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Apple Posts Q4 Earnings of \$170 Million

Misha Sakellaropoulo of MacNN wrote, "Apple today reported fourth quarter earnings, with profits of \$170 million, or 47 cents per share. Excluding one-time gains, which came as a result of the sale of \$62 million worth of ARM holdings, profits were \$108 million, or 30 cents per share. This was one cent below the street's revised estimates. Revenue for the quarter was \$1.87 billion, which was in line with Apple's revised estimates. Apple had originally anticipated revenue of \$2.05 billion.

In a decidedly more toned down and somber conference call, CFO Fred Anderson, who was joined by CEO Steve Jobs for the first time in a conference call, explained Apple's poor performance for the quarter and the directions the company was taking to remedy the situation.

Anderson commenced the keynote by explaining to investors what factors attributed to the \$180 million in revenue shortfall. Chief among the three reasons were poor sales of the Cube, coupled with that of Apple's new displays. This accounted for some \$90 million worth of lost revenue.

Educational expectations were also short by \$60 million, for reasons Anderson explained later on, citing the late roll-out of the \$799 iMac, new iBooks, and Apple's educational sales rep transition."

MUGSNJ Dues Structure changes

We will be changing our dues payment schedule to a 10-month, prorated system beginning September.

Beginning September 1, 2000, all members' dues payments will be collected in September. July and August will be "free" months, that is, they will not be considered as part of the dues structure. If you've already paid for the coming year, your amount owed will be discounted by the number of months until your current membership expires.

Our new dues schedule will be:

Regular\$20
Family\$25
Student (not GCC)\$10
Senior Citizen\$10
GCC Staff\$10
GCC Students	Free

NOVEMBER 2000 CALENDAR						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 7:30 P.M. 15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	REGULAR MEETING 7:30 P.M. GCC AHT RM. 500 29	30		

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From the Editor

Mugsnidge Mutterings

Hey! What do you do with all those shareware and freeware CDs you get from the magazines? Do you take the time to browse through them, or just throw them in the CD file and hope for a free day when you'll have the time to thoroughly peruse them, selectively pick-



ing out the few you think you would like to learn to use? I must confess that I belong in the latter group. I was going through my CD case this week, and much to my chagrin, I found all these old Mac Addict CDs that never found their way to my CD drive.

Sooooo...I began to sort through them, and found that they were really old--dating back to 1997. But that they had some really neat stuff on them--stuff that I probably would never use, and some fun things that I tried. Like the sound bytes that you can add to your System File (in the System Folder in OS 8.6) and make into alert sounds.

Or you can put them into the Startup or Shutdown folders for really interesting effects. If you're the only Mac person in the midst of a bunch of PCs, you can really annoy your co-workers with some of these beauties.

My favorite one, and I have it installed on my 8600 at home, is entitled Mystical Chant. It begins with monk-like voices floating from nowhere and then a soft-spoken male voice croons, "Welcome... to the world of Macintosh...(more chanting, fading...). Lifts you gently into the realm of computer fantasy..."

Another (and there are several like this) is an adamant challenge of the PC into an arena where the Macintosh will surely beat the Pentium. There's the one that states that "God made the heavens and the earth and all its creatures and man and woman, and on the seventh day He rested, and invented the Macintosh."

These are audio files by Clixsounds <<http://www.clixsounds.com>>, who also offer an application that would randomly select whatever alert sounds you have installed and play them at the appropriate time. There are so many available,

and all the user (you) needs to do is drop them in the appropriate folder, or just double-click to open them. They don't require an application, they just run like a little recording until they're through.

That was my thrill for the week. I guess the moral of the story is that when you get one of these CDs, don't leave it sit for a couple of years. You don't know what you may be missing.

There may be a danger in installing some of the old software on these obsolete disks. The system you are now running may not be compatible with the older versions. This could cause extension conflicts and even crash your hard drive altogether. I did install some of the games (not my usual fare, mind you) and in playing them sometimes found the demo version to be wanting. One demo actually did freeze my system and I had to force a restart. I think I installed about eight ~~different ones, and in trying them finally~~ settled for two, and one that I haven't opened as yet.

Of course I will pay the shareware fees (eventually) but the sound bytes were all freeware.

And then there were the fonts.

I love fonts. I would have a thousand of them installed if the system would tolerate them. I think every type face (font) has a personality, and when coupled with the right phrase can communicate something stronger and more meaningful than the words themselves. Lots of these CDs have fonts on them.

Fonts don't get old. The oldest fonts will run on the newest systems, provided they aren't corrupt. And the best ones to use are the PostScript fonts using the Adobe PostScript language. They print beautifully on a PostScript laser printer, and are always found with two icons, one for the screen (usually a suitcase) and one for the printer (usually a hollow A or a printer icon). Only one will show up in the fonts menu of your application. The other kind is TrueType, and it shows only one icon in the Fonts folder.

What about all those AOL CDs that just keep on coming? I have my own favorite place for them. And it's not in the CD file with my antiques.

Members On Line

World Wide Web Sites of Interest

from Frank Petrie, MUGSNJ Member

Macintosh News

- Macintosh News Network <www.macnn.com>
- MacSurfer Headline News <www.macsurfer.com>
- MacInTouch <www.macintouch.com>
- AAPL Investors <www.appleinvestors.com>
- As The Apple Turns <www.infoXczar.com/atat>
- MacOSRumors <www.macosrumors.com>
- **Dave Marra's website (www.marathon.com)**

Help

- MacCentral/Forums <www.maccentral.com>
- MacNN/Forums <www.macnn.com>
- AppleInsider/Chat <ww.appleinsider.com>
- **MacSolutions <www.macsolutions.com>**
- MacTips <www.themacintoshguy.com>
- MacFixIt <www.macfixit.com>
- PC Talk <rblevin.net/TOC.htm>

Macintosh Books

- Macbookshop.com <www.macbookshop.com>
- Peachpit Books <www.peachpit.com>
- Barnes and Noble <www.barnesandnoble.com>
- Amazon <www.amazon.com>

Buy & Sell

- Mac4Sale.com <www.mac4sale.com>
- DealMac <www.deal-mac.com>
- MacTreasures <www.mactreasures.com>
- Ebay <www.ebay.com>

USB

- MacInTouch USB Guide <www.macintouch.com/imacusb.html>
- USBStuff <www.usbstuff.com>

Escrow service

- TradeSafe <tradesafe.com>

Software

- VersionTracker <www.versiontracker.com>
- Download.Com <www.download.com>
- Mac Downloads <ww.zdnet.com/mac>
- Antique Mac Software <www.macintouch.com/earlymac.html>

Appearance

- Font Diner <www.fontdiner.com>
- ClixSounds <www.clixsounds.com>
- The Icon Factory <www.iconfactory.com>
- DeskStop <members.aol.com/deskstop>
- Steve's Free Desktop Pictures <www.steveweb.com/FreeDTP>

Resources

- Encyclopedia Britannica <www.brittanica.com>
- Language Translations
<babelfish.altavista.digital.com/cgi-bin/translate?>

Just for the Fun of It

- The Apple Museum
<www.applemuseum.seastar.net/sections/home.html>
- Driveways of the Rich and Famous
<www.driveways.com/>
- EarthCam <www.earthcam.com>
- The Magic 8 Ball <www.themagic8ball.com>
- Doonesbury <www.doonesbury.com/dailydose>
- Northern Sun <www.northernsun.com>
- Mr. Showbiz <mrshowbiz.go.com>

Apple Rebate on Cube and PowerBook

It could be the speed. It could be the style. It could be the flexibility. It could be the quiet.

You could have any number of reasons for wanting a hot new PowerBook or Power Mac G4 Cube. And we'd like to offer yet another.

A new manufacturer's mail-in rebate program at the Apple Store and participating Apple resellers lets you save \$200 when you purchase a new PowerBook or \$300 when you purchase a stunning new Power Mac G4 Cube with a matching 15" or 17" (16" viewable) Apple Studio Display or the panoramic 22" Apple Cinema Display.

The promotion runs from October 13 through December 31.*

Don't worry if you can't decide whether you'd prefer a G4 Cube and display for your desk or a PowerBook to take on the road. You can have the best of both worlds and save yourself a tidy \$500.

<http://www.apple.com/promo/>

Free Web Design Seminar

You tool around the web. Visit site after site. Exploring. You get to see what the rest of the world is doing. Then you hit "that" site, pick your lower mandible off the keyboard, and hear yourself say, "I want to learn how to do that."

On November 9, Apple and Adobe invite you to attend a free interactive web design seminar, intended for web designers, multimedia professionals, and anyone else interested in hosting web pages that blow people away. "Breaking Web Barriers: The Ultimate Design Solution" will be broadcast via satellite simultaneously to audiences in 10 cities.

See how you could use Photoshop 6, GoLive 5, Illustrator 9, the dual processor Power Mac G4 and Apple Cinema Display to create stunning, media-rich websites featuring cutting-edge vector animation and QuickTime. Register for this free seminar. But hurry. Space is limited:

<http://www.adobe.com/bwb/>

MUGSNJ Members Take Notice

Our secretary is in the process of updating the membership list and has noticed that many of our members owe dues. As mentioned before, our collection program has changed. Dues will be pro-rated on a ten month basis, September through June. Everyone's donation for the following year will become due each September beginning in 2001. For this 2000-2001 period, current members dues will be pro-rated. (\$2.00 or \$1.50 per month according to classification.)

The following list represents the information obtained from the database. Since there may be many checks or cash that have been deposited before being recorded please let her know of any discrepancies so she can enter the info. Also, many of those listed may be GGC students or honorary members and owe nothing. Please advise.

Member	Last Recorded Payment
Donald McGinnis	September 1998
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Daniel Shockley	September 1998
Pearl Nickel	September 1998
Samuel Siler	September 1998
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Mel Beer	May 1999
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Reviews by MUGgers

Aladdin Systems Spring Cleaning 3.5

By Robin Lee Burns

According to the software package, Spring Cleaning 3.5 will "save you megabytes of disk space quickly and easily." And I have found that this is quite true. It's very easy to use—all you have to do is follow directions!

I have a three-year-old iMac and it was getting really bogged down. Everything seemed to take forever to load, but I wasn't sure what I should do about it. Then along came Spring Cleaning 3.5. It's great! I got rid of so much junk from my hard drive—old unneeded files, orphan files, unusable aliases—all sorts of stuff. It even installs a storage area for files you're not using now, but may find a use for later.

Even better is the iClean feature. With this, you can get rid of unwanted cookies, web browser cache files, and internet history files. I've freed up so much space on my iMac hard drive that I'm looking for other software to install! My iMac now runs as fast as a Macintosh half its age.

But I feel I must warn potential users to be sure to pay attention to what you're deleting! I made the mistake of not paying attention and inadvertently deleted half of my Photoshop filters. I certainly learned my lesson.

So...is Spring Cleaning all it's cracked up to be? I'd definitely say so. And I keep finding more uses for it. You can repair aliases with it, too, which comes in very handy.

On a scale of one to ten, where one is poor and ten is great, I'd rate Aladdin Systems Spring Cleaning a strong eight. I'd rate it higher, but I'm still miffed about my Photoshop filters.

See special later in this issue—Ed.

MrSID Review

by Cesar Muniz

This review is very limited due to the fact that the CD did not load up. I was kicked out when I clicked on the license agreement Accept button. I use a beige G3 266 MHz desktop with 96MB of

RAM running OS 8.1. I am reviewing the User Manual only.

The concept of exporting and/or importing high resolution images by reducing storage requirements by 300 percent while maintaining the quality and integrity of the original is commendable. However, I would like to have had the opportunity to compare the results of this application with other compression formats.

There appear to be some conflict between the User's Manual and other advertisements for your product regarding system requirements, as follows:

<u>Advertisement</u>	<u>User Manual</u>
Mac OS 7.5	Mac OS 8.5 or later
Adobe Photoshop 5.0	Adobe Photoshop 4.0 or later
64MB RAM or better	96MB RAM or better for Photoshop
	108 MB RAM or better for QuarkXpress

In my opinion this product becomes a niche player, due to cost, high memory requirements and limitation to Photoshop and Quark Xpress users. But if it actually performs as promised, these users may find it worth while.

"Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful people with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan 'press on' has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race."

—Calvin Coolidge

By Chris Breen

MacWorld Tips

Boo!

Intermediate

If you'd like to hide your important files and folders from nosy coworkers and family members, download a copy of Logan Murray's \$12 shareware utility, Ghost 3.5. Ghost allows you to easily make files and folders invisible and keep track of these items through a Favorites window. Note that Ghost does not offer encryption and the items it makes invisible can be found and made visible with other programs such as ResEdit.

You can find your copy at <http://www.macdownload.com>

CoolCam

Intermediate

Looking for a more intuitive webcam application for your Power Mac, PowerBook, iMac, or iBook? Then take a peek at Evological's \$20 shareware utility, CoolCam. Unlike other webcam applications that employ dialog boxes for creating and editing items, CoolCam is WYSIWYG—when applying text, badges, clocks, and blurs you can see how they'll look floating on top of your live video feed.

If you'd like to get into the broadcasting business, check out CoolCam at <http://www.macdownload.com>.

iOrganize

Intermediate

Looking for some applications you can run with the Mac OS X beta? If so, give Bruno Blondeau's \$15 shareware utility, iOrganize, a try. iOrganize includes a NotePad module that allows you to group notes by category (plus it allows you to import standard NotePad files); ContactPad, an easy to use address book; and AliasPad, a place to clump aliases for easy application- and file launching.

Bruno offers both the standard iOrganize 3.0 for those running the Classic Mac OS and the carbonized iOrganize 3.1b1 for those exploring OS X beta.

You can find your copy at:

<http://www.brunoblondeau.com/iorganize/iorgdownload.htm>

Escape the Programmer's Window

Intermediate

If you somehow find yourself inside the Programmer's Window (by pushing the indented button the way out is to type "G" (without the quotes) and then press Return.

Free(ish) Games!

Intermediate

Now that the Supreme Court has refused to hear Sony's challenge to a lower-court ruling that Connectix's Virtual Game Station does not encroach on Sony's intellectual property rights, it's time to fully embrace Connectix's PlayStation emulator.

An easy (and free!) way to do so is to download the Virtual Game Station demo. This demo allows you to play PlayStation games on compatible Macs (you need a G3 or better Mac for VGS) for as long as you like. However, the demo doesn't allow you to save games in progress, doesn't support 2-player play, doesn't allow you to use a game pad, and doesn't come bundled with a free PlayStation game as does the commercial version of VGS.

You can find your copy at:

http://www.connectix.com/download-center/demos_trialware.html#CVGS

Escape Hatch

Intermediate

If you've failed to turn off the "Warn me if computer was shut down improperly" option in the General Controls control panel and the repair window appears every time you restart your Mac after it crashes, you can get out of this repair window by pressing the Escape key on your Mac's keyboard. Because it's hard to tell exactly when pressing this key will do the most good, try pressing it repeatedly when the repair window first appears. This not only removes the window as quickly as possible, it provides an avenue for you to take out your frustrations on the Mac for crashing in the first place.

Spring Cleaning Special, But Order It This Week!

Spring Cleaning 3.5™ will no longer be available at \$19.95 after this month so you better get it now because on November 1st this price goes away.

Save \$30 off the regular price and get Spring Cleaning 3.5 today and bring the zip back to your Mac!

Just \$19.95!

In case you don't already have Spring Cleaning 3.5, you're missing 13 powerful tools to help you clean and organize your hard drive. Spring Cleaning 3.5's searches are fast and focused so that you can find and remove the unwanted clutter from your Macintosh, easily, quickly, and safely.

And now with our new iClean(tm) tool, you can sweep away all the unwanted Internet-related files that clutter up your computer too, with just one click.

Do you realize all the files being placed on your computer every day when you use the Internet? It's amazing the amount of files that websites can deposit on your computer. Have you ever tried removing old applications and files only to wonder if you got everything out that you wanted? If so, Spring Cleaning 3.5 was designed for you.

If you use the Internet, have you ever looked to see how many cache files your browser has created? Go ahead, take a look in your System folder and see for yourself.

Saving space is still important. The more stuff you have, the harder it is to find what you want. Plus applications are bigger than ever and eat up your hard drive no matter what size drive you have in your Mac! Don't waste space and time on stuff you don't need, get Spring Cleaning now!

Keeping your Mac nice and tidy is a great idea, but it's hard to find a place to start. So here's my tip, start with MacUninstaller and remove those applications you don't use anymore - its very fast - or clean out all that trash from Internet browsing with the new iClean feature in Spring Cleaning 3.5. We make it easy. And there's more.

Let me tell you what we have done to make Spring Cleaning even better:

New: iClean Quickly Removes Internet-Related Clutter

For quick cleanups of the stuff you pick up from the Internet, iClean can't be beat! Conveniently located on your desktop, it's easy to use iClean as part of your everyday

Mac regimen. Quickly remove cookies, cache files, histories and more in one simple step.

New: Faster, Easier Searches

Spring Cleaning has had a major overhaul to make it easier and faster to use. Now you have more options when searching for the useless files you want to be rid of. You'll find the new Spring Cleaning 3.5 is the most powerful, easy to use version yet!

Spring Cleaning does even more to keep your computer clean. Here's what's included in your copy of Spring Cleaning:

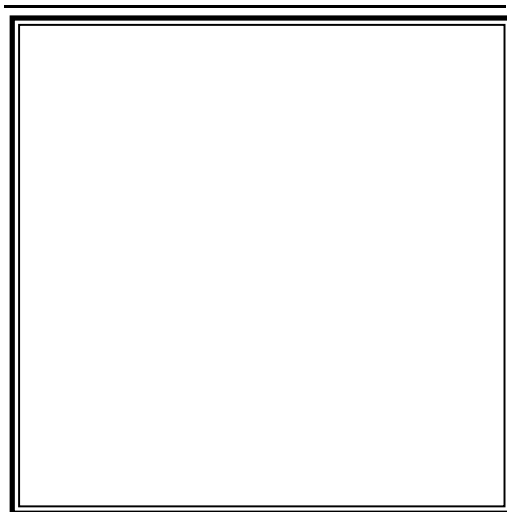
- MacUninstaller completely uninstalls old software applications and files fast.
- Internet Cache Remover sweeps away Internet cookies and cache.
- Duplicates Remover finds duplicate fonts and files so you can remove them.
- Document Finder finds files of the same type so you can remove them if their application is gone.
- File Checker looks for damaged files and helps reduce crashes and freezes.
- Orphan Adopter reassigns orphaned files to new parent applications so you can use these files.
- Orphaned Prefs Remover helps clean out unneeded preferences when the application is no longer in your system.
- Alias Fixer repairs invalid aliases and reassigns them to a new files.
- Font Remover helps organize fonts on your computer.
- Help Remover searches out those old help files you don't use anymore, you'll save tons of space here alone. * Empty Folder Remover gets rid of empty folders that you stumble over.
- Storage Items Remover trashes files you had in storage.
- Fat App Slimmer eliminates excess application code you don't need because your system doesn't run it.

And using Restore, you get the security of knowing that if you delete something that's truly vital to your computer, you can restore it back to its original location in just one step.

As always, we back our products with a no questions asked 30-day money back full refund policy. So, start Spring Cleaning your computer today for \$19.95!

<http://www.digitalriver.com/aladdin/29393/>

The Mug Store Password Schedule (www.applemugstore.com):
6/1/00-7/31/00: User ID: user / Password: group
8/1/00- 9/30/00: User ID: osx / Password: aqua
10/1/00- 11/30/00: User ID: G4 / Password: cube





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How did you learn about MUGSNJ? _____

At which user level would you classify yourself? Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Computers owned _____ Computers used _____

Current OS _____ Other software experience _____

Special interests: Desktop Pub./Graphics Video Communications Beginner Mtgs.

Other _____

I'll help with these positions: Membership Newsletter Program Hospitality

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Hardware and software assistance
- Info on the latest software and upgrades
- "MUGSHOTS" newsletter available at meetings
- Notices of Macintosh events
- Special interest groups (SIGs)
- Meet great people!

*NOTE: Corporate/Institutional memberships are granted by approval of the Executive Committee of MUGSNJ, and are based on the number of memberships requested by the corporation/institution as well as its non-profit status.