### SPACE NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 1991 NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 8th, 1991

Newz from the Prez: November of 1991

#### Greetings everyone!

Hopefully everyone had a happy Halloween, it always proves to be an interesting day for the neighborhood in my area. Sure, the weather has been rather cold lately, but then again, the computers will run better in the cold air anyway. (Ask Richard Meir at the next meeting to explain why! Sorry Rich, I couldn't resist it)

Comming events: ELECTIONS, THIS MONTHI Please be there. This is a very important club meeting and I would like to see everyone show up to give their input. This is the meeting that will decide where the Club goes for another year. There are changes on the by-laws that need to be discussed and voted on as well as the new officer's board formally voted in. If you missed the last meeting, Sherm Erickson was recuited, er ... volunteered for the position of Vice President. Ken Modeen has stepped down in search of other pursuits. I would like to again, thank Ken for a job well done. Ken has always given intelligent and helpful input to the Club. He has been a helpful Vice President and I think he did a great service to the Club by filling this position. Thank You very much Ken and best wishes in your endeavors!

I also want to say that I am very glad Mr. Sherm Erickson accepted my nomination for Vice President. If you don't know Sherm Erickson, you should make it a point to meet him. He is very knowledgeable about the workings of the ATARI, enthusiastic about the Club, and just a great person to knowl Sherm is in the SPT (SPACE PROGRAMMING TEAM) and took the time to teach me some things I didn't know about BASIC programming. He explained it well and when he was done, I really felt that I had learned something new. With this information I was able to solve a programming challenge given to me by Mr. Larry Serflatten. Sherm's a great guy and I am really looking forward to having him work with me on the officer's board.

If you were at the last meeting, you will remember the talk we had about SPACE buying and reselling software. There has been progress made, but at the time of this writing, the outcome is uncertain because of the time involved. Several things went right and several things went wrong. If you want the follow-up on our discussion, COME TO THE MEETING.

Also at the next meeting, we will be planning the christmas bash and that is a bash with a capital "B". Get involved and help us out. That's about it for now, see you at the next meeting!

Nathan Block

S.P.A.C.E Minutes Friday Oct. 11, 1991

The meeting was called to order by president Nathan Block at 7:40 pm. A good many members were in attendance.

The first order of business discussed concerned the elections which will be held during the november meeting as usual. The membership in attendance was called upon for volunteers or to give nominations for the new slate of officers. Ken Modeen stated that he would not be running for the vice-presidency this time. At this point, Sherm Erickson was nominated for the vice-presidency. After the nomination, Sherm Erickson volunteered to run for vicepresident. It appears all officers will be running unopposed, as usual.

A change in the bylaws will also be voted on during the november meeting. The proposed change will be to change existing bylaws to include all the immediate family members living in one household to be included in the one \$15 membership fee. The voting rights and special purchase (such as the monitor purchases by members) rights will however, be 1 vote or 1 special purchase per \$15 membership fee. The specific wording of the amendment will be read at the meeting before being voted upon. All the BBS software is here that the membership agreed to purchase during the september meeting. Larry Serflaten will be installing the new software as soon as he feels comfortable with their operation manuals.

Nathan Block brought up a deal that was offered to the club by a local software distributor. The distributor apparently has approximately 1,500 pieces of atari software. The software distributor would like to sell all 1,500 pieces to the group for \$1 a disk. otherwise he will just blank it all out and use it for new software (non-atari). The membership in attendance directed Nathan to beg, borrow or buy some samples of each of the labels for sale so we can better access the demand for the software before committing to such a purchase. Updates from Nathan should be given at the November meeting. The general consensus at the meeting was that the software was old label and budget label type software, therefore, the club could afford to move slowly and cautiously in regard to this matter.

The Club was offered a complete package of the Dorsett Educational Software. The membership in attendance was very positive about the real value of this software to the membership. It was suggested that the Club offer the owner \$200.00 for the package. The vote to procede with the purchase was nearly unanimous.

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The meeting was closed by Nathan Block at 8:45

# **ELECTIONS THIS MONTH!!!**

# **SPACE BBS CORNER:**

\*Locked\* Message: 98 Title: Atari News! Author: Amos Jackson To: All

#### Posted: Wed 30-Oct-91 at 8:46:00pm

Today (10-30-91) I got a call from Bob Klass, one of the guys from K Products. He informed me of some INTEREST-ING things that I want to share with the Atari community in this area, so without further delay, I will get into these: Anyone remember that 'ol Supra Hard Drive Interface?

K Products bought the rights to that and they ARE doing work on it so it can be a much more flexable unit! They now call it KPI (for K Products Interface). It is an easy modification and makes it a very nice unit. No docs available at this time, for it's still in the testing stage. There IS an upgraded and modified RD.COM file for 1 meg upgrades running under SpartaDOS 3.2d. I was informed that this file is as reliable as the standard RD.COM file or the RAMDISK.COM file found in SpartaDOS X. Bob Klass works for Northwest Airlines, and does get up in the area from time to time from anywhere from a day to a few weeks. I informed him of the SPACE usergroup and that I would be interested in having him as a speaker at the group. I informed him that I could NOT allociate user group funds to have him speak, but if I had to, I would take the money out of my own pocket! He stated that a speaker fee would NOT be necessary, and that he would love to attend one of the meetings!! I informed him that the meetings are the second Friday of the month, and he stated that he would contact me the next time he is in the area. The last thing is that he is going to send me some utilities on disk through the mail. I am sending him a m/o for \$50.00 for his time. He stated that all but one of these files is P.D. The one that isn't is a file for the MIO that "blows" the 128 meg limit off of the MIOI This files(s) either allow the addition of more drives, or allows bigger partitioning of hard drives. I'm not sure which, but when the docs come, I will inform all of what they state. This closes my leter for now, but all interested parties can see that there is some exciting news in this letter, and that K Products cares.

\*Locked\* Message: 99 Title: Atari Newsl Author: Amos Jackson To: Amos Jackson (Recvd) Posted: Wed 30-Oct-91 at 8:53:00pm [ CONTINUED ]

He didn't call collect, he just called, and we had a BLAST on the phone!! He and his company really care about us, so all of you who have been wondering if anyone still does, they dol I'm still expectine docs and other information through the mail from him, ans as soon as they come, I'll let all interested parties know (which is all of you)!

Amos Jackson

Message: 100 Title: Atari Newsl Author: Nathan Block To: Amos Jackson (Recvd) Posted: Fri 1-Nov-S1 at 1:06:00am

Amos, thanks loads for that very encouraging news!!! I also want to thank you publicly for your PR work for the club. I would appreciate this gentleman's address, so I could express my sentiments to him and also welcome him to our user group ANYTIME he wants to come. It would be great if he could join us for our Christmas blast huh???!!! Thank you very much AMOS JACKSON!

General Topics: Message: 42 Title: ATTENTION EVERYONE! Author: Amos Jackson To: Nathan Block (Recvd) Posted: Thu 31-Oct-91 at 8;12:00am

But when it comes to software, you run table(s) at the meetings, and have some sort of idea as to what most are looking for. I feel the tip off is that you feel there are only a FEW programs worth getting. We follow that lead, for you were elected prez. There at least should be a feeling of quite a few software titles that makes the purchase worth getting. That opinion was made off of your quote, "There's a FEW titles worth getting". Couldn't we just get those titles? Amos Jackson

Message: 44 Title: See Before Purchase

Author: Nathan Block To: MICHAEL FITZPATRICK (Recvd) Posted: Fri 1-Nov-91 at 12:53:00am Thanks, you're going to love my next message!

#### Message: 45

Title: ATTENTION EVERYONEI Author: Nathan Block To: Amos Jackson (Recvd) Posted: Fri 1-Nov-91 at 12:56:00am

It is possible, but I don't know if we will get the great price of .80 cents a piece of we get a FEW titles. If purchased at .80 a piece, we only have to sell 1/3 (409) to break even. If one person bought 3 of the 6 titles at \$3, we have 70 members, that would be \$630, which would be 1/2 of our investment. But if everyone saw all the titles, perhaps, they would want to buy them all. Even if I didn't think they are that great perhaps some one else would. But before you reply, you will want to see my next message! Thanks for your comments on the subject!! The following messages are from the Flightline BBS: Messages - Atari 8bit - UseNet Conf : Atari Sbit - UseNet Msg# : 112 Sent : Oct 27, 1991 at 3:13:00 From : Ray Wilmott at Node 30803/1 To : All

Subj : 8-bit magazine

From: wilmott@remus.rutgers.edu (Ray Wilmott) Organization: Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, N.J. Just thought that with the lack of 8-bit magazine

coverage these days, some of you out there might appreciate me passing along this info. I just recently stumbled across a nicely done, slick British mag covering the 8-bit Ataris. It's called New Atari User by Page 6 Publishing. Their address is :

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Stafford, ST16 1DR, England Subscriptions to the US are 21 pounds per year. If you write to them, they'll send you a free sample copy...definitely worth it!

-Ray

#### Msg# . 175

Sent Nov 1, 1991 at 3:06:00 From : C.L. Freemesser at Node 30803/1 To All Subj · CSS at the Chicago Atari Show From. clf3678@ultb.rit.edu (C.L. Freemesser)

For all of you 8-bitters who plan on attending the Chicago Atari Show (or who are thinking about it), Computer Software Services will be attending, with quite a few show specials on various products. A little bird told me that CSS will \*HOPEFULLY\* have a major product announcement/release at the show. All I'll say is, it's a long awited product that everybody keeps asking for. And yes, if you ask, I do work for CSS. : ^) Chris Freemesser, RIT Comp.Eng.Tech.

Msg# . 177

Sent : Nov 1, 1991 at 5:05:00 From : -Unknown- at Node 30803/1 To · All Subj : Re: & VENDOR/DEVELOPER LIST From Benjamin L. Poehland August 1991

NOTE. The following list was compiled from information furnished by various publications, vendors, and the 8-bit archives of Current Notes. No representation is made as to the validity, completeness or accuracy of this list. Entries are in random order.

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No Frills Software (developer) 800 East 23rd St Kearney, NE 68847

Ed Kielbazinski

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Tom Harker

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Alpha Systems (developer/vendor) George Morrison 1012 Skyland Drive Macedonia, OH 44056 216-467-5665

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Computer Software Services (developer/vendor) Bob Puff P.O. Box 17660 Rochester, NY 14617 716-429-5639

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904-383-0745

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503-967-9075

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617-329-5400

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Elfin Magic Software (developer) Randy Constan 23 Brook Place E. Islip, NY 11730

Springboard Software, Inc. (developer) 7808 Creekridge Circle Minneapolis, MN 55435

612-944-3912

Home Computer (vendor) 12008 Bustleton Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19116

215-934-6999

BaPAUG Publishing (publisher) Colin Hunt 248 Wimborne Road Oakdale, Poole Dorset BH15 3EF England

Current Notes, Inc. (publisher) Joe Waters 122 N. Johnson Rd. Sterling, VA 22170 703-450-4761

Best Electronics (vendor/developer) Brad Koda 2021 The Alameda Suite 290 San Jose CA 95126 408-243-6950

The Software Toolworks (developer) One Toolworks Plaza 13557 Ventura Bivd. Sherman Oaks, CA 91423 818-907-6789

Unicorn Publications (publisher) Bill Rayl 3487 Breaburn Circle Ann Arbor MI 48108 313-973-8825

Software Infinity (vendor) Greg Brown 642 East Waring Ave. State College, PA 16801

Toad Computers (vendor) Dave Troy 556 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd. Severna Park MD 21146-3818 301-544-6943

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BRE Software (vendor) 352 W. Bedford Suite 104 Fresno CA 93711 800-347-6760

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MWPD Software (vendor) M. Wallace 890 N. Huntington St. Medina OH 44256

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BellCom (vendor) P.O. Box 1043 Peterborough, Ontario Canada K9J 7A5

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MAPDA-USA Branch (vendor) Steve Hoffee 333 Peninsula Drive Lake Aimanor Ca 96137

CDY Consulting (developer) David Young 421 Hanbee Richardson TX 75080 214-235-2146

Newell Industries (developer) Wes Newell P.O. Box 253 Wylie TX 75098 214-442-6612 Change In Heat (developer) 12 Bella Vista Place Iowa City, Iowa 52245

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#### Mag# : 191

Sent : Nov 2, 1991 at 18:30:00 To : All From : Bill Marcum at Node 30803/1 Subj : New magazine (was Re: Writing for Current Notes) AtarlUser has been publishing monthly issues since May. Cover price is \$1.00, but it's distributed free by Atari dealers and user groups. If you can't find it in your area, I'll

dig up the mailing address. Oh-here it is: Subscriptions are \$19.95 from Quill Publishing Co. 113 W. College St. Covina CA 91723-2008 USA

Conf : Atari 8bit - UseNet Msg# 15 Sent : Sep 23, 1991 at 1:03:00 To . All From : Ray Wilmott at Node 30803/1 Subj : Atari's farewell to the 8-bits

I got the following info from Cuurent Notes magazine, and thought I'd pass it along...

Atan Corp. is sponsoring the Chicago Atarifest November 23-24 at the Ramada O'Hare in Chicago (near the airport). At this fest, 2,000 square feet of space has been reserved for 8-bit products. Atari will be emptying out their warehouses of all remaining 8-bit products. This is the last 8-bit support that you'll ever see from Atari...who knows what sort of treasures may be uncovered...

for info, contact Mike Brown at LCACE user group: M.BROWN56 (on GEnie) or write Chicago Computerfest by Atari c/o LCACE

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#### From The Editor:

The game review of Alternate Reality, The City, was not by Rich Mier, but his son, Roger Mier. Which was correctly stated at the end of the review.

#### DOM INFO:

Joe Danko did not get the information to me in time for printing. If you have any questions, please direct them to Joe Danko.

#### From The Editor:

Due to weather and mechanical breakdowns, the newsletter will be mailed after the meeting.

Here is this months installment of Word Search. This month it is CREATURES, HAVE FUN! Title: CREATURES

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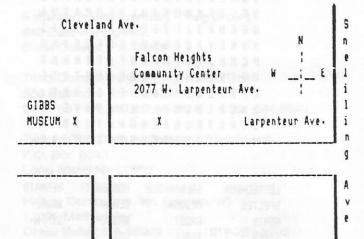
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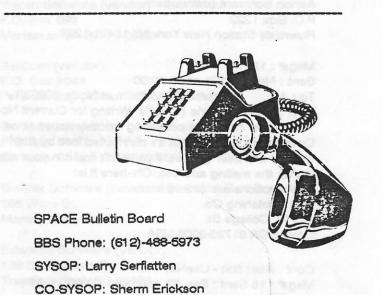
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