The Diaspar Virtual Reality Network

Features of the Diaspar Virtual Reality Network:

Online Graphics - send and receive colorful graphics using free software.
Online Video Imaging - receive video images in email, conference messages and chat.
Online Shared Virtual Worlds - explore a Virtual World with someone.
Online Tele-Operations - remotely control rovers and robots.
Online Virtual Networks - Virtual Offices operated by businesses and organizations.

The cost for you to access Diaspar is only $1.00 per hour. The free communications program called Dmodem allows you to use the advanced features of Diaspar and operates on most 386's and 486's with VGA color monitor. Shared Virtual Worlds (SVW's) have an additional fee of between 50 cents and $2.00 per hour. The SVW called POLY (Polygon Playground) costs only 50 cents per hour for each user. POLY was written by Joe Gradecki. POLY is based on REND386 written by Bernie Roehl and Dave Stampe. Diaspar's revenue sharing system for World software developers and World Artists means that these pioneers receive compensation for their efforts every time you enjoy exploring one of their worlds.

New Virtual Networks (Virtual Offices) on Diaspar:

Digital Expeditions   **Precision Systems Online**
John Wiley & Sons   **VictorMaxx Technologies**

Digital Expeditions is working with The Planetary Society and Diaspar to provide a series of online services addressing space exploration. Digital Expeditions is a small company that is developing advanced telerobotics technology for space and terrestrial applications. The Planetary Society is the world's largest non-profit space organization.

John Wiley & Sons Virtual Bookstore will be presenting an on-line seminar with author Joe Gradecki on April 16, 1994 at 1:00 PM Pacific Time. Please register online on Diaspar no later than April 9, 1994 as availability is limited. Joe Gradecki is the author of *The Virtual Reality Construction Kit*, ISBN# 0471-00953-9 at $27.95 with disk.

Precision Systems Online is the distribution site for Screen 9 software. Screen 9's software includes a free graphics drawing program for creating and sharing graphics based on the Diaspar Modem Graphics (DMG) protocol.

VictorMaxx Technologies customer support, information and product announcements are available. VictorMaxx is a manufacturer of low cost Head Mounted Displays and other Virtual Reality products.

New Products Available on Diaspar:

Diaspar Home-brew Video - TV Camera and Video card for sending Online Video
VictorMaxx StuntMaster   - Head-Mounted Display for home-brew VR experimenters

How to Get Started:

The easiest way to get started is to use your computer, modem and the communications software you are already familiar with. Have your modem call 714-376-1234 and type **NEW** when you are asked for your Virtual Name. Fill out the on-screen account application and you will receive a 30 day trial membership and 5 free hours of access. From the Main Menu, type option A to select the Virtual Emporium where you can download Dmodem. Then type **F** to select the Find option and type **DMODEM** to download it. Follow the download procedure for your particular communications program. In a few minutes you will have a free copy of Dmodem. When finished, hang up and exit your old communications program. Type **DMODEM** to reconnect and start accessing Diaspar's advanced features. Take a few minutes to do this and then enjoy experiencing advanced online capabilities.