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APPLE SPECIAL EVENT HELD ON SEPT. 9TH

“LET’S ROCK”

Apple used a special event to introduce a new iPod Nano, thinner and more colors. Also introduced the latest iTunes 8 software update, updated iPod Touches and iPod Classic.

The fourth generation iPod® nano, the thinnest iPod ever featuring a sleek new design with a curved aluminum and glass enclosure, in nine vibrant colors. The new iPod nano incorporates Apple’s breakthrough Genius technology which automatically creates playlists from songs in your music library that go great together, with just one click. The new iPod nano also features a refined user interface, a high resolution portrait display and a built-in accelerometer which automatically switches to Cover Flow® when rotated and automatically goes into Shuffle™ mode when lightly shaken. The new iPod nano gives users up to 24 hours of music playback or four hours of video playback and is available worldwide immediately in an 8GB model for just \$149 and a 16GB model for just \$199. Both models come in silver, purple, blue, green, orange, yellow, pink, (PRODUCT) RED and black.

“The iPod nano is the world’s most popular music player and we’ve made it even better for this holiday season,” said Steve Jobs, Apple’s CEO. “We think users are going to love the amazing new design, the automatic Genius playlist creation, as well as automatically going into Cover Flow with just a turn of the wrist.”

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iPODS RUNNING HOT?

Quoth the Apple: “Apple has determined that in very rare cases batteries in first generation iPod nanos sold between September 2005 and December 2006 can overheat causing failure and deformation of the iPod nano.

Apple has received very few reports of such incidents (less than 0.001 percent of first generation iPod nano units), which have been traced back to a single battery supplier. There have been no reports of serious injuries or property damage, and no reports of incidents for any other iPod nano model.

Any first generation iPod nano customers who have experienced their battery overheating should contact AppleCare for a replacement. Any other customers who have concerns about their first generation iPod nano battery should also contact AppleCare.”



🍏 BAC September Meeting 🍏

The September 13th meeting of the Birmingham Apple Core at the Homewood Library will be a program presented by Bill Bankson concerning the **Mobile Me** service offered by Apple. As always bring questions to discuss before and after the meeting.

Come enjoy coffee, donuts, cookies etc.

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For Sale/Wanted

Do you have computer related items for sale or is there an item that you would like topurchase? We will list the item in this space free of charge to currentBAC members.

Send information by the 25th of each month to the editor at: henryw@bellsouth.net.

Treasurer still needed for Board of Directors

Election Web Site

Want to keep up with the latest polls concerning this election season. This website combines multiple polls into one prediction for the presidential and congressional elections. Along with side stories about the elction and the candi-dates

http://www.electoral-vote.com/

New iPhone and iPod Touch Software Updates

Version 2.1 of the software or the iphone and iPod Touch was released Sept. 9th for the iPod Touch and will be released Friday Sept. 12th for the iPhone.

The new software is a free update for iPhone users . iPod Touch users using version 2.x can update for free. However iPod Touch users using version 1.x will be required to buy the update for \$9.99 through the iTunes store.

Support for the new Genius feature is included in this update as well as:

Push Email through Microsoft Exchange ActiveSync.

Emails — and also contacts and calendars — are now pushed instantly to your iPod touch.

Updated Keyboard and Dictionary Support.

In addition to its complete support for 17 languages, iPod touch now supports 30 international keyboard layouts and 19 different dictionaries. See tech specs for the complete list.

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Don't forget our new training CDs for Leopard MAC OS X 10.5.

Also we still have the OS X 10.4 "Tiger" training CDs available as well. Contact Luther Fuller for more information or go to our website.

AUGUST MEETING NOTES

Google Docs

Google is much more than just a search engine. Google offers e0mail using gMail, online applications such as DOCS, which is a word processor, spreadsheet and presentation. Save your files, print them or send as an attachment to an e-mail. Now matter what computer PC or Mac or where you are you have access to these as long as you have broadband access.

Even iPhone and iPod Touch work with Google Docs.

There is a calendar feature, and many more to explore.

Adobe Photoshop Express

You shot it. Now do something to it. Crop, rotate, tweak, correct, and show off photos on Photoshop Express, Flickr, or Facebook. For free.

Ideal for:

Today's 24/7 connected generation Snap shooters who edit and share photos online

You will notice the 's' at the end of the http in the URL this represents a Site Specific Browser is in use.

https://www.photoshop.com/express

EverNote beta

Although technically not yet released Evernote beta acts as a scrapbook extraordinaire. You can clip and web page, document, picture or movie to evernote for access later.

www.evernote.com



MOBILE ME PHISHING SCAM

Various users are reporting receiving phishing attempts regarding Apple's Mobile Me services. The phishing e-mail reads as follows:

Dear Apple Online Member,

Thank you for choosing Mobileme. Unfortunately there has been a problem processing your billing information for the month of Sept, 2008.

Please review our billing requirements at KW: Billing.

*To ensure that your service is not interrupted, please visit our secure server web form by clicking the hyperlink below.
[Link Redacted]*

We appreciate your business and hope to keep you as a customer for life.

Click Here For Web Form Mobile Me is so easy, no wonder it's number 1 !

*Sincerely,
The Apple Billing Services Team*

As with typical phishing scams, the link in the email goes to a third party server which tries to collect information. Obviously, the email does NOT come from Apple and is not a legitimate request for information.

Legitimate corporations following best practices should never send sensitive links in emails when requiring users to update or correct information, per MacAfee. 🍏

MOBILE ENABLED WEBSITES

Mac Rumors - <http://mobile.macrumors.com>

Google (Search) - <http://www.google.com/m>

Yahoo - <http://us.m.yahoo.com>

USA Today - <http://wap.usatoday.com>

Newsweek - <http://mobile.newsday.com>

BusinessWeek - <http://businessweek.mobi>

Time - <http://mobile.time.com>

AM NY - <http://mobile.amny.com>

Exxon/Mobil Locator - <http://wapgo2roads.com>

Fox News - <http://foxnews.mobi>

Geek.com - <http://www.geek.com/portable/index.htm>

You Tube - <http://m.youtube.com>



NBC Universal Returns to the iTunes Store

**All-Star Lineup Includes "Heroes," "The Office," "Battlestar Galactica" & "30 Rock"
Top Rated NBC Comedies & Dramas Now Available on iTunes in Stunning HD**

Apple® and NBC Universal today announced the return of NBC programming to the iTunes® Store (www.itunes.com) including NBC networks' top 10 series available immediately for purchase and download in both standard definition and stunning high definition. iTunes customers can choose programming from NBC, USA Network, SCI FI Channel, Bravo, Sleuth and NBC News including favorites such as the award-winning and critically acclaimed "Heroes," and the Emmy award-winning programs "The Office," "Battlestar Galactica" and "30 Rock." NBCU standard definition television shows on the iTunes Store are \$1.99 per episode and HD programs are available for just one dollar more at \$2.99 per episode and select library content is available for \$.99. Additional NBCU programming from Oxygen, Telemundo, Mun2 and NBC Sports will be available on iTunes soon.

"The return of our shows to iTunes is terrific news for everyone who loves television and the ease and convenience of Apple's iTunes," said Jeff Zucker, President and CEO, NBC Universal. "And now, by offering consumers a variety of new options, our fans have even more ways to enjoy our content."

iTunes customers can also purchase a Season Pass which allows viewers to buy an entire season of programming at a discounted price. In addition, NBC Universal is offering one free episode from each of their top series, available in either SD or HD, on the iTunes Store for the next two weeks. The premiere episodes of upcoming NBC shows, such as "Knight Rider," "My Own Worst Enemy" and "Kath & Kim" will be available on iTunes a week before their broadcast premieres later in September and October, with subsequent episodes available the day after broadcast. NBC is also making full episodes of several vintage television shows available on iTunes for \$.99, including "The A-Team," "The Alfred Hitchcock Hour," "Miami Vice," "Kojak" and the original "Battlestar Galactica."

Special Event *continued on page 1*

The new iPod nano—the thinnest iPod ever—features an elegant new design that beautifully blends a brilliant two-inch display with a gorgeous curved aluminum and glass enclosure. The new contoured design fits even more comfortably in your hand.

With up to 24 hours of music playback or four hours of video playback on a single charge, the new iPod nano is the ultra-portable way to enjoy your favorite music, TV shows, movies and games on the go. The 16GB model holds up to 4,000 songs, 14,000 photos and 16 hours of video, and the 8GB model holds up to 2,000 songs, 7,000 photos and eight hours of video.*

The new iPod nano works with the new iTunes 8 Genius feature, allowing customers to automatically create playlists while on-the-go with their iPod nano. Users can preview the playlist Genius creates, refresh the list to choose different songs and save Genius playlists to enjoy again later.

The iPod is the world's most popular family of digital music players with over 160 million sold. Apple's incredible new lineup includes the iPod shuffle in four vivid new colors starting at just \$49; the iPod classic in one slimline model with 50 percent more capacity for the same great price—120GB of storage for just \$249; the fourth generation iPod nano featuring a gorgeous curved aluminum and curved glass enclosure, in nine vibrant colors starting at \$149.

Pricing & Availability

The new iPod nano is available immediately for a suggested price of \$149 (US) for the 8GB model and \$199 (US) for the 16GB model.

iPod Touch

the second generation iPod® touch featuring an amazingly thin contoured metal design, a gorgeous 3.5-inch widescreen glass display, 802.11 b/g Wi-Fi wireless networking, integrated volume control buttons, a built-in speaker for casual listening, a built-in accelerometer and other advanced sensors, and Apple's revolutionary Multi-Touch™ user interface. iPod touch, now available for just \$229 for the 8GB model, is perfect for playing music, movies and games, with millions of songs, thousands of Hollywood movies and hundreds of games available on the iTunes® Store.

The new iPod touch is smaller and lighter than the original, with a sleek new design that features a contoured metal enclosure with integrated volume control buttons and a brilliant 3.5-inch widescreen glass display. With its rounded edges, flush display and curved, more compact design, the new iPod touch is more comfortable to hold and more portable than ever.

The revolutionary App Store works over Wi-Fi, enabling users to browse, purchase and wirelessly download appli-

cations directly onto their iPod touch and start using them instantly. The App Store features an incredible array of applications in a wide variety of categories, including games, travel, entertainment, social networking, sports and much more.

With up to 36 hours of music playback or six hours of video playback on a single charge, the new iPod touch is the ultra-portable way to enjoy your favorite music, TV shows, movies and games on the go. The 32GB model holds up to 7,000 songs, 25,000 photos or 40 hours of video; the 16GB model holds up to 3,500 songs, 20,000 photos or 20 hours of video, and the 8GB model holds up to 1,750 songs, 10,000 photos and 10 hours of video.*


The new iPod touch also features built-in Nike + iPod support making it an incredible workout companion. Users simply place the optional Nike + iPod sensor (\$19 US) in their Nike + shoe to seamlessly connect with the new iPod touch to track miles run or sync with the latest generation gym equipment.

Apple has posted a new guided tour video for the new iPod Touch and shows off the Genius Playlist feature.

www.apple.com/ipodtouch/guidedtour/

Viewers of the guided tour may notice a familiar face!

Pricing & Availability

The new iPod touch is available immediately for a suggested price of \$229 (US) for the 8GB model, \$299 (US) for the 16GB and \$399 (US) for the 32 GB model 



iTunes® 8

The next major release of Apple's ubiquitous music and video player for Macs and PCs which is seamlessly integrated with the most popular online content store in the world (www.itunes.com). iTunes 8 includes the new breakthrough Genius feature, which lets you automatically create playlists from songs in your music library that go great together—with just one click. Genius helps music fans rediscover favorite songs in their existing music library and suggests related music on the iTunes Store they might want to add to their music collection. iTunes 8 features new ways of viewing your music and video libraries, and adds television programs in stunning high definition for sale on the iTunes Store.

Using Apple's breakthrough Genius feature is easy—select any song, click the Genius button, and iTunes instantly creates a playlist of songs that go great together from your own library. You can preview the playlist Genius creates, refresh the list to choose different songs and save Genius playlists to enjoy again later. You can even create Genius Playlists on-the-go with the new iPod® classic, iPod touch, iPod nano and iPhone™. The Genius sidebar appears right in iTunes and recommends music from the iTunes Store that you don't already have, based on the songs you select.

When you turn on iTunes 8's new Genius feature, information about your music library is anonymously sent to the iTunes Store, where it is combined with the anonymously-gathered knowledge from millions of other iTunes users and processed through Apple-developed algorithms. The Genius results, specifically tailored to your personal music library, are sent back to your computer to enable users to automatically create Genius playlists in iTunes and on your iPods, even when they are not connected to the Internet.

iTunes 8's new visual browsing interface displays your music and video libraries using your album and video covers, and also provides a great way to navigate your movies, TV shows, iPhone apps, podcasts and audiobooks.

The iTunes Store has become the world's most popular online TV store and features an incredible selection of over 30,000 episodes from ABC, CBS, The CW, FOX, NBC and over 70 cable networks including Bravo, Comedy Central, Disney Channel, ESPN, FX, HBO, MTV, Nickelodeon, Sci Fi, Showtime and USA. With iTunes 8, television fans can now watch their favorite programs from ABC, NBC and Showtime in stunning HD for just \$2.99 per episode, perfect for viewing on their Mac® or PC, or on their widescreen TV with Apple TV.

The iTunes Store is the world's most popular online music, TV and movie store with a catalog of 8.5 million songs, over 30,000 TV episodes and over 2,500 films including 600 in stunning high definition video. With Apple's legendary ease of use, pioneering features such as iTunes Movie Rentals, integrated podcasting support, iMix playlist sharing, the

ability to turn previously purchased tracks into complete albums at a reduced price, and seamless integration with iPod and iPhone, the iTunes Store is the best way for Mac and PC users to legally discover, purchase and download music and video online. 🍏

Version 2.1 Software Update for iPhone and iPod Touch *cont'd from page 2*

Contacts Search.

Find people faster by tapping a name, address or other data into a new search box.

Multiple Calendar Capability.

Have a calendar for work, a calendar for home, and more. And manage them all with a touch.

Scientific Calculator.

Rotate to landscape mode for solving complex science, math, and programming problems.

Mail Attachment Viewing Capability.

View iWork and Powerpoint attachments. Also, save photos emailed to you in your library.

New Mail Management Features.

Mass delete and move email messages, reply from a different account, and send with bcc.

Other improvements to the software expected are:

- Significantly better battery life
- Fewer call drops
- Bug fixes
- Faster backups to iTunes
- No App crashes



QUICKTIME 7.5.5 UPDATE

Apple also released QuickTime 7.5.5 today and is highly recommended for use with iTunes 8:

QuickTime 7.5.5 includes changes that increase reliability, improve application compatibility and enhance security.

This release is recommended for all QuickTime 7 users.



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