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See TT&T page 8!

**Jim
Hinwood**
New Board
Director &
Program
Chair



The Return of The Spot

Highly regarded guest speaker **Bob McGonigal** of **The Spot Computer Training School** has graciously agreed to a return engagement. We had Bob give a presentation on keyboard shortcuts in April 2003 and the feedback was so very good we wanted him back. I asked him what his favorite thing to teach was and he said **Microsoft Word**, so this time Word it is. Bob, as those of you who were there know, is articulate and a very relaxed and pleasant presenter.

Bob is a highly knowledgeable computer teacher and understands the "tricks of the trade" from beginner up to the very advanced, easily appealing to all levels. Last time I attended his presentation, he started out with what I took to be really basic stuff, mistakenly thinking, "Oh no, this is too elementary for me." But I was pleasantly surprised when he moved quickly into advanced topics. I thought I was sufficiently "computer literate", but I learned a lot of new, useful things.

This time Bob will cover the the topic of the creation of fliers, cards, handouts, etc., and will leave room for random questions and answers. This meeting compliments **Margaret Bradbury's** December workshop on "Personalised Greeting Letters in Word", so if you missed that one, or want to learn more about this related topic, mark your calendar.

The Spot is a computer training school in Marina that covers a multitude of programs including: *Microsoft Office*, all *Adobe* programs, *Macromedia* programs, and *Quickbooks*. They will customize classes and also offer personal consulting (particularly for *Quickbook* problems). The Spot is open Monday- Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm at 3239 Imjin Road, Marina (near the Airport). ♦
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We Need a New Meeting Facilitator

Starting in May 2004 we will need someone to do the physical set up of MBUG-PC meetings (before meetings begin, ensure that the room is ready and equipment is working and afterwards that the room is tidy and secure). Whether you can help out one meeting a month or all (up to three meetings a month are normally scheduled), we'd be pleased to hear from you.

We Need Additional Meeting Reviewers

We need you to attend General Meetings and/or other workshops (e.g. "Hardware", "Windows", "XP", etc.) and write up one-page (500 word) reviews for the Newsletter (similar to Barbara Tyrrell's great pieces).

We Need More Workshop Leaders

If you'd like to share your knowledge about a particular computer program or feature or know someone who can, how about creating and leading a workshop for MBUG-PC? You can give a workshop monthly, every other month or quarterly, as desired.

INTERESTED? E-mail or call Vice-President **Don Slaiter** at slaiter@pacbell.net ☎(831) 657-4443

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ann H. Mack
President



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HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

“All is right” with the world since USC will play on New Year’s Day at the Rose Bowl, where else? A pox on the BCS (Broken Computer System) “National Title” game, which is not even played on the correct day. So much for the Southern California view point.

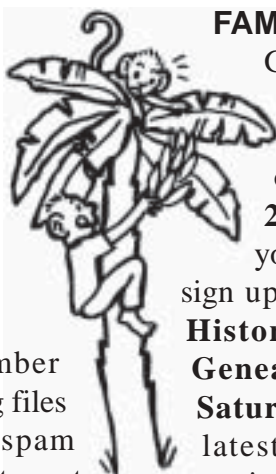
We had a great December meeting about compressing files (StuffIt), preventing spam (SpamCatcher) and Internet blocking (Internet Cleanup). Guest Speaker Arnoldo Miranda left MBUG-PC lots of valuable software copies for our raffle, so many that we will feature them again at January’s raffle (along with some of the Microsoft software MBUG-PC got for having selected members complete a long customer survey). And in case any of you have any questions about the Aladdin software you won, send messages to Arnoldo at amiranda@Aladdinsys.com or visit Aladdin at www.aladdinsys.com.

NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

You should make a resolution in 2004 to sign up for some of the Pacific Grove Adult Education computer classes on offer. There are special

hands-on software classes in Microsoft Word XP, ExcelXP, AccessXP, Quicken and Quickbooks, plus one day workshops on FrontPage, PowerPoint and Publisher. There is a minimum charge for each class, but if you pick up the new Winter/Spring I/II Schedule of Classes there’s a coupon in it for a free class (page 29). Check it out at www.pgusd.org. You have to admit, the price is right!

GENEALOGY NUTS TO GO BANANAS OVER FAMILY TREES



Genealogists should mark their calendars for **Bob Stephan’s** first workshop on **Wednesday, January 28** at Archer Park. And if you haven’t already done so, sign up for the **DAR/Family History Center Annual Genealogical Seminar** on **Saturday, February 7**. The latest computer twists and projects are featured. Phone **Marilyn Knowles** at (831) 625-2513 for information. This has been an excellent seminar in past years so don’t miss it.

SAY GOODBYE TO 2003

Finally, on reflection it was a good year. MBUG-PC steadfastly offered top quality meetings and workshops on a wide spectrum of computer topics in 2003. And MBUG has been lucky to have a dedicated volunteer group that makes these workshops possible and that new volunteers are coming up with exciting ideas for an even better 2004! Many thanks to you all, old and new and volunteers yet to come forward. Happy New Year!◆

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MEETING REVIEW

Barbara Tyrrell
Columnist



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FROM ALADDIN’S MAGIC LAMP

The genie popped into December’s MBUG-PC general meeting, but he looked and acted suspiciously like a savvy computer geek — and so he was. With the wave of a mouse, Computer Engineer **Arnoldo Miranda** conjured up the wonders of *StuffIt Deluxe*, designed by **Aladdin Systems** in exotic Watsonville, to compress files for faster transit, to assure rapid and secure Internet communications, to manage compressed archives, to automate back-ups and file transfers, and generally to bestow the benefits of efficiency and saved time on your computer experience. And who couldn’t use a bit of both?

Arnoldo’s magic included an introduction to the *SpamCatcher* program. Although not a product he has worked on, it apparently banishes



President Ann Mack snatches up raffle prizes donated by Aladdin Guest Speaker Arnoldo Miranda.





Some of the many participants at the last General Meeting of the year.

the gremlins sneaking into your e-mail box. It is a knowledge-based model which keys on words, word combinations and e-mail locations, capturing the offensive intruders and directing them to the trash. If occasionally you miss something you wanted after all, there is a chance to review it before banishment forever.

Another surprise in his bag of tricks was **Internet Cleanup**, a useful program to erase the trail you leave when surfing the Internet. The data trail and tracking devices left behind on your computer from your Internet visits are permanently removed, though there is a chance at retrieval should you change your mind. Swept away are cache and history, hidden references, "recent documents," passwords, bugs, spyware, and cookies, leaving a shining path for your next 'Net visit.

Other programs, which were not discussed, are available from Aladdin. The good news is that User Groups such as MBUG-PC now receive a 40 percent price reduction. Their computer store website is

www.aladdinsys.com/store. Members should enter "UserGroup" in the "discount code" field.

Before he vanished on his magic carpet, invisible to all, Arnolde dispersed a glittering trail of gold for our raffle of the evening, although his treasure looked more like a fistful of programs, which sweetened the pot and heightened the success of our MBUG monthly raffle! ♦

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photo: Ann Mack, MBUG-PC

WINDOWS TIPS & TRICKS

Clive Sanders

Columnist,
F1 Help &
Assistant
Membership



Tips from PC Magazine

There are dozens and dozens of good tips out there -- just visit www.pcmag.com/ for very useful ideas.

Here's a good example: it's pretty much a guarantee that the **Quick Launch Toolbar** appears on your desktop for those running **Windows 9.x** or **2000**.

But **Microsoft** has gone out of its way to hide **Internet Explorer** from the standard **WindowsXP** desktop, and as a result it has hidden Quick Launch. The toolbar, which also gives you access to the "Show Desktop" and "Windows Media Play" icons, isn't far away, though. You can access it and have it reinstated to your desktop by right-clicking the taskbar and selecting "Toolbars", "Quick Launch".

You can add items to the Quick Launch bar by dragging any icon from the desktop, "Start" menu, or any Windows Explorer box to the Quick Launch area on the taskbar. ♦

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Good-bye Kristen Knudsen, and thanks for the dedicated work through the many years you've been our faithful MBUG-PC Program Chair! Don't be a stranger!

MBUG-PC Members & Board

DRIVING THE FRONTSIDE BUS

Jim Hinwood
Columnist &
Program Chair



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WHERE'S THE WONDER IN THE ALL-IN-WONDER?

I've been asking myself that lately since I purchased an *All-in-Wonder* video Card, a **Radeon 9600 Pro All-In-Wonder** specifically. The **Radeon** cards have been dominating the video card market since they came out with the **Radeon 9700 Pro**. Up until that time **nVidia** had controlled the market and held the performance crown when it came to video cards. The **9700 Pro** did for **Radeon** what **AMD** would like the **Athlon 64 FX** to do for them in taking the performance crown from **Intel**. These hardware battles have been good for the consumer so far but they carry a certain amount of risk for these companies when they take on the big boys. You put everything into a new technology and you roll snake eyes and it could put you out of business. So far **Radeon** has been reaping the benefits of their new technologies (wish I'd bought stock in **Radeon** a couple of years ago). It still remains to be seen whether **AMD's** gamble with 64-bit computing will pay off.

Getting back to the *All-In-Wonder* though, it is a card that has the performance of the regular cards but with complete multimedia support. "TV on Demand" gives you the ability to record programs with a 125 channel stereo TV tuner, pause live TV, and it will record programs to your hard drive. "FM on Demand" gives you the same abilities, to pause, resume, or record FM radio. The card has inputs for TV cable and cable to FM radio. You can make the desktop your TV screen or use a small window on the desktop, or make the TV translucent so you can see it faintly underneath whatever your working on. This is great for students who have limited space for TV and computer. You also get **TiVo**-like programming guides for recording, automatically updated every time you're on the Internet. The card supports dual monitors if you want to do video editing and it also supports TV out so that you can transmit the

DVD, TV picture, or desktop to a large monitor or big screen HDTV. It also has picture in picture, and if you click on TV thumbnails will give you thumbnails of all the channels available so you can review what's on.

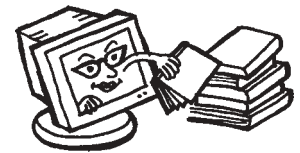
If you do any kind of inputting to your computer of devices like a VCR, cassette tape recorder, record player, midi keyboard, or camcorder it has an input box that you can place on top of the desk or computer for easy access. It provides the whole software package for all these capabilities as well, video editing, midi capture, 5.1 surround sound, **Gemstar TV Guide** plus, DVD player, and multimedia library which archives your video library the same way **Music Match Jukebox** archives your audio library. And last but not least it has a remote control that controls the mouse, volume controls, TV channels, DVD, and many programmable computer functions.

I have been playing with this thing for about two weeks and have barely scratched the surface. So where is the "wonder" in the *All-In-Wonder*? I am still exploring — maybe next month! ♦

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THE FRUGAL COMPUTERIST

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Bye, Bye Frugal Hacker: Although I still regard “Hacker” as an honorable appellation, it has been so corrupted by the news media that I no longer wish to associate myself with it. We will start 2004 out with a new title as seen above. To my mind, “Computerist” is roughly equivalent to my meaning of “Hacker”.

by Bob “I Don’t Do Windows” Stephan

EXPRESS THUMBNAIL CREATOR

This month the column will consist of a software review of *Express Thumbnail Creator* as I mentioned briefly last month. I downloaded a review copy of this program a couple of months ago, but other obligations kept me from evaluating it fully until recently. I have now used it enough to know that I like it and can give it a high rating.

Here is what the publisher of this program says on the website (www.express-soft.com/), “*Create professional-looking web image galleries with a few mouse clicks! Just add your images to the list, click a few buttons and watch your new gallery come alive!*” In a nutshell that says it all. I found it just about that easy to use.

Installation of the program is typical **Microsoft Windows**, no problem there. When you open the program you are faced with six tabs: 1 Project, 2 Images, 3 Titles, 4 Options, 5 Generate, and 6 Finish. These tabs designate the logical sequence of creating an image gallery that can be posted on a website or, as in my case, written to a CD-R.

To start one must create a “new project”, but after one or more projects have been created then the first option is to select whether to create a new one or open an “existing project”.

NITPICKING MY THUMBNAIL

Here is my first minor nitpick with the program: There is no way that I could find to configure it to store projects in a folder of my choosing. It defaults to storing them in

“My Documents” but I prefer to put them elsewhere. This means that instead of automatically opening my preferred folder, I have to navigate from “My Documents” to the drive and folder in which I store them. A minor inconvenience.

After starting a project the next step is to populate it with images stored on your computer. The “Images” tab lets you list image files one by one or by opening an entire folder. Images can be added or deleted until you obtain the gallery that you want. You can also rearrange or sort the images, and you can rotate any of the images that are not properly oriented.

At this point you are faced with the most tedious part of the entire process — that of creating titles for your images. The fact that it is tedious is not the fault of the program, but is just the nature of documenting the images. There are provisions for both a short title and a more descriptive long title. The short title defaults to the file name, but you can edit or create your own. Depending on how much information you want to provide about the image, you can write the description in the long title field.

MY SECOND NITPICK

Not all of the standard editing keystrokes work in the long title field. For example, “Ctrl-Right” and “Ctrl-Left” to jump from word to word do not produce the expected results. Those keystrokes actually rotate the image — a surprising result.

Since I already had most of the descriptions in a text file for the gallery that I was creating, I was able to copy and paste those descriptions into the long title fields. For long descriptions this would be a recommended procedure: edit the descriptions in your text editor then copy and paste. Be aware that if there are any hard carriage returns in your description each paragraph will have to be copied and pasted individually. The pasting operation stops when it hits a hard return.

Once your image titles are created the rest is mostly automatic. The next operation is to create page titles for the index (thumbnail) pages and the image pages. I simply used the defaults and was satisfied with them, but there are provisions for customizing them if you have your

own ideas of what they should be. The “Options” tab lets you customize quite a few more styles and attributes. The only one I changed from the default was the “destination” folder. This is the folder where your final gallery will be stored and from which you can upload it to your website or burn it to a CD-R. Again the “destination” folder defaults to being in “My Documents” and the name defaults to “Gallery n” where “n” is the next unused number.

ANOTHER NITPICK OR TWO

Since the project is already given a name (if you had prudently named and saved it), it would be nice if the folder name defaulted to the project name. I think it would also be nice if the default destination drive information could be configured rather than having to navigate the folder structure every time.

We have now reached the moment of truth, the generation of the gallery. This is a one-click operation and works surprisingly fast to create all the thumbnails and generate the images for the gallery. You can then open the gallery in your browser and see if it came out the way you expected. If not, you can backtrack to any tab to make whatever changes you want then regenerate the gallery and check it again. I was very pleased with the results overall.

ONE MORE NIT

I would like to see index numbers on the list of files in the “Images” tab. When I see something regarding an image in the final display that I would like to change, it would help to be able to note the image number and then find that image number in the “Images” tab faster than searching for it by name.

You can download a trial copy from the *express-soft.com* site. **Express Thumbnail Creator** can be purchased for \$39.95 directly from *express-soft.com*. ♦

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WIRELESS INTERNET UPDATE

by **John Rowe**
New Board
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BANDWAGON OVERLOAD?

I went to the **Wi-Fi Planet Conference & Expo** at San Jose’s **McEnry Convention Center** and was quite surprised at the turnout. Lots of new companies are jumping on the Wi-Fi bandwagon — maybe too many. There’s bound to be many that won’t survive as this market continues to consolidate and mature.

CHANGING YOUR CELL

You’ve probably heard that you can now change your cellular service provider without having to change your cell phone number. It’s about time. This will probably lead to a price war. I’d wait awhile before changing or signing up for service for now.

WATCH OUT MOBILE PHONE USERS - WE KNOW WHERE YOU’RE AT!

The new company **TruePosition** is enabling mobile phone providers to accurately locate subscribers, no matter what model phone they’re using. This technology, if it works, is truly amazing — and scary. In the future you may drive by a video billboard with an advertisement specifically targeted to you. Oh boy! What will they think of next?

WORLD’S LARGEST HOTSPOT

Beginning this year **Cerritos, California** will become the largest Wi-Fi “hotspot” in the US and possibly the world. This Los Angeles suburb doesn’t have complete DSL or cable coverage, so city officials gave **Airnet Wireless** permission to use city property (street lights, traffic lights, rooftops, etc.) to mount access points and offer wireless broadband service to its 50,000 residents, businesses and city government. The full system should have gone live as of January 1, covering all 8.6 square miles of outdoor Cerritos (initially, the service will be available only to outdoor users). Costs will be similar to cable and DSL service. ♦ johnr@tolt.com



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THINGS, THINGLETS & THINGASSOS

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A HANDY PROGRAM

>>>>>>>>Have you ever received
>>>>>>>>an e-mail message
>>>>>>>>which looked
>>>>>>>>like this?

There are a number of programs, some free, which will eliminate all of the “>”. I am sure that you and the person to whom you are forwarding the message will appreciate it. A program I have been using for years is **ClipMate**. It is one of the best little programs I have ever used. It not only eliminates the “greater than” and “smaller than” symbols, it does many other things. For instance, it expands your clipboard indefinitely, etc. Take a look at www.thornsoft.com/. ClipMate costs \$24.95 or \$29.95 depending whether you download it or order the CD. **MailStripper** (www.papercut.biz/emailStripper.htm) does not do everything ClipMate does, but it is free.

Actually, I ordered
MAIL stripper, not **MALE ...**
but, what the heck!

PRAISE OR COMPLAIN

I am very quick to complain about bad service or a faulty product, but I am also quick to praise when the service is good and the product does what I expect. If you felt like doing likewise, would you know the name and address of the CEO of the company? Complaining to the person who answers the 1-800 number is usually near useless: they can't make any major decisions or change company policy. Try **Planet Feedback** www.planetfeedback.com/homepage/0,2585,,00.html. I did and received very quick replies by phone or e-mail.



“CAPS LOCK” ACCIDENTS

Accidentally hitting the “Caps Lock” key and TYPING EVERYTHING IN UPPER CASE IS IRRITATING. IT'S ESPECIALLY AGGRAVATING IF YOU DON'T IMMEDIATELY REALIZE YOU'RE TYPING IN UPPER CASE.

You can avoid this situation by adding a sound to the “Caps Lock” key. Go into “Control Panel” and double click “Accessibility Options”. Select the “Keyboard” tab. Check “Use ToggleKeys”. Click “OK”. This will also set sounds for “Num Lock” and “Scroll Lock”.

CAN YOU BE “GOOGLED”?

Some may not know that if you have a listed telephone number, **Google** knows where you live and is only too happy to draw a map to your door to anyone with an Internet connection. Type in your, or anyone else's listed telephone number (including area code) and you will see the address of the subscriber. One more click and, digital magic, there is a map to your door.

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MORE ON MBUG-PC LISTSERV

In the December issue of the MBUG-PC Newsletter, our president reminded us all about the benefits of subscribing to the MBUG listserv. An example of its usefulness occurred in November when we had to cancel a workshop. Several people did not get the word and showed up at the Archer Center. The cancellation was sent via listserv. This is the only way we can make last minute notifications, calling almost 200 people is not practical.

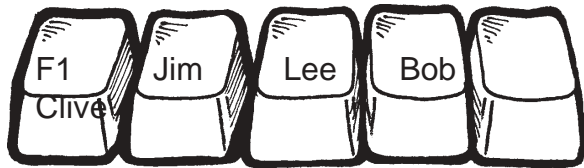
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Computer Help is Just a Click or Call Away with F1

You know you push the "F1" button on your computer when you need help. But do you also know that you can call or e-mail **MBUG-PC "F1 for Help"** with your computer questions?



Our expert team of helpful volunteers is willing and able to share experience on software and hardware. And if they don't know the answer, they'll direct you to someone who does. To get computer help:

- (1) Contact any of the people listed below; or
- (2) Ask questions during any MBUG-PC meeting break or Q&A session; or
- (3) Leave a message at MBUG-PC's Answering Service (373-6245); or
- (4) Broadcast a message to all members through the MBUG-PC Listserv (mbug@listserv.redshift.com) **in plain text only** (NO html, please)!

Services are free of charge (with the understanding that MBUG-PC, its Board of Directors, and the F1 Volunteers themselves are in no way responsible or liable for the accuracy or the outcome of any advice or suggestions).

■ Jim Anway

STRICTLY Wednesdays & Fridays
from 2pm to 5pm at 625-5618

■ Lee Keely

Prefers e-mail at leekeely@attbi.com
or call 626-8033

■ Bob Stephan

E-mail to rstephan@redshift.com
or call only between 9am-5pm
646-1373

■ Clive Sanders

E-mail to simbacli@pacbell.net
or call only between 1pm to 9pm
cellphone (831) 375-5376◆

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

Bob Stephan

Wednesday, January 28

7:00 to 9:00pm Archer
Park Center Monterey



photo: Bill Hyler, MBUG-PC

This is the first of a series of four workshops starting this month and continuing on the fourth Wednesday of the months following. Although we were hoping to do a workshop for *The Master Genealogist* software, we will be more general and cover some of the excellent free software that is available. Those who are interested and want to do some preliminary preparation (recommended) we suggest visiting <http://www.familysearch.org> and downloading the free *Personal Ancestral File* (PAF) software. Click on "Order/Download Products" then on "Software Downloads-Free." Then "Download" for *Personal Ancestral File 5.2.18.0 - Multi-Language* (9.7 MB). If this is too big a download for you, contact me and I can get it to you on CD. While you are there, download the PAF Lessons. When you click on "Download" for *PAF 5*, follow the links, enter the requested information, then on the same download page you will find a place to download the lessons. After installing the software, be sure to run the excellent tutorial in the Lessons. You can run it from the "Help" menu in *PAF*. If you have any questions or suggestions contact me at rstephan@redshift.com◆ **Bob**

NEW WORKSHOP?

8mm MOVIES TO VCR

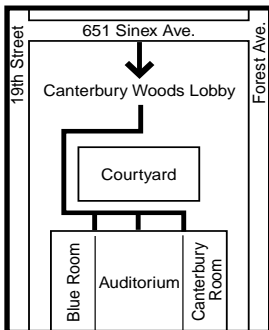
Several people have asked **Bob "I-don't-do-Windows" Stephan** about how to transfer 8mm home movies to VCR tape, and we smell a potential workshop! Since Bob doesn't feel much like lugging all of his equipment to an MBUG-PC venue, he has generously offered to set up a small (possibly 6 or 8 people) workshop at his house sometime in the next month or two.

Interested? Contact Bob at rstephan@redshift.com or call only between 9am to 5pm (831) 646-1373.

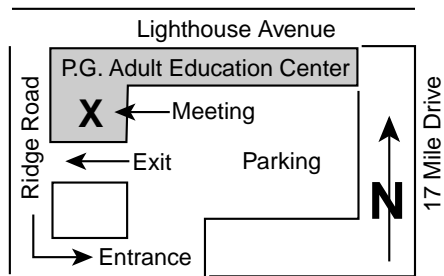
MBUG - PC Calendar of Events - January 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		NOTE: The First General Meeting for 2004 is on the Second Friday of the month: January 9th		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3
4	5	6 DIRECTORS' MEETING Canterbury Woods PG Begins at 7pm Everyone Welcome!	7	8	9 "The Spot" Adult Ed Center PG 7:00 - 9:00pm Bob McGonigal	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 "Genealogy" Archer Park, Monterey 7:00 - 9:00pm Bob Stephan	29	30	31

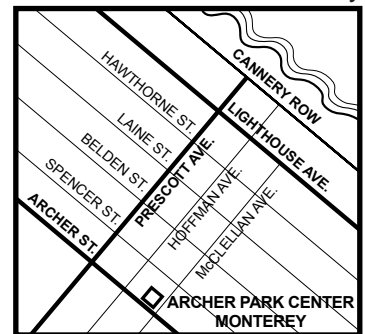
Canterbury Woods
651 Sinex Avenue
Pacific Grove



General Meeting Location
Adult Education Center, PG
1025 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove



Archer Park Center
542 Archer Street
Monterey



Tentative Calendar February 2004 Please Check the February Newsletter for Final Dates & Times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 DIRECTORS' MEETING Canterbury Woods PG Begins at 7pm Everyone Welcome!	4	5	6 General Meeting "Wireless Update" Adult Ed Center PG 7:00 - 9:00pm John Rowe	7
8	9	10	11 "Hardware" Archer Park, Monterey 7:00 - 9:00pm Nick Mertes	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 "WindowsXP" Archer Park, Monterey 7:00 - 9:00pm Jim Anway	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 "Genealogy" Archer Park, Monterey 7:00 - 9:00pm Bob Stephan	26	27	28
29	Don't miss February's General Meeting: MBUG-PC's own John Rowe will provide answers to the mysteries of Wi-Fi with local and global updates!					



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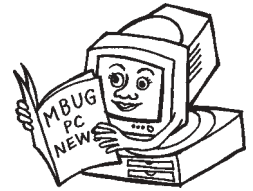


In December you'll have used a whole lot of printer ink, what with all the family photos, creative holiday cards, and personalized letters! So there you are with a lot of empty ink cartridges, especially since you also collect them from friends and work. But being a loyal MBUG supporter, you are in no Jeopardy, because you know the QUESTION that goes with this ANSWER: "Bag the empties and bring them to any MBUG meeting." The question is: "What do you do with all those empty, original equipment printer ink cartridges?" How smart you are, helping support MBUG-PC educational programs and contribute to re-cycling at the same time. We'll send out another batch for reimbursement soon, so bring in your holiday empties (no remanufactured or generic brands, of course!) ♦ lakelyn@ix.netcom.com

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