

dBUG MacNews



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Main Meeting, April 14, 1999 - Open to the Public

Fasten Your Seatbelts

Apple's Jeff Davis will headline dBUG's April main meeting. Jeff will demo the newest desktop and



G3 (prelaunch) c/o Apple Computer

PowerBook G3 computers and tell you why it makes sense to upgrade. The meeting will be on April 14, in the Lopez Room of the Seattle Center San Juan Rooms, starting at 6:30 p.m. It's free, and the public is welcome.

As usual, dBUG will fill your blank, Mac-formatted 1.4 MB floppy disks with its Disk of the Month collection. For April, Brady Johnson has chosen:

- **TattleTech 2.59**, which provides complete information about your computer, peripherals, and software.
- **QuickErase**, which erases your disks 50 times faster than ordinary initialization.
- **UULite 3.01**, a highly optimized, single-pass, disk-based uudecoder/uuencoder. UUencoding is a common archive scheme found on files on the Internet. StuffIt does not always handle such files properly.

Beware a Dark Horse

A growing number of Mac users are getting more than they bargain for when they download a program called **Mac OS 8.5.1 Chooser Updater** from a Hotline server. The program carries a Trojan Horse. A Trojan Horse, so named because it is hidden in a legitimate program, is not technically a virus because it does not replicate itself. But who cares about technicalities when your Mac is being sabotaged?

In a March 4, 1999 message to a Deja News forum, one user reported, "Symptoms include preempting URLs input into Better Telnet and Netscape 4.0.8 (typing a lengthy irritating message in the URL box), shutting down on startup, irritating noises, random closing of windows, and probably other things I didn't notice."

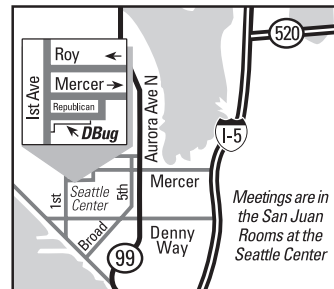
Another user reported to the MacInTouch Web site that an

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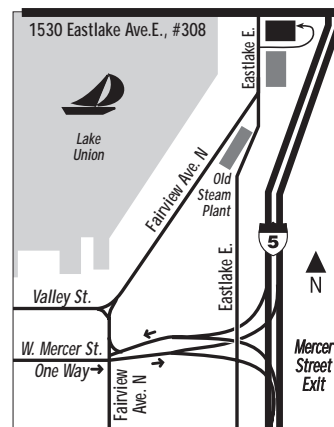
Main Meeting

The April main meeting will be held in the Lopez Room of the Seattle Center San Juan rooms. The meeting is open to the public.



Resource Center (RC)

1530 Eastlake Ave. East, Seattle. South of Garfield St. and Eastlake Veterinary.



All dBUG activities are made possible by the efforts of volunteers. The Resource Center is not staffed full time. It is open during scheduled SIG and Open House meetings or by appointment only.

dBUG's New Helping Hands

Bion Pohl brings his database skills to the role of dBUG's Membership Manager. If you have questions about membership status, fees, and benefits, email Bion on the dBUG ExChange or at <bphl@accessone.com>. You can also call Bion at 425-670-2405.

Brian Rush will also lend dBUG a hand as Internet Cashier. Brian will set up Internet accounts with NetOS. To start Internet access at dBUG's special monthly rate of \$13, or to get information on rates or billing, email "Inet Cashier" on the ExChange or call Brian at 206-781-9597.

ImageXpo '99

See the latest in graphic arts and publishing technology at ImageXpo '99, on April 24. ImageXpo is being held at Shoreline Community College, Building 29. Cost: \$5, (\$25 to also attend one of three seminars). To register, go to <<http://www.imagexpo.org/>>.

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Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Major changes are bolded.

4th Dimension SIG

4th Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
Westwind Computing
Walt Nelson

dBUG BBS ExChange SIG

The ExChange Beginnings TeleSIG teaches the basics of telecomputing, with a focus on using the dBUG ExChange.
4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Cherie Nickell

ExChange.com Planning SIG

Meetings open to members about the expansion and maintenance of the ExChange.
1st Saturday, 11:00 a.m.
Curtis Snow

FileMaker Pro SIG

3rd Monday, 7:00 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Bruce Robertson

HyperCard/AppleScript SIG

AppleScript and HyperCard — come and explore the possibilities.
3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
DeForest Shotwell
dnshotwell@accessone.com

iMac SIG - New!

2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Dick Carter
First-time Mac owners:
Get a discount when you buy a dBUG membership at the iMac SIG!

Internet Intro

4th Monday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Nancy Ibsen
panic@jetcity.com

iRobot SIG - New!

3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
John Newhoff
More review of remote control, home automation, and data acquisition products

Mondo Graphics/DTP

2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Jack Connick
Adobe demos Illustrator 8.0

Open Friday

Bring something to scan. Surf the Web. Bring a non-member.
First, second, fourth, and fifth Fridays*, 6:00 p.m.
Third Friday*
noon to 4:00 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center

Open Thursday

Open discussion for dBUG members and their guests.
Every Thursday except 4/29*
6:00 p.m.
dBUG Resource Center
Dick Carter

Software Developers Workshop

A workshop (hands-on if possible) for beginning Mac programmers. The topic is announced by email and posted to the *Software Developer's SIG* folder on the ExChange about a week before. Feel free to bring an application or source code you want to show off, or just come and ask questions. **Please contact James prior to the scheduled date to confirm that the SIG will meet and, if so, what the topic will be.**
2nd Saturday, 10:00 a.m.
dBUG Resource Center
James Jennings
jennings@halcyon.com

Virtual SIGs

dBUG also has active SIG conferences on the dBUG ExChange:

- Excel SIG
- Genealogy SIG
- PageMaker SIG
- Photoshop SIG
- QuarkXPress SIG
- WEB SIG
- Word SIG

Finding these SIGs is easy:

- Double-click the *dBUG ExChange* button on the ExChange desktop.
- Double-click the *dBUG Clubhouse* icon.
- Double-click the *SIGs* icon.
- To find the PageMaker, Photoshop, and QuarkXPress

SIGs, double-click the *Mondo Graphics/DTP SIG* icon.

Notes:

Westwind Computing is at 510 NE 65th, two blocks west of I-5, on the northwest corner of NE 65th and NE Ravenna Blvd.

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employee received the program as an email attachment, which appeared to have been sent from Apple Computer. For more user woes, see <<http://www.macintouch.com/>>.

The Chooser Updater installs the following files:

- InputSprocket CHI (Extension)
- OpenTpt Serial Access (Extension)
- JavaOEMCLib (Extension)
- ShutDown (Apple Menu Item)
- Kodak Precision (Startup Item)

The MacNews calendar, SIG Updates, and the current month's events PICT on-line calendar are accurate at the time they are published.

***Please call the dBUG InfoLine — 206-624-9329 — for last-minute changes and additions.**
— Dick Carter

General Controls Prefs (Preference)

For some users, deleting the files fixed the problem. Others were not so lucky; they were forced to do a clean installation of their system software in order to get rid of the pest. Several users reported that, as of March 5, neither Virex nor Norton AntiVirus could detect and destroy this new Trojan Horse.

— Thanks to
<<http://www.macvirus.com/>>

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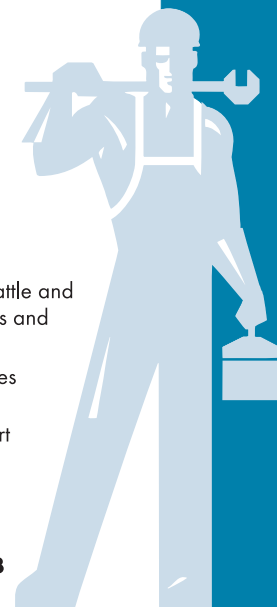
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InDesign: Ease, Control, and Flexibility

On March 1, 1999, Adobe founders John Warnock and Chuck Geschke kicked off Seybold Seminars Boston with a demonstration of InDesign, Adobe's long-awaited new desktop publishing program for Macintosh and Windows. InDesign will hit the streets sometime this summer. Just some of InDesign's features are described here. For more information, see <<http://www.adobe.com/prodindex/indesign/main.html>>.

Adobe boasts a short learning curve for InDesign because its interface is similar to Photoshop and Illustrator. All three share many of the same tools, palettes, and keyboard short cuts. For example, InDesign has a navigator palette, Illustrator's pen tool, and

multiple undos.

InDesign features greater layering and color control capability than Adobe PageMaker. You can also design pages up to 18 feet square. Apple reports that, at Seybold, the demonstration of InDesign's "precise kerning and zooming controls (...zoom out to a 5 percent view or in to a 4,000 percent view) evokes rousing cheers from the audience." Instead of zooming, you can look at multiple views of a page or pages at the same time. You can also customize the view thresholds to show grids and guides only when you need them.

InDesign can turn any object, even converted text, into a frame for text or graphics. Frames can be nested and still remain editable.

InDesign also converts Photoshop, EPS, or TIFF clipping paths into editable frames. If you prefer, create your own clipping paths.


Besides the standard one-line type composer, InDesign offers a multi-line composition engine that looks both forward and backward over the number of lines you specify when it makes its typographical adjustments.

Not surprisingly, InDesign converts QuarkXpress 3-3.40 files and PageMaker 6.5 files by a simple File>Open.

InDesign's preflight utility checks your file for missing links or fonts before you send it to the printer. It also packages external components, such as linked graphics, with the file.

To run InDesign, you'll need a Power Macintosh 603e processor

or later (G3 recommended), Mac OS 8.5 or later, 48 MB of RAM (64 MB recommended), 120 MB of hard disk space, a CD-ROM drive, 832 x 624 monitor resolution (24-bit high-resolution recommended), and an Adobe PostScript Level 2 or higher printer. Oh, yes: Adobe estimates the street price at \$699.

Adobe hopes that InDesign's modular construction will make it a breeze to keep current. In the Seybold keynote, Warnock explained that, except for a core set of capabilities, "Everything else in InDesign is a plug-in — including the user interfaces, the file import and export features, all of the tools and the way they work together are essentially a series of plug-ins that have been carefully designed to work seamlessly together to provide an incredible publishing and creative experience." 



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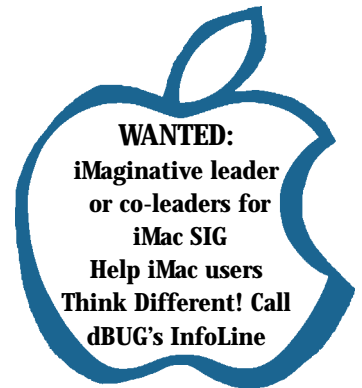


Chat Up dBUG

dBUG was the first user group to hold a community meeting about Internet privacy and security (see MacNews 1/99).

Apple has invited dBUG to discuss its successful presentation in Apple's user group leader chat on April 6 at 6:00 p.m.

To join the chat, enable Java, go to <<http://www.worldwithoutborders.com/>>, and click on ChatNOW!



dBUG Membership Form

Turn in this form with payment to a dBUG cashier at a main meeting, or mail it to:

dBUG, P.O. Box 3463, Seattle, WA 98114-3463
Please, NO cash by mail; only checks, VISA, or MasterCard.



Name: _____ Date: _____

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Special Interest: _____

Are you an iMac owner? _____

Where did you hear of us? _____

Enclosed is my payment of annual membership dues to The Macintosh downtown Business Users Group starting the month of _____ 1999.

Regular Membership:	\$48.00	\$ _____
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What is dBUG?

The Macintosh downtown Business Users Group is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to the exchange of information between business users of the Macintosh computer and related products. dBUG is not affiliated with Apple Computer, Inc.

See page 3 for membership information and application.

For additional information, write to:

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	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
April Meetings Also see SIG notices on page 2	29	30	31	1 Open Thursday Resource Center 6 p.m.	2 Open Friday Resource Center 6 p.m. Ken	3 ExChange.com Resource Center 11 a.m.
	5	6 Apple's MUG Internet Chat http://www.worldwithoutborders.com/> 6 p.m. EVENT	7 Board Meeting Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	8 Open Thursday Resource Center 6 p.m.	9 Open Friday Resource Center 6 p.m. Nancy	10 Software Developers Workshop Resource Center 10 a.m.
	12 New! iMac SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	13 Mondo Graphics/DTP Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	14 Main Meeting 6:30 p.m. Seattle Center The public is welcome!	15 Open Thursday Resource Center 6 p.m.	16 Open Friday Resource Center Noon to 4 p.m. Nancy 	17
Westwind Computing 510 NE 65th St. Seattle	19 FileMaker Pro SIG Resource Center 7 p.m.	20 HyperCard/ AppleScript SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	21 New! iRobot SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	22 Open Thursday Resource Center 6 p.m.	23 Open Friday Resource Center 6 p.m. Dick	24 ImageXpo 99 Shofelino CC Bldg. 29, 9 a.m. EVENT
	26 Internet Intro SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m. Nancy Ibsen	27 ExChange SIG Resource Center 6:30 p.m.	28 4th Dimension SIG Westwind Computing 6 p.m.	29	30 Open Friday Resource Center 6 p.m. Jim	1 ExChange.com Resource Center 11 a.m.
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For last minute info on SIG meetings... call 206-624-9329

Mac Classes at North Seattle Community College

Register by 24-hour phone, with VISA, Discover, or MasterCard: 206-516-2955.

First choose North campus, then Continuing Education. Space is limited, so register now!

For more information, call 206-527-3705 or see <http://nscucc.sccd.ctc.edu/~contined/>

In the class list that follows, subjects covered in more than one class show class breakdowns in parentheses. Start dates for these classes match the order shown in the parentheses.

Start Date	Name
4/17, 5/8	ClarisWorks (Intro & Advanced)
6/5	Excel on the Mac
6/5	Internet on the Mac
4/17, 5/8	Intro to the Mac (I & II)
4/10, 4/15	Photoshop Intro (2 sessions)
4/29	Photoshop II - Tips & Tricks
5/13, 5/27	Word (Intro & Intermediate)

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