

# Macaholics UNANIMOUS

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## December Holiday Party

We had our annual "Non-denominational Holiday Celebration" in December, our 15th such party! Our theme this year was community, and so we brought food to share, food for the food pantry, computer stuff to share, and stories! The club provided small gifts for all who attended, and we had our "funny movies" giveaway CDs as party favors. At the start of the meeting, Jeff Bronsing and Sue Heim of Upper Keys CERT filled us in on what they do (see page 2).

The stories were a fun way to share and get to know each other better, and the best gift of all was a surprise visit from Scott Coats, our "founding father" and first Apple Ambassador, and his lovely wife, Dr. Laura!

The most notable participation by any members, by far, was from the Dillinghams, who mailed exchange items and wonderful cookies from New York State! Thank you Nancy and Bob, and happy new year to all!



(L-R) Sandy Santiago, John Thomas, Video Dave, Barry Carter, Erica Makar, (Ike Beal's back) Bob Shubert, Mary Anne Roper, Jim Spencer, (half of) Norma Kula, CJ Berwick, Nadia Spencer, Emilie Stewart and Peter Sergerer.



Sharing stories. Emilie gets a prize for the funniest!



Founders and UKMUG old-timers: Sandy Santiago, Scott Coats, Karen Beal, Ike Beal and Sue Beal.



We drew names for story telling and gift choice.



January 14th at 7pm,  
KL Library Community Room:

## Photo Workflow From Download to Output presented by Carol Ellis

Our January speaker is Carol Ellis of Little Salt Photography on Digital Photography topics, including:

- Inputting from a memory card onto the Mac using a logical naming convention, and iPhoto as a storage place for photos.

- Ranking, deleting, hiding, key-wording photos, and making folders and albums to categorize your collection. How to tell which of the photos from a group is the one to keep and what to let go

- Backing up on external storage devices. Knowing the difference between temporary storage for ready access and archiving. Time machine.

- Editing the photo: Tricks for over-all image adjustments which fix the most common flaws quickly. Contrast, brightness, color, sharpening, cropping and B&W conversion.

- Broad vs local adjustments. Selective editing. The power of Photoshop in this respect... a brief overview.

- Workflow is obviously sped up if you take a great photo in the first place. Taking a great photo requires what elements to be present? Light, background and content (behavior).

Don't miss it!!



The tables were laden with gifts and great used items!





## Upper Keys CERT: Community Response Team

The Community Emergency Response Team concept was developed and implemented by the Los Angeles City Fire Department (LAFD) in 1985. The Whittier Narrows earthquake in 1987 underscored the area-wide threat of a major disaster in California. It confirmed the need for training civilians to meet their immediate needs.

As a result, the LAFD created the Disaster Preparedness Division with the purpose of training citizens and private and government employees.

The training program that LAFD initiated makes good sense and furthers the process of citizens understanding their responsibility in preparing for disaster. It also increases their ability to safely help themselves, their families and neighbors. FEMA recognizes the importance of preparing citizens. The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) and the National Fire Academy adopted and expanded the CERT materials, believing them applicable to all hazards.

The CERT course will benefit any citizen who takes it. This individual will be better prepared to respond to and cope with the aftermath of a di-

saster. Additionally, if a community wants to supplement its response capability after a disaster, civilians can be recruited and trained as neighborhood, business, and government teams that, in essence, will be auxiliary responders. These groups can provide immediate assistance to victims in their area, organize spontaneous volunteers who have not had the training, and collect disaster intelligence that will assist professional responders with prioritization and allocation of resources following a disaster. Since 1993 when this training was made available nationally by FEMA, communities in 28 States and Puerto Rico have conducted CERT training.

Upper Keys CERT sponsored by Islamorada Fire Department will be conducting training in February 2010. Training is free.

If you are interested and have more questions or wish to sign up for the training, please contact either of the following; Jeff Bronsing Upper Keys CERT Director 305-522-0335, or Sue Heim Upper Keys CERT Deputy Director 305-853-9145. [MU](#)

## Happy Accidental Folder Discovery in Mail

by James R. White

I accidentally dragged a folder instead of a file into an Apple Mail message composition window. It included the whole folder in the email!

Not only that, but the size of the folder in the mail message is smaller than the folder on my Mac (276 kb on my Mac, 216 in the message.)

I didn't know Apple Mail worked like that!

And if he didn't know, chances are, some of our other readers also didn't know!—Sue [MU](#)



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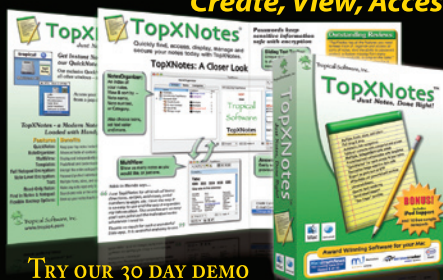
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## Highlight Groups in Address Book

submitted by Nancy Dillingham

Want to see which groups one or more contacts belong to? Select them and then press the Option key. Address Book highlights the groups of which the selected contacts are members.

Look for more tips at <http://db.tidbits.com/> ... follow the TipBits links. [MU](#)

## Useful Graphics Templates for Mail

John Cooper wrote: I am looking for a Christmas-themed template for email stationery to be used in Apple Mail on a MacBookPro running Snow Leopard; but can't find one. Do you know where one might be or how I can find and add one from the net? I have looked on the net; but all appear to be only for Windows operating systems.

Sue says: I remembered an invitation John Hammerstrom had made a while back, and he had the answer:

John Hammerstrom wrote: I found the Stationary Pack -- which plays nicely with Apple Mail -- to be a useful pack of templates for many occasions. That was the source of the template I used for my retirement party.

<https://www.equinux.com/eqnetwork/store/index.html> [MU](#)

For the iPod/ user who has everything:



Swarovski Crystal ear buds! Thanks, John!

And the Prize for Most Useless Holiday Gift Idea:

Wikipedia, the leather bound collector's print edition.

## Abbott & Costello Today

*Thanks to Scott Coats for this one...*

You have to be old enough to remember Abbott and Costello, and too old to REALLY understand computers, to fully appreciate this. For those of us who sometimes get flustered by our computers (especially PCs), please read on...

If Bud Abbott and Lou Costello were alive today, their infamous sketch, 'Who's on First?' might have turned out something like this:

**COSTELLO CALLS TO BUY A COMPUTER FROM ABBOTT**

**ABBOTT:** Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?

**COSTELLO:** Thanks I'm setting up an office in my den and I'm thinking about buying a computer.

**ABBOTT:** Mac?

**COSTELLO:** No, the name's Lou.

**ABBOTT:** Your computer?

**COSTELLO:** I don't own a computer. I want to buy one.

**ABBOTT:** Mac?

**COSTELLO:** I told you, my name's Lou.

**ABBOTT:** What about Windows?

**COSTELLO:** Why? Will it get stuffy in here?

**ABBOTT:** Do you want a computer with Windows?

**COSTELLO:** I don't know. What will I see when I look at the windows?

**ABBOTT:** Wallpaper.

**COSTELLO:** Never mind the windows. I need a computer and software.

**ABBOTT:** Software for Windows?

**COSTELLO:** No. On the computer! I need something I can use to write proposals, track expenses and run my business. What do you have?

**ABBOTT:** Office.

**COSTELLO:** Yeah, for my office. Can you recommend anything?

**ABBOTT:** I just did.

**COSTELLO:** You just did what?

**ABBOTT:** Recommend something.

**COSTELLO:** You recommended something?

**ABBOTT:** Yes.

**COSTELLO:** For my office?

**ABBOTT:** Yes.

**COSTELLO:** OK, what did you recommend for my office?

**ABBOTT:** Office.

**COSTELLO:** Yes, for my office!

**ABBOTT:** I recommend Office with Windows.

**COSTELLO:** I already have an office with windows! OK, let's just say I'm sitting at my computer and I want to type a proposal. What do I need?

**ABBOTT:** Word.

**COSTELLO:** What word?

**ABBOTT:** Word in Office.

**COSTELLO:** The only word in office is office.

**ABBOTT:** Word in Office for Windows.

**COSTELLO:** Which word in office for windows?

**ABBOTT:** The Word you get when you click the blue 'W'.

**COSTELLO:** I'm going to click your blue 'w' if you don't start with some straight answers. What about bookkeeping? Got anything I can track my money with?

**ABBOTT:** Money.

**COSTELLO:** Right. What do you have?

**ABBOTT:** Money.

**COSTELLO:** I need money to track my money?

**ABBOTT:** It comes bundled with your computer.

**COSTELLO:** What's bundled with my computer?

**ABBOTT:** Money.

**COSTELLO:** Money comes with it?

**ABBOTT:** Yes. No extra charge.

**COSTELLO:** I get a bundle of money with my computer? How much?

**ABBOTT:** One copy.

**COSTELLO:** It's illegal to copy money!

**ABBOTT:** Microsoft gave us a license to copy Money.

**COSTELLO:** They can give you a license to copy money?

**ABBOTT:** Why not? THEY OWN IT!

(A few days later)

**ABBOTT:** Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?

**COSTELLO:** How do I turn my computer off?

**ABBOTT:** Click on 'START'... 

# Friends don't let friends use Windows.

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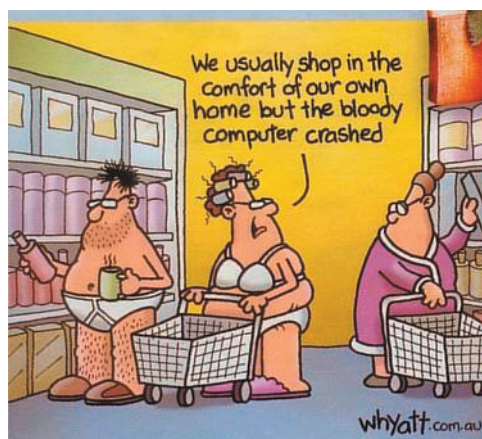
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## Cartoons & Joke Courtesy of Karen Beal...



**Come at 6:30 for the Beginners Circle:**

New! Bring your laptop and your questions at 6:30, and for a half-hour prior to the main meeting we'll have experienced folks available to help, one on one, or in small groups.

**FREE CLASSES IN KEY WEST!**

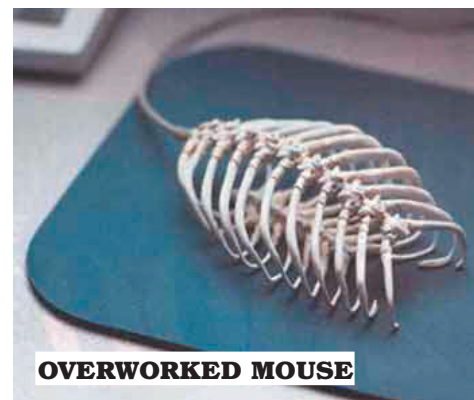
Macintosh Systems Solutions has a free class almost every Saturday morning at the store in Key West! Visit them at 1001 Truman Avenue at the corner of Grinnell. They offer a wide range of classes for new and experienced Mac users. Stop by for all your Apple sales, service, and training needs, or call 293-1888.

During a recent password audit by our company, it was found that a blonde was using the following password:

**MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouieDewey-DonaldGoofy**

When asked why such a big password, she said she was told it had to be at least 8 characters.

*PS: if you're blonde and don't get it, just move on and don't give it another thought...*



**MU Classifieds • MU Classifieds**

Call or email Sue if you have something to give away or sell! Classified ads are free.

One of our members has a few items up for sale...

**Mac G4 tower - needs video card \$200**

**New Mac keyboard and mouse** (neither is wireless) \$40.00

**Altec Lansing Multimedia Computer Speaker System** with two speakers and a powered subwoofer \$45.00

Anyone interested can either email Steve Stewart at [steves@terranova.net](mailto:steves@terranova.net) or call 305-852-9798

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