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of the Huntsville Macintosh Users Group in Huntsville, Alabama

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2001 Calendar of Events

Business Meeting	August 11
Informal Meeting	August 25
Business Meeting	September 8
Informal Meeting	September 22
Business Meeting	October 13
Informal Meeting	October 27
Business Meeting	November 10
Informal Meeting	☛ No Meeting
Business Meeting	December 8
Informal Meeting	☛ No Meeting



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2002 Calendar of Events

Business Meeting	January 12
Informal Meeting	January 26
Business Meeting	February 9
Informal Meeting	February 23
<i>Election of Officers at the</i>	
Business Meeting	March 9
Informal Meeting	March 23
<i>Dues must be in before</i>	
Business Meeting	April 13
Informal Meeting	April 27
Business Meeting	May 11
Informal Meeting	May 25
Business Meeting	June 8
Informal Meeting	June 22
Business Meeting	July 13
Informal Meeting	July 27

* During the holidays, the Informal Meetings are canceled. The November newsletter is delivered at the Business Meeting in December. The December newsletter will be combined with the January newsletter and delivered to the January Informal Meeting.

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No Newsletter During the Month of June

There was no newsletter issued during the month of June because I had abdominal surgery on June 19th and was not able to produce the newsletter. I apologize for any concern this might have caused but, of course, it was just not possible to do any work during that period.

My thanks goes out to all those who expressed concern about my well being and offered to help me through my recovery.

MacNews Editor: John McDonald □

MacNews Wins Second Award

by Keith Putnam

The User Group University finishes the day, each term, with awards for User Group newsletters and web sites. The newsletter competitions are divided into categories: print newsletters up to twelve pages and thirteen pages and over. This year, John McDonald's "screen version" of MacNews took third place honors in the Large Newsletter category. Adobe sponsored this event. The competition was coordinated by the Washington Apple Pi Users Group. As the winners were announced, representatives of winning publications were allowed to choose from products in a pool of software provided by Adobe. Mr. Putnam, having no clue as to our particular needs, chose Adobe InDesign. □



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Macworld New York Attracts Record Crowd

*Attendance Tops 64,000,
Crowning Macworld the Largest
East Coast Technology Show*

Framingham, Mass. and Cupertino, Calif. - July 25, 2001 - IDG World Expo and Apple today announced that more than 64,000 attendees packed the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York City last

week for the Macworld Conference & Expo. This year's record attendance is the highest ever for the New York event.

The final attendance numbers contrast sharply with lowered attendance figures at other technology shows this year - most notably, PC Expo held at the same convention center just three weeks prior. Macworld has now surpassed both PC Expo and Internet World as the largest annual technology event in New York City.

Treasurer's Report

Transaction Detail Report - May 2001

Balance (Beginning of the Month) \$ 2,357.10

Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
05-08-01	... Deposit.....	Dues X 1	Dues.....	\$ 25.00
05-18-01	... Deposit.....	Dues X 3	Dues.....	\$ 80.00
05-28-01	... John McDonald	Printing.....	Newsletter	\$ -38.56
05-29-01	... Deposit.....	Dues X 2	Dues.....	\$ 50.00

Balance (End of the Month) \$ 2,473.54

Total Inflows..... \$ 155.00

Total Outflows..... \$ -38.56

Net Total \$ 116.44



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“The loyalty of the Mac community is astounding,” said Charlie Greco, president and CEO of IDG World Expo. “While other tradeshow struggle with low attendance numbers, Macworld Conference & Expo continues to set new records. As the number one technology tradeshow in New York City and San Francisco, Macworld is proof positive that the Macintosh platform is hotter than ever.”

“The growing enthusiasm for the Mac platform is contagious. Our customers and developers dem-

onstrated phenomenal support for Apple’s latest innovations at Macworld this year,” said Philip Schiller, Apple’s vice president of product marketing. “It’s really great to see this strong show of support and excitement by so many customers for Mac OS X and all of Apple’s digital lifestyle products demonstrated at this year’s show.” In addition to the show’s record attendance, more than 44,000 people around the world tuned in simultaneously for a live stream of Apple CEO Steve Jobs’ keynote via their

Treasurer’s Report

Transaction Detail Report - June 2001

Balance (Beginning of the Month) \$ 2,473.54

Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
06-08-01 ...	Postmaster	P.O. Box 7371, West Sta. ..	P.O. Box Rent	\$ -45.00
06-11-01 ...	Deposit.....	Dues X 5	Dues	\$ 125.00
06-29-01 ...	Deposit.....	Dues X 2	Dues	\$ 55.00
06-29-01 ...	John McDonald	Postage	Newsletter	\$ -34.00

Balance (End of the Month) \$ 2,574.54

Total Inflows.....\$ 180.00

Total Outflows.....\$ -79.00

Net Total\$ 101.00



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QuickTime Player. QuickTime 5, Apple's industry-leading software for creating, playing and streaming high-quality audio and video over the Internet, is available for free download to Macintosh and Windows users at www.apple.com/quicktime.

Highlights from the opening keynote address included a preview of Mac OS X version 10.1, with demonstrations of native Mac OS X applications by 10 major developers including Adobe, Aspyr, Alias|Wavefront, Blizzard, Connectix, FileMaker, IBM, Microsoft, Quark and WorldBook. More than 1,000 native applications are now available on Mac OS X and more than 50 third-party developers made announcements at the show supporting Mac OS X. Apple introduced major upgrades to its desktop computing family with the introduction of a new line of faster Power Mac G4s with the revolutionary SuperDrive, and faster, more powerful iMacs for today's digital lifestyle. iDVD 2 for Mac OS X v 10.1 was also previewed.

"Macworld New York was a great success for Connectix," said Mitchell Cipriano, vice president of marketing at Connectix, one exhibitor featured in the "Ten on X" keynote. "The attendees are

perfect for our products and booth traffic was heavy. In short, a perfect show."

"The traffic at our booth was phenomenal," said Michael Rogers, president of Aspyr Media, Inc. "The entire games area, including the gaming theater, was one of the most popular we've seen at any expo. We were thrilled by the opportunity to showcase our products at the event."

About Apple

Apple ignited the personal computer revolution in the 1970s with the Apple II and reinvented the personal computer in the 1980s with the Macintosh. Apple is committed to bringing the best personal computing experience to students, educators, creative professionals and consumers around the world through its innovative hardware, software and Internet offerings.

About IDG World Expo

IDG World Expo (www.idgworldexpo.com) produces world-class tradeshow, conferences, and events for emerging IT markets around the globe. As the leading IT event management company, IDG World Expo leverages its unsurpassed experience and knowledge of IT-focused events and confer-



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ences, enabling technology companies to capture the attention and loyalty of influential buyers. IDG World Expo's portfolio of conferences and events includes Macworld Conference & Expo, LinuxWorld Conference & Expo, COMNET Conference & Expo, COMNET Wireless Conference & Expo, Federal Open Source Conference, ESPWorld, Enterprise Application Summit, BioITWorld Conference & Expo and Internet Entertainment Expo (IEX). IDG World Expo is a subsidiary of International Data Group (IDG), the leading global provider of IT media, research, conferences, and expositions.

About IDG

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Adobe Explains and Entertains

by Keith Putnam

The Adobe User Group Breakfast was pretty much as expected. Entertaining and lucrative. Demonstrations were given on Photoshop Elements, PageMaker 7, InDesign, and Acrobat 5.0. These were all demonstrated in OS X, not Classic mode. Photoshop Elements was presented as the Photoshop tool for the average user. It provides many processes that are common in Photoshop, but that are set up in one-step tools. The manual approach is still available for those who want the arduous path.

Terry White was, as usual, Adobe's primary presenter. He provides entertaining and exciting displays of Adobe capabilities. His favorite new feature in PageMaker 7 is the DataMerge function. He demonstrated its ability to merge comma delimited data into a project such as membership cards for UG members. Very slick.



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InDesign was demonstrated running native in OS X. This package links to the creator application when object editing is needed. That is, when using a Photoshop file, if edit is chosen, Photoshop is opened. Following the edit, the object is automatically updated in InDesign. InDesign now has a transparency capability, understanding Photoshop transparencies. This allows the Photoshop file to retain its transparent character when imported into InDesign. Export to PDF is now a built-in function. Distiller is not needed.

InDesign now has all the settings for printing gathered into one dialog box, saving the user much time and confusion.

Acrobat 5.0 allows the user to download a single web page, then augment the file by merely clicking the link on the page in Acrobat. When the page collection is complete, Acrobat retains the links from the web page for use in the PDF. An interesting feature, that is not necessarily new, is the article thread feature. A single click, inside a threaded article, connects the user to the article text and magnifies it. Subsequent clicks will carry the reader to the next portion of the article text.

Adobe's free upgrade policy is that products purchased within thirty days of a new version announcement are eligible for a free upgrade. Adobe intends to provide OS X capability in its products as a part of their standard feature improvement schedule. With a typical development cycle of 15–18 months, a new release can be roughly predicted, based on the previous release date. □

Procreate/Corel Provides Easy Access to Keynote

by Keith Putnam

Corel hosted a user group breakfast, Wednesday morning, the time that many people feel compelled to be in the keynote address waiting line at Macworld Expo. In order to increase the retention of attendees, the breakfast organizers arranged to have the web broadcast available to present immediately following the breakfast. There was a bit of difficulty in getting set up, but the majority of the keynote was there to be enjoyed, with no standing in line for hours required.

Corel gave demonstrations of Painter, Knockout, CorelDraw, and others. □



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Booty Check

by Keith Putnam

The formidable team of Linda and Keith Putnam laid waste to the MacExpo and returned with an amazing array of goodies. (Amazing tonnage, at least.) Software to be raffled includes: Adobe Photoshop Elements, the Adobe Product Sampler, Casady & Greene's MacCare Unit, Stoneware for Mac OS X, and products from Aladdin, including Stuffit Deluxe, Flashback, Shrinkwrap, Sundial, DragStrip, Spring Cleaning, and the Aladdin Solutions collection.

Included in the other goodies are seven T-shirts, three baseball hats, several current issues of popular Mac magazines, buttons, spiral bound notepads, badge holders, coozies, cobalt blue travel mugs from Corel and "Office 2001, the Missing Manual" from O'Reilly. There's probably more, but you'll have to come to the next few meetings to find out.



Steve Jobs Feeds the Masses

by Keith Putnam

Untold numbers of Apple fans and detractors lined up and hungrily awaited the latest news from "the Steve." Some lined up hours before the doors would open. At long last, the Javits Convention Center consumed the eager masses, which poured into the hall for the keynote. Apple's leader, Steve Jobs, appeared in his trademark garb and began the show.

The Apple Store experience was chosen as the introduction to Apple's strategy in this year's keynote. This portion was only partially visible and totally inaudible to those at Corel's breakfast (See "Corel Provides..."). In usual fashion, several software vendors began the show.

World Book Encyclopedia showed their OS X version which was available at the show for \$60.

Jobs announced that Warcraft III is now carbonized, providing real-time 3D and Battle-net capability.

Aspyr's Brian Rogers announced that ProSkater, developed with Tony Hawk will ship with OS 9 and OS X capability in the same box.

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Maya, from Alias Wavefront was shown running in OS X. Maya is considered the tool of choice for the high end 3D professional.

After several updates to OS X, OS 10.1 will ship in September, with improvements in performance, menus, windows, and application launch. Several applications were launched using this version. Each time the launch time was astounding. This release will allow Macs to look like a windows machine when viewed by a windows network, saving much frustration for network administrators and the Mac users they support. A document minimizing function called "scale" moves items to the Dock much faster than the Genie. The Dock will now be portable in 10.1, which will be a free upgrade.

The new iBook, in May and June, shipped 182,000 units; more notebooks than Apple has ever shipped in a quarter.

The iMac line has been upgraded, also. All models ship with CD-RW. The models come with 20GB, 40GB, and 60GB hard drives and processor speeds of 500Mhz, 600Mhz, and 700MHz. The top of the line was said to be available in August, with the others available immediately.

The new Power Mac G4 is called "Quicksilver," to describe its performance and its redesigned appearance. The line still consists of three models, beginning with the high-end of last season's models. Only the low-end comes standard with no SuperDrive.

\$1,699.00 • 733MHz PowerPC G4 • 256K L2 cache • 128MB SDRAM memory • 40GB Ultra ATA drive • CD-RW drive • NVIDIA GeForce2 MX • Gigabit Ethernet • 56K internal modem

\$2,499.00 • 867MHz PowerPC G4 • 256K L2 & 2MB L3 cache • 128MB SDRAM memory • 60GB Ultra ATA drive • SuperDrive • NVIDIA GeForce2 MX • Gigabit Ethernet • 56K internal modem

\$3,499.00 • Dual 800MHz PowerPC G4 • 256K L2 & 2MB L3 per processor • 256MB SDRAM memory • 80GB Ultra ATA drive • SuperDrive • NVIDIA GeForce2 MX with TwinView • Gigabit Ethernet • 56K internal modem

As is typical for the Macworld Expo, a speed shootout was presented, pitting a 1.7 GHz Pentium IV against a Mac with one 867 MHz G4. Comparisons were made with Media Cleaner Pro and Photoshop. The G4 completed the Media Cleaner far ahead of the

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Pentium. The G4 performed 80% faster than the Pentium in the Photoshop test.

The answer to the question “How can this be?” was answered in a explanation of “The MegaHertz Myth.” Apple Senior VP of Hardware Jon Rubinstein detailed why the clock speed of a computer isn’t an accurate way to compare system performance.

<http://www.apple.com/g4/myth/>

A revision of iDVD2 was also announced. This version has motion menus, video on buttons, soundtrack on slideshows, and can provide 90 minutes of video on a disk. This version is only on OS X, and is free to current iDVD customers.

Apple’s review of the keynote is at

<http://www.apple.com/hotnews/articles/2001/07/macworld/keynote.html>



Apple’s User Group Breakfast

by Keith Putnam

With more than 280 UG members crowding the meeting hall at the New Yorker Hotel, Apple gave a

show that was less than dazzling. The breakfast, while fun and much appreciated, seemed to indicate that Apple, too, felt that there wasn’t a lot to say about the new versions of their products. Perhaps Apple felt that the UG members would have heard all the news by this time and wanted to give information of interest that was not in the mainstream of availability. Presentations were given on Apple iServices, the history of the iMac, and the new versions of the G4 machines and iMacs.

Apple iServices, found at

<http://www.apple.com/iServices/training>

offers new certifications for OS X, as Apple Certified Technical Coordinator or Apple Certified System Administrator. Both certs include OS X Admin Basics. Testing for these certifications is conducted at Prometric Testing Centers.

A man known as “iMike” Shebanek presented the iMac history. Several interesting items were brought out in this program. He described the manufacturing process with great enthusiasm. Manufacturing testing for the iMac production is, in many cases, performed using older Macs. The method used for keeping the iMac plastic exterior in pristine condi-

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tion employs a vacuum device that adheres to the monitor surface, allowing the iMac to be handled without the case being degraded. The interior components in iMac circuitry were custom manufactured in a dark color to improve what would be seen in the transparent cases. In the search for a clear plastic that could provide adequate strength in a ventilated handle design, Apple consulted suppliers of automobile headlight plastics. More recent models of iMac have an Ethernet port that is designed to reject the connector used for telephone connections.

The iMac's sound system has been designed to perform beautifully on its own, or when connected to iSub, a sub-woofer which provides frequency response down to 46 Hz. When the iSub is connected the audio signal is passed through a crossover circuit, sending the low frequencies only to the iSub, allowing the internal speakers to provide more power and clarity to the mid-band and upper frequencies.

The new editions of iMac were discussed briefly. The line will have 500MHz, 600MHz and 700MHz models, priced at \$999, \$1299, and \$1499, respectively. All models are equipped with CDRW.

The program was completed with a segment on the new G4 Quicksilver. The G4 case has been redesigned, but retains the popular, drawbridge access to the interior. The speaker has been improved sonically, but has also been visually updated. It is no longer protected with a perforated cover, as in traditional designs. A shiny, recessed diaphragm, color-coordinated with the case, sits exposed to finger access.

As discussed at the keynote the G4 Power Mac line is bigger, better, faster. The high-end offering has two 800MHz processors. This configuration will run Final Cut Pro 70% faster than the 733MHz model. The Dual 800's GeForce display card also provides dual monitor capability, out of the box.

The Q&A session aired the concern that Apple seemed to be losing the entry-level price point that was so attractive to the education market. At one time there was an iMac at \$799, while the new low end, the 500MHz model, is \$999. Mr. Shebanek assured the crowd that there would be a lower-priced model for education. □

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A Better Bag for Your PowerBook

Press release, dated July 15, 2001

- Fashionable messenger style bag with a single strap that goes over shoulder or chest for maximum comfort
- Constructed with super-durable 600 Denier Polyester
- Extra padded back panel for protection and comfort
- 1/4" foam sewn in lining
- Dimensions: 11" x 14.5" x 6"
- Color: black with silver embroidered logo (more colors coming soon!)
- 7 organizer compartments
- Compartment 2 provides your TiBook with maximum protection and leaves the largest compartment for your books, folders, and larger items
- 3 pen pockets
- Velcro and zipper seals

- Detachable cellular phone pocket, that some TiBaggers have used for their sunglasses
- Adjustable velcro shoulder strap

Check it out at:

<http://www.tibag.com>



Aladdin Systems Ships New Version of iClean

***The Quick Internet Cleanup
Software Utility***

iClean Eliminates Internet Clutter Ensuring Net Privacy - Watsonville, CA - June 29, 2001 - Aladdin Systems, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Aladdin Systems Holdings, Inc. (OTC BB: ALHI), today shipped iClean™ 4.0 which adds Cookie Editor™ to its arsenal of Internet clean up tools. iClean 4.0 now allows users to selectively edit their Web cookies for improved Web surfing. iClean is also included in Spring Cleaning™ 4.0, the number one cleaning solution for the Macintosh, released earlier this month. A free trial of iClean is available for download at:



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<http://www.aladdinsys.com/iclean/index.html>

iClean

Quickly Removes Internet Tracks

iClean sweeps away Web surfing tracks by cleaning out Web cache files, Internet histories, and cookies. iClean gives users a detailed summary of items that can be deleted and how much disk space can be recovered. Conveniently located on the desktop, iClean makes regular maintenance fast and easy - just click to clean Internet clutter.

“With concerns over Internet privacy, iClean provides relief for avid Internet surfers who want to ensure their tracks are quickly removed,” said Pauline Shumake, iClean product manager.

Cookie Editor New Feature

Cookie Editor is designed to help a user decide which Internet cookies to keep and which to eliminate. The editor provides the user with useful information about their cookies, such as their location, expiration date, and security information for each cookie, helping users optimize their Web experience.

To learn more about iClean, visit:

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/iclean/index.html>

To learn more about Spring Cleaning, visit:

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/springcleaning/index.html>

Pricing, Availability and Requirements

iClean has a suggested U.S. street price of \$29.95 and is available directly from Aladdin at

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/store/>

or via customer service at

sales@aladdinsys.com

or (831)761-6200. Customers can download a trial version of iClean from:

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/iclean>

Upgrade Information

iClean 3.5 owners can upgrade to version 4.0 for \$14.95, or take advantage of the full cleaning power of Spring Cleaning 4.0 for \$19.95 at:

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/iclean/upgrade.html>

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iClean requires a Power Macintosh computer, running Mac OS 8.1 and newer, including Mac OS X, with at least 8MB of RAM. Carbon Lib 1.0.4 or higher, Navigation Services 1.0.1 or higher and Internet Config 2.0 is recommended for users running Mac OS 8.6 and older to take advantage of the iClean Help Guide.

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CS-Odessa Announces New Line of Productivity Software at Macworld NY

Odessa, Ukraine - July 18th, 2001 - Computer Systems Odessa, Corp., announces a line of productivity software titles, based on its popular award-

winning diagramming application, ConceptDraw. This line includes several editions of ConceptDraw software (Standard, Professional, Educational and Medical Editions), ConceptDraw Server and new applications - ConceptDraw *Presentation* and ConceptDraw *MindNap*.

The products of ConceptDraw line of Productivity software lets carry out a wide range of charting and diagramming tasks on a professional level, create diverse business and technical illustrations, dynamic presentations and slide-shows, and effectively brainstorm and structure ideas. All the products are powered by ConceptDraw technology, which makes the applications compatible with each other and allows to freely exchange documents between various ConceptDraw products. The files made with ConceptDraw compatible applications can be shared across Macintosh and Windows platforms and published on the Web with the help of ConceptDraw Server.

Additional information on ConceptDraw products can be found at:

<http://www.conceptdraw.com>



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About Conceptdraw

ConceptDraw is the most powerful cross-platform charting and drawing tool available for Mac OS/ Mac OS X and Windows. It's meant for creating professional-looking flowcharts, business diagrams, research layouts, organization schemes, plans and sharing them across the platforms. ConceptDraw contains extensive libraries, supports intelligent formula-controlled objects, and features powerful HTML export. The Carbonized version of ConceptDraw was introduced at Macworld Expo 2001 in San Francisco.

Pricing and Availability

Products of ConceptDraw line are available on-line from the ConceptDraw site or through local distributors.

Detailed information on the purchase options, discounts and availability can be found here:

<http://www.conceptdraw.com/en/purchase/>

Please direct questions and inquiries to

info@conceptdraw.com



The Light Side of the Dark Side

provided by Larry Bauer

From DSL reports: "A computer without a Microsoft operating system is like a dog without bricks tied to its head."

attributed to Bruce Lundberg

The Constitution may not be the greatest work ever set to paper, but it sure beats what the government is using now.

originator not known

"The closer one looks at Microsoft licensing, the more it resembles an elaborate, years-long shell game that you know the customer's going to lose."

Ed Foster, The Gripe Line □



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CS-Odessa Announces Conceptdraw Professional at Macworld Expo NY/2001

Odessa, Ukraine - July 18th, 2001 - Computer Systems Odessa Corp. presents the Professional Edition of its award-winning cross-platform drawing software ConceptDraw for Mac OS/Mac OS X and Windows. Compared to ConceptDraw Standard, the Professional Edition features more powerful functionality, enriched set of libraries, and interface enhancements, which considerably widens its sphere of application and makes it indispensable tool for larger audience of professionals working in software and network engineering, architecture and design, and diverse fields of research and teaching.

Professional Edition adds:

- Over 25 additional libraries for such areas as Network Diagrams, Process Engineering, Architectural, Chemical, Electrical Engineering, and Maps

- Compatibility with CAD applications thanks to import/export support for DXF format, plus support for several more graphic formats
- Outline support allows to generate a chart from its textual description and save the drawing in a textual format
- Powerful presentation solution with PowerPoint, which lets import PowerPoint presentations and turn ConceptDraw drawings into PowerPoint slide shows and presentations
- Improved MS Visio Data Exchange including conversion of ConceptDraw documents to Visio files
- Streamlined interface

The release of ConceptDraw Professional is expected in the end of August, 2001.

Additional information on the Professional Edition of ConceptDraw can be found at:

<http://www.conceptdraw.com>

About Conceptdraw

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In an effort to recognize select user groups and professional associations, Wacom would like to extend some special pricing considerations to your organization. For a very limited time, you can obtain one of the following graphic tablets for as much as 50% off the suggested retail price!

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Network-Aware

Viruses Spreading Fast

by Jay Lyman

July 13, 2001

The viruses are not new, but are particularly troublesome due to their ability to continue infecting the same users and spread by exploiting shared or mapped drives. Two network-aware viruses, which scan and attack file-sharing features on computers, are spreading at a rapid rate and have infected

nearly 100,000 desktop systems in the last month, according to security officials.

The viruses, PE_Funlove.4099 and PE_Magistr.A, are not new, but are harder to identify than typical, mass-mailing viruses that spread via e-mail address books. And according to security software maker Trend Micro, which ranked the viruses numbers one and two on its Virus Tracking Center Top 10, they present a greater threat to Web users.

Trend Micro says PE_Funlove.4099, first discovered a year-and-a-half ago, and PE_Magistr.A, discovered in March, are especially insidious because of their ability to continue infecting the same users. By exploiting shared or mapped drives, including the Internet itself, the viruses spread to computers via networks in addition to e-mail.

Stealthy Methods

“What makes it network-aware is that it looks on your computer to see if you're connected to another computer for file sharing,” Trend Micro spokeswoman Susan Orbuch told NewsFactor Network. “It uses the network instead of e-mail to travel from one computer to another.” The viruses are so stealthy that they can quickly infect users again and



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again, often without users being aware they are infected or infecting others, according to Trend Micro, which also notes that the network-aware viruses tend to last much longer. “These are old viruses that have suddenly picked up in visibility,” Orbuch said. “It goes to show that old viruses never die.”

90,000 Computers Hit

Trend Micro reports the two viruses have infected more than 90,000 desktop computers so far, and their spread appears to be continuing. Orbuch said Trend Micro’s Housecall scanning software alone had identified some 10,500 new infections in the last three days. “It’s significant because it means it’s affecting a fair amount of people in a short amount of time,” Orbuch told NewsFactor. “It’s really out there circulating now.”

Beyond Normal Protection

Mass-mailed computer worms such as the recent Anna Kournikova, Melissa and Loveletter viruses spread quickly, but typically die down quickly because they are easily identified and intercepted, according to Trend Micro. The network-aware viruses, however, require more than the usual

protective measures of updating anti-virus software and not opening attachments. “This type of threat takes a different kind of approach,” Orbuch said. “The first thing to do is to clean house and make sure you’re clean.” Orbuch said computer users need to update virus protection, enable real-time scanning and tighten password or other security for file sharing to defend against the resurgent viruses.

Hacking Together

Orbuch, who warned of Magistr’s destructive payload that prevents a computer re-boot, said the viruses may have required substantial knowledge to create initially, but that hackers tend to build on one another’s work, making later versions easier to create. “Was it hard to write the first time? Yes. Was it hard to write the second time? No,” she said. “Once one hacker’s figured out how to do it, they’ve sort of opened a Pandora’s box,” Orbuch added. “Sometimes the virus is rooted out, but then it reappears and spreads very quickly.” □



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Microsoft Outlook Vulnerable to New Attack

by Brian McWilliams

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A new flaw has been exposed in all versions of Microsoft Outlook, including the version bundled with Windows XP, that could allow a hacker to take over a user's computer. A glitch in an ActiveX control shipped with Microsoft's Outlook e-mail program could enable an attacker to take full control of a victim's computer, Microsoft confirmed Thursday.

The flaw, which affects all versions of Outlook, including Outlook 2002, which Microsoft bundles with its new Office XP suite, lies in an ActiveX program named "Microsoft Outlook View Control," according to Scott Culp, head of Microsoft's security response center.

By design, the affected ActiveX control allows Web pages to passively display to users the contents of their Outlook inbox. But a bug in the program could enable a specially designed Web page or

HTML-based e-mail to run malicious programs on the victim's computer without permission.

'Vulnerable' Windows

The flaw, which was reported to the company Monday by security researcher Georgi Guninski, also could allow an attacker to read, modify, or delete e-mail in the victim's Outlook inbox, said Culp. Guninski published an advisory on the bug today at his Web site titled "The more money I give to Microsoft, the more vulnerable my Windows computers are." Guninski also posted a harmless demonstration of the vulnerability, including source code. Culp said Microsoft intends to release a bulletin about the flaw later today, and will follow with a patch as soon as possible. To protect against attacks in the meantime, the company advises Outlook users to disable ActiveX in the Internet Zone of Internet Explorer.

Flawed ActiveX

Outlook users who have applied the Outlook Security Update are not vulnerable to the e-mail based vector of attack, nor are Outlook 2002 users. But the flawed ActiveX control could still expose them to Web-based exploits, according to Culp. While



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Guninski has uncovered dozens of security vulnerabilities in Microsoft's products including Internet Explorer, Outlook, Windows Media Player, Word, and Excel, the bug published today is the first he has found that affects Office XP, which Microsoft launched in May. According to Guninski's advisory, the Bulgarian native recently bought a copy of Office XP and discovered "it was quite unpleasant feeling giving so much money for so buggy product."

Hacker 'Poster Child'

Microsoft's Culp told news sources that by publishing the flaw before Microsoft had a patch ready, Guninski was only benefiting malicious hackers. "Mr. Guninski is a poster child for bad behavior when it comes to responsible reporting practices. If your goal is to make the Internet more secure, you work with the vendor. Unfortunately, Mr. Guninski has put countless of customers at risk for no good reason," said Culp. □

Is Microsoft Secretly Using Open Source?

*by Lee Gomes The Wall Street Journal Online
June 18, 2001 5:00 AM PT*

Microsoft Corp., even while mounting a new campaign against open-source software, has quietly been using such free computer code in several major products, as well as on key portions of a popular Web site — despite denying last week that it did so.

Software connected with the FreeBSD open-source operating system is used in several places deep inside several versions of Microsoft's Windows software, such as in the "TCP/IP" section that arranges all connections to the Internet. The company also uses FreeBSD on numerous "server" computers that manage major functions at its Hotmail free e-mail service, whose registered users exceed 100 million and make it one of the Web's busiest sites. Microsoft acknowledged its repeated use of open-source code Friday, in response to questions about the matter. Just two days earlier, it had specifically denied the existence of any such software at Hotmail.



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“Open-source” programs, such as the popular Linux operating system, are typically free and allow users to view and modify blueprint-like instructions known as source code. The growing popularity of such software is among the most potent competition for some of Microsoft’s products, and for a new technology it has proposed called Microsoft.NET.

In recent statements, Microsoft executives have argued that open-source software is dangerous to companies using it, in large part because of the licensing provisions that accompany the software. Microsoft Vice President Craig Mundie, for example, said in a recent speech that all open-source software “has inherent security risks and can force intellectual property into the public domain.”

FreeBSD used on Hotmail?

But Microsoft’s statements Friday suggest the company has itself been taking advantage of the very technology it has insisted would bring dire consequences to others. “I am appalled at the way Microsoft bashes open source on the one hand, while depending on it for its business on the other,”

said Marshall Kirk McKusick, a leader of the FreeBSD development team.

While not as well-known as Linux, FreeBSD has a strong following in the technical community. Much of Microsoft’s use of the software at Hotmail was uncovered Thursday evening by Trevor Johnson, a FreeBSD developer in Los Angeles who used standard Internet monitoring tools to check on the computers at Hotmail. Johnson said he acted because he was skeptical of Microsoft’s claim, in a Wall Street Journal article Thursday, that there was no FreeBSD left at the service.

When Microsoft moved to buy Hotmail in 1997, it was already running on FreeBSD, and continued to do so for several years, a source of some embarrassment to Microsoft. The company had earlier said, though, that it removed all FreeBSD from Hotmail last summer, and even has a lengthy technical paper on its Web site describing the transition. But Friday, Microsoft conceded FreeBSD was still being used at Hotmail on machines that track advertising and that run a crucial Internet function known as “DNS hosting.” A Microsoft spokesman

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said he couldn't explain why Microsoft had given out incorrect information on the topic.

The spokesman said FreeBSD was still in use simply because the company had yet to switch the machines over to Windows.

But one employee of the Redmond, Wash., company said Microsoft has deliberately kept FreeBSD in parts of Hotmail because of its technical superiority over Windows in important functions and furthermore had decided to actually increase its reliance on FreeBSD. Many of the company's Web sites went down much of a day in January, and this person said FreeBSD was judged to be better than Windows at helping to prevent a recurrence of the problem.

On Friday, several FreeBSD volunteers combing through Microsoft products, including the new Windows 2000 operating system, found numerous instances where Microsoft had made use of their software — something perfectly legal for it to do. The Microsoft spokesman, in acknowledging that fact, said it didn't contradict the company's many recent anti-open-source statements. He said that's because Microsoft's main objection has been to

Linux, which has a more restrictive licensing arrangement than FreeBSD.

Microsoft, though, hasn't previously suggested that there were benign forms of open-source software, and while singling out Linux for special criticism, has tended to criticize all open-source with the same broad brush.

In its campaign against open-source, Microsoft has been unable to come up with examples of companies being harmed by it. One reason, said Eric von Hippel, a Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor who heads up a research effort in the field, is that virtually all the available evidence suggests that open source is "a huge advantage" to companies. "They are able to build on a common standard that is not owned by anyone," he said. "With Windows, Microsoft owns them." □

Link Checker for Macs Now Faster and More Compatible

Germany, 11 June 2001 - Voget Selbach Enterprises (VSE) announced today an update to their link checker application VSE Link Tester.

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According to a Web usability study by the Georgia Institute of Technology, net users rate broken links as the second-biggest problem on-line, right behind slow-loading pages.

VSE Link Tester easily finds broken links on web pages. The application runs a fully automated web site test and reports any errors in a clearly arranged report.

VSE Link Tester recognizes all HTML tags containing links (more than 30), finds links in JavaScript code and in intrinsic events and supports dynamic web sites and user authentication. It also works with off-line web sites on your hard disk, tests multiple web sites at once and creates customizable reports.

New to Version 3.2.1

This update recognizes more links in forms and fixes all known bugs.

Pricing

VSE Link Tester is available in two different versions.

The \$ 34.95 US Standard version allows to test one web site. It's for private home pages and smaller business sites.

The \$ 99.95 US Business version is well suited for web masters that deal with many web sites and for large corporate web sites.

This new update is a free update for all VSE Link Tester version 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0 users.

Distribution and Download

VSE Link Tester is distributed as shareware. It can be included free of charge on shareware CD-ROMs. The downloadable application is fully functional except for a limited report. Direct download link:

<http://vse-online.com/Progs/link-tester.bqx>

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Minutes of the Business Meeting

July 14, 2001

by Lipmon Moy

There were 19 present with 1 guest.

Janice Wright started the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Treasurer's Report

Keith Putnam presented the Treasurer's Report for Pete Belcher and reported the balance to be \$2574.00 (\$180 expenses/\$79.00 income) with 52 paid members. He remarked that John McDonald, newsletter editor, was still out and might attend the meeting if he is feeling up to it. He also asked members present that if they wanted to renew their dues, he would take them for Pete.

Web Master's Report

Marius reported that the new web site looked very good and he is still incorporating from MacNews (old items) and extracting presentations, reviews, etc. He also reported that the site is up in volume and the bulletin board option is still in development. Janice said she would nominate the HMUG web site for the User Group Academy web award.

Apple Ambassador's Report

Keith Putnam said that the web site would be in the User Group University contest at MacWorld Expo on Tuesday. Keith asked the members present for names of software members wish to review and demo so that he might make contacts while he is at the MacWorld Expo. He asked again for the name of the person who won QuicKeys and was suppose to give a review before he attends MacWorld. Keith brought up the issue of the BoxLight projector's inadequacy to display greater than 640x480 resolution and suggested that 3M sells both demo and new units with resolutions of 800x600 or better. He will also talk to other vendors at MacWorld. Janice suggested getting a copy of Kidspirations. Another member asked for a list of all Mac OS X applications available.

Old Business

BellSouth DSL

Janice had reported previously on her experience with BellSouth DSL installation and associated \$199 fee for Mac only while PC installation was free. The BellSouth workers said to say it was a PC and it would be free, but Janice is an honest person and

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decided to write to BellSouth about the discrimination. Janice asked a cousin within BellSouth (another division) to provide names and addresses associated with the DSL division. She e-mailed a letter to her cousin explaining the situation and gave her permission to forward it on to others within BellSouth. Janice received a call from BellSouth saying that she didn't have to pay and that this has been a big problem. They also stated that as of August 1, the ADSL installation would be free to Mac users. She estimated that with EarthLink's competition and free installation, BellSouth has rethought the situation. Gene Wiggins noted that he is an Earthlink/Mindspring subscriber with a prepaid year and they are having a \$2.00 monthly increase, which was reflected in his bill. He plans to e-mail them about the billing problem.

Lincoln Park Project

Janice presented a status overview of the HMUG involvement with the Lincoln Park Community Center to set up a computer laboratory with donated Macs. She has been monitoring the e-mails from HMUG members supporting this project and thanked them for their technical involvement. The

question about the grounding of the outlets was brought up again, but it is still unresolved. Gene Wiggins will get with Bob Doehrman about the surge protection.

New Business

Donated Mac Equipment

Janice reported that Houghton Publishing in Albertville was wishing to donate older Mac equipment. She had taken 2 Laserwriters and one scanner to be used at her school. The remainder was in her car for the members to inspect, pick up, and utilize. Marius stated that memory is so inexpensive now that Data Memory had 5v DIMMs for \$36 especially for the 6360 Performas at the Lincoln Project Center.

RIO/MP3 Player

Eric Cherry reported that iTunes supports MP3 players, but was limited to 6 only. Sonic Blue bought the RIO with no indication that there would be Mac support. He asked HMUG members who are using MP3 to mail letters to SonicBlue.com seeking Mac support.



Flashes

Apple in Education

Lip Moy reported that is number one in Apple again and had bought PowerSchool (web based school administration) and Spruce Technologies (DVD authoring). Janice reported that she had received a call from a teacher in another local school system who was interested in knowing more about how Boaz Elementary teachers had been using movies to integrate technology into the curriculum. Janice told her that, even though this system had all PCs, they could accomplish this with just one iMac and a DV camcorder. This is because iMovie allows you to save the finished project as a QuickTime movie, which is cross-platform.

Memory Prices

Janice stated that the price for a 256MB DIMM for a G3/G4 was inexpensive — \$24.50 with \$8.00 S/H or \$29.50 with \$4.00 S/H. Marius remarked if you shop around you could find it cheaper.

The Cube/Circuit City

Janice said that the Cube was being discontinued. She had at the Circuit City she demos a Cube as an open box price of \$1,439 and a 15" flat panel

monitor for \$439. Keith mentioned that other items were being discounted. A question of the Cube's video output was answered that it has VGA external output. Larry Stram said the Dr. Bott has carrying case for the Cube.

USB/Parallel Printer Adapters

Lip said that Sears had on clearance 3 Belkins USB-Parallel Printer adapters with Windows/Mac printer drivers CDs for \$9.95. They are normally \$49.95. This for new Mac users who want to continue using their HP or other parallel ported printers.

Powerbook 1400 -For Sale

Bill Lewis offered a Powerbook 1400cs for \$80.00. The Powerbook was without AC adapter and had only the 3.5" floppy drive installed. It had 32MB RAM.

Outlook 2001

Lip announced that Microsoft just released Outlook 2001 for Mac and had made several CDs for any one who might want it. He stated that the main requirement was to have access to a Microsoft Exchange server. The features of Outlook 2001 were identical to the Windows counterpart with contacts, calendar, and schedule.

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Program

Lipmon Moy gave an overview presentation of Microsoft Office 2001. The requested Microsoft sales video had not arrived in time for the meeting, so he developed a PowerPoint presentation that emphasized the new features and system requirements of Microsoft Office 2001. Screenshots of the new Office were utilized to show the incorporation of the Mac interface into the latest version of Microsoft Office. After the presentation, Janice announced that the Office version for OS X would be released this fall.

Other Remarks/Comments

A question about the latest update for AppleWorks came up. With the installed 6.2 update under OS X, AppleWorks only opens through a document and not by itself. It was suggested to check the update and reload it. A question asked about the delay in loading the address book under Eudora. It was suggested that the memory allocation be increased. Another question was brought up about a G4 under OS X and with iTunes. After playing several CDs, iTunes hangs up the G4. Apple had suggested removing and reinstalling iTunes. Others had experi-

enced this problem. The final question was concerning a HP932 Serif font printer output versus the screen display overlap. Marius said that with the Serif fonts, it's a question of TrueType versus Postscript.

Door Prizes and Winners

Four T-Shirts (Provided by MacResources) – Ted Fronfield, Eric Cherry, Dave Lambert, Geoffrey Hintze

10 CD Caddy – Paul Ramsey

12 Zip Tower/Zip Disk - Geoffrey Hintze

Word 6.0 Instruction Book – Bill Arnold

PowerPoint 4.0 Instruction Book – Bill Lewis

Gravis Gamemaster Joystick – Eric Cherry □



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Join your fellow Macintosh users in a free spirited evaluation of software, or ask the membership at large for help with your own problems. Each meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. and features a demonstration or a tutorial. Members receive the HMUG newsletter eleven times a year (no issue in December). Membership is only \$25 per year (families may join for only \$30). See the application for membership inside this newsletter. *Visitors are always welcome, you do not have to be a member to join us at our meetings.*

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Huntsville Public Library Auditorium.
First door on the right at entrance
at 10:00 a.m.

Informal Meeting

4th Saturday of
Each Month
at 10:00 a.m.

Saint Stephen's church is the location for the Informal Meeting. The church is on the west side of Whitesburg, and is the second church up from Lily Flagg. Drive into the parking lot on the left side of the church. Walk up the steps on the south side of the church and go through the double doors. Turn left immediately to enter the hall where we meet.



**for more information... call
John McDonald at 882-0766**



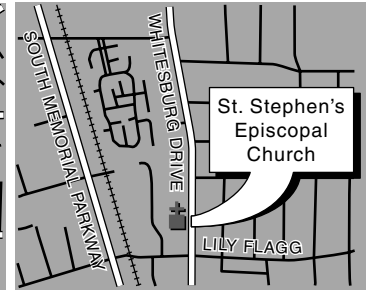
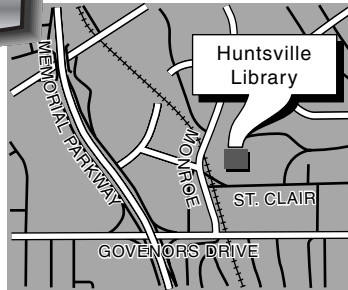
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HMUG

The Huntsville Macintosh Users Group

We invite you and your family to join fellow Macintosh enthusiasts in a user-friendly organization



Both of our monthly meetings have a lively "Flashes" session, where members discuss new products, tips, and shortcuts; or ask the membership at large for help with their problems. Each meeting features Product Demonstrations or Tutorials; plus Drawings for valuable products. Members also receive our monthly newsletter MacNews. All for \$25 a year (family memberships are \$30).

Business Meeting: Second Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Huntsville Public Library auditorium (see the map above). As you go through the front door turn immediately to the right and go down the hallway to the auditorium.

Informal Meeting: Fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church at 8020 Whitesburg Drive (see map above). As you drive in, go to the parking lot on your left. Ascend the steps and enter the double doors. Turn left immediately and enter the meeting hall.

Newbies are Welcome

HMUG is dedicated to the *new user* as well as those who have more experience. We have a special session at our Business Meeting for those who need the kind of help that cannot be provided by suggestions made during "Flashes." Our special session starts at 9:00 a.m. and we have people available to answer most any question you might have.

Remember, we are a community service organization and you do not have to be a member to attend our meetings or receive our help.

Web Site

Visit our web site to get current HMUG news or to link to a cornucopia of Macintosh material on the world wide web. The HMUG Uniform Resource Locator (URL) is:

<http://www.bmug.org>

(our Web Masters are Marius Schamschula and Keith Putnam.)

Newsletter

Enjoy our monthly user group newsletter, MacNews. Every issue is full of tips, articles, reviews written by our members, and special vendor offers. HMUG members can advertise to buy or sell personal computer hardware and software free. (our Newsletter Editor is John McDonald.)

Join us at our next meeting!

Membership Application

please check one

- Individual membership (\$25 per year)
 Family membership (\$30.00 per year)

please check one

- New Member
 Renewal

Last Name

First Name(s)

Street

City State Zip

Date

Check the method you would prefer to be contacted by

Home phone

Work phone

FAX

Home E-mail address

Work E-mail address

Permission to notify you via e-mail or phone of special events and upcoming programs? Yes No

When HMUG signs members up with HiWaay Information Services (a local Internet Service Provider), the fee for the first month is rebated to HMUG. Would you like more information on HiWaay? Yes No

Employed by

Computer(s) and equipment that you use

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Do you have a modem? Baud Rate

Please send this application with your check made out to "HMUG" to the HMUG, c/o Membership; P.O. Box 7371; Huntsville, AL 35807

If you use this mailer, remember to staple your check to the mailer, or tape the sides closed.

Date received Amount Received by

Membership good until