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15	16	17	18	19 	20	21  Members Workshop!
22	23 Q&A 7:00	24	25	26 	27	28
29	30	31				

2  Board of Directors
mini'app'les members welcome
New Brighton Family Center
400 10th St..N.W. New Brighton
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3 OS X OS X SIG
The Foundation
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4  AppleWorks SIG
Penn Lake Library
8800 Penn Ave. S, Bloomington
John Hunkins, Sr. 651-457-8949
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10  VectorWorks SIG
Comp-USA Store
4220 West 78th Street,
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Charles Radloff 952 941 1667

11  Microsoft Word SIG
Eagles lodge
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651-488-9979

19  Macintosh Consultants SIG
Embers 7:00 AM
7525 Wayzata Blvd
St. Louis Park
Bob Demeules, 763-559-1124

21  **Members Workshop!**
Members Workshop
St Charles School
2727 Stinson Blvd NE Mpls.
Tom Gates 612-789-1713
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23 **Q&A** Macintosh Novice SIG
(Q&A) Questions & Answers
Merriam Park Library
1831 Marshall Avenue St. Paul
Richard Becker, 612-870-0659

26  FileMaker Pro SIG
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June 2005 Preview

Here is the tentative calendar of our Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings for June 2005. Please pencil these events on your calendar. As always, when doubtful of a SIG date, time, or location, confirm with one of the following:

- At www.miniapples.org
- The cognizant SIG Leader

Wednesday	June	1	AppleWorks nee ClarisWorks SIG
Monday	June	6	Board of Directors meeting
Tuesday	June	7	OS X SIG
Wednesday	June	8	Microsoft Word SIG
Tuesday	June	14	VectorWorks SIG
Thursday	June	16	Macintosh Consultants
Thursday	June	23	FileMaker Pro SIG
Monday	June	27	Macintosh Novice (Q&A)SIG

Members Helping Members

Need Help? Have a question the manual doesn't answer? Members Helping Members is a group of volunteers who have generously agreed to help. They are just a phone (or an e-mail) away. Please call only during the appropriate times, if you are a member, and own the software in question.

Apple II / IIGS Software & Hardware	1, 5, 7
AppleWorks / ClarisWorks-Draw	6, 7, 8
Classic Macs	
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FirstClass	
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Microsoft Word	5,
MYOB	13
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New Users	1, 9, 12
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PowerBooks / iBooks	12,
Power Macs	
Quicken	2, 13
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WordPerfect	4
VectorWorks	14

1. Les Anderson	651-735-3953	DEW
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12. Richard Becker	612-870-0659	EW
13. Ardie Predweshny	612 978-9774	DEW
14. Charles Radloff	952-941-1667	D

D: Days, generally 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 E: Evenings, generally 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
 W: Weekends, generally 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Please call at reasonable hours, and ask if it is a convenient time for them. By the way, many of these volunteers can also be contacted on our BBS. We appreciate your cooperation.

If you would like to be a Members Helping Member volunteer, please send an e-mail message to John Pruski on our BBS, or call him at 952-938-2818, with your name, telephone number, contact hours, and the software or hardware areas you are willing to help others.

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Miniapples Directors Meeting February 7, 2005

Submitted By John Pruski

Present- Les Anderson, Bert Persson, John Pruski,

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Agenda was unavailable for the meeting.

OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS REPORTS

Vice President Persson- noted Winter madness will be held in Buffalo again. He feels club presence at event will be

useful for advertising club and getting new members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Annual meeting- meeting room at Southdale library has been reserved for February 12, 2005.

Audit- Harry Lienke volunteered to do audit. Don Walz will deliver books for auditing to Mr. Lienke.

Nominations-for Board Officers will be conducted at the annual meeting-

An item will be placed in the newsletter noting that all offices are open and nominations will be accepted for election.

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION ITEMS-

NEXT MEETING- March 7, 2005, 7:00 pm at the New Brighton Family Center. 400 19 St, New Brighton

Miniapples Directors Meeting March 7, 2005

Submitted By Jim Nye

Present: Les Anderson, Craig Arko, Jim Nye, Bert Persson, John Pruski, Don Walz

Approval of Agenda: No agenda presented for meeting.

Approval of Minutes: motion made to approve minutes of January 6 meeting, seconded, passed

Treasurers Report: because of problems with computer, no statement submitted for this month

1. Insurance company has sent notice that \$14 of premium will go towards anti - terrorism premium

2. The bill has been paid for software, iLife & iWorks, received from Apple. All other bills have been paid.

3. Cost of food for the Annual Meeting came to \$ 246.70

4. Income from auction was \$1,669.00

5. Annual Audit noted that the account is in order. Auditor sited several activities that were not checked item by item and that the club may wish to require receipts for all financial transactions. These were review of membership payments and a review of receipts from the auction.

OFFICER AND COORDINATORS REPORTS

President -Tom Gates was not be able to attend the meeting. Vice President Persson conducted the meeting in his

absence.

Vice President Persson- noted that Winter Madness Hamfest will take place March 19 at the Buffalo Community Center. Club Representatives will be on hand to promote the club. A table and 2 tickets for the event has been arranged.

Secretary Nye- was contacted by Arvis LLC who markets retoucher V.1.5 software for Macintosh. They asked if Miniapples would review their product. Directors noted that promoters sometimes furnish software to club. If they wish they could supply us with a courtesy copy.

Brought up popularity of ipods and noted a session on ipods might be a way to interest younger people in the club. Discussion centered about possibly having sessions on ipods and other developments in the main Mac meeting when it is started again. Craig Arko, the new SiG Director, (pending election), feels this type of activity would fit in with the Main Mac SIG.

Publicity Director John Pruski- has been working with a new printing company in Prior Lake. So far there have been problems in printing the newsletter.. He will check further and see if problems can be worked out.

Past President Les Anderson- Last month Registration forms were received from the Minnesota Secretary of State. Don Walz Treasurer submitted the form to the State of Minnesota with the requested information. The club is now registered for the year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

By -Laws- Les Anderson will have the By-Laws printed in the April newsletter. The vote will be for changing the term of office from April 30 - May 1 June to May 1 to April 30 to May 1. The change is needed to assure that officers are in place after the election.

Workshop- Several dates in April have been suggested for the workshop on either April 23 or April 30. John Pruski will contact Tom Gates about final date. Craig Arko will make himself available to answer any question that may arise about OS 10 use or problems.

Multi Media-Photoshop SiG- will start in April or May under new leadership. Details are currently being worked out.-

NEW BUSINESS

Macintosh Q&A- Richard Becker has expressed an interest in taking the summer off. Les Anderson has volunteered to lead the SIG in Mr. Becker's absence.

Main Mac SIG- Craig Arko noted that the Main Mac SIG needs to be restarted with special efforts to get this SIG operational again.

Meeting Adjourned- next meeting April 4, 2005 at 7:00 PM. New Brighton Community Family Center, 400 19th St NW.

The inaugural meeting of the Twin Cities Photoshop User Group featuring a sneak peek of Adobe Photoshop CS2 and the rest of the Adobe Creative Suite 2.

Thursday, May 12th, 7pm-9pm
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If you're a Professional Photographer, Photo Enthusiast or Design Professional and want to get an overview of the powerful new features in Photoshop CS2 and the rest of the Creative Suite this meeting is for you.

Learn about Photoshop CS2's new features: Vanishing Point, Multiple layer control, Smart Objects, Image Warping, 32-bit High Dynamic Range (HDR) support, Multi-image digital camera raw file processing, Customizable workspaces and menus, Spot Healing Brush, One-click red-eye correction, Special effects filters, and Variable publishing.

We'll also touch on Adobe Bridge, the next-generation File Browser, where you can process multiple camera raw images at once; resize, rate, and label thumbnails; quickly review images in Slideshow mode; search metadata; and more.

We'll also cover a few of the key features in the rest of the Creative Suite applications:

Illustrator CS2: Live Trace, Live Paint, Adobe Photoshop layer comp support

InDesign CS2: Object styles, Adobe Photoshop and Adobe PDF layer support, InDesign snippets

GoLive CS2: Simple visual tools to build and edit CSS-based pages, Automated favicon creation & Enhanced InDesign Package for GoLive.

Q&A session will follow.

SIG leader: Jeffrey Tranberry, Adobe Systems, Inc.

mini'app'les Members Workshop

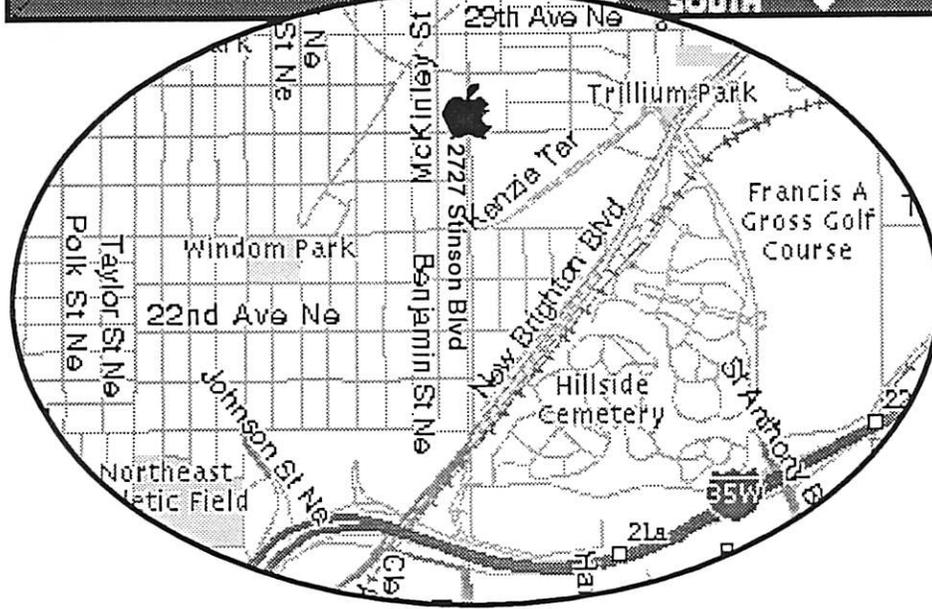
The members workshop will be held Saturday, May 21st at St. Charles School, 2727 Stinson Blvd. in Northeast Minneapolis. It will start at 9:00 AM and runs till 1 P.M. This is a good chance to get some "hands on" help with your problems. We will have a high speed internet connec-

tion, so you can download software upgrades in a few minutes instead of hours with your home dial-up connection. If you need help installing programs you can bring your own computer.

The School is located about a mile

north of I-35W and Stinson. It is easy to find.

We would like as many members to come and help our other members. See you there, and join the group.



How to get to St. Charles School 2727 Stinson Blvd NE Mpls.

From 35W to Stinson Blvd exit, then north about one mile to school.
 From 694 -take Silver Lake Rd exit - south to 29th NE about 3 miles then west (right) on 29th to Stinson then south (left) on Stinson to school (2 blocks).



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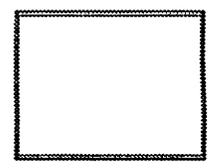
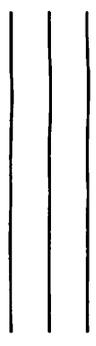
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Wanted: Q & A SIG Leader

Submitted By Les Anderson

Richard Becker will retire as the SIG leader after the June meeting. This is an important SIG. We usually have 10-12 members at a meeting. Any interested members can contact any

Board member for info on being a SIG leader.



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Periodic special User Group discount offers on equipment and software.

In the past, Apple, Hayes, Brøderbund, and APC Power Protection (Business Security Products), among others, have offered mini'app'les members significant discounts.

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