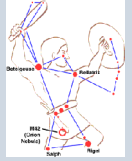




Stellar Times



March 2009 Newsletter for Orion Business & Accounting Solutions

Saint Patrick's Day's Fun Facts



March 17th celebrates Saint Patrick's Day.

Over 41.5 billion pounds of beef are produced each year for St. Patrick's Day.

Corned beef is strictly an American invention, the Irish don't actually eat it to celebrate the day.

The original Guinness Brewery in Dublin has a 9,000 year lease

Bailey's Irish Cream which was launched in Ireland in the early seventies, is now the most popular liqueur in the world.

Leprechauns are the official shoe makers of the fairy kingdom.

Shamrocks are the national flower of Ireland and are picked on St. Patrick's Day and worn on the shoulder.

The ancient Irish used to wear green to show their love for the harvest gods.

Over 94 million people plan to wear green on St. Patrick's Day.

St. Patrick was actually of Scottish descent, not Irish, and contrary to popular folklore he never chased any snakes out of Ireland.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Newly Designed Website!



Odds and Ends from Orion:

- We have been working on new design for our website and it is finally up and running. Please take a moment to review it at www.orionbas.com We want our website to provide more information for our customers and those seeking us through the internet. You'll find informative links to Sage products and Sage news. We would appreciate any feedback you have on the new layout and content.
- For those on Level 4.1, Level 4.2 and Level 4.3. Sage has been consistently releasing a new service update for 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 on a monthly/bi-monthly basis. Level 4.1 is on service update number 21, Level 4.2 is on service update number 22 (both of these are their Microsoft Vista compliant releases) and 4.3 is on service update number 9. These updates are available to you as part of your Client Care subscription with Sage. If you need help installing any of the service updates or have any questions, please give us a call.

Till Next Month,



New Payroll Tax Table Update!

The Internal Revenue Service released new withholding tables, after the stimulus package passed by Congress and signed last month by President Obama. This contains a number of tax breaks aimed at the middle class and small businesses. The new tables incorporate the new Making Work Pay credit, one of the key tax provisions included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and will result in more take-home pay this spring for millions of American workers (or so we are told).

The IRS asks that employers start using these new tables as soon as possible but not later than April 1. For more information on the new tax table, follow this [link](#)

Sage has a new Tax Table Update TTU for Payroll available for those on a current Sage Software Maintenance Plan. These updates may be used for Library Master versions 4.x and 3.71, 3.72, and 3.73.

Please contact us if you need help downloading or installing your 2009 TTU.

Spot Light on MAS Level 4.4!



We recently sat in on a webinar from Sage which was a preview of Level 4.4 due to be released in the second half of 2009. Here is a summary of the material covered.

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WHAT'S NEW IN MAS LEVEL 4.4 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

New and Enhanced Capabilities

Inventory Management, Purchase Order Processing, Bill of Materials and Bar Code modules get updated into the new Business Framework. Much like the changes you have seen to General Ledger, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable and Sales Order, you will see options like

- Batch Entry
- Memo Manager Standards
- Undo in line entry
- Dual Grid Entry
- Save Custom Report Settings for each system user, same report, etc..

Also, Expanded Customer Number (now goes to 20 characters) and Expanded Inventory Number (now goes to 30 characters).

Increased Usability

Purchase Order

- Drop Ship—lines populate PO regardless of Primary Vendor or Items Vendor Maintenance. Also, include all Drop ship line items in PO options
- Auto generate a single order for multiple items to same customer
- View Alias item info throughout the system
- Back Order Fill Report—PO Receipt of Goods (Purchase Order options for Printing) Sort by; sales order, customer number, bill to name. Also, only print items received—only includes item received with a backordered quantity on a sales order
- Receipt Labels—Receipt of Goods Update, now offers to print receipt labels before update prompt

Sage has said that they will beta test the new release this summer, with a target release date sometime in the 4th quarter. We will keep you updated with any new developments.

Exciting March Promotion from SAGE!



SAVE BIG in March on adding new users or new modules!

In consideration of these challenging times, Sage wants to recognize our loyal Sage MAS 90 and 200 ERP customers who are current on their Client Care Plan. We want to provide them with MORE so they can maximize the effectiveness and capabilities of their solution:

- Purchase two user licenses and get a **free third user license** *
- Purchase one module and get a **free second module** (up to \$1,500 value) **

Special offers valid March 10 - 31, 2009.

**Eligible Sage customers must be on an active Client Care Plan. Offer cannot be combined with any other promotion.*

*** Eligible Sage customers must be on an active Client Care Plan. Offer cannot be combined with any other promotion. Modules must be purchased via one transaction at the time of order to be eligible for the savings. Customer pays for higher priced module and receives a free module of equal or lesser cost. Offer applies to Sage MAS 90 and 200 modules and Extended Solutions; however, it does not apply to third-party modules. Limited to one free module per customer. Maintenance fees apply to both purchased and free modules.*

Sage Winter Promotions valid through March 31, 2009. Please contact Jim Steele for more information.

March Madness Hardware Special

If you buy more MAS90 users from the Sage Promotion, you'll probably need a few new workstations!
This PC will work fine as a MAS90 workstation and comes with Windows XP Pro, but also has a Vista license for when you are ready to upgrade.

HP dx2450 Microtower \$670.00 (plus tax where applicable)

Genuine Windows Vista® Business with downgrade to Windows XP Professional custom installed
300W ATX power supply
AMD Athlon X2 5400B processor (2.8 GHz, 1 MB L2 cache, HT bus 2.0)
NVIDIA nForce 430 Chipset
2 GB DDR2 800 MHz non-ECC (2 x 1 GB DIMM)
160GB 7200rpm SATA 3.0Gb/s NCQ SMART IV
Integrated NVIDIA GeForce 6150SE
16X SATA SuperMulti LightScribe DVD+/-RW
22-in-1 3.5 Media Card Reader
HP PS/2 Standard Keyboard
HP USB 2-Button Optical Scroll Mouse
Realtek ALC888S High Definition Audio Codec
Integrated Realtek 8111C-GR 10/100/1000 Ethernet
1 year parts, labor and onsite service standard warranty. Certain restrictions and exclusions apply.
2007 Microsoft® Office Ready (60 day trial)
McAfee Total Protection
Genuine Windows Recovery CD
HP L1908w 19-inch Widescreen LCD Monitor



**Promotional Price good through March 31, 2009*

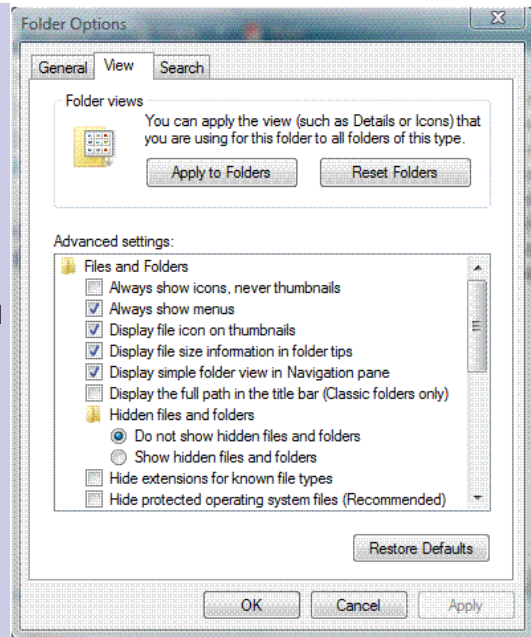
Call Jim Steele at 248-893-1060 (email jimsteele@orionbas.com) to order or for more information

Windows Tip

Vista Power Tip—Restore your Menus

Vista's own windows and many new applications lack the familiar File, Edit, and View menus. But we've gotten used to them after all these years! You can enable them through each application—if they're included at all.

To turn them on in Vista proper, open any window (such as Computer, or Documents), click Organize, and click Folder and Search Options. Select the View tab and fill in the check box next to Always Show Menus. Click Apply and then OK. Alternatively, to show the menus temporarily, just hit the Alt key with any given window in the foreground.



We encourage you to provide us with your feedback, comments and suggestions on how we can better serve your business needs. Contact us at **248-893-1060** or email to jimsteele@orionbas.com