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EXPO '92 is History!

The first NeXTWORLD EXPO is a success: I can only hope that the events behind the scenes at the EXPO were just that. The EXPO came off in large part because of certain members of ANuG and Mitch Roider. Thanks to Bill Edney and his sister, and to Todd and Scott. NeXTWORLD may not have thanked you but I will. The Keynote address was, as expected, one of many Steve successes. The crowd of NeXTheads sat stunned as their high priest preached the gospel of NeXT Computer and of NeXTstep3.0 (see the other article). Behind the scenes there was a different feeling. The backup system was never fully installed before the address. Steve was flying without a net. With only one slight mishap with the DBkit over a Teradata communication, it was almost too perfect.

Well now that it is over, all that is left are the new rumors. Here are some that I have heard:

- NeXTstep on the SPARC
- Death for the Cube (RIP)
- Twin 88110 CPU's in a RISC NeXT (Twin Turbo maybe?)
- Software MPEG
- 3.5" Optical drive (20ms and 250megs)
- No DSP (the 88110 can handle it)
- Multiprocessor option board

Let me in on anything you may hear. Maybe I haven't heard that one, or maybe I can give you more information.

Greg Burd

NeXTstep 3.0 is Here!

NeXTstep runs on the 486 also: Object linking as easy as 'cut & paste', real time Renderman, support for AppleTalk, support for Novel, everything improved! Best of all "It just works, right out of the box!" - Steve Jobs; Those are only a few of the highlights of release 3.0 of NeXTstep. That comes along with the release of NeXTstep for the 486. "Finally some good software for PC's!" - Steve Jobs; Binary compatibility with 2.0 compliant apps on both NeXTstep and NeXTstep486! In other words Taligent today. (Taligent is the code name for the Apple/IBM os to come out in 3 to 5 years) The system requirements for NeXTstep 486 are 8megs RAM at least 100meg hard drive, and a JAWS video card. (not another video standard on PC's!) It turns out that SVGA would only have enough power to run NeXTstep in a one bit mode. For sound, you must turn to a SoundBlaster™ card. NeXTstep also has more color in the workspace, all new icons. The is the promise of support for multilevel Undo, for now there is a template of what will be in the Appkit in Draw.app. **One Another Note:** ANuG won a Abaton 24/96 Fax/Modem in the Golden Nugget Awards. The modem will hopefully be hooked into TV-I and in return for the use of its faxing ability we will get the UUCP login's we need to allow for NeXTmail at home for everyone!

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Meeting Information:

- **Feb. 8th:** SYBASE meeting
  - ->Time: 2pm to 5pm
  - ->Place: TV-I (email for map)
  - ->SYBASE, and EXPO info!
  - ->Lots of Giveaways
- **March 14th:** Dues come due... and possibly Appsoft (yes *the* Appsoft)
- **April:** Who do you want to see?

Odds and Ends

- T-Shirt sales at EXPO were good. Of 288 shirts taken 230 were sold. Unfortunately 30 were stolen (the rest were given away). ANuG will not take the loss. Profit so far = $800.
- I need more volunteers to take over administration of ANuG! I now have two jobs, and 16 hours of school. HELP!
- The Parity Bit Newsletter will be quarterly, there will be a monthly Update edition. (just like our big brother NeXTWORLD)

Tekton: the mission critical font.

Q: Where have you seen this font?

A: Tekton was the font that Steve Jobs used in his keynote address. It was also used by some of the NeXT employees in their presentations at NeXTWORLD EXPO '92.