
Alex Narvey Joins MacSense Magazine

Precursor's founder, Alex Narvey, has joined the staff of MacSense – Canada's National E-zine. MacSense is a new electronic magazine (based in Canada) which seeks to provide interesting and insightful Macintosh information to an international market. The latest issue of MacSense, (October '94), is currently available in on-line. [From the Precursor Desktop go News:MacSense]

Apple LaserWriter 8.2 / PB 150 & 630 Fixes!

Apple has released version 8.2 of the LaserWriter PostScript Print Driver and suggests that "all customers using previous versions of LaserWriter 8 upgrade to the LaserWriter 8.2 driver." The new driver —offered for regular printers and those with fax cards— has major fixes and some new enhancements that make the driver easier to use. Apple has also issued minor bug fix corrections for the PowerBook 150 and Macintosh 630 series of computers. You can find the new print drivers and the computer updates on Precursor BBS in the Apple Stuff conference.

FWB Hard Disk ToolKit Problems!

It seems that Norton Utilities 3.0 is not the only disk utility program that can cause data loss (see issue 1:9 of Precursor FaxNews). Rick Ford of MacWEEK reports that FWB's Hard Disk ToolKit has two serious compatibility problems. HDT 1.6 may cause crashes on PowerBook 540c's with the 300 Mb IBM drive. The second problem involves HDT 1.5 or earlier being used with Norton Speed Disk 3.0 or 3.1. The full details of the problem will be reported on in TidBITS Magazine #246 which will be available on Precursor BBS in the News area by Wednesday, October 5.

Adobe Font & Function Fall Deals!

The fall edition of Adobe's Font & Function catalogue has a plethora of excellent deals on top quality PostScript™ fonts. The press release describing all the current offers is available on Precursor BBS. [Go News:Press Releases from the Precursor Desktop].

PhotoShop 3.0 Recall!

MacWEEK reports that Adobe's just-off-the-presses PhotoShop version 3.0 has a serious flaw. The date limitation from beta copies was not properly removed and the release version to expire at the end of 1994. Adobe has already begun shipping version 3.01 to fix the problem. An on-line updater will be made available on Precursor BBS when it is released.

Claris Ships Draw, Organizer; Updates FM Pro

Claris is now shipping its new integrated PIM (Personal Information Manager), and its MacDraw replacement, ClarisDraw. Claris has also updated FileMaker Pro to 2.1v3. The U.S. and Canadian English versions of the FMPro updater, and the demo versions of the new products are available on Precursor BBS in the Files:Claris, Files:Demo Stuff, and Files:Updates areas.