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Are there any alternatives to PrintMonitor and/or the AppleShare print
server?


DISCUSSION --------------------------------------------------------


Yes.  SuperLaserSpool from 5th Generation Systems will do background
printing to LaserWriters and all the ImageWriters and HP LaserJets,
DeskJets and DeskWriters.  It also includes the desk accessory, LaserQueue,
that lets you preview and prioritize documents, re-route them to other
printers, or print to several printers simultaneously.


Print Central is an "enhanced" Print Server from Compumation Inc.  It
includes printer load balancing, an authorized user list, remote status
and control, and redirection of print jobs to other printers.  They also
have an enhanced Print Central called Color Central.  Color Central allows
you to use low-resolution art files in your documents, but print
corresponding high-resolution graphics that are stored on the server.


Blue Parrot from Casa Blanca Works Inc. is a control panel that displays
the print queue for any networked printer in your zone.  For it to work
effectively, all Macintosh computers that print must run copies of the
program.


Other multi-user print servers include:


• PServe from CoOperative Printing Solutions Inc.
• QSpool from Baseview Products Inc.
• SpeedDriver from Digital Technology International


Other single-user print spoolers include:
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- MacTOPS from Sun Select (formerly Sitka Corp.)
- TurboSpool from PLI

To locate a vendor's address and phone numbers, use the vendor name as a
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