

1. Agenda
  - a. Reintroduction
  - b. Comparison of Democratic candidates
  - c. Follow up on Mac Air
  - d. Audio Buddy and my studio setup
2. Reintroduction
  - a. Goal – provide information objectively with a good dose of common sense.
  - b. Topics - Current events, politics. Observations about life and the Macintosh
  - c. Why? Simply because these are the things I like to talk about. I realize that if I concentrate on one of these four topics I attract a greater following.
  - d. Resurrected the show
    - i. 2005 shows – m4a
    - ii. 2008 – shows – mp3 – will re-release First two shows in a smaller file size.
  - e. Show length will vary – 20 to 60 minutes
  - f. Published periodically – two to four times a month is the goal.
  - g. Using multiple sites – iTunes (free), podshow.com, Digg.com, Odeo.com, podcast.com, podcast.net, podcastalley.com, digitalpodcast.com, podcastingnews.com
  - h. The podcast is supported by a web site and blog.
  - i. I recommend click on the Feed powered by FeedBurner.
  - j. RSS and atom feeds are also available
  - k. Can be reached by email
  - l. Looking forward to your comments and moral support – help spread the word
3. Democratic candidates
  - a. Hillary Clinton
  - b. Barack Obama
  - c. John Edwards – I will not cover at this time.
  - d. Topics
    - i. Immigration
    - ii. Terrorism
    - iii. Iraq war
    - iv. Energy Policy
    - v. Fiscal Responsibility
    - vi. Economy and taxes
    - vii. Healthcare
    - viii. Conclusion –
      1. Web site did not disclose significant differences on an issue-by-issue basis.
      2. Download PDF – Either one or two
      3. How to choose?
        - a. Experience – no executive, minimal legislative

- b. Foreign Policy experience – Obama – exposure via senate, Clinton – First Lady
- c. Decision will be based on personality
- ix. VOTE
- 4. MacBook Air
  - a. Should be available in Apple Stores now.
  - b. Missing – firewire port
  - c. Swapping out battery – easy for tech, stuck if on the road
    - i. How many are effected by this? Use AC or Car Adapter
  - d. Missing Ethernet – only an issue in small companies and this is rapidly disappearing.
  - e. Shows the industry can go head to head with Sony in the sub notebook market
  - f. Introduced new technology – solid state storage – the way of the future
- 5. Studio
  - a. 2005
    - i. Radio Shack Microphone
    - ii. Radio shack mixer
    - iii. Mac G4 tower
    - iv. iMic from Griffin
    - v. Garageband, audacity and Sound Studio
    - vi. Problem – noise – hiss
  - b. 2008
    - i. First two recordings using Altec Lansing headset – unsatisfactory
    - ii. Audio Buddy from M-Audio
    - iii. Mike to Audio Buddy via an XLR cable with SLR connectors on both ends. In other words, not a ¼” jack - equipment.
    - iv. Converter ¼ to mini jack.
    - v. Plug into iMic – Griffin
    - vi. Garageband
      - 1. Garageband greatly improved – podcast orientation
  - c. Audio Buddy
    - i. Cost Effective - \$70
    - ii. Two inputs – either equipment or mike
    - iii. Tried “equipment” jack – no
    - iv. XLR – quiet
    - v. Gain at full
    - vi. Garageband at 50%