

## Official Bio for John Hamilton Farr

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John Hamilton Farr was born in Bryan, Texas on the day Nagasaki was nuked. The oldest of five children in an Air Force family that moved over 40 times before he graduated from high school, John has lived in Texas, New York, Pennsylvania, Washington D.C., Virginia, Germany, Texas (again!), Maryland, and New Mexico. Things he'll never forget include the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay, Yellowstone, Acadia, Big Bend, the Rocky Mountains, Taos Pueblo, and the fact that Jerry Garcia died on John's birthday.

He's walked the streets of Abilene, Austin, Des Moines, Dubuque, New York, London, Paris, Amsterdam, Venice, Florence, Vienna, Munich, Leipzig, Berlin, San Miguel de Allende, Chestertown, Baltimore, San Francisco, Santa Fe, and Taos; worked as a college teacher, laborer, groundskeeper, office manager, cartoonist, songwriter, musician, painter, sculptor, Internet editor, Web designer, and columnist. He's been to operas and hoe-downs; seen Dylan, the Sex Pistols, and the Clash; and once watched Captain Sensible do an encore in the nude. He's capsized in the river, gotten sunburned on the beach, wandered in the desert, hiked in the mountains, dug himself out of the snow, seen Halley's Comet, and gone loco in the woods. He's built his own boat and worn out at least two dozen cars. He has an analyst in Zurich, a graphic designer in Brisbane (hi, Carmel!), two degrees, and most of his own teeth. The only computers he'll ever use are made by Apple, and he's been married for almost 30 years.

From late 1997 through October, 2003 he worked as senior editor and columnist for [Applelinks.com](http://Applelinks.com), where his irreverent and unpredictable "FARR SITE" columns attracted a wide following. John's final column for [Applelinks](http://Applelinks.com) was called "GRACK!" and focused on Internet, Apple, and Macintosh issues. For most of 2000, John also wrote a number of "WebFaust" columns for [MacAddict.com](http://MacAddict.com). (GRACK! was later published independently and focused exclusively on life in Taos County.) Since moving to New Mexico, John has written numerous columns for Horse Fly, a monthly Taos publication.

He has also written a book about this latest life change entitled *BUFFALO LIGHTS: Maryland to New Mexico*, currently available in either paperback or ebook editions from [Booklocker.com](http://Booklocker.com). In January, 2003, BUFFALO

LIGHTS won MyMac.com's 5th Annual "Book Bytes" Award for the "Best Self-Published Book." In the fall of 2002, one of the essays from the book, "Easter in the Wilderness," won an Honorable Mention in the Personal Essay Category of 71st Annual Writer's Digest Writing Competition. John continues to write daily and maintains a network of several Web sites, all accessible through from this blog or [JHFarr.com](http://JHFarr.com).

John plays guitar and bouzouki, hikes, and loves working with his Macs. He and his wife currently live atop ancient Indian ruins just south of Taos and look out on mountains every day.