



Daily Reports

Saturday, January 5, 2008

Today's Daily Reports covers the events of Thursday and Friday

WELCOME

We are glad everyone was able to attend the convention. You are in for a lot of fun!

There are a number of things happening this year so be sure to go over the schedule and plan ahead for which ones you want to attend. A lot of new information and ideas will be available to you. And, best of all, you can have a lot of fun learning!



A wireless connection for your laptop is available in the Microsoft lounge area and some of the areas being used by APCUG. Internet service in your room is provided by the hotel and you will need to pay for it.

When you set up for the wireless connection be sure to set it for "SHARED" authentication, not "open". If you have questions you can check with Red or Jay or your regional advisor who can direct you to the right person if they are unable to help.

Weather for Saturday

The weather forecasters are predicting a few showers (30% chance). Temperatures of 56 high and 42 low.

EVENTS OF THURSDAY

First time attendees had a very informative meeting to start off the events of the day. They were given opportunity to ask questions of anything about the convention that needed to be explained to help them understand the convention plans.

The welcome event was well attended. Jay Ferron, APCUG president, welcomed everyone. He introduced the new officers, all the regional advisors, and the members of the Board of Directors. The chairs of the different committees that were part of putting the convention together were introduced and given time to greet everyone and to convey their thanks for everyone supporting them and being present for the convention.

A very important item that was stressed very heavily was for everyone to be very nice to our sponsors, thank them for their generosity, and write reviews for the products we have received and will be receiving through the course of the convention.

A change was announced that the format of the Kickoff Social event of the evening was changed. This year we are having a professional Magician provide entertainment for the evening.

The magician was very good and every one was enthralled like little children as we watched his great feats of magic. If you weren't there you missed a real treat.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Friday, January 4, 2008

PINNACLE BREAKFAST

Presentation by Anthony Martorina

The eager APCUG members lined up early Friday morning to hear all about Pinnacle and the great products they

have to offer. We enjoyed a light breakfast, visited with our new friends, and thoroughly enjoyed the presentation. Anthony did a dynamic presentation and kept all of us interested and anxious to try his great products. The Pinnacle Video Transfer is a brand new product. We are some of the very first people to see it. It is great to use, even without a PC! You can even hook up your video iPod to it and transfer video directly to it. They also offer a PCTV Ultimate stick and you can watch TV on your PC, plus the software is right on the stick so you can record right on the stick or you can record on your hard drive. You do not need to install any software on your system in order to do this so you can share easily with your friends. Pinnacle Studio Ultimate is one of the biggest selling video products on the market. They are very proud of this and Anthony gave us a terrific presentation on how easy it is to use. Basically if you can drag and drop you are ready to go. It is very easy to add to, transition from one part to another, and edit out what you don't want. VideoSpin is a free, smaller version of Pinnacle Studio 11. It is a great way to learn all about video editing and see if it is your thing. [Http://www.videospin.com](http://www.videospin.com) Download it and give it a try. This would also be a great presentation to give!

I left the presentation wanting to learn more and I can't wait to try all the new features. Thank you Anthony and Pinnacle.

LUNCHEON

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Running Windows on Your Mac

Dwight Silverman, the keynote speaker gave a very interesting and fact filled presentation on running Windows on Macs. He traced the history of Windows up to running on a Mac computer. He also demonstrated virtualization and how it works to run Windows on a Mac.

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Saturday, January 5, Schedule

8:00 am — 6:00 pm

Microsoft Vista Lounge
(Hospitality) Capri 102

7:30 am — 9:30 am

User Group Breakfast
Sponsored by Corel
Grande A



Education/Tech Sessions
Sponsored by APCUG

9:45 am — 11:00 am

Capri 107

Working with other UGs on a Common
Program

Capri 108

PC Renew

Capri 109

Stump the PowerPoint Expert

Capri 110

Virtual Technologies (VMWare/Virtual PC)

11:15 am — 12:30 pm

Capri 107

How to Create a Win-Win-Win Partnership
with Vendors

Capri 108

Verbatim: Where's your Stuff Storage Going?

Capri 109

Computer Security

Capri 110

Marketing Your User Group using Search
Engines

12:45 pm — 2:45 pm

User Group Luncheon

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Grande A

4:30 pm — 5:45 pm

Capri 107 How to Create a Successful Product
Review Program

Capri 108

Project X

Capri 109

Moving from Online Contacts To
Real-Life Friends

Capri 110

Identity Theft

Photo Contest

Awards will be announced
Saturday

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Winners Chosen by the Judges
Best of Show

(Chosen by all APCUG Convention Attendees)

6:00 pm — 8:00 pm

Dinner

Sponsored by Microsoft
Grande A

8:30 pm — 10:00 pm

This time slot is open for you to use as you wish

PROGRAM CHAIRS-When Things Go Wrong

Cheryl Wester and Doris Collins gave a workshop on what to do when you need a program or your presenter doesn't show up. They shared a lot of good ideas and had a lot of input from attendees. Everyone left with several ideas for presentations to give. Judy Taylour was kind enough to put together a CD for everyone with these ideas, handouts from other presentations, PowerPoints, and more! Some of the easy ones to do quickly and easily include; Internet Freebies, USB Gadgets, and Gadgets and Favorite Internet sites. Several websites were shared that also have excellent ideas. If you missed this workshop see someone that attended and get a copy of the CD on your flash drive.

VENDOR FARE

All of the vendors had great products displayed and as everyone made their way around the room they were able to get a closer look at the items being presented. Data sheets were available to read more about the products. The vendors were keep very busy answering queries from the Convention attendees.

The vendors all donated items to the vendor fare and dozens accumulated on the door prize tables. David Steward and Jay Ferron did a great job in running the door prize drawing and the table emptied quite quickly.

Everyone (whether you won a door prize or not) please personally take time to thank our vendors for their generosity and their support of the user group.

DON'T FORGET! If you are taking home any product from the vendors, take time right away to write a review and send it (In your newsletter or website) to the vendor to let them know your evaluation of the product.