Big Shake-up at Quark

Less than a week after the announcement of Adobe's InDesign page layout program, Quark is engaged in a restructuring that looks more like a bloodletting. It appears as if the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer have either resigned or been removed. The company is not making any statements but the Denver Post reported last week on the sketchy details of a massive restructuring that involves changes in product divisions and the line-up of top senior staff. In an internal memo obtained by MacWEEK, "Senior Staff" say the moves have been taken to "ensure that our company is streamlined and focused." Quark Chairman and Chief Technical Officer Tim Gill remains with the company.

Quark Finally Offers Floppy-less Install

In response to Apple's floppy drive-less iMac and Power Mac G3 Blue & White models, Quark has developed a version of 4.04 for Macintosh CD Install that does not require the use of a floppy disk. Registered QuarkXPress users in North America may order the 4.04 Macintosh CD Install by calling Quark Customer Service at 800-676-4575, or Quark Technical Support at 303-894-8899.

Iomega Drops Prices; Recalls Power Supplies

Iomega has reduced the price of its 100 MB Zip drives. The SCSI and parallel port drives now have an Estimated Street Price of $99.95 U.S. while the USB Zip drives drop $30 to $129.95 U.S. The company has also recalled about 60,000 Jaz power supplies –sold between Sept/98 and March/99. The power supply is model number GPC14- 2001 with serial numbers starting with three digits, from 837 through 907. (When checking your serial number, Iomega tell users to first unplug the unit). Call Iomega at 800-781-3296.

Adobe Rebates to New G3 Owners

Just a reminder to Precursor Customers who have purchased the new Power Macintosh G3 Blue & White models: If you buy a full upgrade version of Adobe Photoshop or Adobe Illustrator and an Apple Power Macintosh G3 between January 5, 1999, and April 30, 1999 you can take advantage of the included rebate coupon for $100 for full versions of Adobe Photoshop 5.0 or Illustrator 8.0 or $50 for upgrades. (Prices in U.S. dollars).

Aladdin Confirms StuffIt Glitch

Aladdin Systems, makers of StuffIt have confirmed a problem with the recently issued StuffIt Engine 5.1 and StuffIt Engine PowerPlug 5.1 (which are installed by DropStuff 5.1) which causes some ".bin" files not to be expanded correctly. The company says it is working on an update to fix for this problem In the mean time the fix is to remove the StuffIt Engine and StuffIt Engine PowerPlug from your Extensions folder and then drag and drop the .bin file onto the StuffIt Expander icon. You do not need to restart the machine to do this, and when you are done you can simply put the Engine and PowerPlug back in the Extensions folder.