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## Special February Meeting on Digital Privacy



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### Privacy Leader Joe Simitian To Address SMUG, Commonwealth Club

California Assemblymember Joe Simitian, co-author of recent digital privacy legislation, will be the featured speaker at our February 2 meeting to be held in co-sponsorship with The Commonwealth Club. Simitian's remarks and follow-up question-and-answer period will be taped for future broadcast on public radio.

The Assemblymember's presentation, to begin at 7:30, is entitled *Online Privacy Protection: How a Bill Becomes a Law (Really)*. It will share the successes and challenges of protecting privacy online and includes a look at the legislation that recently earned him national recognition. Simitian is the co-sponsor of a new California law designed to give an individual early warning when unencrypted personal computer data such as social security, driver's license, or financial account numbers fall into the hands of unauthorized persons.

#### **About Our Featured Speaker**

California State Assemblymember Joe Simitian is a Silicon Valley Legislator who represents the 21st Assembly District, which includes all or part of 13 cities in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties. His public service over the years includes stints as a member of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, Mayor of Palo Alto and President of the Palo Alto School Board.

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### Hi-Level Technology Panel To Follow Simitian Presentation

Directly following the taping of Assemblymember Simitian's remarks, SMUG will host a moderated panel discussion of hi-level technology leaders and influencers who are involved in digital privacy issues

The goal of the 30-40 minute panel discussion is to provide additional context and commentary from a mix of experts, who are either within the technology industry or monitor it.

Our panel includes Dan Gillmor, technology columnist for *The San Jose Mercury News*; George Sidman, President of local Internet service provider Monterey Net; and Alan H. Melnicoe, an attorney in the Technology Practice Group at Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel.

Dr. Whitfield Diffie, Chief Security Officer at Sun Microsystems had also

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<http://www.pa-smug.org>

### Important Note for SMUG Members

If you are a SMUG member receiving this newsletter in the mail, and have **not reserved your seat** for the **Feb 2** meeting, you have missed the deadline! If you still wish to attend, please leave a message at **650-565-8120** and we'll let you know if any seats are still available to ensure your reservation.

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## Digital Privacy and Your Mac SMUG Presentation at 6:30 Sharp

SMUG members, to avoid the check-in crowds, to get a good seat, and to attend an important presentation, be sure to come early to our Feb 2 meeting. Doors will open at 6:15 for registration of SMUG members.

Our SMUG presentation *Digital Privacy and Your Mac* will be led by Robert Brown and Gavin Carothers. It will start at 6:30 sharp and run until 7:00. At 7:00 we will need to stop to allow for Commonwealth Club member registration and setup for the audiotaping of the featured presentation. Here's what will be covered in the 6:30 SMUG session:

### Digital Privacy and Your Mac

1. Why It's a Much Bigger Issue Today
2. Physical Security
3. Strong Passwords
4. Auto-logins
5. Admin vs User Accounts
6. File Vault
7. Screen Savers and Password Activation
8. Sharing and Firewall Settings
9. Email, digital, signatures and encryption
10. Secure, safe web browsing and access
11. Secure, safe connection to servers
12. Router settings
13. Wireless issues

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### SMUG february Meeting Schedule 6:15 - 9:30

- 6:15** Doors Open for Special Feb. 2 Meeting
- 6:30 - 7:00** Digital Privacy and your Macintosh
- 7:00 - 7:15** Registration & Seating for Commonwealth Club
- 7:20 - 7:25** SMUG Welcome
- 7:25 - 7:30** Commonwealth Club Introductions
- 7:30 - 8:00** Assemblyman Simitian's Presentation
- 8:00 - 8:30** Assemblyman Simitian /Commonwealth Club  
Q&A Session
- 8:40 - 9:20** Follow-up Panel Session of High-level  
Technology Experts
- 9:20 - 9:30** Close of Meeting & Cleanup

# SMUG CD-ROM

## NEW CONTENTS

### Audio & Music

Amazing Slow Downer 2.6 (Cls)  
Amazing Slow Downer X 2.6  
Audacity 1.0.0 (Cls)  
Audacity X 1.2.0-pre1  
Audio Hijack 2.0  
AudioX 3.2.0  
Detour 1.1.0  
iPiano 2.1.0  
LineIn 1.0  
OvoLab AACchoo 1.2  
RadioLover 1.19b4  
SoundSource 1.0.1

### Comm

Chicken of the VNC 1.3.6  
Download Wizard 1.5b2  
Huevos 1.1  
iBlog 1.3.1  
NetNewsWire 1.0.5  
OSXvnc 1.3  
Safari Enhancer 2.0.6  
Safari Menu 1.7.2  
SiteSucker 1.4.2 (Cbn)  
SpamSieve 2.0.1  
Transmit 1.7 (Cls)  
Transmit 2.5 (OSX)  
Watson 1.7.3

### Design & Graphics

Art of Illusion 1.6  
Pixadex 1.1  
SuperBladePro 1.1  
WebDesign 2.3 (Cbn)

### Fun and Games

Goban v57  
Nomia 1.2  
RoadWorks 1.1.2  
RoadWorks X 1.1.2  
Scramble 1.4

### Interface

CandyBar 1.5.4  
Fkey Expander 1.0.0 (Cls)  
iCan 2.2.1  
M-Beat 1.3  
MacMaid 2.1.1  
Marine Aquarium 2.0.4 (Cls)  
Marine Aquarium X 2.0.4  
My Favorite Things 0.9  
PopChar X 2.1.1  
Toolbar Trash 1.0.1  
Unstoppable progress 2.0  
WindowShade X 3.0.1  
Workspaces 1.0.2

### Kitchen Sink

Budget 2.7  
Budget X 4.2  
ibeeZz 1.5.0  
Maquarium 1.6.1  
PoseidonCE 2.0.2  
WeatherPop 1.8.5

### Multimedia

BitPlayer 1.1  
Exhibition X 2.2  
Forty-Two DVD-VX Plus 1.5.2  
iVideo 1.0  
Quick-Snap 2.4  
TalaPhoto 2.0.4 (Cls)  
TalaPhoto X 2.0.4  
Variable Speed Player 1.0  
xShelf 1.1.1

### Productivity

Fishpad 2 2.0  
Jargonary 1.1  
MacNoteTaker 1.0.5 (Palm)  
MyMind 1.1b2  
NoteTaker 2003 1.5.4  
OmniOutliner Export to iCal 1.0  
Ragtime Solo 5.6.4  
RuleBox 1.0  
TeXShop 1.30

### Utilities

Cocktail 2.6  
DV Backup 1.1.1  
File Synchronization 1.2.2  
FoldersSynchronizer 3.3.3  
Gadget 1.4 (Cls)  
Gadget 1.4  
Locator 0.7.3  
MisFox 1.1  
PrefsOverload 5.3.1 (Cbn)  
psync 0.65.5  
Shellsilver 1.2  
SilverKeeper 1.1  
Webmin 1.110

### STOCK CONTENTS

#### Graphics

GifBuilder 1.0 (Cls)  
Goldberg 2.3 (Cls)  
Goldberg X 2.3  
GraphicConverter 4.8.2 (Cls) \*  
GraphicConverter X 4.8.2 \*  
Jade 1.2 (Cls)

#### Internet

AOL Instant Messenger 4.6 (Cbn) \*  
Better Telnet 2.0b4 (Cls)  
Camino 0.7.0  
Eudora 6.0 (Cls) \*  
Eudora X 6.0 \*

Fetch 4.0.3

iCab 2.9.5 (Cls) \*  
iCab X 2.9.5 \*  
Interarchy 6.2 (Cbn)  
Internet Explorer 5.1.7 (Cls)  
Internet Explorer X 5.2.3  
MacSSH 2.1fc3 (Cls)  
Mozilla 1.2.1 (Cls)  
Mozilla X 1.5rc2 \*  
MT-NewsWatcher 3.1 (Cls)  
MT-NewsWatcher X 3.3b1  
Netscape Communicator? 7.0.2 (Cls)  
Netscape X 7.1  
Netscape MRJ Plugin 1.0b5 (Cls)  
Netscape MRJ Plugin X 1.0.1  
Niftytelnet SSH 1.1r3 (Cls)  
OmniWeb 4.5 \*  
Opera 6.03 (Cbn) \*  
Outlook Express 5.0.3 (Cls)  
RealOne Player 9.0  
RealPlayer 8 6.0 (Cls)  
Windows Media Player 7.1.2 (Cls)  
Windows Media Player X 7.1.3

#### Others

BBEdit Lite 6.1.2 (Cls & Cbn)  
BBTidy 1.0b9  
DarkSide of the Mac 5.0.6 (Cls)  
Extension Overload 5.9.9 (Cls)  
MacTracker 2.0.4 (Cls) \*  
MacTracker X 2.0.4 \*  
Mariner LE 3.1.4 (Cls)  
MP3 Rage 5.7 (Cbn)  
SoundApp 2.7.3 (Cls)  
SoundJam MP Free 2.5.3 (Cls)  
Tex-Edit Plus 4.1.3 (Cls)  
Tex-Edit Plus X 4.5.2b1 \*  
textSOAP 3.3 (Cbn) \*

#### Utilities

Adobe Reader 6.0  
Acrobat Reader 5.1 (Cbn)  
ADBProbe 1.0.3 (Cls)  
Aladdin DropStuff 6.0.1  
Aladdin Expander? 6.0.1  
Andrew's Disk Copy Scripts 2.1.1  
AntiWordService 2.0.1 \*  
Default Folder 3.1.5 (Cls)  
Default Folder X 1.8 \*  
FinderPop 1.9.2 (Cls)  
PopChar Lite 2.7.2 (Cls)  
PrintToPDF 2.4.4 (Cls)  
SCSIProbe 5.2 (Cls)  
ShrinkWrap? 2.1 (Cls)  
Sleeper 3.5 (Cls)  
Snitch 2.6.7b2 (Cls)  
TechTool Lite 3.0.4 (Cls)  
TinkerTool 2.32

## Hi-Level Technology Panel

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planned to participate, but a company matter has required his presence in San Diego. As of our newsletter press deadline, we are not sure if he'll be able to make it back in time.

### *Here is some more information about our panelists:*

**Dan Gillmor** is technology columnist for *The San Jose Mercury News*. He also writes a daily Web-based column for SiliconValley.com, a KnightRidder.com site that is an online affiliate of the Mercury News. His column runs in many other U.S. newspapers, and he appears regularly on radio and television.

He has written numerous columns on privacy related issues, and he has been consistently listed by industry publications as among the most influential journalists in his field.

**George Sidman**, President of Monterey Net, has a rich history of accomplishments in the computer industry dating back to his founding of the first computer company in Monterey in 1978. He is both a proven entrepreneur and an individual with a strong technical background.

Since 1993, Mr. Sidman has consulted to corporations, libraries, and governments, domestic and foreign, on digital rights and intellectual property management, and the application of complex large-scale databases for knowledge asset management. He was a contributor to the Patent, Trademark, and Copyright sub-committee for the National Information Infrastructure initiative, during the creation of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act. He speaks often on a variety of technology related subjects, and facilitates think tank sessions and executive seminars on emerging information technologies and standards. He is Chairman of the Technology Council of the Silicon Valley World Internet Center in Palo Alto.

**Alan H. Melnicoe** is an attorney in the Technology Practice Group at Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel in San Jose. He specializes in providing legal advice and assistance to computer, telecommunications, software, and semiconductor companies, as well as to companies using the Internet as an integral part of their businesses.

For many years, Mr. Melnicoe has been drafting privacy policies for organizations and has been carefully monitoring recent legislative developments in this area

**Whitfield Diffie**, Chief Security Officer of Sun Microsystems, is Vice President and Sun Fellow and has been at Sun since 1991. As Chief Security Officer, Diffie is the chief exponent of Sun's security vision and is responsible for developing Sun's strategy to achieve that vision.

Best known for his 1975 discovery of the concept of public key cryptography, Whitfield Diffie spent the 1990s working primarily on the public policy aspects of cryptography and has testified several times in the Senate and House of Representatives. His position—in opposition to limitations on the business and personal use of cryptography—is the subject of the book, *Crypto* by Steven Levy of *Newsweek*. Mr. Diffie and Susan Landau are joint authors of the book *Privacy on the Line*, which examines the politics of wiretapping and encryption.

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## PRIVACY LEADER JOE SIMITIAN

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Assemblymember Simitian received his Bachelor of Arts degree, with academic honors, from The Colorado College. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in International Policy Studies from Stanford University, a Master in City Planning degree from the University of California at Berkeley, and a Juris Doctor law degree from the University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall).

Since joining the Legislature in 2000, Simitian has been a leader in the field of privacy. He chairs the Assembly's Select committee on Privacy and has introduced several bills to protect the privacy and security of California consumers. His legislative efforts have earned him both local and national recognition. In his first year in the Assembly, he was recognized by *San Jose Magazine* as one of the "Power 100 of Silicon Valley" and was named by the American Electronics Association as their "Legislator of the Year." And most recently, Assembly member Simitian was recognized in the December 2003 issue of *Scientific American* where he was named as one of the "Scientific American 50" – the top leaders in science and technology – for his work in the area of consumer privacy.

Simitian's privacy legislation has ranged from giving consumers the right to know when their personal information has been compromised or divulged, to requiring businesses to be up-front about their privacy practices; to making it easier for victims of identity theft to clear their names.

Assemblymember Simitian views his role as a legislator as balancing legitimate competing interests, encouraging meaningful industry self-regulation, and empowering consumers with notification and choice. Only through increased consumer confidence in the privacy and security of their personal information will the full potential of the internet and other emerging technologies be realized.

## CFP 2004

The 14<sup>th</sup> Conference on Computers, Freedom & Privacy  
Berkeley, California, USA / April 20-23, 2004

*“Computers, Freedom and Privacy (CFP) is the most important computer conference you’ve never heard of.”* - Elizabeth Weise, USA TODAY, April 4, 2000

For over a decade, the Computers, Freedom & Privacy Conference has played a major role in the public debate on the future of privacy and freedom in the online world. The CFP audience is as diverse as the Net itself, with attendees not only from government, business, education, and non-profits, but also from the community of computer professionals, hackers, crackers and engineers who work the code of cyberspace. The themes have been broad and forward-looking. CFP explores what will be. It is the place where the future is mapped.

**CFP2004** will explore the most important issues facing the Internet and freedom, including: the role of technology in providing national security and preserving individual privacy and freedom in the post 9-11 world; the impact of new legal and technical developments on the Internet’s utility as a medium for disseminating and archiving information, interacting with individuals, and culture; the role of computer and telecommunications technologies in the political process, and much, much more.

*For more information, visit the main CFP page at <<http://www.cfp.org>> and read CFP2000 Chair Lorrie Cranor’s essay on Ten Years of Computers, Freedom and Privacy at <http://www.cfp2000.org/papers/2cranor.pdf>.*

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## PRIVACY SITE LINKS

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### General Privacy

#### ACLU Privacy Issues

[http://archive.aclu.org/issues/privacy/hmpri\\_vacy.html](http://archive.aclu.org/issues/privacy/hmpri_vacy.html)

#### Center for Democracy and Technology

[www.cdt.org/](http://www.cdt.org/)

#### Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility Privacy Working Group

[www.cpsr.org/program/privacy/privacy.html](http://www.cpsr.org/program/privacy/privacy.html)

#### Electronic Frontier Foundation

[www.eff.org](http://www.eff.org)

#### Electronic Privacy Information Center

[www.epic.org/](http://www.epic.org/)

#### Privacy Activism

[www.privacyactivism.org](http://www.privacyactivism.org)

#### Privacy Foundation

[www.law.du.edu/privacyfoundation/](http://www.law.du.edu/privacyfoundation/)

#### Privacy Rights Clearinghouse

[www.privacyrights.org/](http://www.privacyrights.org/)

## Identity Theft

#### California Department of Motor Vehicles - Identity Fraud - What to do if it happens to you?

[www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/fast\\_facts/ffd125.htm](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffd125.htm)

#### CalPIRG Privacy Rights Program

[www.pirg.org/calpirg/consumer/privacy/](http://www.pirg.org/calpirg/consumer/privacy/)

#### Federal Trade Commission Identity Theft

[www.consumer.gov/idtheft/](http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/)

#### Identity Theft Resource Center

[www.idtheftcenter.org/](http://www.idtheftcenter.org/)

#### Nowhere to Turn: Victims Speak out on Identity Theft (Report of CalPIRG and Privacy Rights Clearinghouse)

[www.privacyrights.org/ar/idtheft2000.htm](http://www.privacyrights.org/ar/idtheft2000.htm)

## Unwanted Communications

#### California Do-Not-Call List

<http://caag.state.ca.us/donotcall/index.htm>

#### Direct Marketing Association Telephone, Mail & E-Mail Preference Services

[www.dmaconsumers.org/consumerassist.html#mail](http://www.dmaconsumers.org/consumerassist.html#mail)

#### Federal Trade Commission Do-Not-Call List

[www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/donot-call/index.html](http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/donot-call/index.html)

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## **Junkbusters**

[www.junkbusters.org](http://www.junkbusters.org)

## **Coalition Against Unwanted Commercial E-Mail (CAUCE)**

[www.cauce.org/](http://www.cauce.org/)

## **Medical Privacy**

### **California Office of HIPAA Implementation**

[www.calohi.ca.gov/state/calohi/ohiHome.jsp](http://www.calohi.ca.gov/state/calohi/ohiHome.jsp)

### **Health Privacy Project**

[www.healthprivacy.org](http://www.healthprivacy.org)

## **Law Enforcement Agencies**

### **California Attorney General**

[www.caag.state.ca.us](http://www.caag.state.ca.us)

### **FBI & National White Collar Crime Center Internet Fraud Complaint Center**

[www1.ifccfbi.gov/index.asp](http://www1.ifccfbi.gov/index.asp)

### **Rapid Enforcement Allied Computer Team**

[www.reacttf.org](http://www.reacttf.org)

### **Northern California Computer Crimes Task Force**

[www.nc3tf.org/](http://www.nc3tf.org/)

### **Sacramento Valley Hi Tech Crimes Task Force**

[www.sachitechcops.org/](http://www.sachitechcops.org/)

### **San Diego C.A.T.C.H. Team/High Tech Crime**

[www.co.sandiego.ca.us/cnty/cntydepts/safety/da/protecting/catch.html](http://www.co.sandiego.ca.us/cnty/cntydepts/safety/da/protecting/catch.html)

## **Other State and Federal Agencies**

### **Federal Trade Commission Fair Credit Reporting Act Q&A**

[www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/credit/fcra.htm](http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/credit/fcra.htm)

## **In Memoriam— James M. Early Transistor Pioneer, SMUG Member**

We are saddened to report that long-standing SMUG Member, Jim Early passed away on January 12 at the Veterans Hospital in Palo Alto. He was 81.

Jim had been in failing health for some time, yet he continued to attend SMUG meetings whenever possible, accompanied by long-time friend Robert Brown.

Jim was well known for his jovial personality and straightforward expression of opinions. A widely recognized attendee at both SMUG and other local user groups, many may have been unaware of his distinguished career as a semiconductor technology pioneer.

It was only after his death, and the by-lined obituaries appeared in local and national papers, that many of us learned what a well-known and highly-regarded engineer Jim Early was.

Jim Early was an internationally known electrical engineer who undertook pioneering work in the formative days of transistors at Bell Labs in New Jersey. His contributions led to performance increases in transistors and he helped create the development path for transistor radios and satellite communications.

His description of an aspect of a particular behavior of bipolar transistors became known as **The Early Effect**. (A quick search on Google for that exact phrase yields almost 1500 responses.)

Jim worked at Bell Labs for 18 years and came to Palo Alto in 1969 to join Fairchild Semiconductor as vice-president of research and development. At Fairchild his work led to advances in images produced by photocopiers, satellite imagery, and microsurgery. By the time he retired in 1986, he held 14 patents and was a fellow of the IEEE.

A member of the parish of St. Thomas Aquinas in Palo Alto, Jim Early was active in the church and served as a lector and member of the finance committee. He and his wife, Mary Agnes, enjoyed many shared pastimes, including church activities, bridge and walking. Jim was an avid exerciser, sailed in the North American Day Sailor Championships with his daughter Maureen, and swam daily for many years. Even at age 81, he reported almost every day that he and his wife had completed their two-mile walk (one mile for each of them). When asked how he was, he customarily responded "Merry of heart and the better for seeing you." He will be missed greatly by his wife of 55 years, Mary Agnes, his eight children and eleven grandchildren, his many friends and colleagues, and all of us who knew him in the user group community.

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*Fred Balin with input from Robert Brown, and information from obituaries in The San Jose Mercury, San Francisco Chronicle, and The New York Times.*

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**Calendar of Events**

**Monday, February 2**

**General Meeting:**

**Panofsky Auditorium**, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC),  
2575 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park.

**Special Meeting:**

*Begins at 6:15pm. See page 2 for details*

**Shareware Team meeting** at Owen Saxton's house,

1442 San Marcos Circle, Mt. View.

Meeting starts at 7:15 pm.

*(See page 2 for Owen's phone number and E-mail address).*

**Wednesday, February 11**

Board of Directors meets at 6:45 pm

Harmony Bakery, 299 California Ave. Palo Alto.

**Friday, February 20**

DEADLINE for Newsletter articles and Calendar items to be submitted by email to **bleiler@pa-smug.com**

**February 2004**

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We thought the above calendars would be helpful for those people who don't have E-mail. This is the projection for the upcoming meeting dates.

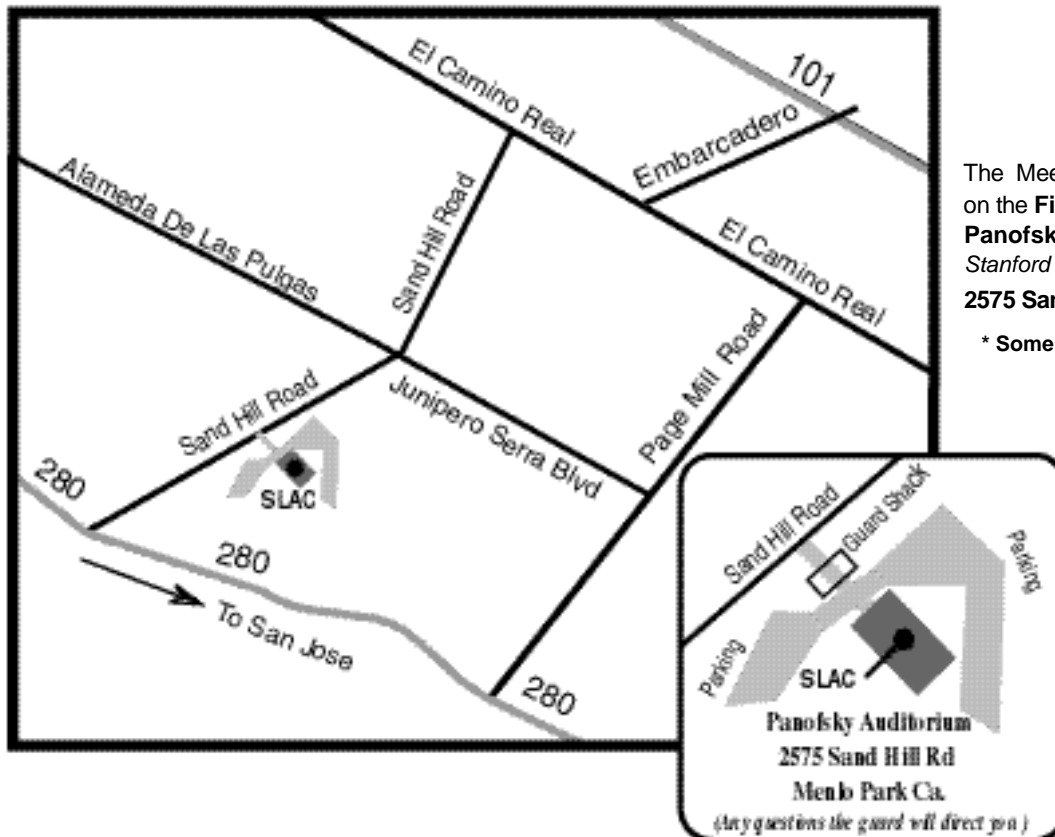
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**NEXT MEETING**  
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*Privacy Leader Assemblymember  
Joe Simitian to Address SMUG and  
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plus  
Follow-up Panel Session of High-Level  
Technology Experts*



The Meetings are generally held on the **First Monday\*** of the Month **Panofsky Auditorium, Stanford Linear Accelerator (SLAC) 2575 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park**

\* Some exceptions on holidays