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CD-ROM NEWS...

Sequential Systems is proud to announce the introduction of DiscQuest(tm) and DiscQuest GS(tm); a System of Hardware and Software that will give today's Apple IIs user access to the exploding library of information available on CD-ROM."

"DiscQuest(tm) utilizes standard SCSI CD-ROM drives and will support currently available CD-ROM titles from leading Multi-Media publishers such as Creative MultiMedia, Grolier, Compton's and more. DiscQuest(tm) Software, developed by Sequential Systems, Inc. and Procyon, Inc., provides 'text search', 'still graphics display', and 'audio' from DiscQuest- supported

titles. Bundled with Sequential Systems' RamFAST SCSI Interface, search performance of the DiscQuest System(tm) using a non-accelerated Apple IIs is similar to that of a Macintosh LC."

"DiscQuest GS(tm) Software (for Apple IIs computers) will be made available to resellers and end-users for use with other SCSI-type CD-ROM drives and for dealer bundling. The software includes a copy of Creative Multi-Media's popular title 'The Family Doctor'. DiscQuest(tm) Suggested Retail: \$99.95."

"The DiscQuest GS System(tm) is a bundled product that includes Sequential Systems' DiscQuest(tm) Software, an external CD-ROM drive with cable and one disc caddy, a

Meeting Notice

The next meeting is
February 17, 1994.

7:30 pm

**Appleworks 4.0 will be
the topic, a small demo
has been arranged**

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The regular membership meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month, with a start time of 7:30 p.m.. The meeting is held at:

"the computer store",
444 Ferry Street, Salem, OR.
The general public is invited to attend.

Meetings - Board of Directors

The Board of Directors meeting is held before the regular meeting or as otherwise arranged.

Annual Membership Dues

Individual member \$15.00

The WAC BBS is currently provided at no charge, however if you would like to make a donation to keep the BBS running, contact:

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Contributing writers are needed, especially for the Who's Who column. This is a member written column dealing with what each individual is doing with their computer, what kind of computer and programs you use, and how long you've had your computer. I can accept your article at any time for this column. Call me!

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RamFAST v3.01e SCSI interface, and four (4) supported CD-ROM titles. Suggested retail for the complete bundle will be around \$650."

"Sequential Systems' and Procyon's on-going commitment to DiscQuest (tm) and [the] Apple II will produce new features and many new supported titles that will result in a complete and powerful information-based CD-ROM platform for [the] Apple II."

"We sincerely believe that your customers will find the DiscQuest System to be a useful and exciting addition to their Apple IIs system."

Jawaid Bayzar of Procyon added this information: "DiscQuest works with the following hardware:

Any Apple IIs with 2MB of RAM or greater RamFAST/SCSI with NEC, Sony, Apple, and Sequential CD-ROM drives. Apple High Speed SCSI with Sony, Apple, and Sequential CD-ROM drives "If you have a RamFAST you need the very latest ROM revision, 3.01e."

The supported discQuest CD-ROM titles at this time include:

- * Darwin Multimedia CD-ROM (includes pictures and text)
- * Monarch Notes(R) on CD-ROM (some sort of writer's bonanza)
- * Sherlock Holmes on disc (both text of all of the books, as well as drawings for each story)
- * The Family Doctor (health advice, anatomy, drug data, more)

- * Shakespeare (complete works)
- * Great Literature: Personal Library Series (over 500 literary classics, including voice-overs, music performances, narrations, many images)
- * Parenting - Prenatal to Preschool (a comprehensive parenting guide, including audio and video clips showing normal physical and language development)
- * Multimedia Audubon's Birds (an ornithologist's delight)
- * Multimedia Audubon's Mammals (same for animal lovers)
- * The Best of The Bureau (many more classic literature and history volumes)
- * US History on CD-ROM
- * Countries of the World on CD-ROM
- * History of the World on CD-ROM.
- * Plus more are being added as they are developed.

Sequential suggests that you call for special introductory pricing on the discQuest CD-ROM system for the Apple IIs. They prefer not to discuss prices online, as the "retail" price is usually NOT what they are sold for in REAL life.

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Are You Computer "Green?"
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More than 75 million Americans own a personal computer, and this number is rapidly climbing as computers become more affordable. Many more use computers in their workplace (more than 40 million Intel-based PCs and seven million laser printers use 18.2 billion kilowatt/hours of electricity per year).

Most people think of computers as relatively pollution-free, but the act of computing is not. Here are a few tips to help make your computing a bit more environmentally gentle.

The Computer

If you work in an office where there are many terminals with monitors turned on, turn down (or even off) your heat in the room during winter months. Enough heat comes from the monitors to keep the room warm. If you work at home or with one computer at a time, turn off the monitor if you can when not using it, which will save a fair amount of power. This is also a good idea for servers and other machines which stay on all the time.

Electronic Mail

If your office does not have your computers networked together, do it! The use of electronic mail for inter-office correspondence can save a tremendous amount of paper. American offices last year generated more than 775 billion pages of paper - that equals 14 million tons of paper a year, or 238 million trees.

Computer Magazines

Don't throw away old computer magazines. You can recycle them by donating them to your local public library, user groups, doctor's office, health clubs, or even laundromats. Think of it as educating the masses.

Floppy disks

Do you have 3.5" floppies that just don't hold data any more? Well, don't throw them away. They make great coasters for your morning coffee!

Disk Storage

Don't buy disk storage boxes. If you or a friend has a newborn child (or know someone who has), the rectangular "baby wipes" boxes make great disk storage containers. You can fit about 50 disks in a box. Soak off the labels - you can write on the box using a magic marker.

Printers

If you use a dot matrix or laser printer there are a few things you can do. Be sure to use recycled paper (and envelopes and labels) in both types of printers, and remember to use the blank back side of sheets that you print as drafts. There is nothing wrong with using the second side of the sheet, and this can cut your consumption of paper by as much as half. Proofread

your work before you print! Most wasted paper is from stupid typographical errors.

If you use cloth ribbons in your dot matrix printer, you can usually re-ink those ribbons. In fact, you can get up to 15-20 re-inks per ribbon and the quality of the print is usually darker than newer ribbons. This also reduces the cost per ribbon. Many computer user groups have re-inkers and charge about \$1 to re-ink (versus \$5-\$15 per new ribbon). Many people have had luck refilling ink cartridges for ink-jet printers, but the manufacturers of those printers don't generally recommend that you do that.

For laser printer users, many toner cartridge manufacturers now recycle used cartridges and donate money to environmental organizations. Some even pay you, and most pay for the UPS shipping as well. Also, there are companies that will recharge your toner cartridge for considerably less than the cost of a new one (\$40 compared to \$90). Considering that more than 98% of the 15 million cartridges sold in 1991 ended up in landfills, and only a fraction recycled, you can see how important it is to recycle those toner cartridges.

Toner Cartridge Recycling

Apple Clean Earth Campaign -- 800/776-2333

Donates \$0.50 to National Wildlife Federation and Nature Conservancy per cartridge. Call them and they send you a prepaid UPS shipping label.

Canon Clean Earth Campaign -- 800/962-2708

Canon has the same deal as Apple.

Dataproducts Imaging Supplies Division -- 800/423-5095

Dataproducts will pay you \$10 for each Canon SX cartridge plus the shipping if you send 28 or more cartridges at a time.

Lexmark Operation Resource -- 800/848-9894

Recycles cartridges for the six IBM Laser Printer models in its 4019 and 4029 series. Lexmark will send you a postage paid container. They give the returned cartridges to a workshop for the handicapped which makes money by selling the parts to recycling companies.

Qume Corp. -- 800/421-4326

Large organizations can designate an employee fund or charity to receive the money from their recycling effort.

Recycleneur Institute -- 305/539-0701

For every used cartridge collected from local organization, they donate \$2 to a scholarship fund to help entrepreneurs break into the recycling business. The institute will mail you a list of cartridge recycling companies in your area.

Don Rittner is the author of "EcoLinking - Everyone's Guide to Online Environmental Information," published by Peachpit Press. Copyright 1992 Don Rittner, MUG NEWS SERVICE

Computer Terms Word Search

Submitted by.....Roger Hawthorn

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CODES

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\$28

\$2B

\$42

\$44

\$49

\$50

ERROR

FILE LOCKED

FILE MISMATCH

IO ERROR

PATH NOT FOUND

RANGE ERROR

WRITE PROTECTED

\$47

\$4C

DIRECTORY FULL

FILE NOT OPEN

FILE STILL OPEN

INVALID PARAMET

NO BUFFER AVAIL

PRODOS

SYNTAX ERROR

\$43

\$48

\$4E

DISK FULL



BBS News

By Neal Layton

On the BBS this month are the latest releases to enhance your new version of Appleworks 4.0. First thing available is a program to update your version of Appleworks 4.0.1 to version 4.0.2. If you do not have version 4.0.1 or greater call Quality Computers today and get the latest info on that subject. Currently shipping is 4.0.2 (I think.) If you have 4.0.1 then all you need is this patch to stay up to date.

Then if your into lots of patching we have two more programs for you. The first is Called "Last Patch" written by John Link, of SuperPatch fame. It includes a few(18) of the most popular patches, such as replacing some of Appleworks ugly markings and blots with more appealing mousetext characters such as checkmarks instead of arrows, etc. My favorite patch is the one that allows you to just select menu items by pressing the number(Hot Keys) and not having to press return each time. It saves a keystroke and is much faster.

The second program is RFP (Randy's free patcher) Written by Randy Brandt. It includes a few of the same patches as Last Patch, plus a few different ones. It is bundled with update to 4.0.2 patch or alone.

Both of these patch programs are very popular and if you use appleworks alot I suggest you check them out.

I will bring a copy of GS/OS system 6.0.1 to the meeting if anyone wants to bring 6 disks to copy it. If you call me before the meeting I will try to pre-copy it for you so we don't have to wait all night for my //c+ to do the job. <smile>

--- Neal

Do you have some old hardware or software just laying around waiting to be used again by someone?

This space could be yours.

Classified ads are free to paid members!

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Graphics Expander Vol.1 --- \$5

Sci-Fi Classics by Infocom --- \$15

5.25" Disk Nothcer (New) --- \$4

Various Apple Manuals --- \$1 - \$5

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For those that are interested.....

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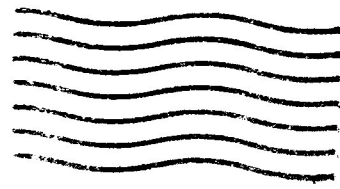
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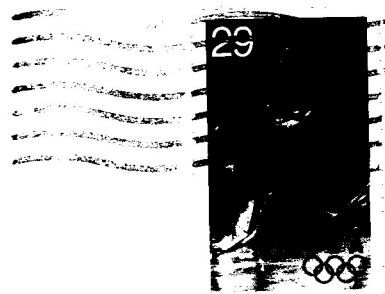
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