

## Apps for Work and Play

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Tools to make travel and collaboration a breeze

Welcome to the final edition of Wet Your APPetite, where we highlight two smartphone or tablet applications that will help the facility professional be more productive, organized and effective and maybe even provide a little fun along the way. Over the past year, we have featured apps that fall into one of the following categories: social, commerce, facilities, travel, organization or productivity.

In our final column, we review two apps recommended by Caleb Fletcher at Brinco Mechanical. These tools can help you during your travels and enable you to be more productive at work and in your personal life.

It is hard to believe it has already been a year since the column was introduced. I hope you have enjoyed reading the articles as much as I've enjoyed writing them.

Thanks for checking out Wet Your APPetite. We hope you found the series beneficial, both professionally and personally.

### Waze (Travel & Social)

Recommended by: Caleb Fletcher at Brinco Mechanical

Waze is a GPS app with a social flavor. Waze claims to be "the world's largest community-based traffic and navigation app." Through the app, you and other drivers in your area can share real-time traffic and road conditions. You have the ability to report accidents, police traps and other hazards. Waze gives you turn-by-turn voice-guided navigation and tracks your speed and the speed of users in front of you. If traffic congestion is causing major delays, Waze will automatically re-route you.

Waze (Waze Inc.) is available for free and operates on both Apple and Android operating systems. The latest version (3.9.2) at the App Store and Google Play has a 4+ star rating.

### My Favorite Features:

- Send your ETA and real-time driving updates to those you are meeting
- See friends' ETA when driving to the same destination
- Get alerts on road hazards, accidents and other delays before you reach them

### Evernote (Productivity)

Recommended by: Caleb Fletcher at Brinco Mechanical

Evernote is a very versatile app that allows you to type notes and save photos, Web articles and even handwritten notes all in one place. You can make comments on PDFs and collaborate with other users. You can access your notes across different platforms, such as your smartphone, tablet and computer. The premium option also allows you to access notes offline.

Evernote (Evernote Corp.) is available for free (upgrade to Premium for \$5 monthly or \$45 annually) and supports Apple and Android products. The latest version (7.6.5) at the App Store and Google Play has a 4+ star rating.

### My Favorite Features:

- Business card scanner syncs with LinkedIn and exports contact info as a vcard
- Lets you create custom to-do lists and check items off as you go
- You can search for text, photos and even PDFs

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