

PUNN Newsletter

MEETING OF October 4, 1983

NEXT MEETING November 1, 1983



OMSI COMPUTER FAIR by Stan Hiller

A BIG thanks to Gary Swendsen and any members who has volunteered his time in promoting PUNN to the general public.

WORKSHOP IN REVIEW by Gary Thomas 625-6539

The Sept.10 Workshop did not go quite as structured as was planned. I was, however, happy with the information exchange that occurred among those club members who showed up. Stan Hiller was able to provide some help debugging a program Jim Thomas wrote to compute the heating requirements of a room. We tested some cassette drives, answering standard questions about the 99/4A and I was happy to learn I could stop or start a program listing to the screen using the space bar! Al Kinney demonstrated the mailing list program we will be using to track the members in the future. I also passed out copies of the nonrepeating random number generator I spoke about last month. Jean Sittner saw hard copy from a printer she had been thinking about buying so she got one the same day! She is happy with her new \$299 GEMINI 10X printer. Perhaps she can review it for us one day.

Next months WORKSHOP will be a bit different. We have been preempted from the Willamette Center this month so the Oct.4 PUNN meeting has been moved up to 7:PM to allow for some time to set up and demonstrate file transfers between 99/4A's using the RS232c interface. THERE WILL BE NO SATURDAY WORKSHOP IN OCTOBER DUE TO NON-AVALIBILITY OF SPACE. THE NOV.12 WORKSHOP WILL BE AS PLANNED.

NO! PUNN WORKSHOP

That is correct, NO workshop this month because we were unable to reserve the PGE building at the Willamette Center.

There will be a workshop after the regular meeting October 4. To due this the regular meeting will be held at 7:PM and the workshop to follow. So bring your computer problems (BUGS) to the October 4th meeting and workshop.

Oct. 4, 1983 1st Tuesday of each month meeting 7:PM - workshop to follow

===== FUTURE MEETINGS =====
NOV. 1, 1983 1st Tuesday of each month
Dec. 6, 1983 1st Tuesday of each month
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FROM THE LIBRARY by Lynn West, PUNN Librarian

Each month this column will be used to feature programs from the PUNN library.

KEYPLAY (M0102) by Don Steffen, is programmed in extended basic. Choices include: play from keyboard, compose a song (9 are included), or LOAD-SAVE a song. A really fun and educational program!

Towers of Hanoi (G0213) by Bob Langill is programmed in basic. A terrific version with clearer graphic display. A real challenge to play. A beautiful programming job!

ABC Quiz (E0204) or (E205 with speech) by Kerry Haas, is programmed in extended basic. Terrific graphics and sound. This will teach your 4-7 year olds their ABC's.

This month's Programs

**** PRESIDENT'S CORNER ****

A new year has arrived and I am happy to say our previous problems are behind us.

Thanks to Bob Chase of NOVA, and Fred Steward of SDNN, for informing the other user groups. Hopefully, others will benefit from our mistake.

Groups out there! Beware! Know your officers, and members and be careful you're not buying stolen computer merchandise.

Now a BIG thanks to you PUNN members for getting together and supporting yourselves in maintaining PUNN. Also, those other User Groups that continued their support by sending their newsletter to us.

This year I would like to have everyone get involved in various ways, with some type of computer activity, from which we all benefit. Writing about your experience when using a particular module or program or some programming tips. We need your ideas and letter writing abilities to keep PUNN's newsletter in print.

How about different groups forming together to learn their computer or Basic or assembler? Those of you who have experience on TI-WRITER, MULTI-PLAN, PRK, etc. could give a demo. We need Demo's so that all can share in new ideas we can use.

President, Stan Hiller

Extended basic games:
Helicopter Attack. Excellent game with fast action and great graphics. Better than a lot of 3rd party stuff.
Dodgem. Get your car across traffic without crashing.
Diamond Drop. Catch falling diamonds in a wraparound screen.
Two levels of play.

Basic games:
Air Defense. Save your cities from oblivion!
Robot Chase. Lure the robots into self-destructing before they turn you into junk.
Civil War. Excellent text game where you make the decisions on the order of battle. Based on the actual outcome of sixteen different battles.

Household:
Cookie file. Tell the computer what is in the cupboard and it'll tell you what can be made!
Birthday List. Keep a record of those all important dates.
Mailing List. A cassette based program to hold your addresses for easy access.

Utility:
ScreenKeep. Save your screen image on printer.
Titlemaker. Design on screen titles with borders and colors.
Program Compactor. Shorten those overlong programs.
Spritedit. Draw sprites and save hex-codes for use in your programs.

Review Column:
We've had the fun of reviewing some 3rd party games lately and these are the ones that caught our eye(or hand)
Nit-Wit from Texware Inc. An intelligent fast paced word game. Use your brain and hands together.
Z-Burt also from Texware. Good graphics and technique. Similar in some respects to Q-bert.
Strike-Force 99 from Moonbeam software. Superior graphics and speed in a space shoot-em-up.

**** CALENDAR OF EVENTS ****

February 7, 1984
March 6, 1984
April 3, 1984
May 1, 1984
June 5, 1984
July 3, 1984
August 7, 1984
September 4, 1984
October 2, 1984
November 6, 1984
December 4, 1984

All general meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, at the P.G.E. Bldg, 3700 SE 17th at 7:PM to 10:PM with workshops.

MAILING

This issue will be given out at the meeting on Feb. 7 and if you are not at this meeting we will mail it out. From now on we will mail it out. Please check the address on label and let us know if it is wrong.

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EDITOR NOTES

With this issue I will take over the printing and writing the PUNN newsletter.

I will need some help from all the members. When you have any items that you think our members would like to see or read, send or give them to me. The address is TED Peterson, PO Box 230221 Portland, OR 97223. The phone number is 244 1587. Send in something.

PROGRAM

The program for the meeting of Feb. 7th will be a program about 3 of the Modules that TI has come out with. They are Statistics, Personal Report Generator and Personal Record Keeping. There are also some programs that the club has in the Library.

There will be three speakers that will go over these Modules. We need more speakers to cover other topics. This can be any good program, Module, piece of equipment etc. Let show our members what you are doing.

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FROM THE LIBRARY
BY LYN HALL, PUBL. LIBRARIAN

Each month this column will be devoted
to feature programs from the P&H Library
Library Series by the author, and
presented in extended form. Changes
in the program schedule will be posted
to the included, or included, or
sent to you in the and newsletter
program.

Tower of Hanoi (1983) by Bob Duffell
is presented in series. A 1983
version with several graphic displays
is available to view. A detailed
programming job

on 1983 with special
programming in
graphic displays and
dash your 8-5 year



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