

QCMUG Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2007
Norm Kelinson Room- Bettendorf Public Library

Attendance: There were 18 members present. Members: Dean Arney, Cari Biamonte, Robert Custer, Brian Dobbins, Joyce Erickson, Jim Hall, Kevin Ketelsen, Rosanne Krubsack, Dan Moore, David Neese, Brett Neese, Don Patridge, Bill Rankin, Rick Ramza, John Schenk, Kathy Schroeder, Faye Waterman

Business Meeting

Old Business:

The QCMUG web site is still down due to problems with the server at Solo Connect. The president is looking for other options such as Google.

There are still books available to members wishing to do a review. These include Linux, iphone, Garageband, and digital photography.

The next public presentations will be at Fairmont Library on Tuesday, November 27 from 6 to 8 and Saturday December 15 from 10 to 12.

New Business:

An adapter is needed for the new club laptop. It was moved and seconded that this be purchased.

A member made a motion that officer's membership fees be paid for the year they serve. Discussion followed, with one suggestion that it be 50% of the fee. The motion to pay for officer's memberships passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The current balance is \$905.27. There are 48 members.

Election of Officers:

The following officers were elected for the year 2008:

President--Don Patridge

Vice-President--Jim Hall

Secretary--Kathy Schroeder

Treasurer--Dave Ochs

There was a reminder of the White Elephant Gift Exchange for the December Meeting.

Program for November

“Welcome to Leopard” presented by Keith Claussen

Keith began his presentation by showing the Apple video. This is the 6th major release of OSX. Leopard has over 600 new features, will run on PPC & Intel, and sold over 2 million copies in its first three days of release. The key changes and enhancements are in user interface, Finder, Time Machine, Spaces, Boot Camp, and Under the Hood.

User Interface

- New Menu bar

- A 3D Dock (translucent effect)

- Stacks (A quick way to access folder files from your dock)

Finder

- Cover Flow -(Lets you see files in the finder)

- Quick Look (Lets you look through contents of files without opening them like on the iphone by clicking the space bar.)

Time Machine

Automatic back up that is built right in the OS. You need to connect to to an external hard drive. You can go to preferences to set which folders you want to back up. It allows you go back and find items you backed up. If you delete a file you can go back and find it when it you backed it up. (Keith demonstrated how it works on the screen). Time machine will warn you when it is going to delete oldest versions of back ups.

Spaces:

Lets you group your your application windows by using short cuts. You can have spaces on your desktop and assign a certain space for a certain application. It makes it easy to switch from application to application. By using this you don't have to go back and forth to the dock.

Boot Camp:

This is only available on Intel Macs. Runs Windows at native speed. It creates a partition on the HD where you install Windows.

Under the Hood

- Core Animation-UI, Time Machine, iChat

- 64 bit support on the entire OS

- Security--New firewall & Parental Controls

- Bonjour-Zero config. networking

Applications with new features:

iChat- screen sharing, special effects like in photo booth, record audio/video, multiple accounts

iCal-works with Mail, changed interface, can attach files you want to keep

Address Book- Google map addresses, syncs with Yahoo!

Mail-Account creation more streamlined, can put RSS feeds in mail, to do notes with Calendar

Safari- Find, move tabs, drag tabs for new windows, warns when closing a window

Preview- can do photo editing, edit in PDF files, copy pictures out of PDF

Spotlight & Help-faster, when you do a show all it opens in a new window. Help program actually helps.

Parental Controls-works on a wireless network so you can remotely control access to web sites, set time limits, keep a log of sites visited.

Requirements for Leopard:

PPC 867 Mhz or faster and any Intel mac with 512 MB RAM

Cost:

\$129 Basic

\$199 Family Pack (5 Systems)

Keith gave a great presentation. There was no time for Open Forum.

The next meeting will be December 18.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Schroeder, QCMug Secretary