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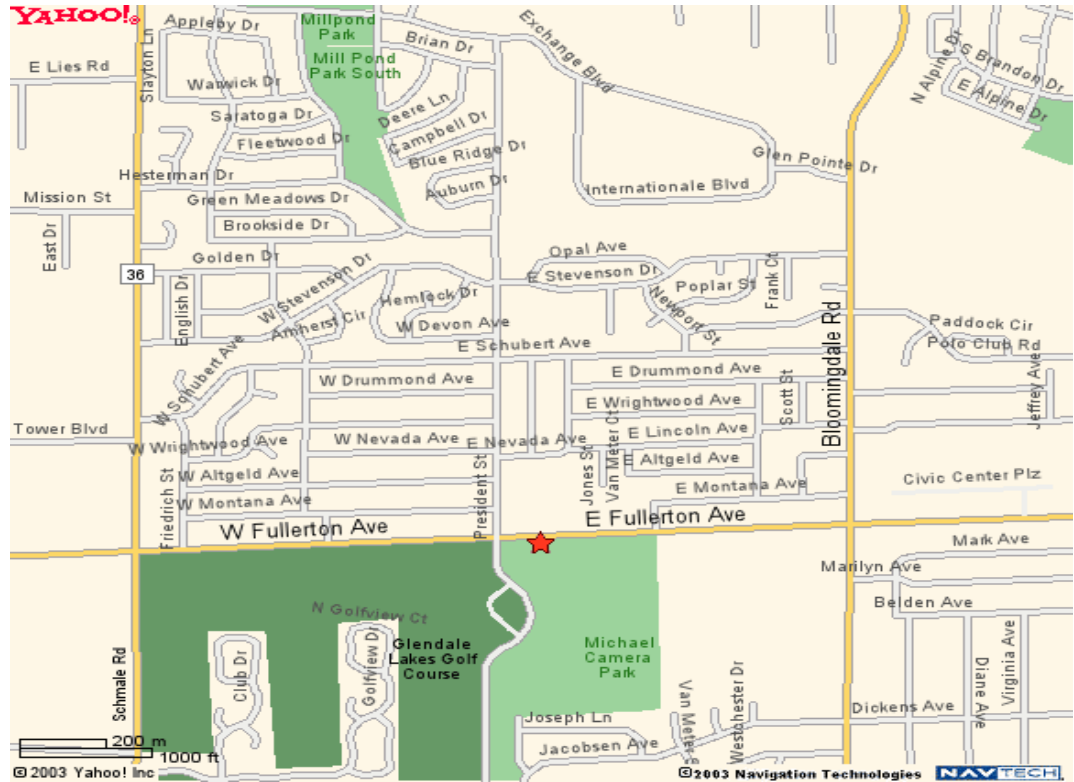
!!! IMPORTANT !!!
Meeting dates for
2003
See page 10
for all confirmed
dates.
Time
remains the same.

December 6
Bill Douglas
will reveal the CD
of the month.
What's included
and how to access
items.

MEETING PLACE
will be the
Glenside Public
Library

SEE YOU
THERE!!

COD Dates
2003 dates
December 21
2004 Dates
January 18



The Glenside Public Library is located at 25 E Fullerton Avenue, Glendale Heights, Illinois. The Library is located on Fullerton between Bloomingdale Road (stop light intersection) and Schmale Road (stop light intersection) on the south side of Fullerton. Fullerton is parallel to North Avenue (Route 64) and Army Trail Road. North Ave. is south and Army Trail is north of Fullerton. Glenside Library is about 5 miles north of the Glen Ellyn Library. If you need further direction try Mapquest.com or call John Spizzirri at 630-858-6933.

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The CAEUG newsletter is published eleven times annually. Contributions by members are encouraged and will be gratefully acknowledged in the newsletter. We have a policy of exchanging newsletters with other users groups across the nation. Several CAEUG member articles have already been picked up and reprinted.

**Great Midwest
Computer Show**

Next show date
SUNDAY, Dec 21
College of Dupage
9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

The Midwest's oldest and largest
Multi Vendor PC show and sale for
Home & Business

COLLEGE OF DUPAGE
Main Arena of Physical Education Building
Corner of Park Blvd & College Road
Glen Ellyn, IL
FREE PARKING
Admission - \$7.00
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www.CODSHOW.COM
E-mail address:
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Great Midwest Computer Show ©
2003 dates

Dec 21, January 18, 2004

M e r r y
Christmas



and

Happy New Year
to all!

From CAEUG Board

In order to have your article or item for sale appear in ARI they must be received by the 10th of the month prior to publication.

Membership Costs.....

	First Yr.	Renewal
Individual	\$25.00	\$20.00
Family	\$30.00	\$25.00
Corporate	\$30.00	\$25.00
Associate	\$20.00	\$15.00

MEMBERS HELPLINE

Any member with a specific expertise can volunteer to be on the Members Helpline. Contact Rick Scalzo.

Beginners Helpline.....Billy Douglas

Beginner hardware problems.....Dick Fergus

QuickBooks, Turbo Tax, IBM Lotus, MS Excel, Corel's Quattro Pro....Terry Moye

Win 9x, NT, 2K.....Rick Scalzo

Hardware problems, Win 9x, NT, 2K & Linux.....John Spizzirri

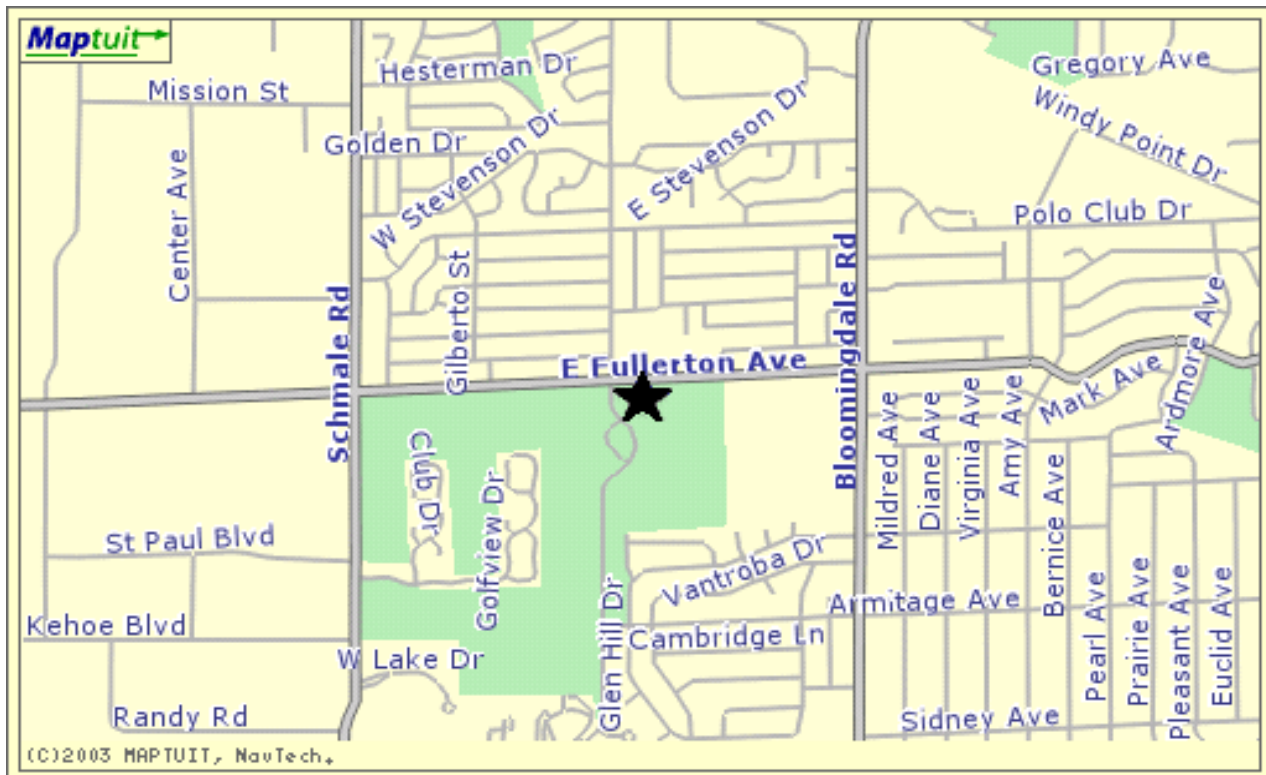
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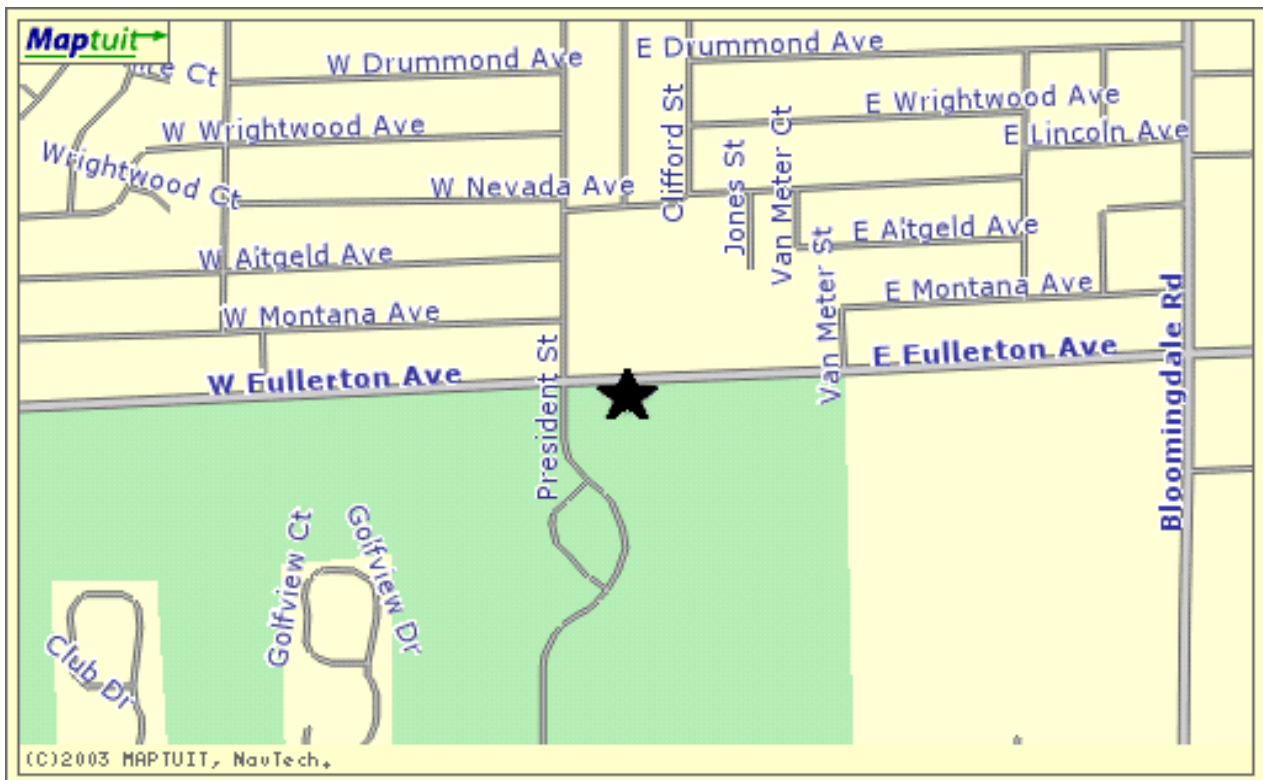
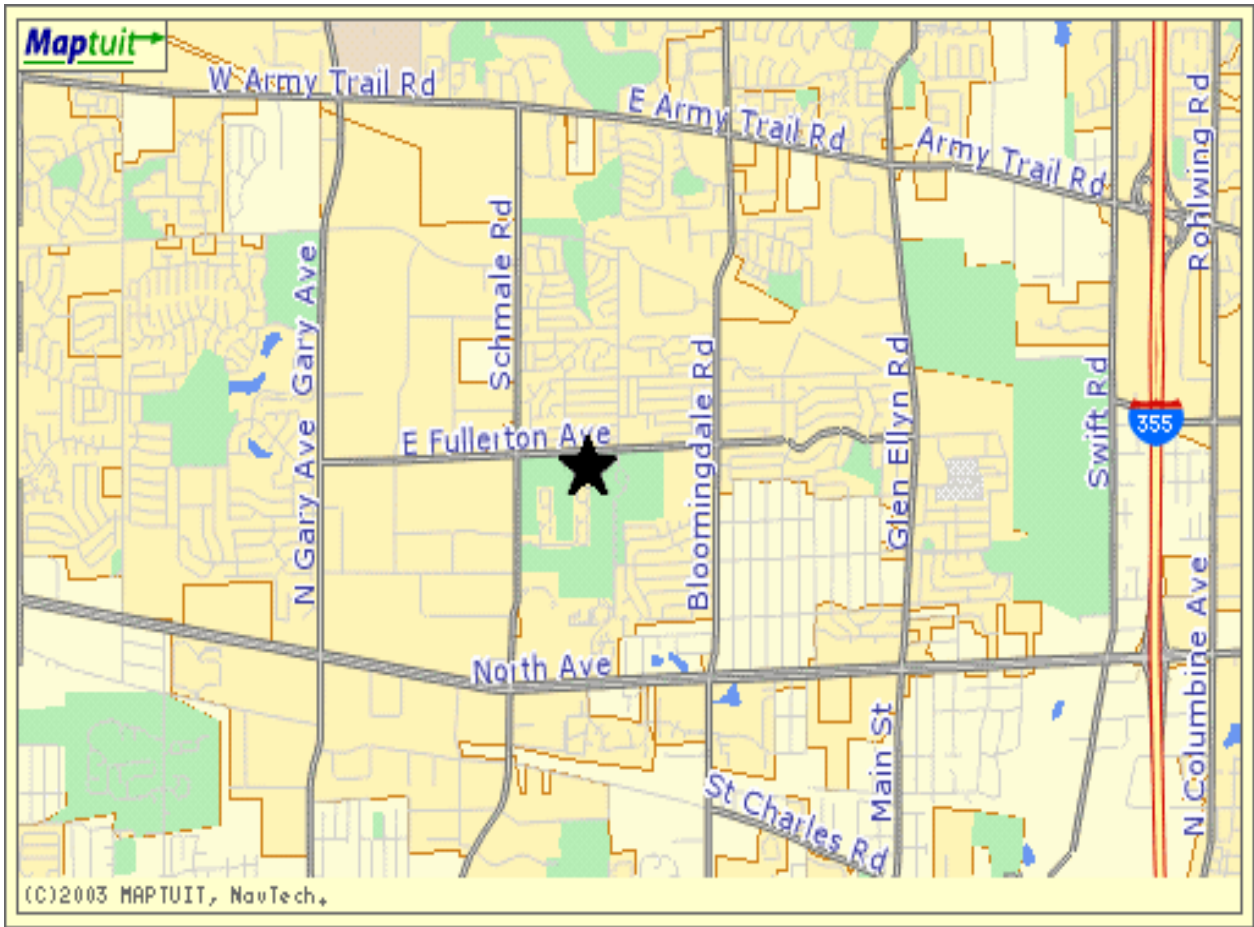
Ask questions and discuss computer experiences with this group.
Such as:

1. New to Computers? (basic topics)
2. How to use the Web or download information
3. How to install hardware/software
4. Discuss how to troubleshoot hardware conflicts, learn boot up emergency tricks
5. What do you want to know??

Meets before regular meeting from 9:05 to 9:45

The Glenside Public Library





The Lamp Post Number 47

by John Spizzirri
November 20, 2003



On your XP computer you can copy songs to your hard drive for replaying in an order of your choosing or create a CD with just the songs you want on it. To copy the songs:

- Log on to the Internet.
- Put the music CD in you CD player.
- A dialog box will appear indicating an audio CD is in the CD player.
- The default selection will be 'Play audio CD using Windows Media Player'.
- Click OK to start the Windows Media Player (WMP).
- If you are logged into the Internet, your songs will have names and artist names.
- If the names are not there, click the Get Names button just below the title bar.
- On the left side of the WMP is a button reading 'Copy from CD'.
- Click that button.
- To the left of each song is a check box.
- If you want a song copied to your PC, check the box to the left of the song.
- To start copying, click the Copy Music button just below the title bar.
- If this is the first time you have copied music from this CD, a 'Copy Music Protection' dialog box will open.
- In the center of that dialog box is a check box that reads 'Do not protect content'
- Check the box if you want to play the songs you copy on another computer.
- Click OK to continue.
- The 'Copy Status' column indicates the progress of the copying.
- The songs will be copied to 'My Documents/My Music', in a folder with the name of the artist.

The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA <http://www.riaa.com>) has seen so much negative press due to its law suits against "music pirates", it has decided to change tactics. Note I said tactics not strategy. Now they are sending out threatening letters to alleged file sharers (204 of them). The RIAA sends blanket subpoenas to ISPs (Internet Service Providers) to gather information about Internet users (including you). Senator Norm Coleman (Republican, Minnesota, <http://coleman.senate.gov/>) says these subpoenas issued by clerks, not judges, are too broad. Further he said that the civil penalties of fines up to \$150,000 per song are excessive. Lastly, he said that the DCMA (Digital Millenium Copyright Act) "has the potential to undermine personal privacy protections."

The Diebold Company (<http://www.diebold.com/>) that makes vaults and electronic security systems now makes electronic voting (e-voting) machines. These machines are replacing paper and punch card ballots in many places across the country as a result of the Florida experience in the last presidential election. A problem with this new system is that the software used in these machines is not available to the public for scrutiny. We are being asked to trust the Diebold Company with our votes. The Electronic Frontier Foundation

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(EFF <http://www.eff.org>) has some of the most up-to-date information about the RIAA and Diebold court cases.

The Computer Business Review Online reported that A T & T (<http://www.att.com/>) is suing Ebay (<http://www.ebay.com>) and PayPal (<http://www.paypal.com/>) for infringing on its patent. Ebay owns PayPal. The patent lets buyers purchase without a credit card to a vendor <http://www.cbronline.com/cbrnews/be66fb132318e6a580256de5001e4b20>

Computerworld Magazine interviewed Jeff Campbell the CIO (Chief Information Officer) of the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Co. (BNSF <http://www.bnsf.com/>) at the Comdex computer trade show (<http://www.comdex.com/>). Campbell revealed that in some rail yards, the switch engines are operated by remote control via Wi-Fi wireless LAN (Local Area Network) systems. The story is at <http://www.computerworld.com/mobiletopics/mobile/story/0,10801,87322,00.html?f=x68>

Security Focus Magazine (<http://www.securityfocus.com/news/7491>) reported on a 9th Circuit Court of Appeals case that involves the FBI eavesdropping on a suspect using his automobile's telematics. Telematics is the electronics in some cars that allows a car driver to talk to a customer assistant for various services. ATX Technologies (<http://www.atxtechnologies.com>) and OnStar (<http://www.onstar.com/>) are telematics companies. Due to secrecy of the investigation the telematic company's name was not revealed. An OnStar spokesperson denied involvement with the case. If you have a car with this feature, remember your conversations may be monitored.

Privacy International (<http://www.privacyinternational.org/issues/cybercrime/>) has information on the Council of Europe Cybercrime treaty. President Bush issued a release (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2003/11/20031117-11.html>) to the Senate in advance of the treaty signing urging ratification. From my reading of the treaty (<http://www.privacyinternational.org/issues/cybercrime/coe/cybercrime-final.html>) this seems to be a backdoor method for Total Information Awareness (TIA). Let you Senator know what you think.

SCO (<http://www.sco.com/>), the company suing IBM for \$1 billion is now trying to stop the purchase of SuSe (<http://www.suse.com/us/>) by Novell (<http://www.novell.com/>). IBM has counter sued. SCO may be defeating itself. It hired David Boies, the high priced Democratic lawyer. SCO's legal costs so far are about \$9 million. In SCO's most recent SEC filing they stated, "We are informed that participants in the Linux industry have attempted to influence participants in the markets in which we sell our products to reduce or eliminate the amount of our products and services that they purchase. They have been somewhat successful in those efforts and similar efforts and success will likely continue. There is also a risk that the assertion of our intellectual property rights will be negatively viewed by participants in our marketplace and we may lose support from such participants. Any of the foregoing could adversely affect our position in the marketplace and our results of operations. " That statement essentially means they are losing business because of the lawsuits. To keep up on the latest information about SCO and its suits try <http://sco.iwethey.org/> .

Between you, me and The Lamp Post that's all for this month.

Minutes of CAEUG Meeting October 25, 2003

John Spizzirri called the meeting to order at 9:45 am.

There were 26 in members in attendance.

The minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter with the correction that the endings balance was \$2,530.74.

The Financial Report showed a starting balance of \$2,530.74, income of \$691.50 and expenses of \$121.64.89 for a balance of \$3,100.60.

Volunteers for the COD show were discussed. Anyone willing to represent the club at the show can get a free admission. The show lets two members in free and the club will reimburse two other members who work at our table. The reimbursement is given at the next monthly meeting.

John asked for volunteers to act as backup for the coffee service and the newsletter production. Dick Seward will do the coffee service during the tax season when Joan Thompson is unavailable. Carl Schow will take care of the newsletter mailing when Pete Nicchia is unavailable.

John also asked for volunteers to work on articles for the newsletter.

Old Business:

The Peoples Resource center will not be available as a meeting site until March 2004 at the earliest.

The member area for the web site has been protected with a username and password. Please check with a club officer to get access to the user ID and the password. We

now have a link to Amazon's web site that offers us a commission on sales.

New Business:

The Board will set a date for emailing the Newsletter to members.

Our November/December meeting, held on December 6, 2003, may be moved to a site in Lisle. The Library has become less predictable on their availability of the meeting room because of conflicts.

Editor's Note - UPDATE the December 6 meeting place - Will be held at the Glenside Public Library, 25 E. Fullerton Ave., Glendale Heights, IL 60139. See pages 1, 4, and 5 of the CAEUG newsletter for directions and maps.

The formal meeting was then adjourned.

Members' Forum addressed several problems that members were having with both hardware and software.

We then had our traditional break with coffee and doughnuts, bagels, and muffins.

There was a CD of the month with many kilobytes of programs in addition to a CD with the basic club files.

Raffle items included Virus scan from McAfee, a book The Restoring the American Dream by Robert J. Ringer, Links 2003, Genuine Fractals 2.0, a USB Mouse and a Front Panel I/O Adapter.

Rick Scalzo did a presentation on Wireless Networking.

Respectfully submitted,
Al Skwara

Minutes of CAEUG Board Meeting October 25, 2003

- The meeting started at 12:10pm.
 - Attending were: Billy Douglas, Kathy Groce, Lynn Johnson, Pete Nicchia, Al Skwara, Rick Scalzo and John Spizzirri.
 - The Board discussed the library-meeting site. It was agreed we may have to use a Lisle Site as long as it is available and until the Peoples Resource Center site is available. The two-hour parking limit could be a problem.
- Editor's Note - UPDATE the December 6 meeting place - Will be held at the Glenside Public Library, 25 E. Fullerton Ave., Glendale Heights, IL 60139. See pages 1, 4, and 5 of the CAEUG newsletter for directions and maps.
- The Newsletter will continue to be mailed until the meeting site issues are resolved.
 - There will be a board meeting in December.
 - The meeting was adjourned at 12:26pm.

How to make the toolbar YOUR toolbar By Patricia Hill

Review Editor / APCUG Representative
Computer Booters of Sun Lakes, Arizona

Do you find yourself having to access drop down menus and clicking several times to perform repetitive tasks in the Microsoft Office product line? Did you know the toolbar is highly customizable? If the toolbar contains icons you never use - and don't think you will ever use - get rid of them! If you are looking for an easier way - with fewer mouse clicks - to do certain things, then add an icon to the toolbar. Here's how . . .

This article was written using MS Word 2002; the instructions are similar, if not the same, for previous versions of Word and other Office products.

Select Tools, Customize from the menu bar. You'll see three tabs in the Customize window; Toolbars, Commands and Options. Notice there is a check mark next to the toolbars that are always displayed when you enter Word. In the Toolbars tab select the toolbar you want to customize. It's probably the Standard Toolbar.

Once you've selected the Standard Toolbar (it will be highlighted or colored in), go to the Commands tab.

Let's add a File Save As button. File should already be selected in the left Categories pane. Scroll down the right Commands pane in the Customize window until you see Save As.... Drag and drop the button to where you want it in the toolbar. Select Save

As... by holding down the left mouse button. Still holding down the button, drag the button to where you want it on the toolbar and release the mouse button. Now you're looking at lots of buttons and something that says Save As... This isn't exactly what you'd like to see, so let's modify it. It takes a few steps, but you'll be glad you took the time to do it.

Click the Modify Selection bar; then Default Style. The Default Style is a button that shows the button activity when you hover your mouse over it. The button is now blank. Click Modify Selection again and then Change Button Image. Click on the piggy bank, the third object from the left on the top row.

Your button now shows the piggy bank icon. It's a boring piggy bank - so color it in. Select Modify Selection bar a final time and Edit Button Image...

Pick a color and hold down your left mouse button and color the piggy bank. There's a small preview pane that's rather useless and you can move the icon within the button boundaries using the arrows.

If you're not sure in which Category a function you're looking for resides, scroll down the Category pane to All Commands and click on that.

If you want to add a new button that already has an icon, repeat the instructions in paragraph 3. Let's add the Grow Font and Shrink Font icons to the Standard Toolbar. Click on Format in the left pane of the Customize window. Scroll down the right pane until you see the Grow Font and Shrink Font icons. Select them one at a time and drag and drop them to where you want them on the tool bar. Because there is an icon already available, that's all you have to do. You don't have to mess with modifying it and selecting the Default Style.

To delete any icons you don't think you'll use, drag and drop the icon to anywhere in the Customize window. The key is to have the Customize window open. If you decide you want to put it back, reverse the process.

Another way to delete or add icons from the toolbar is to click on the down arrow at the far right of any tool bar. Click on Add or Remove Buttons and then Standard Toolbar. You'll see a list of all icons currently displayed on the Standard Toolbar. Some are black and some are grayed out. The black ones are the original toolbar setup when you first installed Word. The gray ones are the ones you used to customize your toolbar. If you want to add an original button to the toolbar, click on it and it'll move to the toolbar. If you want to remove buttons, then click on them and they disappear from the toolbar. Remember, though, if you want to group your buttons differently than Microsoft originally set them up, the Tools, Customize window must be open.

Drag, drop, customize, modify to your heart's content. Set up your programs so that they make sense to you and are easier for you to use. Make the toolbar YOUR toolbar.

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Meeting place and date information:

■■■■ > > > The next REGULAR meeting will be held at the
Glenside Public Library in Glendale Heights
see page 1, 4 and 5 for maps
at 9:45 am on
Saturday December 6, 2003

The library is located. Please park at the West side of the lot, away from the building. Thank you.
The meeting(s) are not library sponsored and all inquiries should be directed to John Spizzirri .
Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this program and who require certain accommodations
in order to observe and/or participate in the program are requested to contact CAEUG president, John
Spizzirri , at least five (5) days prior to the program, so that reasonable accommodation can be made
for them.

Confirmed Meeting dates for 2003:
November / December meeting December 6

****NEW**** CD OF THE MONTH FORMAT: Is now available in two (2) flavors. The Basic CD will be packed
with the standard items, while the CD of the Month will have NEW and updated items. Both are
available at the meeting or by ordering via the CAEUG website.

-> Our next meeting will be ~ Saturday, (November / December meeting), December 6
Bill Douglas discussing the CD of the month features

Hope to see you there.