PMUG Meeting Minutes, Saturday March 11, 2023
Location: Yavapai College Campus; Library Building, Room 19-223
and by Zoom

1. **Call to order** - John Acquavella called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. **Recognitions & administrative matters** - Birthdays for the month of March
    were announced:
    Dave Rothgery
    PJ Henegar
    Craig Wright
    Duane Neiner
    JoAnn Moon
    Jim Romaine

Checking account balance is $3271. Art Gorski is willing to hold a meeting at his
house or on Zoom concerning advanced topics if anyone is interested.

3. **Short topic** – Bookmarks – Steven Ancowitz presented using bookmarks on
    Safari. He showed how to add a bookmark in Safari on a MacBook. Drag and
    drop or use Add Bookmark from Safari Menu. Add bookmarks to Favorites if
    you use them frequently; if not used frequently, just create a bookmark. Organize
    bookmarks/favorites in order of most important or frequently used. Create a
    folder in Favorites to hold multiple websites. Steven demonstrated many ways to
    organize bookmarks, folders and favorites to make them easier to locate when
    needed. Organize Favorites Menu bar and Bookmarks page for ultimate
    organization. He explained the difference between Start Page and Favorites Page
    in Safari.

4. **Social time** – 10 min

5. **Long topic** – HomePod and AirPods – Deborah Neff & Craig Wright presented
    the HomePod mini, and the 2nd generation HomePod which was just released
    with upgraded features at the original price of $299. Home Pod Minis are for
    indoor use. Priced at $99, they can be used as speakers with Apple TV, although
    they do not support Dolby Atmos or Dolby Surround 7.1. They described how to

setup HomePod Mini - fairly seamless though must be done through HomeKit on iPhone or iPad. Described what Siri can do with HomePods: Play music, weather, temp, news and ambient sound. Can be used as intercom with multiple speakers. Turn on voice recognition to ask Siri to do things. A video was shown on how to setup Apple TV 4K with HomePods or HomePod Minis. Use ARC setting on TV with Apple TV. New features are included with 2nd generation HomePod which was recently released and is available for order. All communication is encrypted on Home Pods. Craig and Deborah described the different models of Air Pods: basic, Pro and Max. Pairing Air Pods with different devices using Bluetooth is fairly straightforward. The Pro and Max models have noise cancelling features.

6. **Reminders** - upcoming meetings
    – SIG meeting on March 27 – Managing your dock – John Acquavella
    – META SIG on March 22 (notify Bobbie Pastor if you will attend)

7. Raffle winners:
    a. Staples Gift card: Jim Reid
    b. Take Control Book: Craig Wright
    c. OLLI gift card: Bob Hale

8. Adjourn - The meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.

Minutes compiled by:
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