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#### Convergence

by Sue Beal

Our November meeting was almost a continuation of one we started earlier in the year... except that Apple has since come out with the iPhone 5 and the iPad Mini. These wonderful hand-held devices allow us to bring our digital lives together in ways better than ever... a phenomenon that Jack Buccellato of All Keys ComputerGuy has labeled "convergence." This concept was the underlying theme for the evening.

We welcomed Jack and partner Chris Muller as our speakers, and we had almost 50 people, which is a huge number for us in November. (We are up against a couple other events in November and usually get a poor turnout. There was nothing poor about this turnout!!)

Jack gave a quick overview, covering the convergence concept. With the Cloud, your contacts and "stuff" (think photos, entertainment and documents) are available to you no matter where you are, and no matter which of your devices (desktop, laptop, iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad) you are using. Then, Apple brought all that into your living room, to further bring it together, so that all your



We didn't get a picture of him in action, but Chris Muller conducted a great 35-minute iPhone5 overview and Q&A session. People had so many questions... and Chris had all the answers!

"stuff" is available to view on your TV too. Apple is endeavoring to make it all simple and seamless.

The iPhone 5 came out with the latest and greatest operating system - iOS6,

featuring all the latest in social media apps, and more. Chris took the floor to talk about the new iPhone 5 and take questions...

The iPhone 5 is both smaller and larger than the previous models! (huh?) It's thinner and lighter, but the screen, a retina display, is taller than the older models (4 inches). Now five rows of icons can fit on a screen, instead of four.

The iPhone5 has a new charger plug (which some are not entirely happy about). You'll need a \$30 adapter to use the new phone with the old charger. Chris recommends the adapter

OUR NEXT MEETING:

# Thursday, **Dec. 13, 2012**

7pm at Key Largo Library Community Room, MM 101.4 Oceanside

#### 20th Annual Non-Denominational Holiday Party

Bring a yummy party dish to share, and bring your best game mindset, as we'll compete Jeopardy-style for our preference from the gift tables.

Gifts generously provided by Macintosh Systems Solutions: The Apple Store in Key West. Thank you, Ashley & Tom!!

Additional gifts from our speakers (All Keys Computer-Guy & Tropical Software), and UKMUG dues.

(Sorry, no Beginner's Circle in December.)



over buying a whole new charger, as with the adapter you can still use the charger for your other devices. Less cost; more versa-



tility. See page 2 for more info.

#### What else is new?

The new iPhone has louder speakers with better sound (still not great), a centered HD camera with a panoramic setting, 10-hour battery life (255 on stand-by), LTE networking for speed

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Jack hauled in his TV to show us Apple TV in action!

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(beefier than 4G), and new and very much improved ear buds, called earPods. They have a mic built in, and they come with the phone. Response has been very positive to them!

Chris notes that there's already an update out for iOS6 and it's a good idea to install it. He also noted that they're working on the map problem.

The contract for the iPhone 5 is running about \$199 for 2 years, and \$500-\$600 to purchase the phone, depending on where you are with your current contract.

The Q&A brought out some more points...

- Do you have to upgrade? Of course not! If you can live without the new features, the iPhone4 is still pretty great!
- Be aware that sending photos via text message counts on your data plan. So does the frequency with which you check email.
- If your plan is grandfathered, be diligent in demanding your due. They will try to make you pay again for things you don't need to. Know your rights and demand them! Complain to AT&T. Also insist on keeping your rollover minutes.

- Verizon, Sprint and AT&T all offer LTE coverage.
- Buy-backs are available companies will buy your older gadgets or allow you to trade them in. Joanne Thomas noted that Target does this during the holidays, and someone else mentioned Gazelle, which is an online buy-back site.
- · Can you text from a computer without using a phone? Yes, if you have the Mountain Lion OS, you can text using iMsg.



- · Can you buy a battery add-on to extend battery life of the iPhone? Yes.
- When charging, is it better let the battery run all the way down or keep topping it off? Technically, the battery will degrade a bit faster if you top it off all the time. But it's not practical to let your battery run down. It's way more practical to put it in the charger every night and start the day with a fresh charge!
- If your battery/iPhone gets very warm to the touch, have it checked.
- What can you do with an old iPhone once you get a new one? Trade it in, or if you want to keep it, it's good for internet, email, iTunes, movies and a camera... so it's like an iPod Touch! Everything works but the phone.

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## **New Apple EarPods** Hands-on... the verdict is in

by Zach Honig, engadget.com

By now, you're probably familiar with Apple's latest earbuds. But are they an improvement over their arguably disposable predecessor, you ask? You bet. Still, they're not going to win out over high-end or even mid-range audio options. That's to be expected, though -- the EarPods do sound better, and, well, they cost 29 bucks and ship with all of the devices Apple announced recently. The attractive white 'buds are packaged in a plastic case that's quite similar to the enclosure that Apple introduced with its previous-gen step-up set. They're very lightweight, not that you had any doubts, and appear to be durable enough. The "one size fits all" design worked well in our ears -- it wasn't a snug fit by any means, but we didn't fear that they'd fall to the ground with the slightest movement.



You'll net the best performance in quieter settings, considering that they don't isolate sound like some other options on the market, and if you're a frequent air traveler or often find yourself working in noisy environments, you'll probably want to consider other options. That said, folks who don't need the absolute best or want to save up for a better solution should find these to be sufficient -- we didn't have a chance to do any in-depth testing and analysis, but expect that to come after we've had a chance to digest all of today's new gadgets.

Read more: http://www.engadget. com/2012/09/12/apple-earpods-handson/ MII



## Get a Cheaper iPhone 5 Charger

from Lifehacker.com

This reinforces what Chris told us... Apple's new Lightning connector for the iPhone 5 is great, but it's just so darn expensive. If you're looking to save a few bucks, there's a a cheaper cable hidden away on Apple's web site.

Apple sells two Lightning-to-30-pin adapters: one that retails for \$39, and another that costs \$29. They'll both connect your iPhone 5 to your old charging cables, but at an absurdly expensive price. However, Apple sells another, less publicized product: the regular ol' Lightning-to-USB cable, which costs only \$19.

You already have a bunch of old chargers that come with USB-to-AC adapters, so the USB cable is all you really need to charge your iPhone 5. It isn't highly publicized on Apple's site, but it's there, and it's better than shelling out \$30 or \$40 just to charge your phone. Hit the link below to check it out.

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#### Apple Maps Furor **Overblown**

by Wilson Rothman, NBC News

Do not, I repeat, do not use Apple's new Maps app for iOS 6 ... if you live on the Falkland Islands, or plan on visiting in the near future. Seriously, you will be lost.

If you're in Seattle, or any other major U.S. city, you should be fine. In fact, you get passably good turn-by-turn navigation functionality—something you would have had to pay for on the old version — for free.

That Maps thing that everyone and their mom seems to be yowling about? The criticism is out of proportion to the actual flaws. Read more...

http://www.nbcnews.com/technology/gadgetbox/apple-maps-furor-overblown-1B6071011 MI

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• What about protecting the screen? The iPhone5 has an special coating that's supposed to help with fingerprints, but Chris recommends the Moshi iVisor Anti Glare screen protector, available at AT&T stores. He says it's the best -- bubble proof and anti-glare. He recommends you protect it with *something* -- many cases come with screen protectors built in. People added that our AT&T store in the Upper Keys doesn't have much selection, but the one in Florida City offers much more.

I think Chris gets the prize for the longest, best Q&A session ever at an UKMUG meeting. Did we need an expert on iPhones or what?

Jack added that using the PIN lock to protect your mobile devices is a good idea. He also said to be vigilant about your privacy if participating in social media sites. In Settings you can decide how much info you are willing to share on an app-by-app basis.

#### Let the iParty begin!

Apple created iLife (a suite of programs: iMovie, iPhoto and GarageBand) to nurture and encourage your creativity. And it offers iWork to help you organize your life and get work-like things accomplished (Pages, Numbers and Keynote).

You've got the Cloud (iCloud) to store and share your stuff. And now there's Apple TV to bring it all into your living room. Convergence: it all comes together!

Your TV/computer link is not just for gaming any more. Now your entertainment can be stored on your computer or in the cloud and accessed in your living room too!



Watch slide shows of your photos, watch movies, listen to music, share you-Tube videos, Hulu content, Netflix content, Flicker photos... everything through Apple TV. With Airplay Mirroring you can walk into the living room and push the video on your iPad or iPhone to the TV screen for everyone to see.

What is Apple TV, exactly? Well, it's a little \$99 black box that attaches to your TV set with an HDMI cable. It requires WiFi or an Ethernet connection to the internet/your home network. Just like using a DVR or other auxiliary input, to access Apple TV, you simply use your regular TV remote to choose the port the Apple TV is hooked up to. Then you use the slim aluminum remote for the Apple TV to control what comes next.

And what comes next? Well, as long as your computer is on, you have access to your iTunes library on the computer, and everything in it. Music, movies, Podcasts, TV shows, music videos... and if you set up for it, all the photos in your iPhoto library as well. But there's more. Internet access means you can go onto Netflix or Hulu and instantly stream movies and TV shows (assuming you purchase these services from them, at about \$8/month each). You can also look at YouTube video, sports content and more!

You will be surprised at how good the picture is, even if your internet connection isn't wonderful. With buffering and technology, you'll see a great image every time!

#### How do you get content into iTunes?

To import a music CD, simply put the CD into the CD drive on your computer. iTunes will come up and show the CD info - track names, artist, etc. Simple select all the songs (or just the ones you like!) and drag and drop them onto the top of the lefthand column in iTunes. They'll start to import, and iTunes will trumpet a tone when the import is complete. Eject the CD and do the next one...

What about those DVDs lying on the shelf? If you already own them, you are within your rights to RIP them and store

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Jack chats with UKMUG newcomers.



Jack kicks off the iParty with Apple TV.



Bob brought both of his iToys!



An iMoment with Lindi, Dave, Suzanne and Kathy; Karen's picture is on the phone!



Bob, Jack & David and their iPhones.

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them in iTunes. Handbrake is a wonderful little program for converting DVDs to iTunes files

So now, thanks to the cloud, you can rent or buy a movie. Let's say you start watching it on your phone while waiting in the doctor's office. Later, at home, you can finish it on your big screen from the comfort of your recliner. The movie isn't stored in your phone, it's in the cloud and when you rent it or bought it you bought the right to access it - from anywhere that recognizes your account(s)!

So are you getting this? The Apple TV can take its input from the internet, the cloud, or your iTunes library in the computer. And switch between them. All seamlessly.

Will any App work with Airplay Mirroring? Only those Apps that are Airplayaware. Apple Apps work. Most others will work as well.

#### BACK IT UP

Once again, Jack stressed, in capital letters (really!), that you need to back up your information. Not just with Time

Machine, which is great... but by burning a set of DVDs and putting it somewhere away from your computer - even offsite. The idea is that if your computer gets stolen or catches on fire, you still have a backup; all your eggs weren't in that one basket!

It's also good, in addition to the Time Machine and offsite backup, to have a bootable backup, made with Carbon Copy Cloner or a similar program. If this sounds too complicated for you, consider calling Jack and Chris in for a service call to set it up. You'll be glad you did when the time comes that you need it!!

#### *iParty*

Bedlam broke out when we started "grabbing" the Apple TV and Mirroring our own stuff onto it. Imagine 50 people in a room, and 30 of them are trying to grab the TV's attention and show things. We saw videos, emails, vacation photos, grandchildren... all kinds of random, fun stuff. People were having fun and showing each other how to Mirror onto the TV. The TV was a little confused with so many trying to grab it at once, but it sure was fun!

You can book All Keys ComputerGuy to do an iParty for you and your friends in someone's home. Call or email (ad below, right) and ask for details.

## Airplay Mirroring How To Do It Step-by-Step

http://support.apple.com/kb/HT5209





"Now with 21 essential vitamins and minerals, including Apple TV support!"

HandBrake is an open-source, GPL-licensed, multiplatform, multithreaded video transcoder, available for MacOS X. Linux and Windows.

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http://handbrake.fr/











#### Lincoln: A Steven Spielberg Film - Discover the Story

A Cinematic and Historical Companion to the film by Steven Spielberg

submitted by Karen Beal



iPad User Guide

# Free User Guides in App Store

submitted by Karen Beal

Here's everything you need to know about iPad -

in a handy eBook format. Get to know iPad and discover all the amazing things it can do, and how to do them. It's the definitive guide for getting the most from your new iPad, straight from Apple.

"It was the first iBook I downloaded and the one I look at most," says Sue Beal.

Get it, or the iPhone User Guide from the App Store for free.

This is a freebie from iTunes, and it's a good example of what can be done with iBooks Author.

Go behind the scenes of Steven Spielberg's historical epic, *Lincoln* with this exclusive interactive book. See how a crucial time in America's history was recreated and and brought to the screen with beautiful photos, art, interviews, music and compelling historical narrative. Immerse youself in Abraham Lincoln's most critical period as president of the United States.



# Friends don't let friends use Windows.

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# Saturday, December 1st, 10-11 AM Intro to OS X Mountain Lion

Free: No registration required

Get an up-close and personal look at the powerful features in OS X Mountain Lion and see how it changes the way you experience everything on your Mac. We'll show you the basics, including: connecting to the Internet, navigating the computer, connecting a printer, and organizing files.

# Saturday, December 8th, 10-11 AM iPhoto '11 Essentials

Free: No registration required

Find out why iPhoto makes it easier than ever to organize, enhance, and share your entire digital photo collection. We'll show you new ways to make your photos look their best with professional-quality image adjustment tools and create impressive prints, photo books, and calendars.

# Saturday, December 15th, 10-11 AM iMovie '11 Essentials

Free: No registration required

With iMovie'11, playing with video is now as easy as playing with photos. iMovie '11 creates a library of all your video clips, new and old, so you can browse through them anytime. Want to make a new movie in no time, complete with music, titles, and dazzling transitions? Drag, drop, done. Refine every shot with the Precision Editor, enhance your movie with new titles, transitions, and effects -- then share your movie directly through YouTube, Facebook, or Vimeo.

#### Saturday, December 22nd No Class Scheduled

Hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

# Saturday, December 29th, 10-11 AM GarageBand '11 Essentials

Free: No registration required

GarageBand '11 and a little inspiration are all you need to make incredible music, whether you're an accomplished musician or you've never played a note. The new Magic GarageBand turns your desktop into a virtual stage, where you can choose the band and instruments they play to easily create amazing songs. Rock like a legend with new guitar amps and stompbox effects.

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#### Just for Fun

submitted by Karen Beal

A rap battle between Steve Jobs and Bill Gates. (Warning: NOT PG for language)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=njos57IJf-0

# Display lyrics when playing your music on your iPad

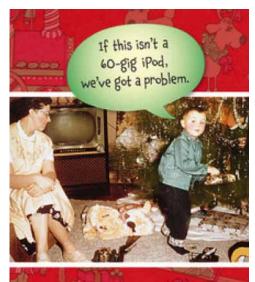
by Anne P. Mitchell, Esq. - Internet Patrol

One of the biggest frustrations that iPad owners have had is that with the latest OS upgrade Apple has completely done away with the ability of the device to display stored lyrics from iTunes in the music player when playing music. What do we mean by display lyrics stored in iTunes? What, you didn't know that you can add lyrics to your songs in iTunes, and have them display when you are playing your music? Well now you do (by following this link)...

http://www.theinternetpatrol.com/how-to-add-lyrics-all-of-them-to-your-itunes-library/

And here's how have those iTunes stored lyrics display on your iPad while you are playing music:

http://www.theinternetpatrol.com/how-to-display-lyrics-when-playing-your-music-on-your-ipad-1-ipad-2-or-ipad-3-yes-it-really-works/



iOS 6 tip:

## Lock Down Your iPhone So Only One App Can Be Used

submitted by Karen Beal

If you worry about friends or your kids getting access to apps on your iPhone, you can now lock them out of all your other apps and allow them acess to only the one you want them to see or use.



Go to: Settings > General > Accessibility > Guided Access. Turn the switch to "on" and set a passcode. When you want to use this function, go to the app you want others to be able to use, triple tap the Home button, and press start.

That's it. They will only be able to use this one app and no others.



# Privacy plug-in showdown: Do Not Track Plus vs. Ghostery

submitted by Diane Marshall

Here's an interesting review of the top two programs/apps to block trackers on your computer and iPhone.

http://m.digitaltrends.com/web/donot-track-plus-vs-ghostery/

# iPhone Tip from our youngest reader

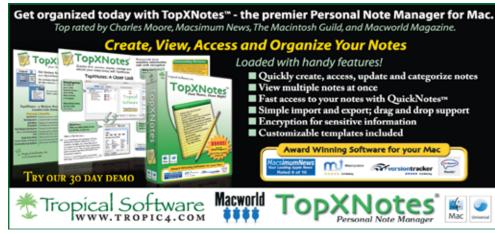
by Cameron Beal

When you set up your home screens on your phone, leave the last line of icons blank. That way, you can always swipe in that area and not launch any apps by mistake!





Remember these days? OUCH!



## How to Set Up Gmail, Google Calendar, and Google Contacts (Properly) on iOS

from:http://lifehacker.com submitted by Karen Beal

The iPhone is a fantastic phone, but if you're a heavy user of Google services, it can be a little confusing to set up your Gmail, Google Calendar, and Google Contacts to sync with iOS. The default method's no good. Here's the better way to do it.

This article is the easiest way to get everything up and running quickly. If you want a more detailed, more effective method for your calendars (not to mention

options for Google Voice, Google Maps, and more), check out our guide to getting Google and iOS living in perfect harmony:

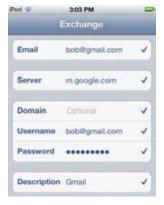
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You can get all your Google services syncing (complete with push sync—that is, messages push to your phone as soon as you receive them) with iOS by setting up just one account. The trick is to choose Microsoft Exchange at the prompt instead of Gmail. This will give you access not only to your Gmail, but your calendars and contacts, and they will all sync directly to your phone—when you add a contact in Gmail or edit an event on Google Calendar, you'll see it show up on your phone without having to sync anything. To set it up:

Open up the Settings app on your iOS device and go to the "Mail, Contacts, Calendars" section. Hit "Add Account".

From there, choose Microsoft Exchange as the type of account (again, don't choose Gmail).

Type in your Gmail address under Email. Leave the Domain field blank and enter your full Gmail address under Username (including the @gmail.com, @google-



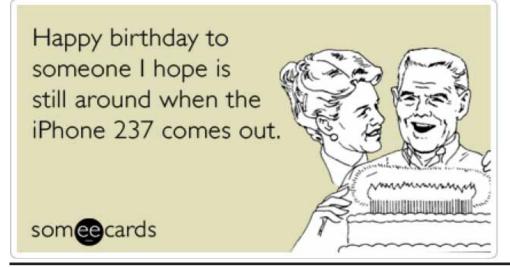
mail.com, or other suffix). Type in your password and give it any description you like. Mine's just called "Gmail".

Press the Next button at the top of

the screen. It should pop up a message saying Unable to Verify Certificate—if it does, just hit cancel. Then, type m.google. com in the new "Server" box that shows up at the top of the screen. Then tap Next.

From there, you should be all set. You can turn on Mail, Contact, and Calendar syncing from the account settings page that shows up. Note that pressing the trash can icon in the Mail app will archive a message, not delete it completely. If you want to delete it, you can hit the folder icon and choose Trash from the menu to move it to the trash.

For more information on setting up Gmail with iOS: <a href="http://support.google.com/a/users/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=138740">http://support.google.com/a/users/bin/answer.py?hl=en&answer=138740</a>





### Genealogy Workshop

Researching Your Revolutionary War Patriot Ancestor

Have you ever wondered if a Revolutionary War patriot ancestor could be hidden in your family tree? Perhaps you are eligible to join the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) or the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), and you don't even realize it. If you would like to find out, this workshop is for you!!

Debbie Duay, Ph.D. has over ten years of experience in genealogy. She is the Lineage Research Chairman for the Florida State Society DAR. Through Debbie's research skills, her husband Ted has proven his descent from 38 Revolutionary War patriots, a Mayflower passenger, a Jamestowne ancestor, King Edward I of England, and Charlemagne.

Debbie has helped over 300 people join the DAR and SAR, and her free genealogy tutorials "Researching Your Patriot Ancestor" (http://www.learnwebskills.com/patriot) and "Researching Your Family Tree" (http://www.learnwebskills.com/family) receive more than 1,000 visitors each day.

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\* Karen Sunderland got involved with this after our talk at UKMUG MU



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# All I want for Christmas is an electronic gadget that won't be obsolete by New Year's.

#### **UKMUG** dates for 2013

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Feb 14	Aug 8
Mar 14	Sep 12
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# Did you see that picture of you, taken at the last meeting?

http://ukmug.pbworks.com/



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