

# BUCKEYE MACINTOSH GROUP LLC

Serving Macintosh and Internet Users In Central Ohio

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**Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Movie Night:  
*Triumph of the Nerds***

**Movie begins at 7:00**

**Come see how it all began!  
Pop and Popcorn provided.**

**You are welcome to bring a guest.**

**AT THE MUSEUM OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY**

1315 Kinnear Road, South side of the road, easy to find  
East of North Star or West of Kenny and Olentangy River Roads and Rt. 315

It was the early days of computing, and they were better than a soap opera! Espionage, drama, social radicals and outright theft make this PBS mini-series an engaging look at the beginnings of Apple and the tech industry.

## Apple CEO Steve Jobs takes Medical Leave of Absence

On Wednesday, January 14, Steve Jobs shocked the business community, stock market and Apple faithful by announcing he would be taking a medical leave of absence from running the company he helped found, and would be out until at least June. In a memo to Apple employees, he stated: *“Unfortunately, the curiosity over my personal health continues to be a distraction not only for me and my family, but everyone else at Apple as well. In addition, during the past week I have learned that my health-related issues are more complex than I originally thought.”* Jobs has suffered from pancreatic cancer, and was recently diagnosed with a ‘hormone imbalance’ which had been causing him to lose weight. He went on to announce Tim Cook - his right hand man - would be responsible for most of the day-to-day operations at Apple during his absence. The memo did indicate that *“As CEO, I plan to remain involved in major strategic decisions while I am out. Our board of directors fully supports this plan.”*



### Macworld Expo 2009 Roundup

At the 2009 Macworld Expo, Apple introduced many new products. Here's a quick overview: A new **17-inch MacBook Pro** with a revolutionary 8-hour battery. **iLife '09** with new versions of **iMovie**, **GarageBand**, **iWeb** and **iPhoto**, which now includes tagging photos based on faces or location, as well as integration with Facebook and Flickr.

**iWork09** with new versions of **Keynote**, **Numbers** and **Pages**; and a new feature called **iTunes Plus**, which allows you to purchase high-quality music without any burn limits or digital rights management (DRM).

Next year, Apple will not attend the Macworld Expo, but plans to exhibit at the Consumer Electronics Show (CES), in Las Vegas January 7-10, 2010.

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## Tips & Tricks For a Faster Mac

**Clear the clutter:** OS X requires around 20% of the space on its boot drive to be empty so that it can write virtual memory and other temporary files to the space. A good practice is to keep very large media files like video, image libraries or iTunes libraries either on a secondary internal drive or an external FireWire or USB 2.0 hard drive.

**Upgrade your RAM:** RAM is one of the most fundamental things affecting the performance of a computer. OS X really needs about 1GB of memory to itself to run smoothly, and the more RAM you have, the better. From the Apple Menu, choose 'About This Mac' to see how much is installed, and the System Profiler to see how it's configured. About 2GB is healthy for a normal system, and for heavy work with photo-, video-, or music-editing software, you'll need more.

**Run only what you need:** Running applications uses resources including CPU cycles, RAM and disk activity. If you're not using an application, quit it while you run others. Leaving programs open when they're not needed is a resource hog and, especially on older Macs, slows you down.

**Stay up to date:** Each new version of OS X is faster than the last, and each point update – say from 10.5.3 to 10.5.4 – tends to improve speed and stability. The same goes for applications, so your software and drivers up to date using Software Update and the websites for non-Apple programs. Many apps have a check for updates option. Look at the minimum specs for your version of OS X. If your Mac is barely qualified to run 10.5, you'll have a smoother experience sticking with 10.4.11.

## Temporary Meeting Location

We may not be meeting in our usual room this month. Check with the door person, follow the signs and you will be pointed in the right direction!

## Membership Questions

Are you up to date on your membership dues? When does your membership expire? Do we have your correct e-mail address on file?

Please contact:  
[membership@buckeyemac.org!](mailto:membership@buckeyemac.org)

## Next Month @ BMG

**App-i-teasers:**  
short, simple how-tos

**MobileMe:**  
the new .Mac

**Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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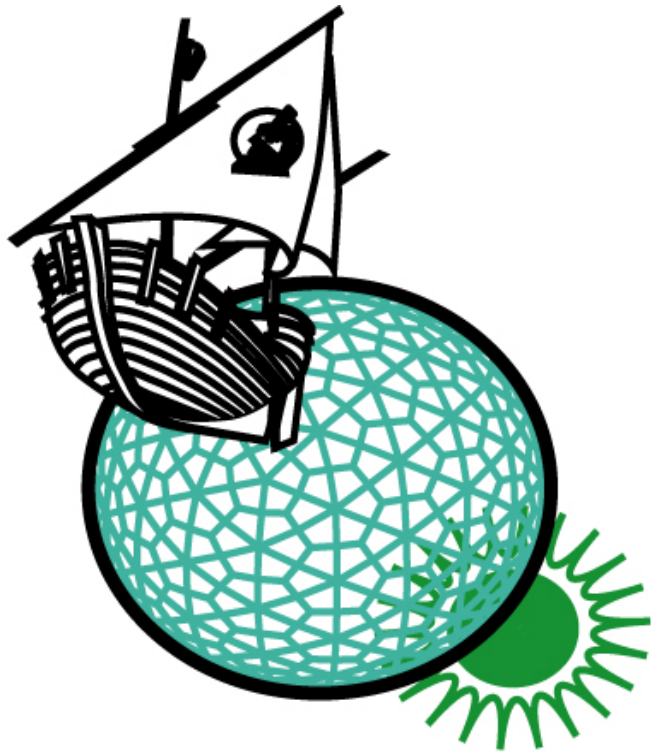
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# OSU Museum of Biological Diversity Annual Open House



Discovering the  
voyages made by  
plants and animals,  
and celebrating the  
scientists who  
discover them

Plants, Animals,  
Fossils, Displays  
Activities for Children  
Refreshments, Free  
Admission and Parking

## VOYAGES of Discovery

**Saturday, February 7th, 10am – 4pm**  
**1315 Kinnear Road**

### Special Biodiversity Lecture



**Dr. Cindy Lee Van Dover, marine  
biologist and deep sea explorer**  
***"The Octopus's Garden - Tales of  
Discovery at Deep-Sea Hot Springs"***

**Tuesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**  
**Jennings Hall Auditorium (#001)**  
**12<sup>th</sup> and Neil Ave, OSU campus**