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From the Editor:

My apologies for the small size of this newsletter but circumstances are such that it will have to be sufficient. I will be able to resume preparing a normal newsletter in December.

Tom Ostertag, Publications Director

Meeting Calendar

This information was compiled as this newsletter was being assembled and is subject to change. As always, confirm the Special Interest Group (SIG) date, time, and location with the SIG Leader or the mini'app'les website: www.miniapples.org.

Meeting Calendar – November 2012			
Tuesday	November 6	7:00 pm	Mac OSX SIG
Wednesday	November 14	7:00 pm	VectorWorks SIG*
Thursday	November 15	7:00 am	Mac Consultants SIG
Tuesday	November 20	7:00 pm	iOS SIG
Cancelled for November (Thanksgiving)			FileMaker Pro SIG
Cancelled for November			Mac Q&A SIG

Meeting Locations and Leaders

Meeting	Location	Leader
Mac OSX SIG	Ridgedale Library, 12601 Ridgedale Drive, Minnetonka, MN	Bob Demeules, 763-559-1124
VectorWorks SIG*	CJR Office, 4441 Claremore Dr., Edina	Charles Radloff, 952-941-1667
Mac Consultants SIG	Good Day Cafe, 5410 Wayzata Blvd., Golden Valley	Bob Demeules, 763-559-1124
iOS SIG	Hack Factory, 3119 E. 26th Street, Minneapolis	Tim Drenk, 952-479-0891
FileMaker Pro SIG	Erik's Bike Shop Corporate, 9201 Penn Ave S. #1, Bloomington	Steve Wilmes, 651-458-1513
Mac Q&A SIG	Merriam Park Library, 1831 Marshall Ave, St. Paul	Harry Lienke, qasig@miniapples.org

* This SIG is NOT sponsored by mini'app'les; the listing is provided as a service to members.

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The Q&A SIG Moves Again

by [Harry Lienke](#)

The October meeting of the Question and Answer Special Interest Group (Q&A SIG) will be held at the Dakota County Wentworth Library (199 East Wentworth Ave) near beautiful downtown West Saint Paul starting at 6:30 pm on October 24. This month we will be using the Conference Room in the back of the library; the large meeting room is already busy.

The meeting has been moved from the St. Paul Merriam Park Library because, once again, someone in the Library hierarchy decided to schedule a program in the Merriam Park meeting room even though it was already busy with our meeting. I tried to move the meeting to a different night but there were no openings in October; November 7 was the first available slot, but there was no guarantee we would not be preempted again.

The Merriam Park Library is open late only on Mondays and Wednesdays. The person I talked to indicated all Monday nights are filled with some kind of training classes so it is only Wednesdays that may be available for our meetings. My confidence in being able to continue to schedule the Q&A SIG at this library is rather low.

I think we need to select another time, day, and/or location for our meeting. Please let me know what time and day are best for Q&A SIG meetings. Do you know of a centrally located meeting room that would be available to us at no or low cost? Please send me an email at qasig@miniapples.org and tell me what you think. If we are to continue the Q&A SIG, we need to hear from you.

Thanks for your help.

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 call or an email away. Please

call only during the appropriate times, and **only if you are a current mini'app'les member** and own the software in question.

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New Users	1
PhotoShop	NV
QuarkXPress.....	5
Quicken.....	NV
QuickBooks and QuickBooks Pro	NV
VectorWorks	NV

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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.

NV = No Volunteer

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

Mini'app'les needs more volunteers for Members Helping Members — If you are willing to be a Members Helping Members volunteer, please send an email message to Membership Director Mike Bertrand or contact him on our forums with your name, telephone number, contact hours, and the software and hardware areas you are willing to support.

Mini'app'les Membership Application and Renewal Form

Membership cost is \$15.00 for one year. To pay electronically using PayPal, visit the mini'app'les [website](#).

If you prefer to pay by check, use the form below. Please make your check payable to "mini'app'les."

Name: _____

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Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone # (home): _____

Phone # (work): _____

Phone # (cell): _____

Membership ID # (if renewal): _____

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____ Check if this is a change of address notice

____ Check if you want to volunteer

____ Check if you want to be added to "Members Helping Members"

____ Check if you were referred by a club member (if so, please give member's name)

Please mail this application and your payment to:

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P.O. Box 796

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Thank you for your support!

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- Access to the mini'app'les online forums. Post questions and/or answers about issues, trouble shooting, products, buying and selling, special events, discounts, and news about Apple and the mini'app'les club.
- Access to our Members Helping Members network of professional and advanced users of Apple technologies. These members volunteer their time to help other members with software, hardware, and other Apple related issues.
- A variety of Mac Special Interest Groups (SIGs) that meet each month.
- Multi-SIG meetings and workshops to help members with computer problems. You can bring your equipment to these events and receive support from knowledgeable Mac users to help diagnose your problem(s).
- Participation in drawings for computer hardware, software, and other computer related materials.
- Discounts from vendors and manufacturers. Refer to the on-line forums for current offers.

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Questions — Members with technical questions should refer to the Members Helping Members section or bring their questions to an appropriate SIG meeting. Please direct other questions to an appropriate board member.

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Submissions — We welcome contributions from our members. Perhaps you're using new software that you just can't live without. Maybe you have a new piece of hardware that you find extremely useful and of high quality. On the other hand, you might be struggling with problematic software or hardware. Why not share your experience with other members by writing a product review? Doing so may steer others towards quality products or help them avoid the problems you may be having.

Submissions must be received by the 15th day of each month to be included in the next month's newsletter. Please send contributions directly to our post office box (mini'app'les, PO Box 796, Hopkins MN 55343), or email them to info@miniapples.org.

The deadline for material for the next newsletter is the fifteenth of the month. An article will be printed when space permits and, if in the opinion of the Newsletter Editor or Publications Director, it constitutes material suitable for publication.

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