

#### A Newsletter for Clients of Parkinson Accounting Systems

#### Winter 2009

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### welcome New Clients!

#### Safe-Bidco, Santa Rosa

With over 25 years of lending experience, Safe-Bidco offers a variety of solutions to meet the financial needs of small businesses.

#### Point Reyes Cheese Company, Point Reyes Station

Bringing an all-natural farmstead product directly from the ranch to the consumer's table since August, 2000.

#### Kanduz, Inc, San Francisco

A new company selling furniture from around the world in California and Mississippi.

#### www.pas90.com

## PAS NEWS

## Parkinson Accounting Systems welcomes Josh Hoobler

We're happy to welcome Josh Hoobler to the PAS team. Josh has an extensive background in office

administration and customer service in both the public and private sectors. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Literature from the University of California, Santa Cruz and his Master's of Arts in English from San Francisco State University. Josh will be replacing Theresa Bavero who has decided to return to New York at the end of 2008. We will miss Theresa, but are excited to bring Josh on board. He may be reached at extension 104.

#### Happy New Year from Parkinson Accounting Systems

Employment

The PAS team thanks you for making 2008 a great year and wishes all of you a prosperous and joyous 2009.

#### Seeking Employment?

Do you have experience with Inventory Management, Credit Management, AR/AP, Collections, Warehouse Management, Billing, Purchasing, or Customer Care.

**Opportunities** 

Are you seeking a position that would afford the opportunity to grow as a professional and offer ongoing challenges? If so contact us to be placed in future newsletters.

#### Looking to Hire?

Is your company looking to fill a position in the fields of Accounting, Tech-Support, Customer Care or Management? Let us know and we can place a posting in our next newsletter.

For more information on employment opportunities or to notify PAS of candidates seeking employment or available positions, please call (415) 499-9959 extension 104.



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## Winter 2009 PAS Client Conference

This conference will be a little different. PAS will present  $\underline{two}$  topics with each taking 90 minutes.

#### First – Distribution with MAS 90/200 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

This is a must see demonstration for our clients who maintain inventory. Sage has built a lot of functionality into the Inventory Management, Purchase Order, Sales Order, and RMA modules. These four modules form the core for managing distribution. Even long time users may not be aware of many time saving and useful features built in. Let us show you what the system is capable of. I'm sure you will learn something of value. We will also show some of the integrated enhancements that take the capabilities even further.

Second – FRx Financial Reporting, an Introduction 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

If your company purchased MAS 90 or MAS 200 since November 2001, you received a copy of FRx Desktop for financial reporting with the general ledger. (For companies who purchased MAS before then, there is a one-time charge of \$1500 to purchase FRx.) This powerful custom financial reporting tool is often overlooked. We will create a simple financial report in the presentation with hands-on training. Then we'll demonstrate some of the more advanced features.

Learn how to prepare presentation quality financial statements easily. FRx can also be used to create consolidated statements from multiple companies, drill-down to transaction detail, and more.

When: February 20, 2009 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

Where: Learn iT! Computer Training Center

33 New Montgomery St. San Francisco, CA www.learnit.com

**Cost**: You may choose to attend either one or both parts of the presentation. The seminar is, as always, virtually free. There is a \$100 fee that covers both parts. If paid by Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, you will receive a \$100 gift certificate upon attendance.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Josh Hoobler at (415) 499-9959 or register online at www.pas90.com/training.



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The Apparel Source, a customer-oriented active-wear wholesale distributor, has been specializing in fast service, low prices, and high quality garments for over 40 years. To meet the needs of their customer base, the company has expanded its inventory from T-shirts, sweat shirts, and golf shirts to a broader range of garments including infant clothing, youthful women's styles, dress shirts, jackets, and much more.

Until the early 1990's, The Apparel Source utilized a computer system developed primarily for inventory management. The software however could not handle the other areas of accounting and business operations and the company quickly

#### **COMPANY PROFILE**

Headquarters: Oakland, CA

Type of Business: Apparel Wholesale

Number of Locations: 1

Number of Employees: 6

#### SYSTEM PROFILE

#### **MAS 90 Modules**

- Accounts Payable
- Accounts Receivable
- Bank Reconciliation
- Business Objects Interface
- Crystal Reports
- General Ledger
- Inventory Management
- Payroll
- Purchase Order Processing
- Sales Order Processing
- Apparel Matrix Extended Solution

outgrew the capabilities the system offered. Company president, Dave Feldhammer, began to research solutions that could meet the growing needs of The Apparel Source, ultimately deciding on MAS 90 due to its ease-of-use and cost-effective price.

The Apparel Source has been running smoothly for many years with their MAS 90 system. The company has stayed current on their software maintenance with Sage, and has benefitted from upgrades, and adding enhancements such as the Apparel Matrix Extended Solution for the Inventory Management module. The modules utilized, particularly Inventory Management and Purchase Order Processing, provide for a comprehensive system with many automated features making for better time management and less room for error. Feldhammer is particularly fond of the auto-generation feature of Purchase Order processing in which a Purchase Order is automatically created when a Sales Order is entered.

Since 2001, The Apparel Source has partnered with Parkinson Accounting

Systems for MAS 90 support. "I am very pleased with Parkinson Accounting Systems. They are quick to respond whenever a problem is encountered" says Feldhammer. "We are also receiving great benefit from PAS custom Crystal reports - especially the one that assists with our inventory re-ordering process. Jon and his team help us get the most out of our investment in MAS 90."



## NEW PAS Custom Enhancement! Rapid Invoice Entry



#### NEW MODULE – PAS RAPID INVOICE ENTRY for AP (RIE)

Originally designed for the grocery industry – the PAS Rapid Invoice Entry system allows users to quickly and accurately enter a large stack of invoices. The system utilizes the standard Accounts Payable Repetitive Invoice Entry files where users will pre-configure the vendor and one or more general ledger accounts numbers associated with each.

An invoice can be quickly entered by entering as little as three fields. The user enters the vendor number (or selects from a drop down list), the invoice number, and invoice amount. The invoice date defaults from the setup. If there is only one gl account associated, the full amount of the invoice is allocated to this account.

If there are multiple gl accounts, the user is prompted to enter the distribution for each one. In any event, it gives the user the flexibility to change gl account numbers when necessary.

The RIE also writes data directly back to the AP Invoice Data Entry files and takes the user through AP invoice posting process.

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Additional Features:

The system allows entry of invoice numbers longer than 10 characters. The full invoice number is kept in a user defined field and can be configured to print on the check stub. Only the last 9 characters of an invoice must be unique for each vendor.

There is a running batch total and all entered invoices are visible on the data entry screen. This allows rapid review and correction of entered invoices before posting.

If your organization would benefit from this enhancement, please contact Jon Parkinson for more information and pricing details.

#### PAS Crystal Reports Conference Review

#### By James Converse

Parkinson Accounting System's latest conference was recently held at the 'Learn It' Center in San Francisco. Attendees received a \$100 gift certificate for PAS services, as usual, making this event virtually free. All of the PAS consultants were in attendance (Jon Parkinson, Kurt Kunselman, Nancy Matranga, and yours truly,



James Converse). By the time the conference started, there were only two seats left. Jon started the conference by explaining exactly what Crystal Reports is and how it works.

In case you missed it, here is a quick explanation: "Crystal Reports is designed to work with MAS 90 to help you analyze and interpret important information."

After Jon taught the basics, he then started talking about more challenging concepts, such as formulas, grouping data, and how to filter data using the selection criteria. This is where Kurt, Nancy, and I really helped out. We all stepped up to help clients individually that were struggling with certain portions. Next, Jon talked about how to finish off the reports by formatting them. Formatting Crystal Reports is very similar to formatting a MS Word document or Excel spreadsheet, so most clients just breezed through this.

After Jon went over all of the difficult items, I had the opportunity to talk about how to add the finished Crystal Reports to the MAS90 menu. That way finalized reports can be used by everyone in the company. I also had the chance to talk about the different and very powerful exporting options of Crystal Reports, such as exporting reports into MS Excel, or sending them through your MS Outlook mailbox directly from Crystal Reports.

Finally, Kurt took the opportunity to talk about using the Crystal report building wizard. The report building wizard is a way to come up with reports that can show most of the same information as building them manually, but the wizard lets you do it in fewer clicks. It's great for quick and easy reports!

Based on our survey, clients that attended the conference were extremely pleased and enlightened. Personally, I just want to thank everyone who attended. I hope that the conference has at least sparked your interest and demonstrated what Crystal Reports can do for you.

#### MAS 90 - more than just Accounting Software **Tackling Distribution** with MAS 90/200

#### By Kurt Kunselman, MBA

More than 60,000 distributors utilize Sage Software solutions to get their products to market rapidly with Distribution Management Software. The Sage MAS90



and MAS200 distribution management software solution gives you the power to cut costs, build profits, and manage your inventory. With the business to business supply chain efficiency you gain, you can count on improving customer service, satisfaction and loyalty.

Sage MAS90 and MAS200 ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) Software includes all of the applications that distributors need to automate their business.

Following is a listing of **Distribution functions** and the **Sage Software Products** for MAS90 and MAS200:

- Kitting and Assembly Bill of Materials Module
- Min/Max & Safety Stock Inventory Management Module
- Bar Coding Inventory Management, Scanco Barcode Software
- Credit Card Processing Credit Card Processing Module
- Project Management Job Cost Module
- Quotations/Estimates Sales Order Module
- Serial Tracking Inventory Management Module
- Automated Purchasing Purchase Order Module
- Lot Tracking Inventory Management Module
- Multi-Facility Inventory Management Module
- Landed Cost Inventory Management Module and Purchase
  Order Module
- Economic Order Quantity (EOQ) Inventory Management Module
  and Purchase Order Module
- Work Orders/Work Tickets Work Order Module
- Work In Process (WIP) Work Order Module and Inventory Management Module
- Integrated Ebusiness Storefront Ebusiness Manager Module
- Standard, Average, Lot, FIFO & LIFO costing Inventory Management Module
- Fixed Asset Management Fixed Asset Module
- Payroll Payroll Module



In addition is a listing of a **Distribution company's functions** and **3<sup>rd</sup> party Software** that seamlessly integrates with MAS90 and MAS200:

- Customer Relationship Management (CRM) ACT!, SageCRM, Sage Enterprise Suite
- Retail/Counter Sales AccuPOS, Hightower Point of Sale
- Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Kissinger, True Commerce
- Field Service Job Ops Software for MAS90 and MAS200
- Rental Management BCS Prosoft Automated Rental Management Software for MAS90 and MAS200
- Human Resources Abra HR Software

The Core Distribution Modules include Inventory Management, Sales Order and Purchase Order.

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ABC Distribution and Service Corp. (ABC)

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The Inventory Management (IM) Module is the corner stone of an effective distribution management solution. The MAS90 and MAS200 IM Module provides insightful data pertaining to the receipt of goods, transfer of goods between locations, the sale, removal or other disposition of goods. In addition, you can report a precise valuation and status of goods remaining in inventory at any time.



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The Sales Order (SO) Module gives you quick and accurate access to product availability when processing customer orders. In addition the SO Module allows for flexible pricing including special discounts, credit limits, automatically generating invoices and daily backorder reports. Adding the Starship and Credit Card module to SO provides instant history of online purchases and shipping entry including tracking information on shipments.

The Purchase Order (PO) Module provides you with accurate records of your purchasing function. Every time you order goods from vendors, a contract is created in the PO Module. This includes date required, expected delivery date reports, Open PO by item reports, PO BackOrder reports, and a receipt of goods history. Drop Ship PO functionality is included with your software and can be created from the DropShip Sales Order. In addition, users have the ability to create Purchase Orders based upon open Sales Orders.

As you can see, MAS90 and MAS200 are more than just Accounting Software. Any distribution company can benefit from all the functionality and offerings provided by the Sage MAS90 and MAS200 distribution management systems.





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