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THE PRESIDENT SAYS ...

By John Moore

The time has come to look to the future and in one area I really need some help, namely, the library. We now have disks in two different sizes, three different machines, two different DOSes and three different languages and no complete catalog. Since I haven't won the lottery, I still don't have a 3.5" drive nor do I have a IIgs, which limits that portion of the library in which I can work. This would be a great opportunity for someone with the necessary equipment to get acquainted with the Public Domain Software.

Speaking of the library, we now own some very nice Print Shop graphics from the Print Shop User's Group. They should be of especial interest to any of our members who are involved in elementary education as they include maps and flags of most of the world. I'll bring the Print Shop portion of the library to the July meeting for those who are interested.

Since interest has been shown in learning about copy protection and the processes for removing or by-passing it, I plan to have a "Krackist" give a presentation at the September or October meeting. I don't have a commitment from the gentleman yet but I'm sure that he will come through for us. If any member has an area in which he or she feels in need of help, let me know and I'll try to find someone who has expertise in that area.

Just remember, if you are having problems, there are probably others who are having problems too and are too shy to mention it.

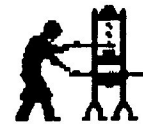
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MEETING NOTES

July 19th Meeting
Several Possibilities

August 16th Meeting
Print Shop GS



Publish It! 3

This issue of the newsletter was prepared using Publish It!3, the newest update in the Timeworks desktop publishing program. The minimum requirement for using the program is 128K but the program is quite slow if you only have that much memory. I use a IIgs with a meg of memory and the program is extremely fast since it can use the extra memory. Still, if you have an Apple II it is the best publishing program I have used as far as the newsletter is concerned.

The magazine A+ has a monthly column by Cynthia Field called Press Room that shows you how to use Publish It!. So far this year there have been articles on publishing your own business cards, business forms, menus, grocery Publish It!3 continues...

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MEETINGS - Regular Membership

The Regular Membership Meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month, with a start time of 7:00 p.m.. The meeting is held on the Chemeketa Community College campus, in Building 2, Room 113. The general public is invited to attend.

MEETINGS - Board of Directors

The Board of Directors Meeting is held half an hour before the regular meeting.



EDITOR'S NOTES

By Bobbi Kirk

This has been a computing-filled week for me between getting out the newsletter and meetings with some other members of the club as well as my usual art work. I met with the other members because they had been using publishing programs and wondered if I was interested in sharing my publishing experiences with them. We met twice, once going over the page lay-out module of Appleworks 6S and the next time we covered some new features of Publish It! 3. It was great fun for me and I know we all left those meetings with more knowlege of the programs and with renewed enthusiasm for using our computers.

I also wondered if anyone else in the club was interested in informal meetings that cover some specific interest or some particular area they might be having trouble with. These informal meetings usually last longer and have fewer people present than the regular meeting so more things can be covered in more depth than is possible in a couple of hours. If anyone is interested in getting together informally please let me or any other club officer know and we will arrange something. Also, the suggestion has been made to publish a list of the members, plus their phone numbers and the type of machine they have in the next newsletter. This would allow members who have the same machines (and maybe the same programs or problems) to communicate informally and perhaps to arrange the kind of meetings I have been describing. If there are no objections to this I will list the names in the September newsletter. If you don't want your name on the list just give me a call and I will delete it. My phone number is always on the second page of the newsletter along with the other board members. That's all for now. Hope to see you all at the next meeting. Keep in mind that CCC is air-conditioned so it's very comfortable even in this hot summer weather!



TEACHERS' COLUMN

BY Darrell Robertson and Kirk Gamble

Database Yearbooks in the Second Grade

In one school district in New York, 2nd grade teachers chose "Friendships" as their interpretation of the district's theme - Beginnings - for the New York State Imagination Celebration. Their goal was to collect information on all 2nd grade students to use for a variety of activities. The process of gathering and using the data helped students to begin recognizing differences and similarities in people and developing an awareness and acceptance of others' views.

Teachers and students learned about databases and a ton of data was generated for the types of graphing activities suggested in their "Math Their Way" program.

Software used in this project included Bank Street Beginner's Filer and Easy Graph and Print Shop (for Yearbook covers and signs).

The classes brainstormed their interest areas and selected the 10 most important for the project. Teacher reps from each school met periodically to consolidate interest areas and come up with the same 10 areas for each class to use. Then teachers were trained in use of database. After that, the teachers taught students how to enter data and work in pairs throughout the day.

When all information was gathered, searching and report printing was done with guidance from the teacher. Students generated a lot of questions such as, "Can we find out how many kids like the color blue and pizza?" Without the computer integration, this Yearbook/Graphing Venture would have been difficult. The computer

facilitated management of data, teaching of questioning techniques, evaluation of info, bonding between teachers and teachers, students and students, and teachers and students.

The positive results have relieved all concerns regarding the merit of the computer and the effort involved in using it. Even kindergarten and first grade teachers want to learn more about the project. And the third grade teachers feel like they had better learn something about databases so they can keep up with the incoming class.



Publish It!3 continued...

lists and pads, graph paper and buttons. This is a versatile program and one of the easiest to learn.

Also available are additional art and design disks and a graph program which I haven't seen. The art disks are good and will cover most needs. There are two font disks available but since Publish It! 3 allows you to use 68 fonts they aren't necessary.

Publish It! 3 also allows you to import both high res graphics and Print Shop graphics which is very handy! If you should be one of the few people who don't have any Print Shop graphics you can get some from the club's library. We have several dozen (or more) disks of Print Shop graphics. All the graphics used in this newsletter are Print Shop except for the logo and borders.



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