

SPACE

NEWSLETTER for December 2009



President's Corner by Michael Current December 2009

Quick work was made of our annual elections last month, as myself, Nolan, Steve, and Greg were all re-elected for the SPACE positions of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. Thank you for voting, and thank you to the other members of the executive board for your continued service. SPACE rocks on!

Which takes us to the annual December SPACE holiday bash and Auction. You know this is one of our biggest events of the year, and you dare not miss it! You have to come, just bring a dish to pass, and be ready to participate in the excitement of the auction too. See you there!!

Thanks, keep using that Atari, and come to your next SPACE meeting, Friday December 11, 2009.



Treasurer's Report by Greg Leitner For November 2009

Once again Mother Nature tried her best to discourage members from making the meeting in November, but she will have to do better than that. I hope she doesn't make me eat my words, but his group of SPACE members upholds the quote "the show must go on". A light persistent rain that made it at times almost impossible to see through the glare of headlights from oncoming traffic made it a most miserable drive. I thank the seven members who braved the drive. Seventy percent of our membership in November is a testament to SPACE.

On a quick vote all officers and chairmen accepted and received an aye for another year of serving SPACE. I hope Michael is okay with that because we all want him to remain our President. Things are going good for the Club as I will show you!

Beginning balance for SPACE at Nov 1, 2009:	822.25
Receipts for the November SPACE meeting:	
Membership renewals	60.00
Doms	<u>9.00</u>
Total receipts for the Nov SPACE meeting	+ 69.00
Expenses for the November SPACE meeting	
Web-site for the month	- 10.00
Ending balance for SPACE at Nov 30, 2009	881.25

You see what I mean! This Club after all the years and with a membership of ten has a treasury approaching \$900.00 and will probably surpass that in December. With an auction scheduled for next month and the rent for 2009 not yet billed to SPACE our bank account is only going up!!

I have lots of stuff for the December auction. From hardware to magazines with software and technical docs thrown in for good measure. I am not talking about a few things so bring your cash and be one of the lucky ones to walk out next month with another great buy from a SPACE auction. Another old time member from a Minneapolis 8-bit Club brought in more Atari things and if I can find the time to go through the items I hope to include some in the auction. No matter what I will still have more Atari items for future auctions.

Our Xmas party is pretty much set as (most) members are in favor of tacos once again. (yeah) Jackie and I will take care of the tacos, pop, plates and table fixings. Lance will be bringing chips and little wieners and Glen will bring the ice cream. We still need desserts and maybe something like potato salad. If you can think of anything else bring it and surprise us. We always end up with a pretty good spread and this party should be no different.

I hope everyone is looking forward to the party and bring your spouses or guest. Everyone is welcome and the more the merrier. See you all on December 11 and let's make it a great 2009 SPACE Xmas party.

**Secretary's Report
By Steven Peck
For November 2009**

Hello out there in Atariland!

As most of you know, we had elections in November. Everyone in their elected posts kept them. So, I am here to write yet another Secretary's Report for you. Let's just say I am honored to be the SPACE Secretary and I will serve my position to the fullest. Thank you for re-electing me as your Secretary.

Anyway, I really enjoyed Lance's demonstration of his patented 7800 joystick design. It was solid and I might want to buy one of them for myself once they go into production. If any of you want a good controller for your older Atari, this is the one!

Also, as everyone in the club knows, the SPACE Christmas Party is coming up next month. Although it isn't Atari, I will probably demo my ColecoVision (it's going to be sold to Tony that night, so I will miss it). I have twenty-six games along with it, so there will be at least a testing of the games. At least, I am hoping so.

So, this concludes my Secretary's Report. Keep warm, keep safe and keep using your Atari stuff, folks. Thanks.

Excelsior!



**BBS Corner
By Nolan Friedland
For December 2009**

If anyone has any comments, suggestions, ideas, or submissions for the BBS Corner column or the SPACE BBS web site, you may email them to me, Nolan Friedland, at the address shown on the back of this newsletter under the "CLUB OFFICIALS" section.

From: Michael Current [michael@mcurrent.name]
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A new atari paddle controllers design

Please visit our web site page here,

<http://members.tcq.net/video61/cx30evolved.html>

To see our latest product, a new paddle controller design. We also have a huge selection of new in the box, classic atari games here, www.atarisales.com

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From: Michael Current [michael@mcurrent.name]
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2009 9:32 PM
Subject: Atari Launches The New Atari.com

Atari Launches The New Atari.com

Play Atari Classic Games, Enter Contests, Buy Exclusive Merchandise and Enjoy Special Game Offers Just In Time for Holiday

NEW YORK, Nov. 23 /PRNewswire/ -- Atari, one of the world's most recognized brands, announced today the phase one re-launch of Atari.com. Gaming fans will have the opportunity to play Atari's legendary, addictive coin-op arcade and 2600 classics in the new Atari Arcade for free, get information on Atari's most recent and upcoming releases, buy games through the Atari Store via box or digital download, access exclusive merchandise, and enter contests and more through the newly designed Atari.com web site.

In the Atari Arcade fans can play free games such as Asteroids, Adventure, Battlezone, Crystal Castles, Lunar Lander and Yars Revenge. The classics, often replicated but never improved upon, appear in their complete original forms. The Arcade includes worldwide leader boards where gamers can see how they stack up and compete against others.

"Today commences the first stage in Atari's ongoing commitment to growing its online business with the re-launch of Atari.com," said Jim Wilson, President and CEO of Atari, Inc. "Our online roadmap contains a multitude of enhancements and exciting new features which over time will redefine how people play and connect with Atari."

At Atari.com, consumers will also have the opportunity to purchase exclusive apparel featuring the iconic Atari full logo as well as benefit from exclusive discounts on game bundles and shipping discounts on multiple purchases to enjoy the company's current blockbuster titles such as the mega hit Ghostbusters: The Video Game, which has already sold more than one million

copies, and the critically acclaimed massively multiplayer title, Champions Online. Games will be available in digital download format as well as box copies. Additionally, members of the Atari community will be able to keep up to date on news and announcements on upcoming titles, such as the highly anticipated Star Trek Online and Project Runway.

To coincide with the launch of the site, fans in the United States will have the opportunity to win an exclusive Atari T-shirt in a design which will never be sold, repeated, or made available again. The site was redesigned in collaboration with the award-winning digital production studio Fantasy Interactive (f-i.com). From offices in New York City and Stockholm, Fantasy has spent over a decade building award-winning experiences for top clients including Electronic Arts, Porsche, Nintendo, Ikea, and Joost.

The Atari Arcade will also be joined by collaboration with the leading multiplayer game site OMGPOP on 'Missile Command', to be released in early 2010. OMGPOP, a recent winner of TIME Magazine's 50 Best Websites of 2009, is lending their uniquely addictive game style and social gaming expertise to bring this highly recognized classic to an ever broader audience.

For more information on the new Atari.com site, please visit www.atari.com.

ABOUT ATARI, SA

Atari group is a global creator, producer and publisher of interactive entertainment for interactive game platforms that include PC, online, consoles from Microsoft, Nintendo and Sony and advanced smart phones (i.e. iPhone).

Divisions of Atari, SA include Cryptic Studios, Atari London Studio, Eden Studios, Atari Interactive, Inc. and Atari, Inc.

Atari benefits from its global brand and an extensive catalogue of popular games based on classic owned game franchises (Asteroids, Centipede, Missile Command, Lunar Lander), original owned franchises (Test Drive, Backyard Sports, Deer Hunter), MMO games from Cryptic Studios (Star Trek Online, Champions Online) and third party franchises (Ghostbusters, Project Runway, Dungeons and Dragons).

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From: Michael Current [michael@mcurrent.name]
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Defence Force releases new STe demo November 22nd, 2009

Dbug of Defence Force have released a new STe demo at Kindergarden 2009 called 'Save The Earth'.

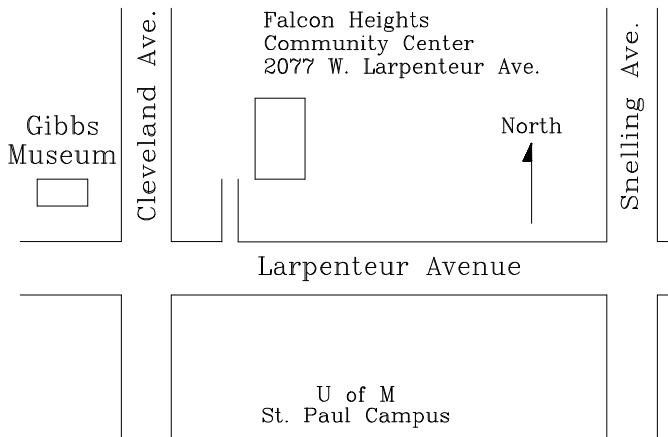
The demo requires 2MB memory or more and will work fine from harddisk or floppydisk. There are many fullscreens, many colours and many lovely Atari-touches.

» Download 'Save The Earth' incl. sourcecode.
http://files.dhs.nu/files_demo/STEarth.zip
» Visit the Defence Force site
<http://www.defence-force.org/>

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