



PMUG General Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2022

1. Call to order: John Acquavella called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.  
There were 32 members present: 14 in person and 18 on Zoom.
2. Recognitions & administrative matters  
Birthdays for December: Howard LaPittus, Doug Stemm, John Carter, Ski Cahall, Edwin Maxwell, Sharon Walsh, Jim Schutz, Beth Jolliffe, and Bob Hale  
  
John Acquavella advised that members who make three or more presentations in 2023 will get free membership for 2024.
3. Short topic – New iCloud.com features – Art Gorski  
Login to your iCloud account on the web using your Apple ID and password. You can access your files, calendar, notes, etc. from anywhere you have an internet connection. It is a web portal where you can access all your settings and files. Use iCloud.com from any web-based computer (Windows or Mac). Useful for when you do not have an Apple device with you.  
The new iCloud has many new features and a more iOS like interface.  
iOS 16.2 has advanced data protection. Apple will now encrypt data stored on iCloud. This feature is called Advanced Data Protection.
4. Social time – 10 min
5. Long topic – iOS files app – Frank Croft  
Frank discussed the iOS files application that is available on the iPhone and iPad. It is similar to the Finder app found on all Macs.  
Files allows you to save, organize and retrieve files on your iPad or iPhone.  
Frank recommends planning how you want to store files, e.g., in what folder, subfolder, etc.  
Files app allows you to see all your files stored on your device, or on cloud services, including iCloud Drive, OneDrive, Dropbox, etc.  
Hierarchy of iCloud Drive – create folders/sub-folders at different levels. For instance, you may create a folder named Work files and another called Personal files. This helps you to find documents more quickly.  
Individual, family and premier Apple One subscriptions may be beneficial to you depending on your circumstances. They can save money, while allowing sharing of apps, iCloud storage, Apple Music, and Apple TV.

You may need to purchase more iCloud storage if you are going to store many documents, photos, etc.

Collaboration with other people is handled very well on Apple devices and apps.

The Files app allows you to see file extensions when this feature is selected.

Frank did some demos of various features of the Files app.

6. Reminder – No SIG meeting or META SIG in December

John made announcements about December meeting cancellations due to the holidays. He also mentioned the Genius Bar general meeting in January. It is planned that the first half of the meeting will address questions submitted in advance. After that, qualified PMUG members will assist members with their issues or questions on their devices. Genius Bar questions should be submitted to Frank Croft prior to the January 14, 2023, meeting.

Members can pay dues starting in January 2023, either in person, at the general meeting, or by sending a check to Sharon Walsh. Dues are \$25 per household and may be paid by check or cash. We no longer have an account with PayPal. Checks must be made out to PMUG, not Sharon Walsh.

7. Raffle winners: Staples gift card: Ken Raisleger  
Take Control book: Craig Wright  
OLLI Coupon: Bobbie Pastor

8. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Submitted by:

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