photographer, you'll want to read more about FotoMagico--and download a free demo.

<http://www.fotomagico.com/>

### DiGITAL CARD CATALOG

If you have physical shelves stuffed with books, DVDs, CDs, and video games and have longed for a simple way to keep track of them, you'll want to read about Delicious Library. The innovative application lets you create a digital card catalog with minimal data entry. That's because you can use iSight to scan product bar codes and rely on information available on the Internet to download complete product details. And once you've assembled your catalog, you can take your Delicious Library with you on iPod.

<http://www.delicious-monster.com/>

## Apple's Mail Application

### A Class by Shirley Allan

Do you want to know how to set up Apple's Mail application to automatically pick up your mail from your ISP (Internet Service Provider)?

You can use Apple's Mail to get your email even if you are on a dial up account use, Earthlink, Roadrunner, Verizon DSL or subscribe to AOL. Yes, if you are tired of AOL's advertisements you can use "Mail" to pick up your email.

Do you want to be notified by a sound when new messages come in? You will learn how to set that up also.

Sending pictures in your email message to others with "Mail" is easy. You will learn how in this class.

You will also learn how to direct email you receive into special folders. For example, if you subscribe to Terry Kay's excellent "One List" that is active inside our community, you will learn how to set up a special folder and direct all the One List mail into that folder automatically. It will all be in this class including a few new tips like a quick way to correct your spelling.

Hopefully this revised class will answer a lot of your questions. It will be a demonstration class with new handouts, so come in out of the heat, relax and expand your mind even if you don't use "Mail."

This class is scheduled for Monday, July 24 from 2:00 to 3:50 p.m..

# JULY MONITOR AND OPEN LAB SCHEDULE



Date		10:00 -12:00	12:00-2:00
1-Jul	Sat	<b>Lab Closed</b>	
3-Jul	Mon	<b>Lab Closed</b>	
4-Jul	Tue	<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>	
5-Jul	Wed	C. Voelker	D. Feign
6-Jul	Thu	S. Plotkin	P. Corwin
7-Jul	Fri	The Kaczorowskis	J. Manion
8-Jul	Sat	K. Greene	
10-Jul	Mon	F. Diaz	B. Crowley
11-Jul	Tue	S. Cronin	H. Reese
12-Jul	Wed	C. Voelker	D. Feign
13-Jul	Thu	B. Osborn	G. Hans
14-Jul	Fri	The Kaczorowskis	J. Manion
15-Jul	Sat	K. Greene	
17-Jul	Mon	F. Diaz	B. Crowley
18-Jul	Tue	S. Cronin	H. Reese
19-Jul	Wed	C. Voelker	D. Feign
20-Jul	Thu	B. Osborn	P. Corwin
21-Jul	Fri	The Kaczorowskis	J. Manion
22-Jul	Sat	L. Rowe	
24-Jul	Mon	F. Diaz	B. Crowley
25-Jul	Tue	S. Cronin	H. Reese
26-Jul	Wed	C. Voelker	D. Feign
27-Jul	Thu	<b>Lab Closed for Inventory</b>	
28-Jul	Fri	The Kaczorowskis	J. Manion
29-Jul	Sat	L. Rowe	
31-Jul	Mon	Closed	

This Bulletin Board is a service for our club members only. Use the Bulletin Board to sell, give away, buy or exchange computer related items, or trace down something lost in the lab. Send an email to Jan at [jgrent@dc.rr.com](mailto:jgrent@dc.rr.com) with the following information:

- ◆ A description of the item and whether you want to buy, sell, exchange or give away.
- ◆ Your name, phone number and/or email address.

Let's Compute is not responsible for the items posted or any dispute resulting from any type of exchange.

### Wanted:

Computers, monitors and other peripherals, working or "dead". I will take them. Contact Shelia Harbet at 360-7146 or email [shelia@csun.edu](mailto:shelia@csun.edu).

### Wanted:

Do you have a computer or peripheral that you want to dispose of? I will take it. Contact Barbara Kaye at 772-6520 or email [barbarak1775@aol.com](mailto:barbarak1775@aol.com)

## Welcome New Monitors



**Cecilia Chu**



**Phil Corwin**

# July General Club Information

## INTERNET SIG

July 11, 7:00 p.m.

## WINDOWS SIG

No Meeting in July

## DIGITAL SIG

No Meeting in July



## BOARD MEETING

July 27, 9:00 a.m.

## MAC SIG

No Meeting in July

## GENERAL MEETING

No Meeting in July

## "Let's Compute" Officers

Lyn Morse, President.....	345-4466	lynmorse@aol.com
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Kent McDonald, VP Communications .....	345-2931	rkmcdonald@earthlink.net
Jan Grenert, Secretary, Newsletter Editor .....	360-9085	jgrenert@dc.rr.com
Jack Drill, Treasurer .....	345-8709	jdrill@dc.rr.com
Barbara Kaye, VP Maintenance .....	772-6520	barbarak1775@aol.com

## **Volunteer Coordinator: Sharon Kiel**

If you would like to be a volunteer call Sharon at 772-0745

### July Lab Monitors

Phil Corwin	George Hans	Leonette Rowe
Bill Crowley	The Kaczrowskis	Bob Osborn
Shirley Cronin	Ree McCarthy	Sheldon Plotkin
Frank Diaz	John Manion	Leonette Rowe
David Feign	Howard Reese	Charlie Voelker
Kerry Greene		

### 35 MM Scanner Monitors

Felice Bourne	Sheldon Plotkin	Leonette Rowe
Pete Claar	Conrad Lembers	Harvey Schwartz
Walter Goldsmith	<b>Jack Drill</b>	

## **Committee Chairs**

Betsy Lewis .....	Audit Committee
Moe Sullivan .....	Monitor Coordinator
Jack Drill .....	35 MM Scanner Coordinator
Richard Gregory .....	Budget Committee
Leroy Cox .....	Paper Exchange Coordinator
Pat Palladino .....	Nominating Committee

## **July Teachers**

Shirley Allan.....	345-5087
Shirley Celli.....	345-7159
Jan Grenert .....	360-9085
Shelia Harbet .....	360-7146
Barbara Kaye .....	772-6520
Lyn Morse .....	345-4466
Charlie Voelker.....	345-0123



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