

SMUG MEMOS

Newsletter of the Stanford Palo Alto Macintosh User Group

September 1992

Great Labor Day Show Set for September 14

FrameMaker, Lotus 1,2,3, and Voice Navigator

Three award winning products open the fall season at SMUG's General Meeting at Syntex Conference Center, Monday, September 14. FrameMaker by Frame, Lotus 1,2,3 by Lotus and Voice Navigator by Articulate Systems will be seen by members who remembered the change in date for the September event.

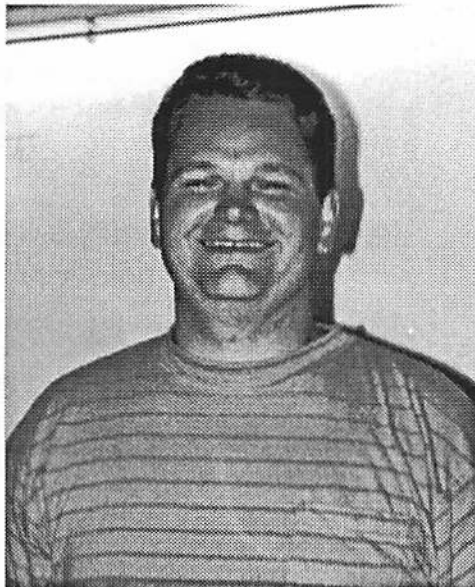
FrameMaker

FrameMaker, an award winning page design program, makes its return to SMUG's meetings after a disappointing failure of the room's equipment earlier in the spring. Travis Huch, Frame Corporate Account Manager, good humoredly accepted the potential for disappointment and graciously agreed to return with this favorite program for creating long, technical documents.

Frame has a wide range of capabilities: graphics, equation editing, page layout, flexible table editor, merging of columns, and even rotating of columns. System 7 compatible, FrameMaker 3.0 has become a popular choice of professional writers.

Lotus 1,2,3

Lotus 1,2,3, gets four mice from MacUser in comments about its "depth and accessibility and interface" as a spreadsheet program for the Mac. It certainly has quickly gained a respected position as contender for leadership in the spreadsheet field. Virtually every interface element can be opened, closed, moved in the working environment. With 1,2,3 you can use the Copy and Paste Special commands to convert cell formulas to values. Even though this program is powerful, the average user will find it no trouble to use and access.



Volunteer of the Month, John Gruver, our hardware manager, keeps our equipment in top condition and sees that we're up running at Syntex each month despite Murphy's Law of computer presentations.

Voice Navigator

Voice Navigator is a "voice recognition software that allows you control over your applications by voice commands." You can just use their "Voice User Interface" and the Mac carries out what is to happen. It can be used with any Mac application and can allow you to save time bypassing the mouse.

They claim you can improve your productivity at least 50% because you can type and talk at the same time, formatting, changing style and fonts, just by saying them. For those who don't have sound compatible Macs, Articulate Systems can provide hardware that

expands your ability to use Voice Navigator.

At the end of the demonstrations comes the traditional raffle for door prizes. Each SMUG member receives one free ticket for the drawing. New members may sign-up at the Membership Desk just inside the Syntex Conference Room that night and be eligible for the drawings.

Take advantage of this time to get involved in the club activities by contacting Bob Kennedy, Volunteers Coordinator. He is looking for volunteers to help in all kinds of ways, most not requiring much time or expertise.

Before and after the meeting, SMUG disks of freeware and shareware will be for sale. "Disk of the Month" will also be for sale.

The doors to the Syntex Conference Center, 3401 Hillview Avenue, Palo Alto, open at 6:30 p.m. Q & A at 7, and demonstrations begin at 7:30. For other information call the SMUG office at (415) 328-4933 or check the SMUG BBS at (415) 856-0210.

- Frank Ratliff

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MMI SIG is Moving On

New promotional presentation underway under the leadership of project manager, Michael Klusek

By Frank Ratliff

At its regular August Meeting, the Mac and the Moving Image SIG began a project that will have benefit for SMUG and the members of the SIG, too. The group chose its first project, and began its organization to accomplish the work, under the Project Manager leadership of Michael Klusek.

The MMI SIG plans a presentation that will promote SMUG as a user group on the move and make it available to members, vendors, Apple dealers in the area, and others who might want to know what SMUG is about.

The interest and enthusiasm was

strong enough for the group to schedule a second meeting for August 24 to further organize and delegate responsibilities so as many members of the SIG can help as want to.

If you want to participate, you can come to the next MMI SIG meeting on Tuesday, September 8, at the SMUG office in Menlo Park, 661 Live Oak Ave, #1, or call Frank Ratliff at (415)326-8414. New members may join then and pick up their New Membership Kits as well.

The following meeting will be Sept. 21 at 7PM at the SMUG office.

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Disk Library Update

By Julius Odian

This month, I have been working on the long promised and awaited HyperCard directory. It will probably be available at the October meeting. I might get it done before then but I have been very busy and don't want to make a promise I can't keep. This unique interactive directory will be available for a nominal three dollars. It has a "Find" command to let you search through the stack for programs without

hunting around by yourself.

As of now, I am not sure what the disk of the month will consist of but it will probably have a shareware database called BiPlane which is excellent and a shareware address book called the Little Black Book. Also look for system 7.1 coming soon. This is the first major release since 7.0 by Apple.

See you at the September meeting.

Coming Programs at SMUG

September 14

Lotus 1,2,3, Lotus Corp.
Voice Navigator, Articulate Systems
FrameMaker, Frame Technology Corp.

October 5

WordPerfect 2.1, WordPerfect Corp.
PageMaker 4.2, Aldus

November 2

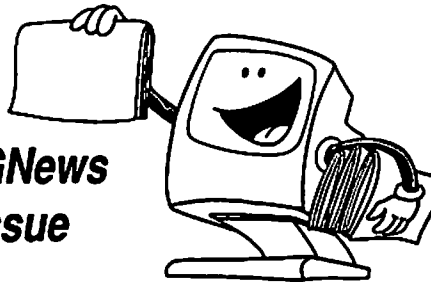
Painter 1.2, Fractal Design Corp.
More Software, Broderbund
Director, MacroMedia

October 5

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Extra! Extra!

Special bonus-size SMUGNews coming for the October Issue



SMUG Calendar

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By Mike McCarty

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			SMUG office open 3:30-5:30	SMUG office open 3:30-5:30		
		1	2	3	4	5
	Labor Day Have a safe Holiday	MMI SIG with Frank Ratliff SMUG Office 7PM	Board of Officers meet SMUG Office 7:30pm	SMUG office open 3:30-5:30		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	SMUG General Meeting 8:30 Doors open 7:00 Q & A 7:30 Demos		Newsletter Meeting 7pm to 9pm SMUG Office with Duncan Phillips	SMUG office open 3:30-5:30		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Moving Image SIG with Frank Ratliff SMUG Office 7pm		SMUG office open 3:30-5:30	SMUG office open 3:30-5:30		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			SMUG office open 3:30-5:30			
27	28	29	30	WORD 5.0 SIG info: call Jerry Mullins, 408-252-9937		

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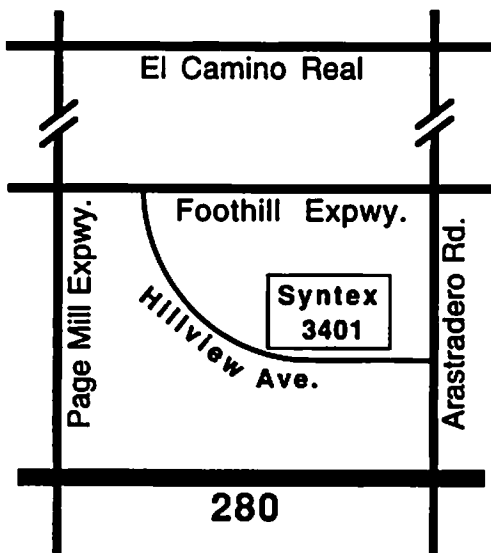
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Don't miss Lotus 123, Frame Technology's FrameMaker, and Articulate System's Voice Navigator at the September 14 Meeting!

The next general meeting will be Monday, September 14, 7PM Syntex Conference Center 3401 Hillview Ave, Palo Alto

(For confirmation, consult the Mercury News or the SMUGline)



Disk sales begin at 6:30PM

Q&A from 7 to 7:30PM

Speakers 7:30 to 9:30PM

**If you have any questions
or need further directions
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