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mini'app'les members welcome
New Brighton Family Center
400 10th St..N.W. New Brighton
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OS X SIG
The Foundation
219 Second Street Suite 200
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Craig Arko

AppleWorks SIG
Augsburg Library 6:30 PM
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hunkins@mac.com.

VectorWorks SIG
Location to be determined
Charles Radloff 952 941 1667

Microsoft Word SIG
Eagles lodge
9152 Old Cedar Ave. Bloomington
Tom Ostertag, D 612-951-5520 E
651-488-9979

Mac Main SIG
Southdale Library HelenYoung room
7001 York Avenue South,
Edina, MN 55435
Craig R. Arko

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

Macintosh Q & A SIG
Questions & Answers
Merriam Park Library
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Les Anderson 651-735-3953

FileMaker Pro SIG
Megaclean
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Moving? Going to be away from home and leaving a for-warding address with the Post Office? Please send us a Change of Address when you are informing others. By using a moment of your time and a few cents to drop us a card, you save the club some money and you get your newsletter delivered promptly to your new address. If you don't inform us, the Post Office puts your newsletter in the trash (they don't forward third class mail) and charges the club for informing us of your new address. Change of Address should be sent to the club's mailing address: mini'app'les, Attn: Membership Director, Box 796, Hopkins, MN 55343.

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Here is the tentative calendar of our Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings for November 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

Monday	November	7	Board of Directors meeting
Tuesday	November	1	OS X SIG
Wednesday	November	2	AppleWorks SIG
Tuesday	November	8	VectorWorks SIG
Wednesday	November	9	Microsoft Word SIG
Tuesday	November	15	Mac Main SIG
Thursday	November	17	Macintosh Consultants
Monday	November	28	Mac Q & A SIG
Thursday	November	24	FileMaker Pro 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		
Cross-Platform File Transfer	5	
FileMaker Pro		
FirstClass		
iMacs	12,	
iPhoto / iTunes / iMovie		
Mac OS Classic	7, 12	
Mac OS X		
MacWrite Pro	11	
Microsoft Excel	2, 5, 13,	
Microsoft Word	5,	
MYOB	13	
Networks		
New Users	1, 9, 12	
PhotoShop	3, 10	
PowerBooks / iBooks	12,	
Power Macs		
Quicken	2, 13	
QuickBooks and QuickBooks Pro	13	
WordPerfect	4	
VectorWorks	14	

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11.	R. J. Erhardt	651-730-9004	DEW
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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Mail inquiries to: PO Box 796, Hopkins, MN, 55343
Phone inquiries to: John Pruski, 952-938-2818

Miniapples Directors Meeting August 1, 2005

Submitted by Jim Nye

Present:: Les Anderson, Craig Arko, Jim Nye, Don Walz, Bert Persson, member Brian Bantz.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved with several additions.

Approval of Minutes: July 11, 2005 minutes approved.

Treasurers Report- All bills for the months paid except a bill received on August 1. A letter will be sent to Brian Bantz & Dave Lundeen acknowledging our receipt of money from the Naugsaw account. The letter will officially close out the account and no future action will be necessary.

OFFICERS AND CO-ORDINATORS REPORTS

President Gates- Unable to attend meeting because of prior business. Vice President Persson: Vice President Persson conducted the meeting in President Gates absence. The group discussed sending newsletters to libraries as a way to get the word out about the club. Motion made to send the newsletter out to area libraries, seconded, passed.
Secretary Nye: A friend of his son, who is a long time Apple user and is going to school & working in Eau Claire Wisconsin, showed some interest in being a SIG leader. Because of

working, going to school and the distance from the Twin Cities he would probably be available only about every 2–3 months. He expressed interest in attending one of our SIG meetings.
SIG Director Arko; The Photoshop meeting appears to be an Adobe event. The club will cooperate with the group and run meeting notices for members who wish to attend.
Director Arko met with Celeste Holms and Dave Shaw who will contact libraries for a site to hold the Main Mac meetings. Director Arko also floated the idea to combine the Q&A (novice) and Main Mac meeting together.
Director at Large Anderson- The August newsletter was mailed out and some duplicates were also mailed to get up to the 200 minimum bulk rate requirement. Presently, the mail account is in good shape with a balance of $300. It is expected that about a dozen people will drop out after the June membership is tallied.

OLD BUSINESS
The club has has not been able to contact Tami Brass who inquired earlier about starting a user group for her students at Oakland Jr. High , lake Elmo- Stillwater School District . Craig Arko will follow up and try to contact her.

NEW BUSINESS
Newsletter -The Board discussed putting the newsletter on the web. . Craig Arko suggested publishing a portion of the newsletter coverage on the web because the younger computer users seem to prefer electronic rather than printed copies. The discussion ended with talking about the option of having both a printed & electronic copy of the newsletter.
Photoshop SIG or meeting- Craig Arko will contact Adobe and inquire about the direction the meeting is taking.
Workshop- A site is being searched for the workshop, which will be held at the end of October or 1st week in November.
Auction- Group discussed possible tentative dates for the auction citing the end of November or first part of December as possible times to hold the event.
Club Records; Brian Bantz appeared before the Board to inquire about past club records. Brian was looking for old records for business purposes. He was told the club does not archive records , but Bert Persson informed Brian that he has copies of old newsletters if that would help him. The club will submit a letter for Mr Bantz noting his club affiliation if that would be useful to him.
Next Meeting September 12, 2005 7:00 pm, New Brighton Family Community Center, 400 19 St, New Brighton, Mn

mini'app'les annual auction will be held December 10, 2005

Submitted by Bert Persson

Each year the Minnesota Apple Computer Users' Group have an auction were we sell donated computers, software, books and other computer related equipment to our members as well as the public. This auction is one way mini'app'les raises funds for our newsletter, web site (miniapples.org) and BBS. Since we are a nonprofit organization donations can be used as a tax write off if so desired.
With the fast moving computer market, equipment that at one time was "state of the art" rapidly becomes "outdated or inadequate" with newer operating systems and hardware.

Therefore we like to restrict our auction to computers capable of running system X (OSX) or later using USB ports or newer I/O architecture. This will limit us to accepting beige G3 machines, iMac's, iBooks or newer, B/W G3, G4 etc. Printers and scanners would have to be USB capable. Since monitors pose a hazardous waste problem, we like to have them only if they are part of a complete system.

In conclusion, we would like to make this years auction an event were people who are not on the "bleeding edge" of technology an opportunity to use the newer Apple operating systems and software.

If you have some equipment you like to donate, please contact
John Pruski johnpruski@aol.com
(952) 938-2818

or

Bert Persson skallgang@yahoo.com
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Our annual mini'app'les auction will be held Saturday, December 10, 2005 at the
Washburn Library,
5244 Lyndale Ave S
Minneapolis.

The times will be published later.
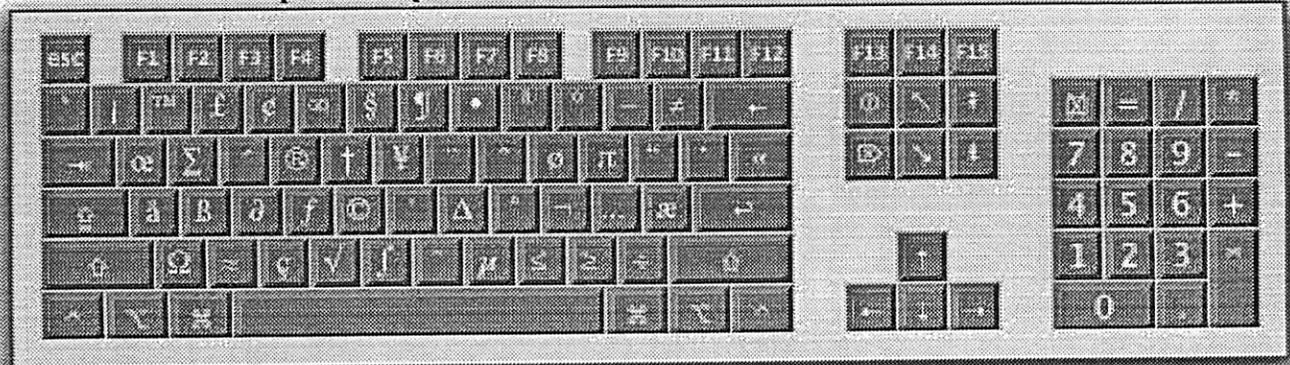
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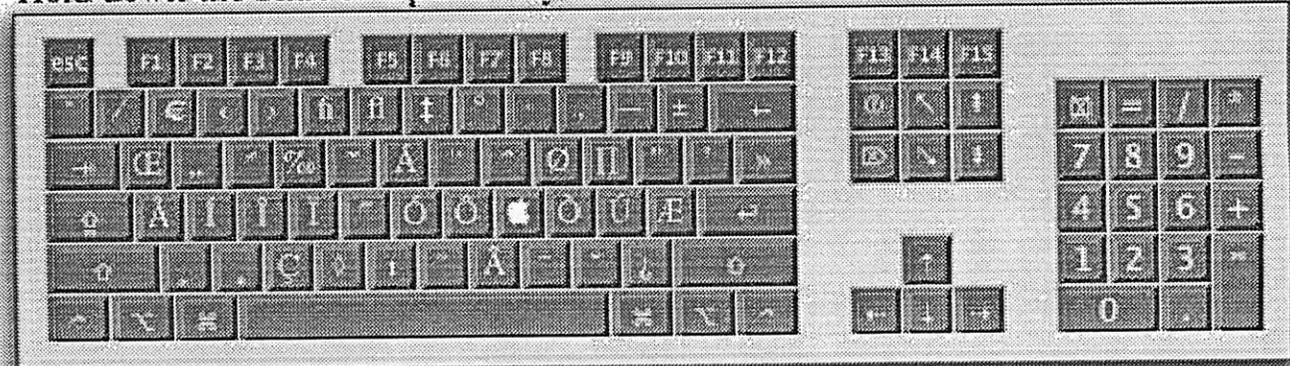### Lowercase Times Keyboard
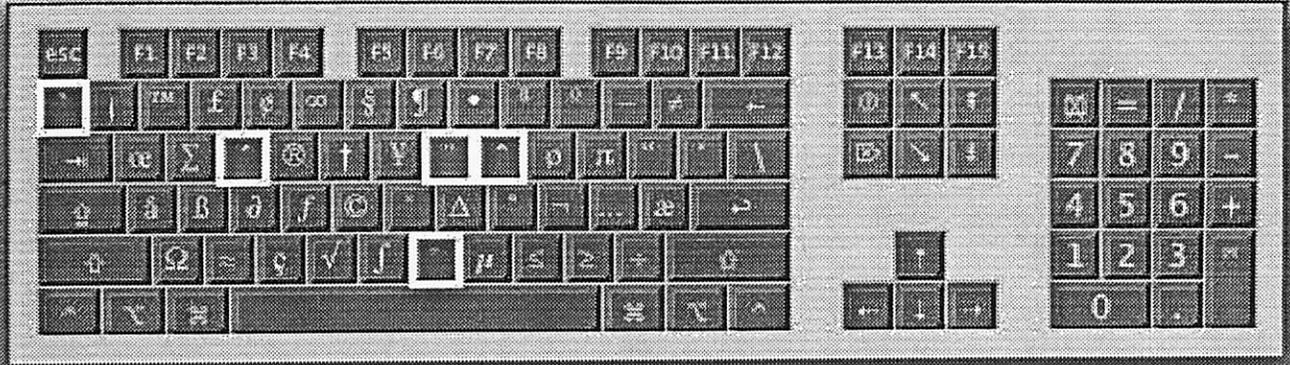
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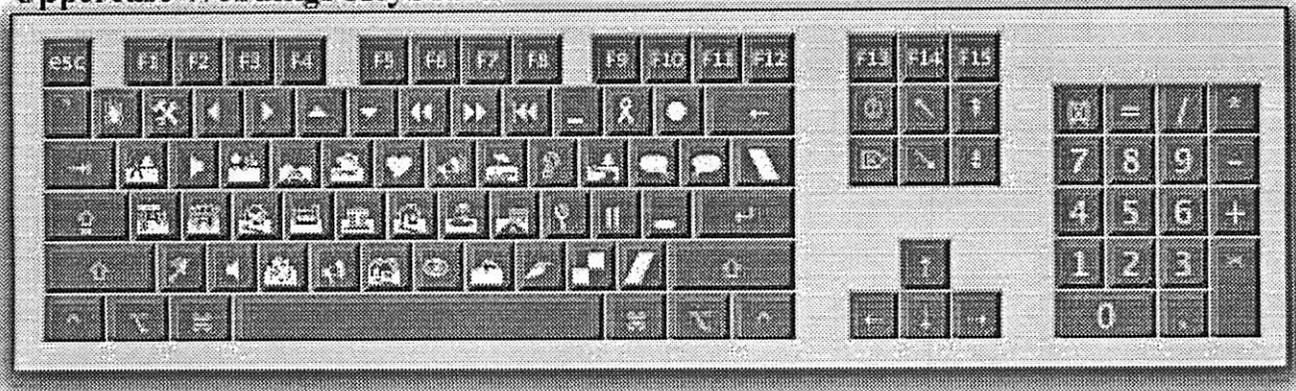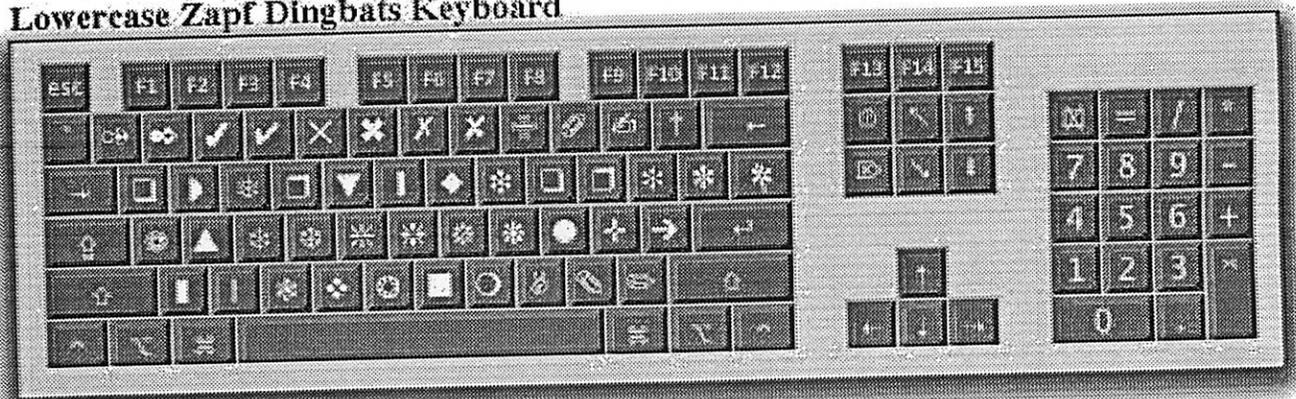### Hold down the Shift & Option Keys for these Times characters

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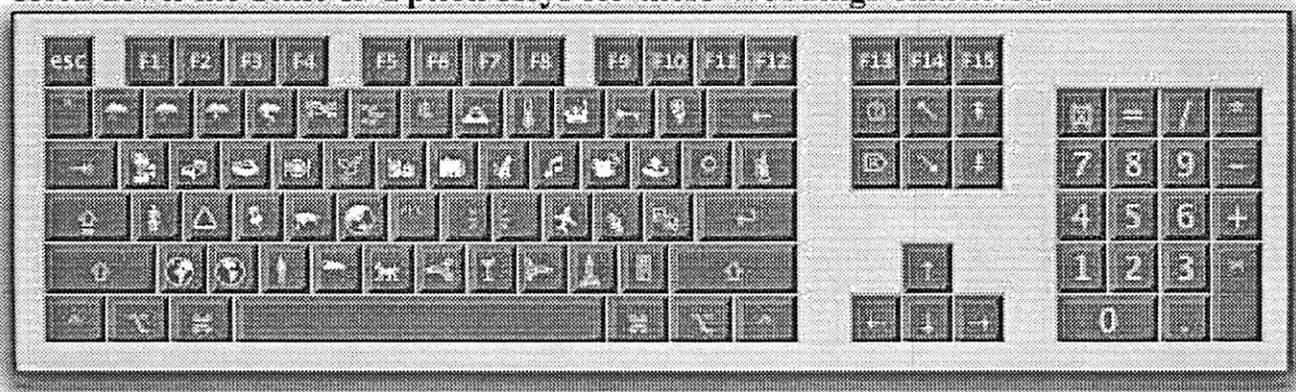
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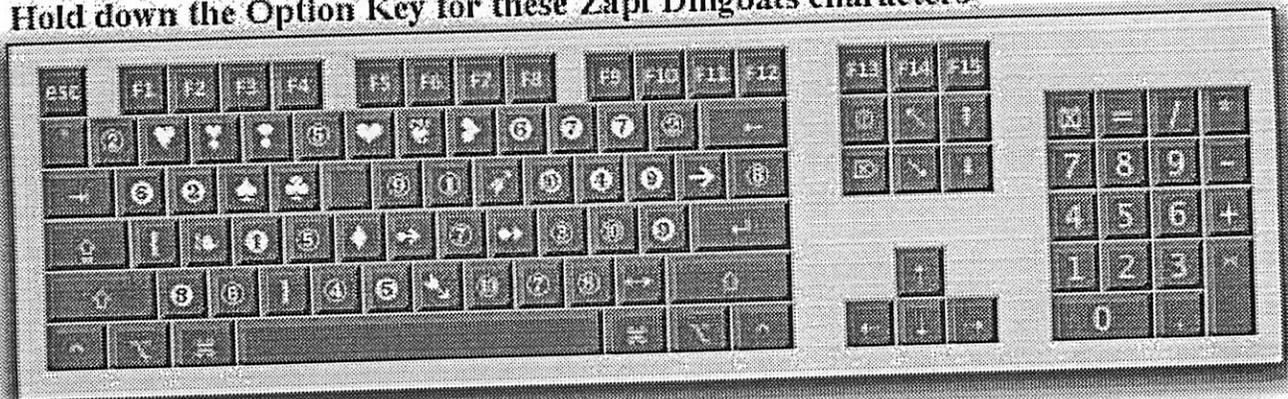
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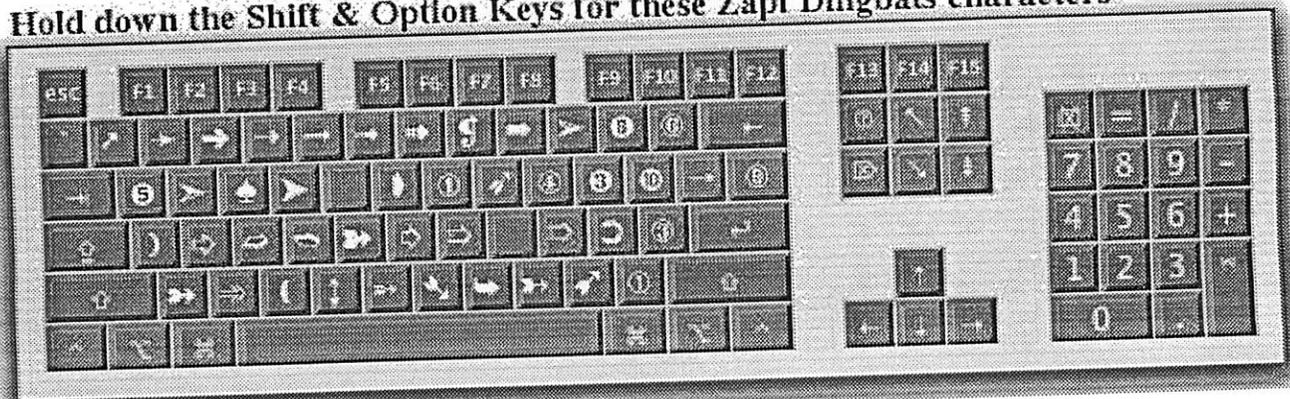
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___ Check if this is a change of address notice.
___ Check if you are interested in volunteer opportunities.
___ Check if you want your name added to Members Helping Members List.
___ Check if you want your name withheld from commercial and other non-club mailing lists.
___ Check if you were referred by a club member (if so give members name).

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Saturday Novice Workshop coming in November 2005

Submitted by John Pruski

Another Mini'app'les computer Saturday Workshop is being planned for November 2005.

The exact Saturday is not yet official, but watch these newsletter pages and the Mini'app'les internet site for more information. Normally runs about 9am to noon-ish.

The Saturday workshops have been enjoyed and found useful by many members. This is a chance to get together with knowledgeable Mini'app'les members and get those pesky problems figured out. It may be something on how to use a particular software program, a problem with your equipment that just won't go away, or just can't get that setup to work as you want. Whatever it is,

we're here to help. There is room to bring your equipment in and set up, internet access available, some Apple and 3rd party diagnostics can be run.

So get your questions and problems ready for the Saturday Workshop and watch for the exact date and time.

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A one year subscription to our monthly Newsletter

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Just a few of the many items given away free in the past include: Connectix
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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
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discounts.

**Plus, you're supporting all of mini'app'les' special interest group (SIG)
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