# **Precursor Fax News**

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### Syquest: Dust A Danger!

The new 200 Mb Syquest drives have a built-in sealed dust door but if you are operating the old 44/88 Mb drives your housing is sucking in dust whenever it is turned on. This dust can lead to disk damage. Precursor Systems has made a bulk purchase of special Syquest Dust Doors for the 44/88 Mb drives. All Precursor Basic Support Plan and up members will be receiving these devices free. Economy Plan members may purchase a Dust Door for \$12.95 + G.S.T. If you are not currently on a service plan the price per door is \$19.95 + G.S.T.

### FREE: Adobe Type Manager 3.8.2!

Adobe Systems is now distributing the full version of Type Manager 3.8.2 with the recently released Acrobat Reader 2.0.1. The update seems to have more comprehensive installation capabilities and allows Acrobat 2.0.1 to work with QuickDraw GX under System 7.5. The update is available on Precursor BBS as the file: Acrobat Reader 2.0.1. [Files:Adobe Stuff:Acrobat Reader]

#### Adobe PageMaker Rebranded to CD-ROM!

The new Adobe PageMaker 5.0 comes on a CD-ROM with both 68k and PowerPC native versions. The CD also ships with a working copy of PageTools and 220 free fonts from the Type-on-Call CD. PageMaker 5 owners who purchased after Jan. 27/95 get the CD edition for free. Owners older copies of 5.0 can get the CD with fonts for only \$29 U.S. by calling (800) 682-2320.

### Lino Intros Quasar, Gutenberg

Linotype-Hell recently introduced two new products:

Quasar, a large format drum imagesetter, will come with a RIP50 Speedway processor and have integrated head punch capabilities. It will image to paper, film and polyester plate material at 1270 to 3387 d.p.i. at sizes up to 19.9" x 21.1" for negatives. Cost is estimated at \$86,000 U.S. Gutenberg is a \$400,000 (aprox. U.S.) direct-to-plate system that will image aluminum plate material of sizes up to 32.5" x 42" at resolutions up to 3386 d.p.i.

#### **Agfa Announces New Products**

Agfa has released a variety of new products including: AccuSet 1500 – a high volume, high speed capstan imagesetter (\$45,000 U.S.) StudioCam – Agfa's first digital camera, due in September, with 4,500 x 3,648-pixel resolution. DuoProof – a 300-dpi thermal dye-sub. /thermal-wax 11" x 17" proofer also due in September. Python Full – A \$7,000 (U.S.) Power Mac software RIP for film recorders due in May. CristalRaster 2.5 – An upgrade to Agfa's stochastic screening software. Due in April.

### **Precursor Systems**

### 2.0 Precursor BBS version 2.0

Precursor BBS has undergone many exciting changes and improvements in recent weeks. The improvements are reflected in our new Precursor BBS Settings file version 2.0. With this special supplement we would like to take the time to show you some of the new features we think you would most appreciate. [Download the new settings 2.0 from: Important! BBS Software]



### designOnline™

Precursor BBS is now participating in a gateway with designOnline<sup>™</sup> that will bring you a dozen special discussion conferences of interest to those in electronic design. Conferences include: design theory; design technology; design reviews; design resources; design practice design letterforum; design education; design & society; and much more. The designOnline forum can be found in the Links area on your Precursor BBS Desktop.



### QuarkXPress Mail List

We are now bringing in an Internet Mail List that discusses QuarkXPress. Dozens of messages pour through this conference every week and we feel it is a great addition to our other on-line Quark resources. Check it out by going Files:Quark Stuff: QuarkXPress while on Precursor BBS.

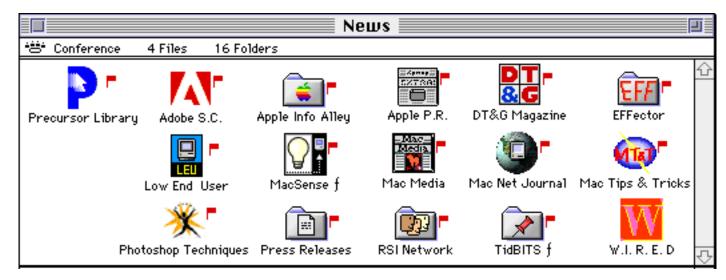


#### Mac Media Magazine

The News area on Precursor BBS continues to grow. We are now pleased to bring you Mac Media Magazine – an electronic publication covering desktop design and publishing.

### **EFFector Now On-line**

The Electronic Frontier Foundation's EFFector newsletter is also now in our News area.



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#### Emigre Fonts Now Serving!

Another new addition to our Links area is the Emigre Fonts Now Serving! gateway. Check out the latest fonts from this renowned avant garde design house.

### Precursor Sampler Goes Internet

Precursor BBS is also gatewaying out and a special sampler with selected highlights from Precursor BBS will begin appearing this month on Productivity Online<sup>™</sup>, a FirstClass BBS available on the internet originating from Cincinnati, Ohio. The Sampler will include part of our Vendors area. If your firm is interested in participating please call (204) 992-3100 for more info.

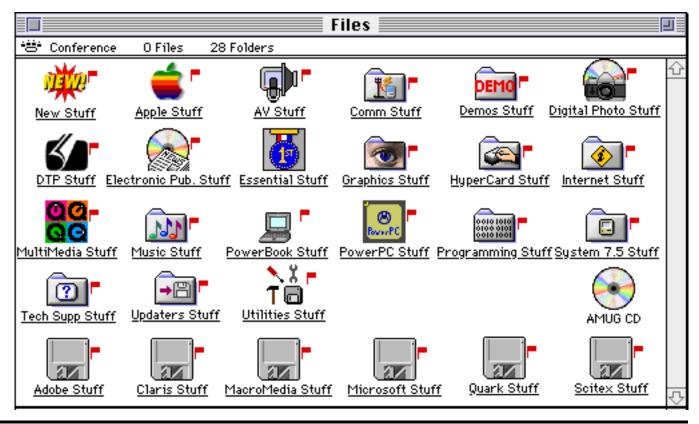
#### **New Vendors Catalogue**

With the new Precursor BBS Sampler being gated to Productivity Online<sup>™</sup> a variety of new options to those individuals and companies wishing to advertise electronically. Our new Catalogue of Vendor Services, "Becoming a Vendor", is now available on-line in the Important! area. Interested parties may obtain a hard copy by contacting us at (204) 992-3100.



### **Internet Files Area Expands**

Our Internet Files area has all the latest internet files and info to get you on the net.



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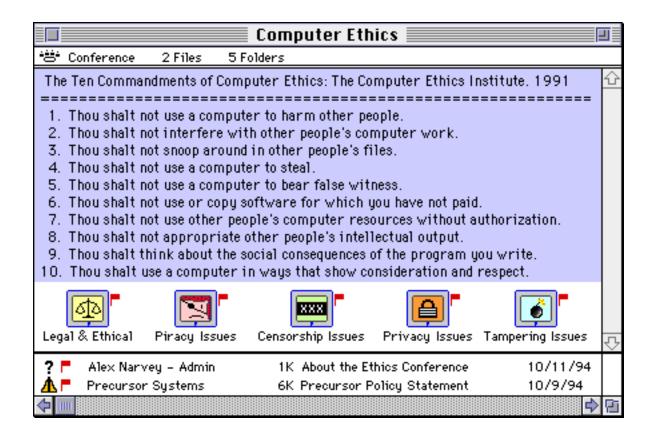
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### **Computer LifeStyles Joins Computer Ethics**

Precursor Systems has added four Computer LifeStyles conferences to our existing five conferences on Computer Ethics. The new conferences will be dedicated to Home Computing; Portable Computing; the Future of Computing; and, Healthy Computing. All special area conferences will be part of the Precursor Gateway Sampler being sent out to Productivity Online<sup>™</sup> (see above). The new conferences can be found on-line in our brand new Special area.

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### **Global OneNet + Internet Newsgroups**

Precursor BBS continues to offer special Mac technical conferences from the global OneNet<sup>™</sup> and various Mac-oriented Internet Newsgroups. These appear in our expanded Links area.

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