

## Introducing "The MacCorner"

By Bob Kwater

Apples and Macs although not the major computer of choice by many DMA members, deserves a special place in "our family." Like DMA itself, Apple has been around since 1976. Being one of the first personal computers to hit the market place it was also one of the first machines to have users form clubs or user groups around. Because of its ease of use the early Apple Computers were in reality the first truly personal PCs (Personal Computers). In those early years it took guts to "go Apple." After all, the rest of the world was colored Big Blue, and the Mac was not IBM compatible, the standard by which personal computers were measured.

Today's Macs run on a processor co-developed by IBM. Big Blue hard disks whirl away inside Power PC's. The iMac is king (the best selling computer of all time); the iPOD is the hottest new product to hit the marketplace since ...well since the original PC. And Apple, once written off as an interesting experiment in computing, continues to confound the experts with innovative products and hordes of enthusiastic users.

Since its inception DMA has been a user group that is non-machine specific. To meet the needs of various types of computers and operating systems Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are formed. The Apple Dayton SIG is one of these. The SIG meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Wayne Booster Center, 5367 Fishburg Rd, Huber Heights. Contact Keith Ciriugio, (937) 773-0676 keithc@gemair.com or see [www.dma.org/appledaytonsig](http://www.dma.org/appledaytonsig) for meeting topics and map to location.

It is my hope that this column will continue to grow and be used to inform and educate both the Mac and PC user. Occasionally I will be the author, but it is hoped that guest writers will also add their bits of wisdom.

## *Guy Kawasaki Extends Special Book Offer*

Anyone familiar with the history of Apple and the Macintosh knows Guy Kawasaki. Apple Evangelist, Apple Fellow, and one of the architects of the success of the original Macintosh, Guy has gone on to become a respected businessman and author.

Guy's new book, [The Art of the Start](#), is now available, and should required reading for any user group leader with an interest in growing and improving their group. With topics such as "Partnering," "Branding," "Fund Raising," and "Rainmaking," user groups will find plenty of ideas from which they can benefit.

Guy has asked us to let user groups know that he has a [special offer](#) on "**The Art of the Start Pitch Kit.**" You and your members can get the book plus a SanDisk 128 MB USB flash drive for only \$34.95.

Complete details on the book and offer have been added to the MUG Center [Vendor Offers for MUGs](#) page.

There are many great sites for those interested in the Macintosh world... some of the ones that I have found helpful are:

(If you would like to have the actual url's or hotlinks to the following sites...go to [www.dma.org](http://www.dma.org) and download .the file MacCorner01.doc... Or contact me and I will send the file.)

### **Mac Sites to Check-out**

#### **Apple sites**

[Apple](#) Apple's home page

[Mac OS X](#) Mac OS X (10) news

[AppleWorks](#) Apple's productivity suite.

[Apple Hot News](#) Read the latest about Apple products.

#### **Mac Opinion & News Pages**

[MacSlash](#) A daily dose of Mac news and discussion.

[Mac Resource Page](#) A leader in Mac news

since 1996.

[MacCentral](#) One of the most popular Mac sites.

[MacJunkie](#) Feature articles, reviews and more.

[MacInTouch](#) One of the best Mac news sites.

[MacMinute](#) Up-to-the-minute Mac news.

[Mac NN](#) Mac News Network.

[Macs Only](#) News, reviews and more.

[AppleInsider](#) Capsule comments.

[AppleLinks](#) News and opinion.

[PowerPage.org](#) Site serves up news on PowerBooks, iBooks, PalmOS, and more.

[MacPowerUser](#) Powerful software for Mac OS X.

## Old Mac in the House?

[Low End Mac](#) Got an older Mac? Check out this site.

[My Used Mac](#) This site focuses on used and refurbished Macs

## Mac Portals

[Mac Only Source](#) One of the largest all Mac sites available.

[MacDirectory](#) News, products, resources, support, and more.

[MacSurfer](#) One of the most complete Mac sites you'll find.

[Mac OS X Hints](#) Over 3,200 hints served.

[World's Hottest 100 Mac web sites](#) The mother of all Mac lists?

## Mac Software

[MacUpdate](#) Giant site of Mac shareware, freeware and commercial updates.

[MacOSZone.com](#) Software for your Macintosh.

[Macshareware.net](#) Huge variety of Mac shareware. Great for non-English speaking users.

[VersionTracker](#) If it's new Mac software or updates, you'll find links here.

[The Mac Orchard](#) One of the best sites on the web for Mac Internet software.

[Info Mac Hyperarchive](#) Huge site of Mac shareware

[AquaFiles](#) Mac OS X software directory.

[chezmark's Mac picks](#) Mac shareware.

[Pure Mac](#) "All the Mac software you really need."

[Tucows](#) Mac software updates and

shareware.

## Microsoft's Mac Pages

[MacTopia](#) Download updates, learn more about Office, and more.

## Networking Macs?

[ThreeMacs.com](#) Trying to network Macs?

This page will point you in the right direction.

[MacWindows](#) Website for Mac-Windows integration solutions.

## Need Mac newsreaders?

[Newsreaders.com](#) A site about newsgroups and software related to them.

## Mac User Groups (MUGs)

[Macintosh Users Groups](#) By joining forces, MUGs in the region can work together on events, showcases, product presentations and more.

[What is TAGteam?](#) TAGteam is a cost-effective resource for both user groups and vendors.

## Ohio Mac User Groups

[AppleSiders of Cincinnati](#)

[Apple Dayton SIG](#) of the Dayton Microcomputer Association

[Athens Area MUG](#)

[Black Swamp MUG](#) -- northwest Ohio

[Buckeye Macintosh Group](#) -- Columbus

[Mac2](#) -- Massillon/Akron/Canton Macintosh Users Group

[Mahoning Valley MUG](#)

[NEOAC](#) -- NorthEast Ohio Apple Corps

[North Coast Mac User Group](#) -- in the Cleveland area

[Ohio University MUG](#)

[tmgDAYTON](#)

[Tuscarawas County MUG](#)

**Apple-Dayton's next Meeting is June 20th** - David Thomas will present Apple's New OS [TIGER!](#) (10.4). You won't want to miss this meeting.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of

the month at 7:00 pm at [5367 Fishburg Road](#) (Wayne Booster Center) in Huber Heights. We meet next to the Post Office on Fishburg, near the corner of Brandt Pike (Rt. 201).