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====Mac OSX TIPS & TRICKS====

Let's Go Searching Now, Everybody's Learning How, Come on a Safari with Me...
Firefox users appreciate the handy "find-in-page" search function built into the browser but many Safari users don't realize Apple's browser offers the same functionality. If you've ever Googled for a specific keyword but were then unable to actually locate the reference on the resulting 50-zillion-word Webpage, you'll love this handy feature:
<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15602>

On the Fifth Day of Christmas...

What are you giving your iPhone-toting true love on the fifth day of Christmas? How about "Five Groovy Ringtones"? (Or as many as you'd care to create!) If you have the latest version of GarageBand, you can now easily create your own custom iPhone ringtones and save 99¢ a pop. CHA-CHING!
<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15728>

I'll Have a Blu Christmas Without You...

The King of Rock n' Roll might be long gone, but a struggle continues right now to determine which high-def video format will eventually reign supreme: Blu-Ray or HD DVD. If you're hoping to find one of these drives under your B-Tree on Xmas morn' but not sure which format to ask Santa for, check out this post for info on the modern-day "Beta v. VHS" war:
<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15556>

And if you decide you want a Blu Christmas, then you might ask Santa for this latest 4x drive from FastMac:

http://www.macsimumnews.com/index.php/archive/fastmac_announces_4x_dual_layer_blu_ray_drive_burner_for_mac_pro_power_mac/

====MACSIMUM NEWS====

All I want for Christmas is My Two Big Boots...

I'm hoping Santa gives me a pair of heavy hiking boots this year so I can lace 'em up and figure out how to somehow give myself a swift kick in my own arse. Why? Because years ago, I seriously thought about buying Apple stock at the bargain-basement rate of around \$23/share - but I didn't. After you read this article about the milestone reached by Apple's stock yesterday, perhaps you'll understand how I feel...
http://www.macsimumnews.com/index.php/archive/apple_stock_briefly_hits_200_a_share/

Need a Last-minute iPhone Gift Idea?

In about two weeks, many of us will start formulating those pesky New Year's resolutions. If one of yours includes working out more often in 2008, you might be interested in the Action Jacket from Digital Lifestyle Outfitters, an armband the holds your iPhone securely while you sweat off all those Xmas goodies you shouldn't have snarfed.

http://www.macsimumnews.com/index.php/archive/dlo_releases_action_jacket_for_iphone/

====MacOSG UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS====

When is Tons of Traffic a Good Thing?

When it's virtual traffic, of course! An ever-growing number of MacNuts already know that MacOSG is the friendliest, most helpful site on the information superhighway, but where does it rank among the millions of sites out there? Check out this post for the answer, as well as how you can discover the ranking for any other site!

<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15605>

The MacOSG Podcast Crew Wants You to Sound Off!

Sure, the Yellow Pages people want your fingers to do the walking but that's so '90s. MacOSG offers a simple way for you to send a voicemail to the podcast crew with your comments, questions or suggestions, so give it a try because they want to hear from you. And even if there's nothing pressing on your mind, feel free to send 'em a little holiday love!

<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=13373>

Wonderful World o' Widgets

Did you know you can listen to any episode of the MacOSG podcast even if you don't currently subscribe and without downloading it via iTunes? Just install this handy Widget and you can listen to any MacOSG podcast - from #1, the pilot, to the latest one, the "Agent 99" episode - from the convenience of your desktop!

<http://www.macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=13974>

Welcome to MacOSG!

Every day, more n' more people discover the benefits of the MacOSG Website. As I write this newsletter, we now have more than 5,220 registered members! If you recently joined, please don't feel shy about posting your comments, concerns or questions in our Forums and tapping into the expertise of our worldwide membership. And if you recently registered, please tell us how you found our site and let us know how we can help you get the most from your Mac!

<http://macosg.com/group/viewforum.php?f=1>

====MacOSG MEMBER BENNIES====

Only 10 Shopping Days Left!

Thanks to Santa Bmer, you can now easily check from your desktop how little time remains for you to finish your Christmas shopping... YIKES!

<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15541>

It's Xmas Year-round on the MacOSG Podcast

Courtesy of our friends at O'Reilly Media, MacOSG members don't need to wait until December 25 to score a gift. During each episode throughout the year, MacOSG's podcast crew announces the name of a randomly selected MacOSG member, who then has two weeks to claim a free book from O'Reilly's massive selection. Check the following link for more information but remember that there's no way you can win if you don't listen!

<http://www.macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=11442>

Big Discount on Every O'Reilly Book!

Even if your name doesn't pop up during the weekly MacOSG podcast, you can still take advantage of a 35% discount on any book (24/7) from O'Reilly Media's HUGE selection just cuz you're a MacOSG member! How cool is that?

<http://www.macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=12330>

Free Macworld Passes!

What could be better than attending the Macworld Conference & Expo in San Francisco this January? How 'bout getting in for free? Thanks to our pals at Your Mac Life, you can do just that as you experience the latest and greatest products and developments in the world of Macs!

<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15054>

And if you do plan to attend the Macworld Conference & Expo, please post here:

<http://macosg.com/group/viewtopic.php?t=15222>

From all of us at MacOSG, have a happy, healthy and safe holiday!

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