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NEXT GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY AUGUST 10 -- 7:00 PM
DON & SHERRY'S HOME
15582 CECELIA ST, CHINO HILLS

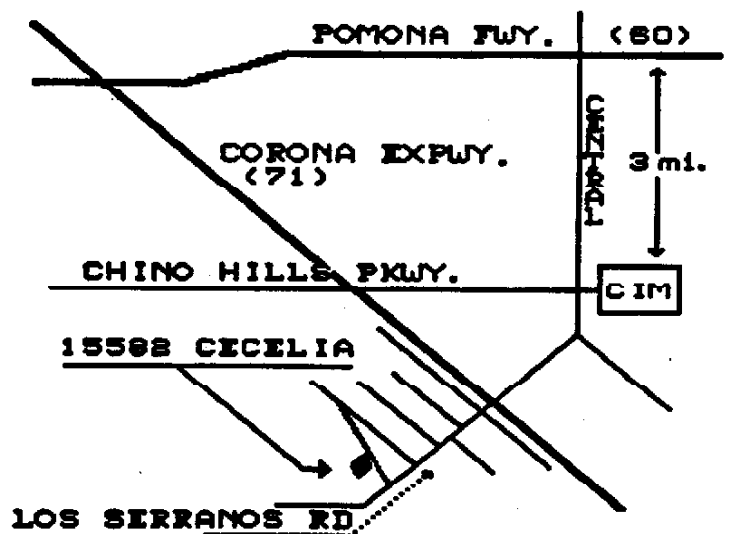
MEMBERSHIP -- \$12.00 ANNUALLY

Board Meeting will be held at
DENNY'S
THURS AUG 24 - 7:00 PM
CENTRAL & I-60

MEETINGS:
DON & SHERRY GAUNTS HOME
15582 CECELIA ST.
CHINO HILLS, CALIFORNIA

2ND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT 7:00 P.M.

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TEXAS INSTRUMENTS TI-99/4A HOME COMPUTER

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The following was donated by Gene Bohot. He received it in a flier from Alpert's Printing in Rancho Cucamonga, CA.

MORE VIRAL INFECTIONS

With so much networking going on between office computers, it's inevitable that they're now catching bugs from each other. Here is a list of the most recent viruses making the rounds, and how to tell if your computer has been infected.

AT&T VIRUS: Every 3 minutes it tells you what a great service you're getting.

MCI VIRUS: Every 3 minutes it reminds you that you're paying too much for your AT&T virus.

ROSEANNE ARNOLD VIRUS: Plays the National Anthem at boot-up. Worse with a sound card.

JANE FONDA VIRUS: Runs your hard drive for a 60 minute workout.

LEONA HELMSLEY VIRUS: Deletes files smaller than it is.

OPRAH VIRUS: Your 240 MB hard drive suddenly shrinks to 80 MB, before it expands back to 240 MB.

ADAM & EVE VIRUS: Takes a couple of bytes out of your Apple.

MAFIA VIRUS: You don't want it, but you're afraid to get rid of it.

TEXAS VIRUS: Make sure that it's the biggest of all of your files.

5-YEAR-OLD VIRUS: Constantly annoying, but it's too cute to get rid of.

STAR TREK VIRUS: Boldly invades your system only where no virus has gone before.

HEALTH CARE VIRUS: Tests your system, finds nothing wrong, bills you for \$4500.

AIRLINE VIRUS: You're in Dallas, but your data is in Singapore.

CENSOR VIRUS: It decides what programs you're allowed to run.

PAUL REVERE VIRUS: Warns you of impending attack--once if by LAN, twice if by C:.

PBS VIRUS: Interrupts your program to ask for money.

ALCATRAZ VIRUS: Your system's locked up.

OLLIE NORTH VIRUS: Turns your printer into a document shredder.

PATRIOT MISSILE VIRUS: Destroys your system's SCSI bus.

RICHARD NIXON VIRUS: Bugs your whole house.

RONALD REAGAN VIRUS: Sleeps in the background, while quietly building up your system's defenses.

BILL CLINTON VIRUS: Differs from region to region across the country.

JIMMY CARTER VIRUS: Cancels all your games for four years.

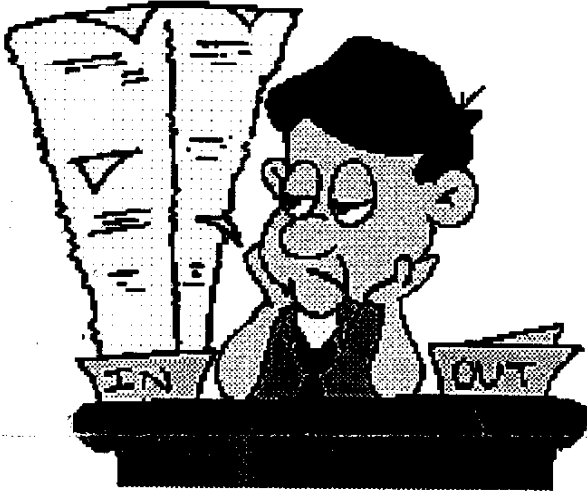
ALEXANDER HAIG VIRUS: Whenever there's a conflict, it rewrites COMMAND.COM so that it's in charge.

HUBERT HUMPHREY VIRUS: You don't know it's there until it leaves.

ROSS PEROT VIRUS: Activates every component in your system, filling your screen with graphs, just before the whole thing quits.

CONGRESSIONAL VIRUS: Overdraws your disk space, taxing your memory until everything locks up. The screen splits in half, and each half blames the other.

The President's Letter



I guess it's about time I finally get around to including an article in the Newsletter. Howard has done an excellent job of finding filler for the last couple months, but since most of you don't come to meetings, you don't catch up on all the news and gossip. Actually there are usually only four to five members at the regular meetings; Don & Sherry (after all it's in their kitchen), Howard, and sometimes Rodger Merritt or Ed Butcher, as well as myself. As you would expect, the meetings are very casual, but we do discuss TI-99/4A business as well as some PC doings (since most of us have a PC at home also).

My work schedule has been so frantic for the past couple months that I scheduled some minor surgery just to get some time off. Actually, I decided to have the hardware removed that was left from my broken ankle two years ago, and fortunately, my business usually slows down a bit during the Summer. I am up and around again after taking a couple weeks to recuperate, but as usual, I stayed busy with

phone work and running a few errands on crutches or with a cane.

I must apologize for writing this article on the PC again, instead of the TI, but since I am using it for business every day, I wanted to try out a new page-making program prior to making up some customer handouts. I still use my TI occasionally, but mostly just to transfer business files which I made on the TI over the years. I do miss using the TI sometimes because I was so familiar with the user-friendly programs, but as I get used to the PC it is getting easier to use, and will do the fancy stuff that the TI could not. I can turn out some professional-looking flyers, *etc.* more easily and keep track of more complicated financial and customer files. It's surprising to see what a computer can do with only 1000 times as much RAM, 2000 times faster, and with programs only 1500 times bigger.

I do still intend to remain a member of Pomona Valley 99ers as long as we can still get a few members together for a meeting once in a while, and I hope that's a very long time. After all, most of my friends belong to PV 99ers, and the TI was where I learned most of what I know about computing. I am still planning to attend Fest West in Tucson next year and hope many of you can make it.

There was some discussion of changing the club to a PC group, but as long as we still have even *one* loyal TTer, it will always be focused on the TI-99/4A.



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TI Fest West '96

A Texas Instruments 99/4A

& MYARC Geneve 9640

Computer Users Convention

Fri Feb 16, 1996 - Set-Up

Sat Feb 17, 1996 - 9am to 6pm

Sun Feb 18, 1996 - 9am to Noon - Pack-Up

FEST WEST '96 IS THE BEST IN THE WEST!! Fest West, in past years, has been held in Salt Lake City, Phoenix, Anaheim, Tucson, San Diego, Las Vegas, and Los Angeles. This year, in what promises to be the best Fest West yet, it will be held again in Tucson, Arizona and hosted by the SouthWest Ninety Niners.

FEST WEST '96 will have a new format!! Vendors will Set-Up Friday evening, and we will pre-register as many people as we can, at that time. Saturday will be the main Fest West event, with door prizes and raffle prizes given at the end of the day. The Hospitality Room will be available for the usual "Fest West gab sessions" both Friday and Saturday evening as late as we want it. Vendors will not have to pack-up until Sunday morning, so they can join the "gab sessions"!!

Dealers, vendors, and user groups from all over the United States will be present, offering a complete selection of hardware, software, & accessories for the TI-99/4A and the Myarc Geneve 9640 computers.

Ramada Inn University, 1601 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, is giving us great rates at the peak of our tourist season. Singles or doubles will be only \$55 per night. For reservations call, 1-800-777-2999, tell them you're attending Fest West '96.

Ramada Inn University is providing airport/hotel van shuttle at a charge of \$5 per person round trip. This shuttle service requires a minimum 48 hours prior notice, so be sure to reserve the shuttle service when you make your hotel reservations. This is NOT the same hotel we had in 1990 and 1994.

Besides attending Fest West '96, Tucson is a great place to visit in February. With normally sunny days, warm temperatures, and beautiful evenings, Tucson is a very active community during the winter months. After Fest West '96, consider a vacation in the "Old Pueblo". Things to see in and around Tucson include historic downtown Tucson, The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum (one of the 10 best zoos in the country, plus a museum and botanical gardens), Reid Park Zoo, the Mission San Xavier Del Bac, the Titan Missile Museum, Pima Air Museum (a huge collection of historic airplanes), and many, many more sights to see!

For more information about TI Fest West '96

or SouthWest Ninety-Niners User Group

PO Box 17831 - Tucson, AZ 85731

Call BJ Mathis - (520)747-5046 or Tom Wills (520)886-2460

Or Cactus Patch BBS (520)290-6277

Admission \$4 - 15 & under free when accompanied by adult

TI Fest West '96 - Best in the West!
