

EAMUG

December 5, 2018



At our Meeting

- 1:30pm;** Opening Pledge of Allegiance, President's Announcements including NYC Apple Store, future meetings,
1:35pm; **Elections** (see Nominating slate elsewhere)
2:00PM; Question & Answer **Everyone**
2:00PM; Mojave High Points (*System 10.14.1*) **Dennis Ricke**
2:45PM; Apple's Calendar (ver. 11) **Carl Schwartz**
2:45PM; **Comfort Break**
3:00PM; Break for REFRESHMENTS and other things we do
3:30PM; Apple Trivia **Carl Gaites**
3:50PM; Bye-Bye *Oh, and Merry Christmas*



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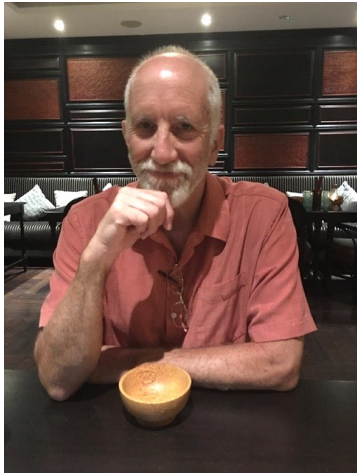
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Prez' Message, December 2018

Our December 6th meeting promises to be one of the BEST and FUNNIEST meeting of the year. It may also be informative, particularly when Dennis Ricke briefs us on Apple's latest System "Mojave" or when Carl Schwartz shows us how to use 'Calendar'. And if everyone brings something, our Break should be a fulfilling experience! By that I mean bring cookies, cupcakes, Twinkies, etc.

We'll also be voting on a slate of officers for EAMUG. Most everyone is continuing in their current except (drum roll please). (LOUDER drum roll please) ... Tom Vandenberg has accepted our invitation to be our new President! I asked Tom to give us a resume:

I'm a Cheesehead, though it's been a few years since I spent more than a week or two there. Now, it's just to visit family that still calls Appleton home. From early in my marriage it was clear that my wife liked business and was better at it than I, so when our second son was born I became Mr. Mom. That was 1987, long before it was cool, or common. (I just checked IMDB and the movie of that name premiered in 1983.) We followed my wife's career to St. Louis, Peoria, Acassuso de Buenos Aires, St. Charles, IL and finally in 2006 to Coral Springs - near Ft. Lauderdale. Meanwhile, I had temp jobs working in school computer departments, and libraries and for a brother who hired me to run his art department and trouble-shoot his computer system. In 2007 Apple Retail hired me (on Steve Jobs birthday) and I started my career. Later that year I was promoted to Creative, sent to Cupertino for a week of training and that was the start of a fun-filled 9 year stint with Apple. I retired in 2016 and here I am.



You're not done with me yet. Look for another Apple Team Trivia game AFTER the fulfilling Break. I'll also squeeze in my visit to an Apple Store on Manhattan this fall. But for REALLY INTERESTING stuff, read THE Minutes from our last Board Meeting and be prepared to tell our group the kind of car you used for your first test for your first Drivers License.

I told you this was going to be the funniest meeting of the year...

Carl Gaites
EAMUG President for the next 28 days



Notice all the hair?

Help for Beginners/Newcomers



Online **information** is ready for You

Apple's help site has its links on the left side [Apple - Support - Mac Basics](#)



Get an appointment at our closest **Apple store**
for the Genius Bar at 140 University Town Center Drive Sarasota, FL

<https://www.apple.com/retail/universitytowncenter/> for training, Genius Bar and Support

Wow what a deal membership is: friends, info, support, sea side parties, and member raffles.

Questions? e-Mail: bessen@verizon.net

Phone: in Venice:(941) 497-4894

EAMUG Dues - Join or Renew **Still only Individual \$12/Family \$18**

Make checks out to: Louis Bessen, Treasurer (NOT TO "EAMUG")
New members, include your application form

Dues can be paid by check or cash to the Treasurer, Louis Bessen,
at the User Group meeting (in an envelope, please) or by mail to:

Louis Bessen, Treasurer
2221 Bal Harbour Drive
Venice, FL 34293

Remember our **EAMUG** Library for Members!

David Pascal is our 2018 EAMUG Librarian.

Checkout period is for one month or till the next meeting.
All books will be **available at the meeting**. The books
are currently being stored in the meeting room closet
and are readily accessible at meetings.

Bring your device!



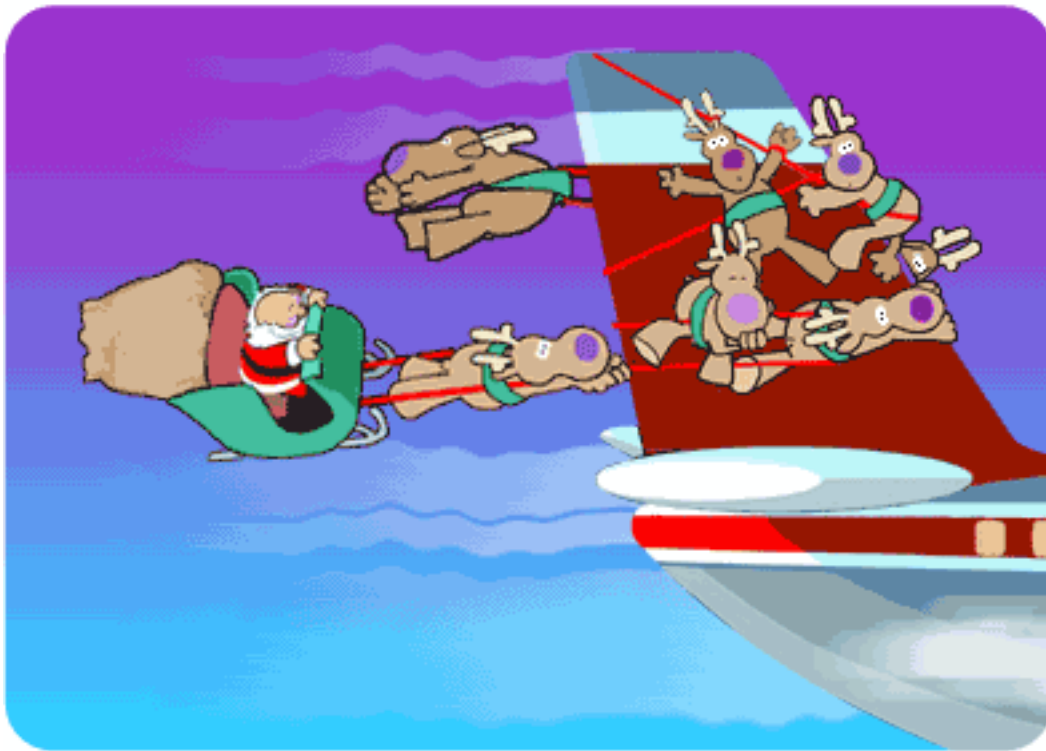
DSIG Devices & Laptops

One this month! 2-4 PM


Thursday, December 20, 2018

at the **Jacaranda Library (Venice)**
for, **iPhones, iPads & Mac Books**

[4143 Woodmere Park Blvd, Venice, FL](#)



EAMUG members Carl Schwartz, Katrina Myers and Tom Vandenberg were there to help.

Topics included: How to keep my iPhone secure, How frequently should I charge my iPhone  or update my software.

Also : recommended Apps and games, how to access widgets & add them to the widget page

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If you have a favorite APP or technique that you use please share it with our group.
Remember you don't need to be an expert to *share* in our small group, just tell us how you use it!

Privacy matters

Apple set itself a difficult task when it decided to do voice recognition directly on a smartphone. But the alternative was to send recordings of everything said near the iPhone to a remote server to recognize the key phrase. Apple wasn't going to turn its devices into spies.

Of course, that didn't bother Amazon. That's exactly how its Echo devices do all their speech

What very few people realize is that the system continues to learn what their voice sounds like after the training session. This is because the session is almost always done under ideal conditions, while the iPhone has to learn to recognize "Hey Siri" with all kinds of ambient noise. For some time after training officially ends, every use of "Hey Siri" is being used to learn more.

So try to avoid letting other people say "Hey Siri" near your iPhone while it's still **learning** your voice.



Above from... <https://www.cultofmac.com/542121/hey-siri-apple-machine-learning-journal-april-2018/>

Many recyclers may recycle part of the devices but largely they ship them off to Third World countries where the toxic chemicals used to process go into the groundwater.

Yes the old devices are slow and maybe even a bit clunky in comparison to the new but if you can still keep them going they can be very useful. I have one of the early iPad minis and it's quite useful for reading and some apps like **flipboard** work excellently.



What are the computer recycling certifications I should be asking about?

The two most common computer recycling certifications for North American recyclers are the Basel Action Network's (BAN) e-Stewards and Sustainable Electronics Recycling International's (SERI) R2 Standard. BAN has been certifying recyclers since 2006 to ensure that no electronics are exported overseas. R2 (originally R2 Solutions) has been around since 2008, and focuses more on certifying the recycling process and data destruction. There are hundreds of computer recyclers that aren't e-Stewards or R2 certified, but if you're wanting to recycle with one of these certified companies, you can find a directory of them [here](#) and [here](#).



Graffiti

Links:

<https://earth911.com/recycling-guide/how-to-recycle->

<https://www.wikihow.com/Recycle-a-Computer>

Over the last several years we have covered a lot of topics: *(once you download them and place them into iBooks you will not even have to be online to access our newsletter)!*

GO to our EAMUG newsletter archive for back issues!

[Newsletter Archive](#)

In attendance: Lou Bessen (**Model A Ford**); Mike Volpe (**stack Truck**- was only 13 at the time in Michigan); David Pascal (**'61 Ferrari**); Angela Taylor; (**'55 Buick**); Carol Bryan (**'52 Rambler**); Carl Gaites (**'50 Studebaker**); Carl Schwartz (**'55 Chevy**); Tom Vandenberg (**'48 Rolls-Royce**).
So what's with the old cars? We asked attendees what kind of car they used when they got their drivers license! Other info - Purple was stick shift & Green was automatic. Now what kind of car did you drive when taking your first test for a Drivers License?

Treasurer: Lou Bessen reported that 2019 dues were received from only 13 members compared to 43 members at this time last year. *Lets get those dues paid up people...*



Newsletter: An EXCELLENT issue last month although a desire was expressed for cartoons or jokes.

DSIG: Carl Schwartz reported that the Library messed up their room schedule for today but everyone was notified and he does expect the session at Jacaranda next Thursday to go.

Ambassador: Angela Taylor pretty much said this is a waste of time, that no great savings are being listed in the program.

Nominations: The Board discussed nominations for 2019; they are listed elsewhere in this Newsletter. Elections will be held at the December 6th Meeting.

February 7th Meeting: Since Elsie Quirk staff notified us that our room would not be available in February, the Board decided to move the meeting to the brand-new Venice Library for the February meeting ONLY.

Projector: Mike Volpe moved, seconded by David Pascal, that the MUG share in the replacement cost of the Library's Projector **IF** the Library assures us that we may continue using the meeting rooms on the 1st and Thursday afternoons. Passed unanimously. We are awaiting a price.

Volunteers Needed: Assistant Secretary; Photographer; Publicity; and PRESENTERS. Some of these tasks may be addressed elsewhere in the Newsletter. Lou Bessen and Tom Vandenberg offered to mark a map with members' addresses. Decided to award volunteers and PRESENTERS with gifts as long as supplies last.

by Carl Gates

A Cartoon on the reality of talent and learning

EAMUG Information for December 2018

Meeting times: EAMUG

General Meeting on **December 6, 2018.** at Elsie Quirk Library
Board Meeting **December 13, 2018** at 11:30 at Stefano's Restaurant
iPhone* Meeting on **December 20, 2018.** Venice (Jacaranda Library)

**this meeting is described on the Library's website this way for new users that may not know what a SIG or Special Interest Group is. You may still bring your device or Mac Book*

Future Meetings:[Maps](#)

General Meeting at 1:30 on 1st Thursday

Board Meeting at 11:30 on 2nd Thursday *have a good lunch & and help us plan*

DSIG Meetings at 2:00 on 3rd Thursday



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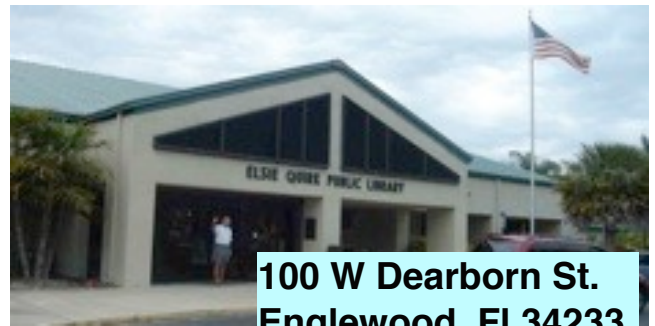
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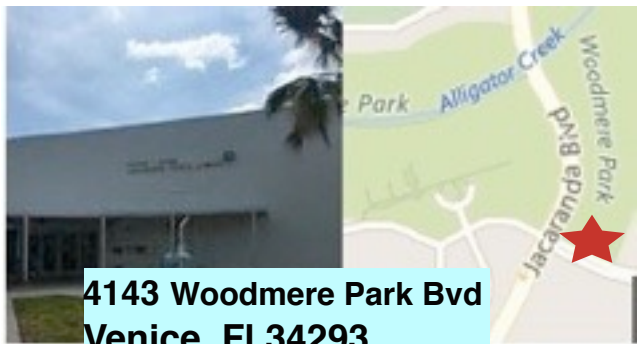
**100 W Dearborn St.
Englewood, FI 34233**

Use this link below to find the location of our meetings...

After arriving on the website, just click on **view larger map**, and then click on **Directions** and enter in your street address.

[Maps](#)

Thanks to our webmaster, David, and Google Maps



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