

SPACE

NEWSLETTER October, 2000



President's Corner by Michael Current October, 2000

Another fun and productive meeting in Sept, it was great to see everyone who turned out.

After a good bit of discussing we came up with two more modifications to the New Bylaws proposal. The changed sections read:

ARTICLE VI DISK OF THE MONTH

Section 1. A new SPACE Disk Of the Month (DOM), readable by a standard Atari 1050 disk drive, shall be produced on a monthly basis. This is for the purpose of raising funds for the club.

-and-

ARTICLE IX OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 3. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote of those present, or by acclamation if only one person is running. The term shall be for one year, or until a successor is elected. The term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which the officer is elected.

See last month's newsletter or the website for the complete proposal. Barring further modifications to the proposal, I hope we can vote on and finally bring the proposed bylaws into effect this month.

The auctions we've been holding at most meetings have been very successful at clearing out our materials, but we still have a long way to go. We plan another auction this month. Look for the return of software items for the 8-bit computers this time, plus some fairly interesting hardware.

Also, our Annual Meeting, where we vote members to our Executive Board, is coming up next month in November. Start thinking about taking on a leadership role in your Atari computer club!

Thanks, keep using that Atari, and come to your next SPACE meeting Friday, October 13, 2000.



Treasurer's Report by Greg Leitner For September, 2000

My hat goes off to the members who took time out of their busy lives to attend the September SPACE meeting. It was a perfect summer evening and anyone could have thought up somewhere else to be on such a Friday night. Thank you all for coming.

We had a lot to cover this meeting and it seems as if we may be coming down to the final vote for the Club's By-Laws. So you will definitely want to be at the October meeting for that vote.

Also, we have another auction planned and it will include hardware, software and magazines and we still have just scratched the surface of what's left in the Club's archives. You will want to have the chance to bid on some of these rare items, I guarantee that you will not find deals like this even on E-bay.

Since we still haven't got the bill for the room rental which now expands four months the Club will show another gain in the treasury. Here is how the Club's bank balance looks for the month ended 9/30/00:

Beginning balance on Sept 1, 2000	1,073.74
Receipts:	
Dom sales	39.00
Membership renewals	45.00
Auction sales	<u>38.00</u>
Total receipts	122.00
Expenses:	
Newsletter for two months	14.52
BBS phone bill for Sept	<u>21.95</u>
Total expenses	36.47

Ending bank balance for Sept 30, 2000 1,159.27

As you can see we are looking pretty good at least until we get the room rental bill. I expect this bill would be for four months (June thru Sept.) totalling \$260.00. It will drastically cut into our balance, but I am hoping that by keeping up our memberships, buying doms, and bidding on our SPACE auctions we can still be financially sound well in to the year 2001.

Keep up the support by coming to the October meeting and plan on bidding on some really cool Atari items. See you.



Secretary's Report By Mike Weist For September, 2000

The Space meeting opened at 7:50 PM. Michael Current, Space club president, welcomed members to the meeting.

Michael Current asked for a secretary report. Mike Weist, club secretary, recapped minutes printed in the September Space newsletter.

Michael Current then asked for a treasurer report. Greg Leitner, club treasurer, gave a report. Greg stated July 2000 was a good month. The club paid out \$21.955 for BBS costs. The club hasn't received a room rent bill for June, July, and August 2000 for \$195.

Income for August 2000 is as follows-----

DOM sales	\$12
2 membership renewals	\$30
From club auction	\$44
Total income	\$86
Bills	-\$21.95

Net income added to treasury \$64.05

Michael then asked for DOM report. Glenn Kirschenmann, DOM chair, reported that on the disk of month are neat games loaded in basic, but are machine language. There are off the ABBUC directory of the CD disk. Glenn remarked that there is a better display, list, and faster programs.

Michael asked for a membership report. Glenn Kirschenmann, membership chair, stated the Space club has a total of 15 members with the two renewals.

Michael asked for a BBS report. Nolan Frieland, BBS Sysop, reported that a man from the Netherlands wants to set up a message base with our club. The man is running a 8-bit BBS site. Nolan noted that he is presently going to school and has to limit his time with his BBS. His BBS number is 763-691-0626. He will be bring a copy of his BBS cost to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

There was discussion on dropping the post office box because of cost and usage. Post office box paid till December 2000. There will be table discussion of the pros and cons of keeping the post office box. There was discussion of not mailing the Space newsletter. This idea was dropped.

Proposed bylaws changes discussed in July 2000 are reflected in the September 2000 newsletter. After discussion of bylaw changes at this meeting, they will be separately printed in the

October 2000 newsletter. They will then be voted on by the membership.

NEW BUSINESS

Brian Little, a space club member, suggested that the club meetings should have a little favor to them.

Michael Weist, a space club member, reminded the membership of the upcoming Hamfest event, at RiverCentre, in downtown St. Paul on October 28, 2000.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM
club secretary

Mike Weist,

Now For Some Email Forwarded to Me by the Club President:

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BEVERLY, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sept. 7, 2000--
Leading PC and video game publisher Hasbro Interactive, Inc., (NYSE: HAS - news) announced today it has reached a favorable settlement in the intellectual property lawsuit against software companies distributing 'knock-off' versions of several Atari games. eGames, MVP Software and Webfoot Technologies consented to a federal court judgement that acknowledges Hasbro Interactive's copyrights to popular properties, such as CENTIPEDE, MISSILE COMMAND, ASTEROIDS and DIG DUG, and prohibits the sale of games cited in the suit (see following page for full list). The settlement also includes a payment to Hasbro Interactive for an undisclosed amount.

"This is a content-driven business, making the protection of our intellectual property among our highest priorities," commented Hasbro General Counsel Barry Nagler. "We're pleased that these companies and the court have acknowledged the validity of our copyrights and, additionally, believe that this will alleviate consumer confusion about the authenticity of the games they purchase."

Hasbro Interactive acquired the rights to many Atari properties for the home consumer market in 1998. Since then, Hasbro Interactive has been successful in developing and releasing new, 3D PC and video games based on CENTIPEDE, MISSILE COMMAND and, under exclusive license, TETRIS. This fall, Hasbro Interactive will release the much anticipated 3D Pac-Man PC-CD-ROM game, as well as all-new 3D versions of the Atari classics, GALAGA and BREAKOUT, for the PC and PlayStation® game console.

"The protection of our core assets is critical to ensuring Hasbro Interactive delivers to the marketplace the highest quality, best-playing games possible, so consumers continue to have a great experience with our games," added Hasbro Interactive President Tom Dusenberry.

Under the terms of the settlement, eGames, MVP Software and Webfoot will cease sales of the following games: "3D Astro Blaster," "Astro-3D," "Debris," "Debris 32," "Intergalactic Exterminator," "3D Bug Attack," "Missile Launch," "Missile 2000," "3D TetriMadness," "TetriMania," "TetriMania Master," "3D TetriMania," "XTRIS," "Trix," "Smart Boxes," "Columns Millennium," "3D Geo Mania," "3D Maze Man," "3D Chomper," "Maniac Maze," "3D Frog Man," "3D Ms. Maze," "3D Munch Man," "3D Munch Man II," "3D Crunch Man," "Tunnel Blaster," and "UnderWorld."

The suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Boston, Massachusetts, in February. An earlier settlement was reached with two other defendants named in the suit, GT Interactive and Varcon Systems.

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The Digital Antic Project (<http://www.atarimagazines.com>) is proud to announce that the full text of every issue of Antic Magazine is now available on the Web. Devoted to the Atari 8-bit and ST computers, Antic magazine published 88 issues from April 1982 through July 1990.

This site launched with two issues on July 27, 1996. More than four years later, the project's volunteers uploaded the final issue. The site includes 1,700 articles, 2,400 images, and 1,600 downloadable program files, using more than 100 MB of disk space. More than 30 volunteers have contributed time to the project.

Although the Digital Antic Project has reached an important milestone, the effort is far from over. The volunteers have already begun digitizing two more magazines published by Antic Publishing: STart, which focuses on Atari ST computers; and Antic Amiga Plus, which focuses on the Amiga platform. (People interested in donating time or magazines to the cause are encouraged to send e-mail to savetz@northcoast.com.)

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Curator of the Digital Antic Project

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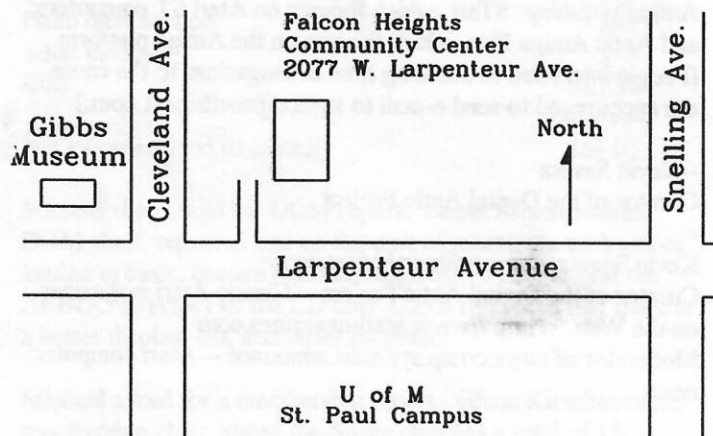
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Saint Paul Atari Computer Enthusiasts (SPACE) meets on the second Friday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Falcon Heights Community Center at 2077 West Larpenteur Ave. Doors open at 7:00 PM.



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