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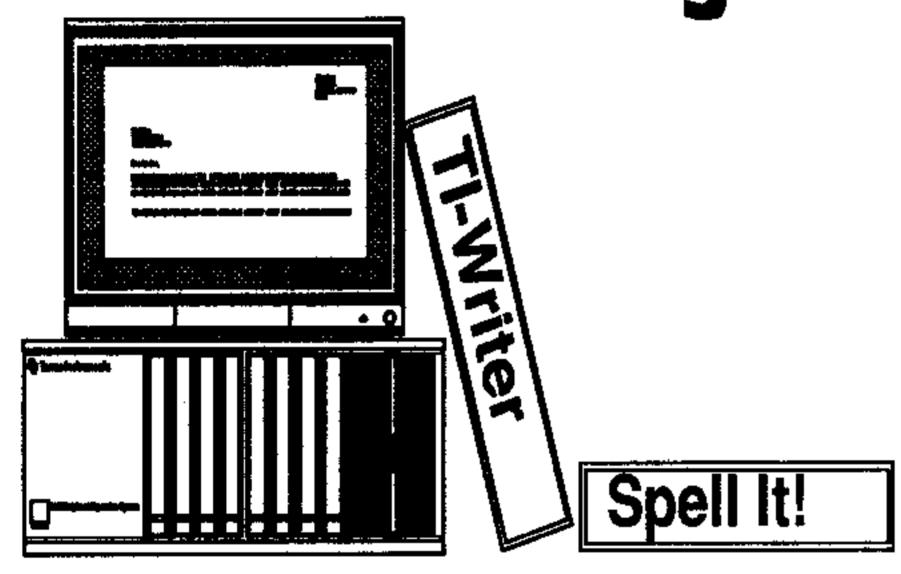
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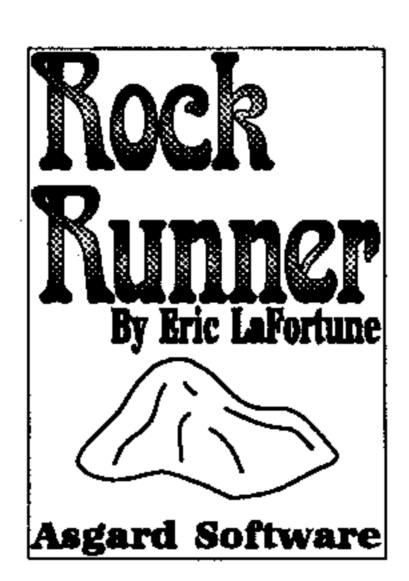
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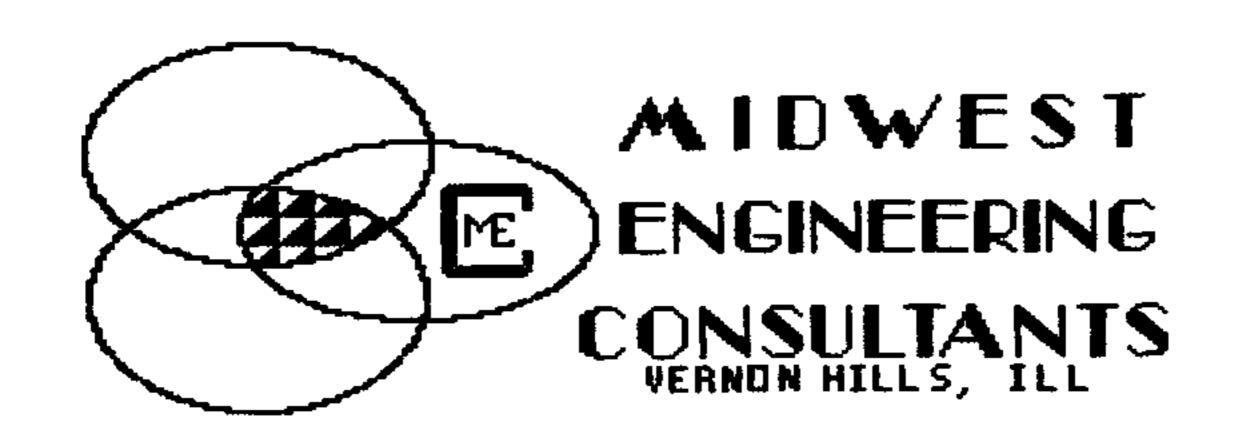


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#### MIDWEST ANNOUNCES CHICAGO RAMDISK

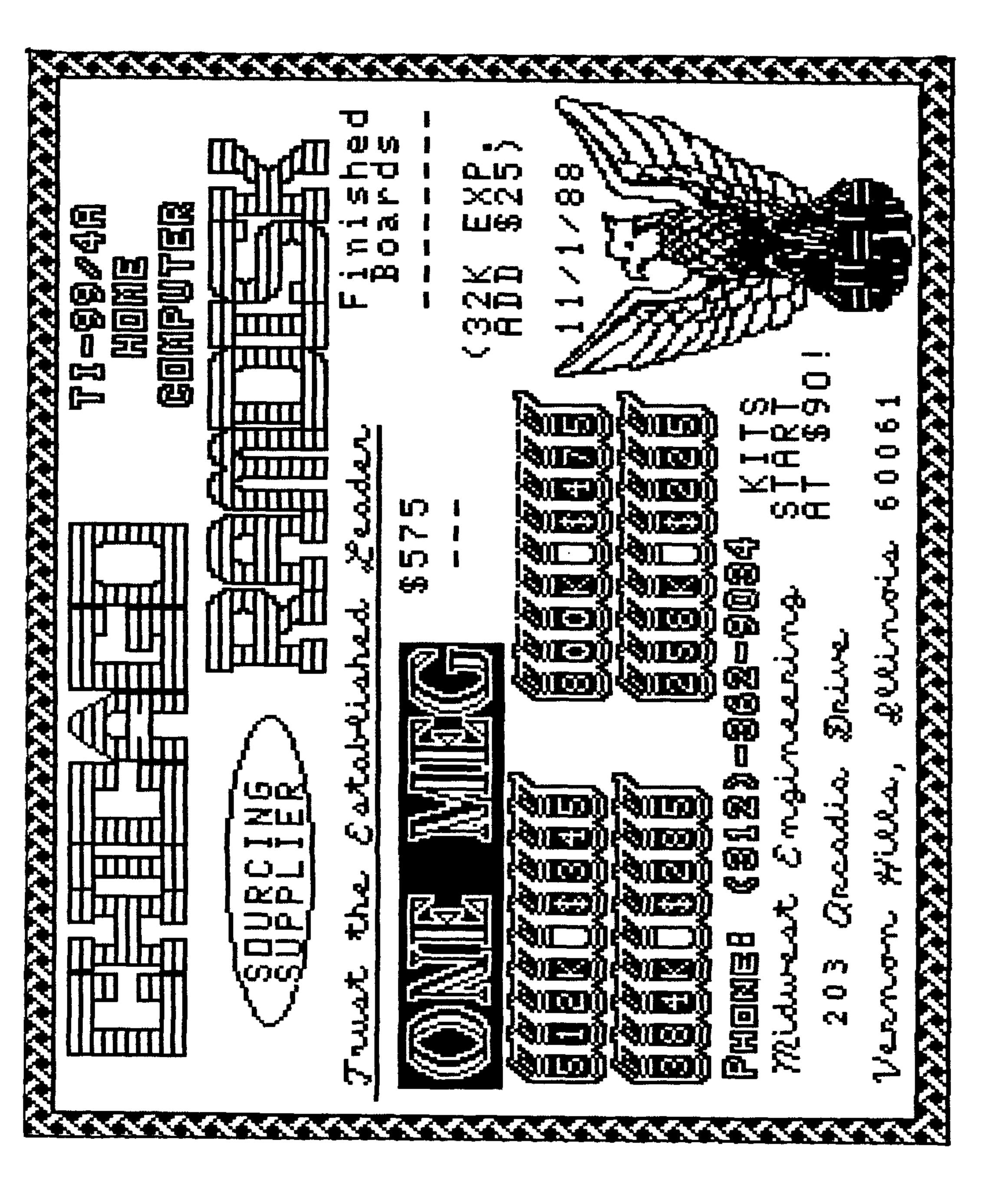
Midwest Engineering announces a new ramdisk called the "Chicago Ramdisk" which will replace the previous sales of the Horizon Ramdisk which is presently the trade name owned by Bud Mills Services. Mr. Mills has announced that we can no longer carry the name because of a cutback in his outside sales force. In respecting his wishes we feel a competing ramdisk with all the features and quality of the original ramdisk is the prudent way to keep spiraling ramdisk prices down. In particular our ad says we are the sourcing supplier. There is no middleman to Jack up the price. We build and back the new board 100% and our labor savings is passed directly on to you the consumer. Our competitive board is 100% compatible and expandable to every feature announced for the Horizon Ramdisk. Our board was designed in the Chicago area, fabricated at Chicago area firms and has been fully tested with no errors or omissions. The price on the finished 256K ramdisk is the lowest we have ever offered!!

We are quite excited about the possibilities of this new PC board. It is directly aimed at the traditional ramdisk user and also those that have purchased the Geneve Computer. It is the fastest way to retrieve programs and manipulate data of any TI compatible peripheral. In particular it complements other peripherals and we believe will extend the life expectancy of the TI until a firm and direct link can be found to the IBM computers. As a matter of fact our pricing on the ramdisks is ridiculously low when compared to IBM clone prices on ramdisks.

As you may know the prices on static rams from Japan have been waffling wildly and upward lately. This has made it difficult to quote prices on finished boards accurately in advertising. However having the board itself and expanding it gradually is another popular way to avoid chip price surges. We have almost a hundred boards today at the unbeatable price of \$27 each. A bare bones kit price with no memory costs only \$90! We will continue to market our board under the "Chicago Ramdisk" name mark. Come and see the ramdisk in action at our Booth #112. It supports the Geneve expansion and also the traditional 32k TI expansion (saves P Box room). You name it and we'll build it to order.

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#### TI Faire

## announcements

Welcome to the 1989 TI Faire & Convention. After you have checked in and unpacked, please visit the TI Faire Hospitality Room which is Room located in the Tower. The Hospitality Room will be open for most of the weekend for you to get acquainted with your TI family and friends.

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#### EVENTS SCHEDULE

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FRIDAY: 2:00 pm - Hospitality Suite opens.
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8:00 pm - Social Mixer begins in Woodfield Rooms.

12:00 am - Social Mixer ends.

SATURDAY: 9:00 am - 1990 TI International World Faire opens in the Chicago Rooms.

8:45 am - Seminars begin in Arlington Rooms.

8:45 am - Roger Merritt - Comprodine

9:15 am - Ken Gilliland - Notung Software new games

9:45 am - Shane Truffer + Chris Pratt - ESD Corp. new HFDC

10:15 am - Bruce Harrison - Harrison Software Golf Score Analyzer, music

11:15 am - Jim Yeaman - PRODIGY a new network, possibly for TI soon

11:45 am - Barry Boone - Texaments GIF Mania, a GIF viewer for TI

12:15 pm - Bud Mills - Bud Mills Services new hardware for TI and 9640

12:45 pm - Beery Miller - 9640 News \$\$CRASH\$\$, Windows, magazine 1:15 pm - Mike Maksimik - CTIUG MIDI software, FDOS, TI standards

:1:45 pm - Chris Bobbitt - Asgard Software new software

2:45 pm - Ron Wolcott - TIPS new versions of TIPS and Q+A session

3:30 pm - J. Peter Hoddie + Paul Charlton - JP Software new software

4:10 pm - Tom Freeman - T and J Software Hardback, a program to back up H)

4:30 pm - Jeff Guide - TI NET/DELPHI information network

5:00 pm - Barry Traver - Genial TRAVelER Diskazine new programs

6:00 pm - Chicago TI International World Faire officially closes.

6:30 pm - Cocktails begin in the Woodfield Rooms. 7:30 pm - Dinner served in the Woodfield Rooms.

SUNDAY: Meet in back parking lot to caravan to Milwaukee TI Faire

The BUS SCHEDULE for shopping at Woodfield Mall will be:

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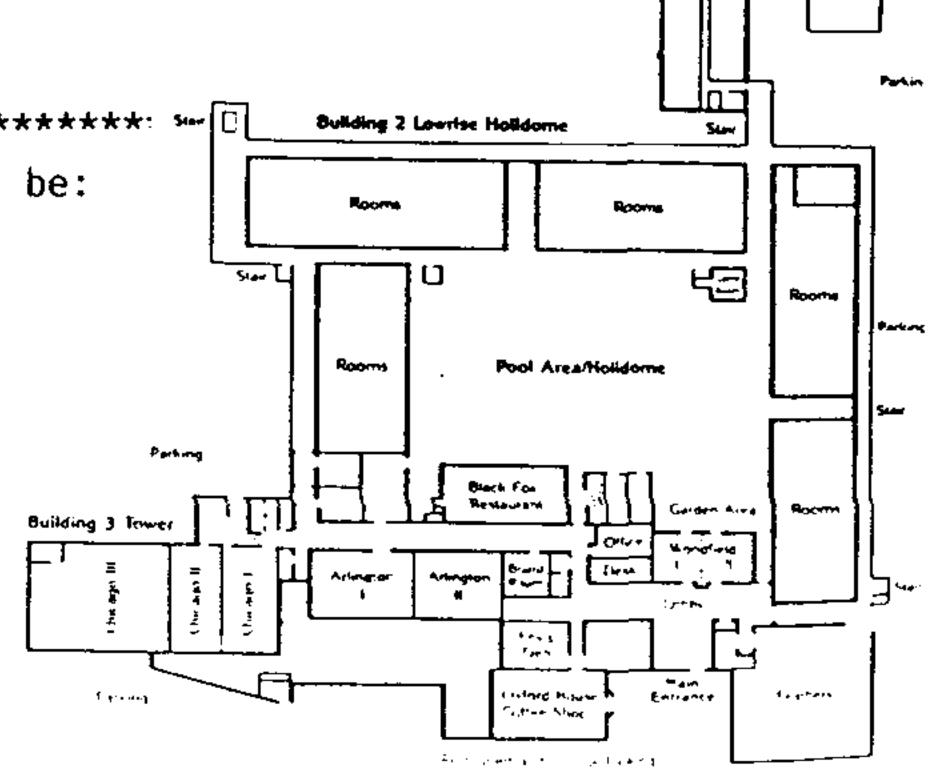
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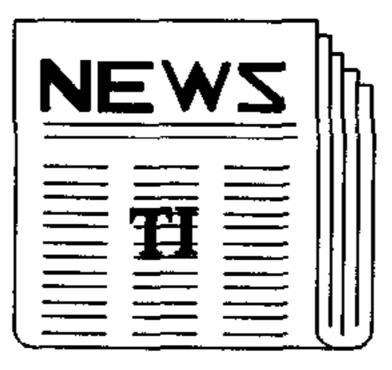




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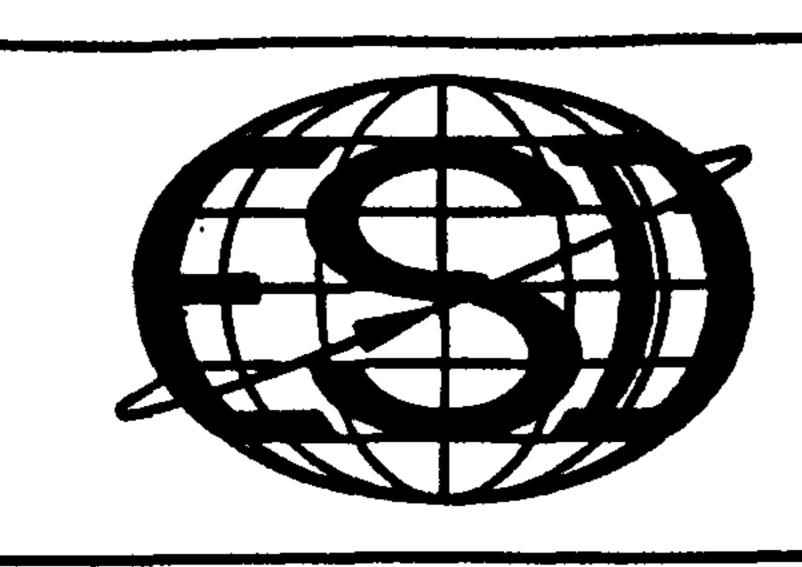


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September 27, 1990

John Willforth RD #1 BOX 73A Jeannette, PA 15644 E.S.D. Corp. P.O. Box 23805 Washington, DC 20026-3805

Dear John Willforth,

Thank you for inquiring about our new hard drive controller card for the TI-99\4A. I am very excited about this new product and it promises to be hot item.

We do not as of yet have a shipping date set. However, I think it will be fairly soon, especially with the Chicago fair coming up in November. The retail price for the controller is \$225.00 (Maryland residents must add appropriate sales tax).

The controller card is capable of controlling a maximum of four floppy drives ranging from 5.25" 90KB to 3.5" 1.44MB capacity, and four MFM hard disk drives, each of which may have up to 1024 cylinders and 8 heads. Any regular MFM hard disk will work with this controller, but I recommend the Seagate ST-251-1 40MB hard disk. This is a fast access drive allowing for ample storage in the TI community. And because there are no logical drive size limitations, as in the IBM arena, there will be no need to partition the drive.

Enclosed find one of our flyers. It too will provide you with some valuable information. Thank you for your interest in ESD's TI compatible products.

Sincerely,

Christopher Pratt ESD Computer Specialist

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This program is ideal for those who love to mentally challenge their opponents...and just in case the pressure gets a little too hot...a save game option is available, so that you can continue play at a later time.

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Still available from T and J Software: (for 9640 only)

#### THE Bugger

The ultimate debugger for use on the 9640. THE Bugger runs in either MDOS or GPL Mode, and includes all standard debugging commands plus disassembly, three kinds of single step, special informational breakpoints, monitoring of task workspaces, and access to any 9640 memory page. Completely relocatable in memory (absolute address versions also included). Does not change screen or video modes since it operates out of the RS232/2 port. A second computer or terminal is required. Hardcopy of all output to the terminal is available through the RS232/1 port or the PIO port of the host computer. For serious programming work on the 9640, THE Bugger is a must.

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## PAGE PRO TIMES

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## Pix Pro Released!

#### ■ Alexandria, VA

On Sept. 15th at the TI International Expo '89 held in Alexandria, Virginia (a suburb of Washington D.C.), Asgard Software formally announced Pix Pro, the Super-Converter for the TI-99/4A and the Myarc Geneve 9640.

This remarkable program by Jim Reiss opens many doors for Page Pro 99 users, as well as provides a simple and effective way to move pictures between virtually all of the most popular TI-99/4A picture formats.

There are literally thousands of pictures available for our machine - but unfortunately they are in dozens of different, often incompatible formats. The idea behind Pix Pro is that you shouldn't have to change programs because the pictures you want to use won't load into the program you want to use.

This all-assembly program will allow you to load pictures stored in any of 8 different picture formats and save them in any of 6. Consequently, Pix Pro does the work of over 40 different conversion programs. Pix Pro lets you take files stored in Picasso,

GRAPHX, TI-Artist Picture, TI-Artist Instance, Page Pro, MacPaint, RLE or Pix formats and save them as GRAPHX, TI-Artist Picture, TI-Artist Instance, Picasso, Page Pro or Pix pictures.

Many users witnessing the Pix Pro demonstration found that it was was particularly useful to users of a number of popular graphics packages.

- Page Pro users can now use more than just TI-Artist pictures. The full library of RLE, MacPaint, TI-Artist, GRAPHX and Picasso pictures is now open to users of Page Pro 99. As was demonstrated, you can even save full-page MacPaint pictures as full-page Page Pro pics! Less noted but equally important, this utility allows Page Pro 99 users the option of using virtually any drawing program for the 99/4A to create custom artwork for their Page Pro pages.
- TI-Artist users using Pix Pro will be able to easily move pictures into Picture or Instance format from a large variety of sources. While many other con-

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# New Picture Disks!

■ Rockville, MD

Asgard Software, in a flurry of activity, announced 4 new picture disks for Page Pro 99 users.

Sports Pics, by Paul E. Scheidemantle, contains almost 60 all-original drawings covering almost every major sport. These highly detailed, well-documented pictures are a must for anyone who enjoys sports. If you are involved in local teams, enjoy a particular sport as a hobby, or just simply like action shots of people engaging in various sports gracing your pages, you'll find Sport Pics useful and worthwhile.

This extensive package, which comes with an attractive reference sheet and documentation, is available for only \$9.95. A TIArtist format version is also available.

Additionally, Asgard has also announced 3 new volumes in their popular Page Pro Pics series of picture disks - Volume #8, #9 and #10.

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# Page Pro 99

Page Pro 99 is the remarkable page-making program for the TI-99/4A and Myarc Geneve 9640 computers that is unlike any other such program available. Unlike any page-making program for the 99/4A, or most for the Geneve, the page you see on the screen is exactly as it will appear when printed out.

Page Pro 99 is fast (written in assembly), easy-to-use (with extensive documentation and on-screen help), and powerful (a builtin TI-Writer editor and dozens of features unique to this program). It is compatible with standard Ti-Artist fonts and pictures, as well as a growing library of Page Pro 99 specific artwork (unlike other page programs Page Pro can use pictures as large as the page - all others are limited to small pictures). Page Pro will also work on any system from a TI-99/4A with a single disk drive to a Geneve with hard disks. It includes 3 thorough manuals with tutorials. It is very dependable and well-tested (as it should be after over 2 years of development). It is the best supported of any pagemaking program with dozens of packages of fonts, pictures, pre-made templates for all uses (labels, greeting cards, envelopes, business forms, etc.), borders and utilities. And finally, it produces beautiful pages.

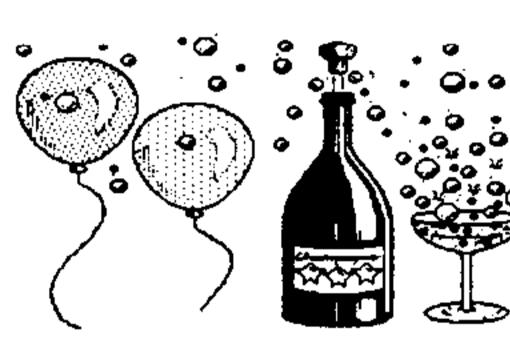
Because it is "what-you-see-is-what-you-get", it is easy-to-use. Because it includes numerous examples, a good collection of starter fonts and pictures, and in-depth tutorials, you can use it straight out of the box. Because it is by Asgard Software, it has the support that it, and you deserve. Who can ask for more?

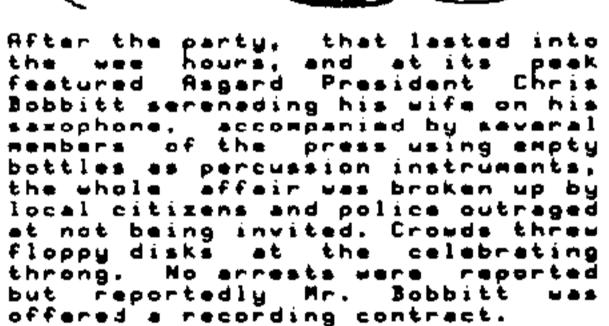
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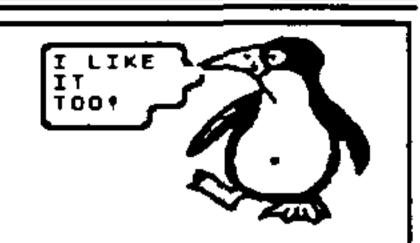
#### PAGE PRO 99 RELEASED!

ACCKVILLE, MD— Asgard Software recently released its long-emaited update to Page Pro 99 today to a thunderous standing ovation as members of the press viewed the many new features and capabilities of Version 1.6 of this popular program.

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There are now four templates (forms) for you letter writers. Just type away while PLUS! does all the formatting for you. There are three calendar programs. The popular desk calendar for personal or business needs now has so many added features that its flexibility and friendliness are ideal for almost any use. And there's a yearly calendar, a banner maker, two columnizers, a Gothic writer, some large graphic pictures (with a program to view them, color them, print them, save them, and convert them). There's even a program that lets you create your own cursor. And another that writes and prints out in Pig Latin everything YOU write. There are programs that automatically scrunch your IB programs up to 60% for faster more efficient operation.

One program (PLUS!VIEW) lets you set up a screen audio/visual presentation for club, business, or educational uses. Another lets you create 4-line strips for your console (the TI-Writer/DM1000 is done for you).

The world's tiniest (1 line) wordprocessor is also part of PLUS! And there are word counters, DV/80 printers, and a highly-praised 3-column cataloguer that prints disk envelope-size printouts of 127 files (the maximum on the TI) with your name and the date and all standard info on each. A direct-access setup program for your printer is another powerful utility available.

There are many other templates, data files, pictures, programs, graphic codes, and much more on this disk, including Barry Boone's magnificent Fairware ARCHIVER. But the major part of PLUS! is the manual/tutorial that explores every aspect of our TI wordprocessing world. The works of many writers were selected to make this manual the best tutorial and most complete reference guide for TI WRITER (FUNNELWEB) wordprocessing available anywhere at any price.

Although the vast majority of the files are original to PLUS! and can be found nowhere else, the addition of the excellent PD and permitted copyright files make PLUS! (this FINAL Version) the TI Bargain of the Decade and an environment that will provide years of pleasure and learning and practical utility.

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#### RAMBO

RAMBO is a special hardware/software expansion kit designed for the TI99/4A and MYARC GENEVE 9640 computer systems to upgrade HORIZON ramdisks. RAMBO is based on a special chip which is fully software and hardware compatible with all HORIZON ramdisks from the first HRD to the latest 3000 series.

The current HORIZON was designed mainly to be a ramdisk. Its RAM was based at >4000 (Ti99 DSR SPACE) with a 6K Main DSR for the ROS, etc. and 2K pages of RAM to allow reading/writing of sectors. This was fine for ramdisk operations but for writing programs which really executed from the ramdisk memory it was not easy. The program had to be divided into modules of 2K each and could not access other drives, printers, etc. since only one DSR can be turned on at a time. Due to this, many software developers including OPA dropped the idea of writing large programs which would run directly off the HORIZON ramdisk.

OPA has now broken this barrier in the TI world by designing a complex chip and PCB which plugs into a HORIZON card and allowing the HORIZON to have two completely different memory paging and access modes. We named this unit RAMDOM-ACCESS-MEMORY BANK-OPERATOR or RAMBO for short.

With RAMBO installed in your HORIZON you will be able to partition the RAM onboard between RAMDISK and PROGRAM space, allowing you to run new TI or GENEVE programs using this extra RAM as program space, which could be as large as your ramdisk is.

RAMBO adds a whole new paging system to the HORIZON which gives the programmer an 8K Main DSR RAM (First 6K reserved for the ROS) at the normal >4000 space but now instead of tiny 2K pages of RAM the programmer has 8K pages of RAM at the >6000 (TI99 Cartridge space). RAMBO also makes the DSR RAM on/off control independent of the 8K page control, which means to the programmer he can finally write large programs in easy to handle 8K blocks and access any DSR without using any of the standard 32K CPU RAM.

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included in the RAMBO kit is a diskette containing some sample programs, source code, programming tutorial, ram tester, and many other useful utilities. Coming soon from OPA is a new enhanced ROS designed to bring out all the features of RAMBO, and a programming newsletter on the latest ideas, etc. All the above is included in the purchase price of RAMBO.

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While this description doesn't quite do it justice, we can tell you more. Its all in assembly language. It utilizes a new graphics mode on the 99/4A that permits multi-color sprites and bitmap mode graphics with the speed of the more common graphics modes. It was the first program ever written by its young author - and was even developed on a cassette system. It is proof that even a basic TI-99/4A in the right hands can be used to create miraculous work.

Don't just take our word for it that its the best game produced for the 4A in years. Every reviewer has called it the freshest, most exciting game in a long time. It was an absolute hit at the TI Fest West in Tucson, The Ottawa TI Faire, the Boston Fayuh and at the Lima TI Show. Every one who has seen it has compared it favorably to Nintendo<sup>TM</sup>, Apple<sup>TM</sup> and Atari<sup>TM</sup> games costing many times more.

Still don't believe us? What if we tell you that you can see for yourself! A demonstration version of the program is available free if you send us a disk, or for \$1.00 if you want us to provide the disk. We are so confident that you'll love this game we'll give you your money back if you don't.

Rock Runner requires a TI-99/4A computer, a joystick, 32K, a disk system and an Editor/Assembler module. It is *not* compatible with the Geneve.

# Ana atom

The Animator, by Brad Snyder, is a fascinating program that makes animation on the TI-99/4A and the Geneve simple and even fun!

While other programs allow you to generate animation sequences, none other allow you to do so with such ease, and put the results to such good use.

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With The Animator, Extended BASIC programmers can create highly detailed demonstrations and games with dozens or even hundreds of simultaneously animated objects in mere hours instead of days or weeks. The compact, fast and efficient assembly code included allows all this to happen in the background while your Extended BASIC program takes care of the rest.

You create your animation frames and define their sequence in The Animator editor, convert them to Extended BASIC format in The Animator Converter (which will also allow you to import in Tl-Artist™ artwork), and then combine them with the package of Assembly routines included to animate your creations. Your Extended BASIC program only has to concentrate on logic, interacting with the user, etc. Your resulting program can be distributed any way you like with no legal strings attached - create games and demonstrations for your friends, to distribute as freeware, or even sell commercially! What's more, the comprehensive manual includes a complete step-bystep description of the process used to create and include animation sequences into Extended BASIC any half-way experienced Extended BASIC programmer can create animated scenes quickly and easily heretofore only possible in Assembly language.

#### Fun for Young and Old!

While Extended BASIC programmers will certainly appreciate the utility of The Animator, anyone who has ever marveled at the artistry of Disney™ cartoons or just wanted to play games with the computer will find The Animator provides endless hours of enjoyment.

With nothing more then a joystick and a few keyboard commands you can easily create up to 20 frame animation sequences, displayed in any order you like with any combination of repetitions of groups of frames. The results can be as simple as a cat running across the screen and as complex as the limits of your imagination. The results can be animated in several sizes, and even simultaneously up to 16 times on the screen!

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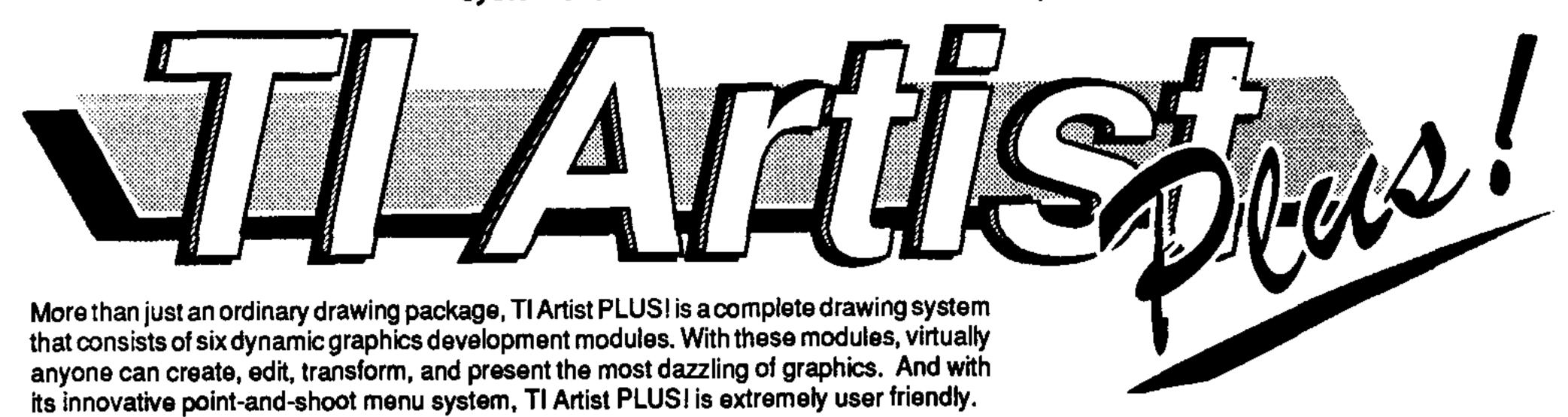
The Animator includes an extensive manual that details how to use the programs in this package, as well as provides practical information for the user and the programmer. Over 2 years in development, this package is extremely well-tested, and guaranteed to work on both the TI-99/4A and the Myarc Geneve. The two-disks provided include numerous examples of both animation sequences and Extended BASIC programs with animation included in them.

The Animator requires at a minimum 32K, Extended BASIC and one disk drive. A printer (any kind) is recommended, but not required.

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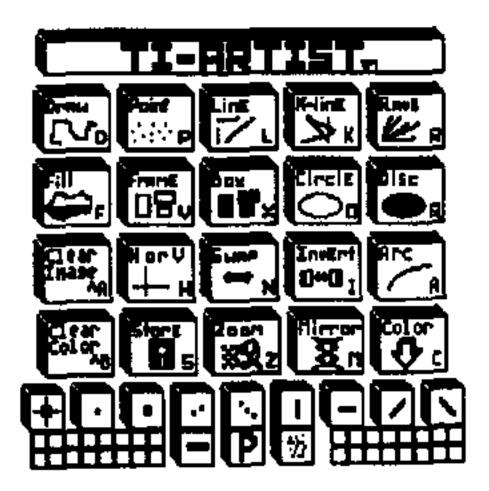


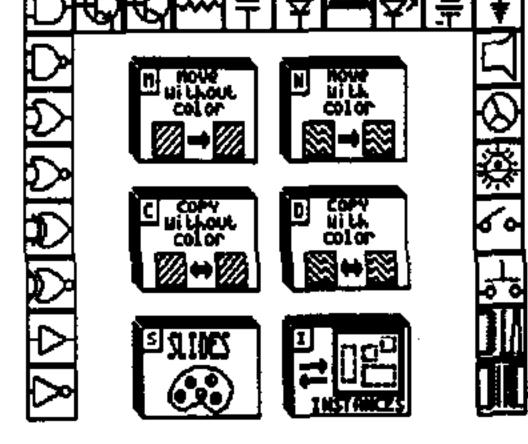
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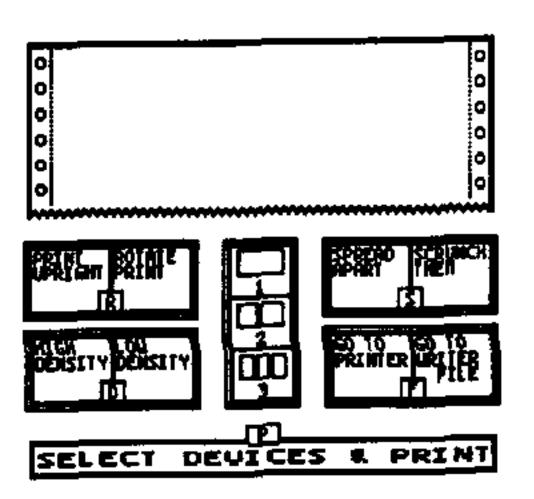


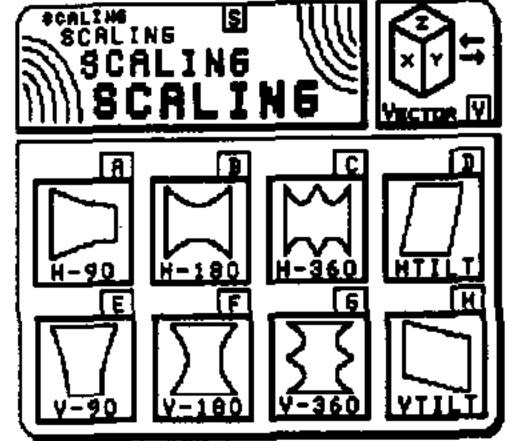
with TI Artist PLUS! 1 to 3 pictures can be simultaneously printed together (or separated) across a standard 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper. Print options include: printing in portrait or landscape mode, printing in high or low density, redirecting output to a disk file, printing an outline around a picture, and printing a reverse image of a picture. TI Artist PLUS! supports most popular printers and a limited number of color printers.





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Cutting, pasting, copying, importing and exporting graphics is easy with TI Artist PLUSI. Small images, called instances, and collections of small images, called slides, may be used to enhance your artwork. Instances and slides can be created, saved to disk, and used over and over again in all of your drawings. And if you wish, you could also purchase small collections of various (pre-drawn) graphics artwork to use.

#### **Vector Module**

Selected areas of a picture can be scaled using TI Artist PLUSI. With scaling, a section of your picture can made larger or smaller; the height and width of an object can be varied independently. Special effects can also be used to enhance selected areas of a picture. They allow the horizontal and vertical parts of an image to be scaled along a range. Objects can be tilted and shifted using various predefined special effects.

#### **Font Module**

The font module is used to place alphanumeric data anywhere within a picture. Detailed bit-mapped fonts (available in numerous Artist Companion products) may be used to label a drawing, create a sign, and so on. Features available in the font module include: multiline text editing, automatic outlining of fonts, automatic shadowing of fonts, and automatic left, right and center text positioning.

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Animated movie sequences can be produced with TI Artist PLUS!. A small interpreted command language allows you to design an animated sequence using your own pictures and artwork. The command language consists of 8 simple instructions, including a handy indexing command that will display a directory of all your TI Artist files. Movies may be saved to and later played from disk.

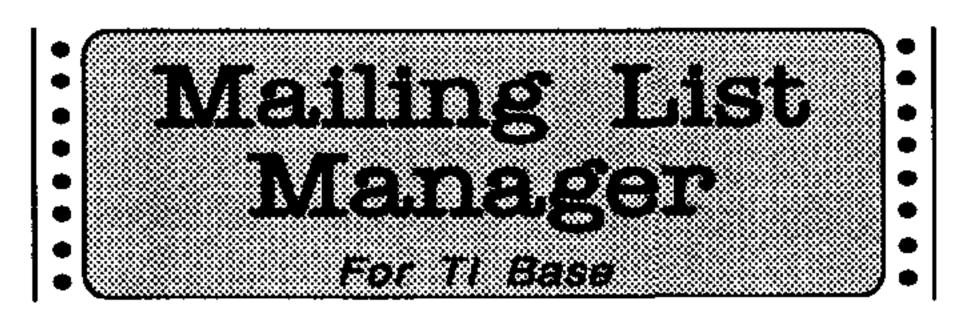
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TI Base application packages allow the novice and expert user to exploit the full power of TI Base without programming. Each application is complete "program" that consists of multiple command files designed to perform a specific task (see application descriptions for details). Users familiar with the TI Base command language can modify and enhance the application command files to suit their own individual needs.



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The TI-IMAGE MAKER is an internal console expansion board designed for the TI home computer systems to upgrade the current video display system. The TMY-TM (as some have nick-named it) is based on the new Y9958 Video Display Processor chip, which is still software-compatible with the Ti's original TMS9918 chip, and is also compatible with the V9938 chip used in other third-party TI video upgrades.

OPA has used state-of-art CAD/CAE designing and top design engineers to bring you the best video upgrade for the TI in the smallest and most software-compatible package possible. The PCBoard containing the V9968, 192K of video ram, and a special ASIC device, plus a 25-pin monitor/expansion port with RGB video driver circuity, has all been installed on a 4\*\*3\* layout. This board is designed to be installed inside the TI console in place of the current TMS9918 chip. Nothing more than a few tools are needed to install TIMY-TIM as the old video chip is socketed, and only two jumper wires to connect.

After reading over the following features, specifications, and software included, we are sure you will find that TINY-TIM is the best little thing for your TI since you first bought your TI console. For your convenience, an order form is attached to this AD, to help both us and you, in processing your order.

#### MANUALS/SOFTWARE:

- Step-By-Step User installation Guide.
- Recommended RGB monitor guide, with detail specs, and pin-outs for different monitors, to ease in interfacing TiM to your RGB monitor.
- Complete V9958 programming guide, with Assembly and BASIC software examples.
- Graphic Demos displaying the power of TIM.
- Our own GIF viewer supporting the **V9958**.
- Three disks packed with fairware software which support the V9938/58 chips.

#### T.I.M. / V9958 Specifications:

- Full 192K of video ram already installed.
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- 80 columns with 24 or 26.5 lines of text.
- 256 by 192/212/384/424 graphics modes with each pixel being any one of 256 colors.
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TM Direct Product Marketing announces the purchase of the TI-99/4A business from Triton Products Company effective October 29, 1990.

Terry Miller, former owner and co-founder of Triton Products Company announced today that he has completed the purchase of the TI-99/4A business from Triton Products. Miller's new company, TM Direct Product Marketing will begin marketing hardware, software and accessories for the TI-99/4A on October 29. Triton Products Company discontinued sales of TI-99/4A products on October 15.

"I am extremely excited that I am going to be able to continue the strong relationship we built with TI-99/4A users over the last 5 years," said Miller. "A computer as good as the TI-99/4A is and users as loyal as TI owners are, deserve great support and that's what TM Direct Product Marketing is going to give them."

The deal calls for the referral of all orders and inquiries to Triton Products Company for TI-99/4A products to be forwarded to TM Direct Product Marketing. TM Direct Product Marketing's new toll free phone number is 1-800-336-9966. The address is 379 Beach Road, Burlingame, California, 94010.

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High-speed subroutines. The Missing Link consists of over 30 assembly language subroutines that replace the usual methods of accessing the computer display through Extended Basic. With these high-speed subroutines many text, cartesian graphic, turtle graphic, sprite graphic, windowing and miscellaneous peripheral operations can now be incorporated into any Extended Basic program. Novice and expert users alike will find these subroutines easy-to-use, and also fully explained in the 32 page manual included with The Missing Link.

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Order today. Not only is The Missing Link powerful, but it is affordable as well. For only \$24.95 (plus shipping) you get The Missing Link, the Paper-Saver utility, a comprehensive 32 page manual, and The Missing Link Live Demonstration.

Requirements. A TI-99/4a system with 32K memory expansion, disk drive system and an Extended Basic cartridge is all that is required to operate The Missing Link. An Epson compatible printer is needed to use the screen dump features. The Missing Link has been tested (but is not guaranteed) to be compatible with the Geneve 9640 (in TI mode), all Myarc and Cor-Comp peripheral expansion cards, HRD, and the Triton/MG Super Extended Basic.

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- Support for 4 different drawing modes including 256x212 dots with 256 colors, 256x424 with 256 colors, 512x212 with 16 colors, and 512x424 with 16 colors. Unlike a standard TI-99/4A, each dot can be any of the available colors.
- An icon driven interface that works with the Asgard Mouse, the Myarc Mouse, a Mechatronics/Dijit mouse, or a joystick.
- Extensive drawing commands including an airbrush tool, different drawing brushes, lines, boxes, frames, filling, circles/ellipses, etc.
- Built-in support for moving and copying parts of a picture.
- A fast zoom drawing mode (192K video RAM required for some graphics modes).
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Requires either: (1) a TI-99/4A with an 80-column card, 32K, a disk system, and either an Asgard Mouse, 80-column device mouse or a joystick; or (2) a Myarc Geneve 9640 with a disk system, an Asgard or a Myarc Mouse.

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