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NEXT MEETING

DATE : Thursday, November 19, 1987   TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: Kirkland Public Library, 406 Kirkland Ave, Kirkland

AGENDA: * New software demonstrations   * Lectures/Special Interest
             * Continuing GENEVE updates   * Question and Answer session

DECEMBER MEETING

DATE : Thursday, December 17, 1987
TIME : 7:00 PM
PLACE: Kirkland Public Library
       406 Kirkland Ave, Kirkland

JANUARY MEETING

DATE : Thursday, January 17, 1987
TIME : 7:00 PM
PLACE: Kirkland Public Library
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IN THIS NEWSLETTER

SOME LOCAL BULLETIN BOARD NUMBERS

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PUGET SOUND 99ERS BBS-SEATTLE              784-4142
TIBBS NW-ED DURFFEE-BELLEVUE               641-5884
QUEEN ANNE COMPUTER SHOPPE                 361-0895
QUEEN ANNE COMPUTER SHOPPE
  (MESSAGE ONLY, EVENINGS, 300 BAUD)      522-6558
NEW WORLD BBS                              365-6938
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND                        1-598-3228
TELETRAVEL                                 742-9034
SHUTTLE                                    885-INFO
TROTHGUARD-BURIEN                          824-6757
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  GEnie                              1-800-638-8369
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THE PRESIDENT SAYS
By Chuck Wynne

Well, the convention was a complete success. Thank you for your help one and all. As most of you know, I am a consumer of computer products. So what did I buy? Well, Rave 99 had a board that plugs into the box for the speech synthesizer for $49.95. It's a good deal because it will work with the Geneve also. I don't think the triple tech will, and it has a redundant clock on it that will not be used on the Geneve, nor will the printer buffer for that matter. I also got a bingo game that calls out the numbers by voice twice. It looks very good, running in extended basic. For information and price, contact Bob Chase 421 NW 69th St. Vancouver, Wa. 98665. Telephone 206-695-7002. Nicely done, Bob!

For those who have the CC40 compact computer, I just took two HM6116LP-4 chips out of it, and replaced them with HM6264LP-15 ones. This makes the little computer come up with 18K of memory. If you have a solder sucker, and a low power iron, and some guts, you can do this. First turn it on and type FRE(0). This will give you the amount of free memory. You will do this after the modification also. Mine read 18030 afterwards.

You must remove the back, remove the batteries, remove 11 screws from the mother board, and carefully lift both boards out of the case with the keys downward (careful they can fall out, and are a mess to put back) At the bottom of the board are the two chips. Don't touch the other ones above. They are smaller than the ones you will install, so the holes at the end of the chip will have to be cleared also. On the left of the chips are two option straps. You must move one end of these to the other solder hole. The other end of the strap is the same connection. If you would like the paper work with diagrams, send me $1.00 and I will ship you the information. Chuck Wynne 16223 70th Place West, Edmonds, Wa. 98020.

Another product that looks good is the Artist Enlarger by Asgard Software. I saw it demoed after the show. Looks like a good product for increasing the size of your instances. It will also reduce them, but you may lose clarity in doing so.

Another product out there that maybe no one knows its purpose is Quick Copy from Quality Soft. This is a disk

optomizer. If you have a disk with over 30 files on it, you copy it over to a new disk with this. The copier will put all the information needed to get any file at the first of the disk (the file descriptor). Then watch the difference when you load a file, or catalog the disk. The drive runs smooth with no jumping.

The 9640 disk operating system is here now (DOS). It looks very good. Just like the IBM DOS (if you've ever used that.). Talking with Barry Traver, I found that most of the big name programmers with the 99/4A have a Geneve. This is good, because if they didn't the computer would not have the support it deserves. The more people that have it the better. MyDraw was awesome at the convention. Extremely fast an flexible. That comes with mouse for around $100 at the present time.

I will continue to support the basic TI99/4A. It seems as though some are upgrading and leaning away from the basic computer. Remember, those who don't want to upgrade are out there too.

Puget Sound 99'ers 1986 Financial Report
Submitted by Chuck Wynne, President

        Balance on September 15, 1987 $504.13

        Income from Dues $171.00

            Newsletter, printing and postage
                July 1987 $ 60.00
                August 1987   54.00
            Convention Fee   25.00
            Postage July   27.48
            Postage August   26.98
            August BBS   9.35

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        Balance on October 15, 1987 $472.32
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CONVENTION 87 SEA/TAC HOLIDAY INN
By Barb Wiederhold
COORDINATOR: Barb Wiederhold, Owner/Operator of the Queen
Anne Computer Shoppe, 6102 Roosevelt Way N.E., Seattle,
Washington 98115 (206) 522-6558 or 24hr 300/1200 Baud BBS
(206)361-0895.

MY SIDE OF THE STORY:

        The Second Annual, TI99/4A Convention was held at the
Sea/Tac Holiday Inn on Saturday, Sept. 26, 1987.

Statistics:

        125 Yellow Questionnaires were filled out for the
Drawing of Donated items from Vendors.

Door Prizes:

Computer Clock donated by Bits and Chips, Edmonds, Wash. won
        by Leona M. Albertson of Junction City, Oregon.
Computer Clock donated by Bits and Chips, Edmonds, Wash. won
        by John Myers of North Vancouver, BC, Canada
Disk Storage Box, donated by Queen Anne Computer Shoppe,
        Seattle, Wa., won by Keith Johnson,SYSOP of the Puget
        Sound 99er BBS in Seattle.
Balloon War, By John Morrison, donated by Asgard
        Software(Chris Bobbitt) of Rockville, Md., won by
        Darryl Likkel of Lynden, Washington.
The Printer's Apprentice by McCann Software, donated by
        Danny Stevens of Compu-Shop in Bremerton, Wash., won by
        Fern Paaquette of Lacey, Washington.
TI99/4A INTERN, by Heiner Martin, donated by Franz Wagenbach
        of T.A.P.E.Ltd., Mechatronic Distributor from Ontario,
        California, won by Ron Mayer of Portland, Oregon.
MY-ART and MOUSE by Myarc, Inc.(NEW RELEASE AT THIS
        CONVENTION) donated by Jack Riley, Marketing Mgr. from
        Birmingham, Alabama won by Ron Prewitt of the Tacoma
        99ers.

Thank you to all who filled out the forms....

Towns and States represented by Guest Book:

City, State	Number	City, State	Number
Burnaby, B.C.	3	Clearwater, B.C.	1
Comox, B.C.	2	Coquitlan, B.C.	1
Delta, B.C.	3	Summerland, B.C.	1
Surrey, B.C.	1	Vancouver,B.C	1
White Rock,B.C	2	Cherry Hill, New Jersay	1
Depoe Bay, Oregon	2	Junction City, Oregon	4
Lake Oswego, Oregon	2	Portland, Oregon	9
Silverton, Oregon	1	Springfield, Oregon	2
Sandy, Utah	1	Anacortes, Washington	2
Arlington, Washington	2	Auburn, Washington	9
Belfair, Washington	1	Bellevue, Washington	10
Bellingham, WA	1	Bothell, Washington	3
Bremerton, Washington	8	Carnation, Washington	2
Chehalis, Washington	1	DesMoines, Washington	3
Edmonds, Washington	3	Everett, Washington	5
Federal Way, WA	2	Grapeview, Washington	2
Issaquah, Washington	1	Kent, Washington	7
Kirkland, Washington	7	Lynden, Washington	1
Maple Valley, WA	1	Marysville, WA	1
Mt.Lake Terrace, WA	2	North Bend, WA	2
Olympia, Washington	12	Pacific, Washington	1
Peshastin, Washington	1	Port Orchard, WA	2
Poulsbo, Washington	1	Puyallup, Washington	3
Redmond, Washington	2	Renton, Washington	5
Seattle, Washington	38	Shelton, Washington	1
Snohomish, Washington	1	Spanaway, Washington	1
Spokane, Washington	2	Sultan, Washington	1
Tacoma, Washington	15	Union, Washington	1
Vancouver, Washington	12	Whidbey, Island, WA	1
Woodinville, WA	1		

VENDORS (Retail) who participated:

COMPUSERVE, Jim Horn, SYSOP of the TI FORUM in Rockville, Maryland., again enlightened us with his demonstration of HOW AN ELECTRONIC BULLETIN BOARD SYSTEM WORKS. By logging on to COMPUSERVE with a 300/1200/2400 Baud Modem, the available of on-the-spot contact with members of the TI99/4A community throughout the country and nationally, makes this concept easily accessible to those needing up-to-date, on-the-spot information and help at a touch of your keyboard, telephone and modem. Relatively inexpensive,

this avenue of telecommunications allows the user to have his questions answered, share his knowledge with others, and most importantly help him to realize the benefits derived from this mode of getting what you need from the comfort of your own home.

GEnie, Scott Darling, SYSOP, from Spokane, Wa., another of many telecommunication services available to our computer, was on hand to demonstrate the GEnie service, explain how it works and the cost involved.

ASGARD SOFTWARE, Chris Bobbitt, in Rockville, Maryland, Chris in association with Richard Roseen of AEI, Inc. are developing a multi-tasking DOS system for the Geneve 9640, and Chris was asked questions pertaining to this. Projected release dates, etc. will be viewed on the Video which was produced by Miller Communications, Dave Miller of West Seattle, Washington. Chris, a very enlightening young author/producer/developer of his own software distribution business, dates back to the early years after the crash of the software support notices by Texas Instruments. Chris, not then near the age of 21, compiled and made available to the TI99/4A owner/user, his software packages through magazine and catalog ordering advertising. Today, there are many areas of the U.S. where User Groups are not formed. Were it not for the catalog and magazine order avenue of shopping, the TI99/4A user would not be in contact with the most up-to-date software releases. Chris continues to support not only the User Groups and mailorder customers, but he stands behind his product, and continually updates his software inventory. His close association with programmers desiring to sell their wares, keep ASGARD in the know of what is wanted and needed by the TI99/4A community. The exciting factor here is that MOST if not all of his Software packages run on both the TI99/4A and the Geneve 9640. It is Chris' continued dedication to offer the very best software now and in the future to the TI99/4A users. Those who graduate to the Geneve 9640 will not only have the benefit of running this software on the Geneve, but the Geneve will also allow the producing of software BACK to the TI99/4A. Good News for those of US who absolutely INSIST on KEEPING OUR TI99/4As right next to our Geneve 9640. Follow Chris as he travels across the country, personally offering help and encouragement to those who wish up-dated information and software. A most popular program JUST RELEASED through his company is FONTWRITERII, by J.Peter

Hoddie. For you desktop publisher people, read the reviews on this program. LEGENDS was introduced in Seattle. A new, very sophisicated game was also a very popular item presented and demonstrated here in Seattle for the first time.

T.A.P.E.,Ltd., Mr. Franz Wagenbach, from Ontario, California, is the distributor of MECHATRONIC products, featuring an 80 column stand/alone attachment to the TI99/4A computer. His distribution of the red book, TI99/4A INTERN is a popular item. The Mechatronic Mouse with software, the Extended Basic by Mechatronics and the Gram Card are other items that were on display. The announcement of 80 column Multiplan was also noted. The use of an 80 col. RGB monitor gave many the incentive to expand for easier word processing and spread-sheet capabilities.

QUEEN ANNE COMPUTER SHOPPE, Seattle, Washington is owned and operated by Ms.Barbara Wiederhold. Starting in October, 1983 and continuing on with the idea that there are a great many computer owners STILL NEEDING individualized help, continues to maintain that premise. The shoppe is open Monday through Sat. Customers call from all over the State, cut-of-state and into Canada. Many times, just a phone call will solve the problem making it unnecessary to travel to Seattle. Software, hardware, new and used was on display and bargains galore for those who attended the Sea/Tac Holiday Inn Convention. Barbara featured the Geneve 9640, gave demonstrations and helped with software explanations of programs NEWLY INTRODUCED that day by Jack Riley, Marketing Manager from Myarc, Inc. in Basking Ridge, New Jersey.

BITS AND CHIPS, Edmonds, Washington is owned and operated by Janie Lawrence. The FIRST TO TAKE THE PLUNGE in Seattle, back in 1983, to devote her spare time and effort to bring software and hardware support to the TI99/4A community. Janie continues to support this market with unlimited ease, friendliness and patience. She brought again this year, everything she could manage to transport, including the many products that are offered by CorComp, Inc. in California. Her knowledge was taxed on Saturday as she continued throughout the day to show, explain and help everyone that crowded around her booth.

MILLER COMMUNICATIONS, Dave Miller owns this company and is developing a VIDEO FLEX card inserted in the P.E. Box which allows the opportunity to produce unlimited video graphics. This video flex card ON DISPLAY FOR THE FIRST TIME

AT ANY TI99/4A SHOW, will be produced and again shown after the first of next year. In the prototype stage currently, this card capability is being shown through the process of a video tape. With the exertise and programming ability of Tom Wynne, a local TI99/4A assembly and C language student, using his talents to produce the software, this is a NEW ITEM TO WATCH FOR.

NAMELOC, Paul Coleman from Portland, Oregon, a new dealer to our Convention list. With his participation into our activities, bring more software and hardware items, only enhanced the chances of the TI99/4A public to buy. Paul is new to us, but hopefully not to the Portland, Oregon area where DEALERS are in demand.

TI-RECYCLE-ABLES, Bob Amman, was on hand to SELL HIS WARES. He continues to reinforce the NEED to let us know that many times we PERSONALLY have things to clear out of our inventory. Bob owns a TI Professional and needed to sell his personal collection of TI99/4A equipment. This is a way for us all to sell our items and not just rely on newspaper advertising. Bob managed to sell a lot of his equipment, but the exact figures have not been compiled.

DISConsulting, Ltd., owner Jim Smith of Portland, Oregon returned this year with his wife and business. Jim mainly CONSULTS one-on-one with his clientele, but makes himself available as a dealer to put systems together to enhance and reinforce the opportunity to GET THE MOST OUT OF THE SOFTWARE you need to operate your business or educational needs. Jim had a good supply of hardware and software to show and sell. He is another asset to the Portland, Oregon community.

LIFESTREAM COMPUTER, owner Rick Fallstrom from Spanaway, Wash. is a BRAND NEW DEALER to our area. Rick brings with him a full line of expertise. His ability to build cables, put systems together, etc. has been his love and interest for several years. Working closely with Rick over the past three years, you would have noticed his continued support and enthusiasm for the TI99/4A world. His first attempt at showing and selling software though this type of media may have been smaller, but watch out for RICK. He brought products to this convention that we were not in touch with. Products advertised through the MICROpendium for RYTE DATA. He explained the use of hardware/software and his printer never stopped...

COMPU-SHOP in Bremerton, Washington is owned and

operated by Dan Stevens. Dan has been active in his Kitsap User Group and branched out to form Compu-Shop, providing hardware/software sales and lessons to that area of the State. Danny brought overlays for the Geneve 9640 as well as computers to sell. He had a good array of merchandise along with a lot of patience and understanding for the NOVICE. He continues to support the TI99/4A community both in Bremerton and the surrounding area. His second year with our convention, his knowledge for the Geneve 9640 and providing these unlimited services, adds more expertise to the growing number of TI99/4A computer users in this area of the United States.

RAVE99 Keyboards, owners John and Gay McDevitt, traveled to Seattle, Washington all the way from Vernon, Ct. We have READ ABOUT THEM, but have not had the privilege of meeting them personally. They added new items to this convention. The PC style keyboard was a dream a year ago and a reality this year. A lot of interest was generated by our community to see this keyboard demonstrated. With many new products in the wind, they were able to DEMONSTRATE their INSIDE THE PE BOX Speech Synthesizer. They sold out their supply and with local purchasers having them now in their possession, we will be able to find out if this inside speech will be a compliment also to the new Geneve 9640. Hoping to see even more in the ensuing months from RAVE99, we appreciate the NEW PRODUCTS THEY BROUGHT TO US.

MYARC, INC. of Basking Ridge, New Jersey. Jack Riley, Marketing Manager arrived in Seattle to demonstrate and INTRODUCE NEW SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE FOR THE GENEVE 9640. Anticipation prevailed and the onlookers were not disappointed to SEE MY-ART and the THREE-BUTTON, BALLBEARING WHEELED MOUSE. The graphic capabilities of the mouse software was quite impressive to say the least. MDOS, utilizing the use of Jack's Quad Controller Card and drive, was loaded into the machine. This MDOS is the BETA TEST copy only, and Jack gave copies explaining that this IS NOT THE DOS that was sent to Dealers and Distributors on the previous Friday. Last minute checking of the software was being done by owner of Myarc, Inc., in New Jersey, Lou Phillips as Jack was preparing for his trip from Alabama to Seattle, Wa. However the FINAL VERSION OF MYWORD AND MULTIPLAN was presented to Seattle Dealers for distribution. The FUTURE holds, according to Jack, a possible EPROM of DOS when it is completely tested and the assurance of being

bug-free. I was most anxious and pleased to see the HARD DRIVE CONTROLLER CARD, another item PRESENTED AT THE SEATTLE CONVENTION FOR THE FIRST REVIEW. This card is completed and software is the only hold-up at the moment. Future software development by MYARC, INC. includes a more enhanced word processing program, database and spreadsheet package, purchasable, should we require more than the offered software package being provided with the purchase of the Geneve 9640. By the end of October, 1987, ALL SOFTWARE for the Geneve PACKAGE WILL BE SHIPPED to those who have sent in their warranty letters, provided for them in the white manual. Jack ANNOUNCED THAT NOW YOU CAN USE THIS MANUAL, in MOST INSTANCES to load and run the DOS. Myarc has provided updates for using the new final version of MYWORD AND MULTIPLAN, and those papers were left with the dealers, for our added help in helping customers learn to use these programs. In the not-too-distant future, plans for Myarc are to provide an alternative arrangement for housing the GENEVE 9640 in some type of stand/alone system. CURRENTLY, it is being housed the the TI Peripheral Expansion Box, and this power supply is adequate and well-built for that purpose. News letters and information will continue to be made available to consumers and dealers as new items reach their goaled deadlines.

Genial TRAVelER, owner Barry Traver from Philadelphia, Pa, flew to Seattle for his first experience of providing information and help with GENIEL TRAVelER disk magazine software. Unknown to our area, this software has been advertised in the MICROpendium, and Barry along with several East Coast programmers have compiled, put together a large, extensive and varied database of information for the novice to the expert. Barry's speech, dealing with the different types of Extended Basic modules available to us today, enhanced our knowledge of what we can do individual as well as possibly produce software for others. Again, the fairware and freemarket is not only wide-open to our suggestions and inventions, but these Extended Basic tips allow us to utilize the different types of routines available for our purchase. Barry, along with his delightful son, age 10, John Calvin will continue to travel to the different TI99/4A conventions and faires to demonstrate the outstanding capabilities of Extended Basic, Assembly, etc. software to help users better understand and gain the most use from this TI99/4A computer. Most of the software is not only available

through Barry for the 99/4A, but will graduate right on over
to the Geneve 9640.
        TOM AULETA of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, traveled on his
own as an interested participant to Seattle for this 2nd
annual event. Tom has been an avid caller on our local
Bulletin Board Systems, for which there are four active
ones. (TIBBS NW in Bellevue, SysOp Ed Durffee,
(206)641-5884, Puget Sound 99ers, Keith Johnson, SysOp
(Systems Operator), (206)784-4142, Trothgard, John
Brittingham, SysOp, (206)824-6757, his wife Rachel, and
Asst.SysOp Tim Babcock help when John in sailing away on the
NOAH Research Ship. The Queen Anne Computer Shoppe
Commercial BBS, QACS, Barb Wiederhold, SysOp, (206)361-0895,
with the expertise of Asst.SysOp, Cynthia Becker newly
established resident of Seattle, having just relocated from
Brighton, Massachusetts. When we learned of the confirmation
of his trip, we asked Tom if he would give a speech on his
favorite subject, BLACK FRIDAY. Our schedule was not readily
available at the 11:00 a.m. time frame we gave Tom, and few
heard his report. MAYBE NEXT TIME TOM??? Through the
availability of PC-Pursuit, a TELNET communications network
which charges only $25.00 per month for unlimited modem
phone calls, we can reach Tom on a daily basis, either Tom
calls Seattle, or COMPUSERVE. You can reach Tom on the
aforementioned boards.   .

        No one shows, sells or travels for anything they do not
USE THEMSELVES, that applies to the aforementioned Vendors,
we all fit that category. So, add us to the count, and then
HEAR THE REST OF THE STORY..

We CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT USER GROUPS......

        Where do we get our testors?? Our support? Our advice
and criticism? From the ones who need us!
        Participating again were the following:

        PUGET SOUND 99ers, Seattle, Washington One of the VERY
FIRST User Groups established and registered with Lubbock,
Texas way back in 198..... One of our members, Rick Lewis,
worked for Texas Instruments way back then, and is STILL A
MEMBER, constantly contributing programming techniques and
help at the monthly meetings. Rick was a TEACHER, hired by
Texas Instruments to TEACH THE TEACHERS TO TEACH THE SELLERS

TO TEACH THE BUYERS..oh well, we still have Rick, and his expertise. He is a VOLUNTEER to teach you, and with his purchase of the Geneve 9640, along with the DOS..you can bet. Rick will still be on hand to help at the user groups. Chuck Wynne and his son Tom have devoted their computer room on a daily basis for anyone needing help. That's what presidents are for? The rest of the user group team have stayed, dedicated to the questions and answers and even defended the ones who MUST GO TO SOMETHING ELSE?? Brian Collins, age 10, worked long into the days and nights to produce special effects music demos, including a pad on the floor to stand on. Banners, large blown up pictures of RLE's were on the wall emphasizing the different programs available to us in the freeware/fairware user groups library.

TIC TAC User Group, hails from Seattle, Wa., worldwidely known as they let other user groups know of their existence, by trading newsletters. Tom Kennedy (CIS rep for our area), and Rita Glickman, again ran their booth, offering software and misc. items for sale. Who says participating in fairs is not a great fundraiser for your group!

TIORPHANS, South Seattle, newly formed just one year ago, has been consistent in their meetings, getting full cooperation and support from their members. They picked up new members at the convention. Is that not another reason for getting together at least once a year with other groups? When folks see lots of usergroup participation, they realize the need to join, participate, ask questions and find out WHERE THE HELP IS. Lloyd and his wife Judy, have become a valuable asset to this TI99/4A group.

KITSAP 99ers in Bremerton, Washington. Another active group, fully supports other user groups (they will travel to ya, even when it means a ferry ride), to Seattle. They meet every Saturday morning at a restaurant for TI FORTH reviews in addition to their regular meetings. With such a long distance between small towns. They still keep in touch with Seattle and surrounding areas. I did not have a chance to get a report on how they did if they had anything in their booth as a fund raiser, but again, their continued support throughout the year and at our Conventions only reinforces our opportunity to help them gain new members as we meet folks from their area.

WESTERN WASHINGTON COMPUTER CLUB, from Spanaway

(Ft. Lewis Army Base included) to Olympia, Washington. This group has supported a large area of 99/4A users and continues to keep informed of the latest updates in software and hardware. They continually travel to Seattle to get information for their club. We again, thank their 2nd year participation in our Convention. They also support us when we venture into Seattle proper for COMPUTER SHOWS, adding their demos to ours.

VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON (NOVA) A bit of a ways from Seattle, the NOVA group keeps in touch with our groups through newsletter exchanges and phone calls. They are in close contact with their accross-the-bridge neighbors in the State of Oregon, (PUNN). With smiles on their faces and surprise visits from them, we find they have the latest up-to-date fairware and freeware distribution for their members, and provide help, lessons and referrals to the other groups, nearby. Not to mix them up with our Canadian neighbors, we need to always ask their location when they call. Vancouver UG sits at the border of Washington/Oregon.

TRI-CITIES U.G., East of the Mountains In under the wire, we were pleased to have the BRAND-NEW PARTICIPATION of a well established user group EAST OF THE MOUNTAINS, on the way to Spokane, Washington. I will contact them and they have already expressed an interest in EARLY REGISTRATION for our 3rd ANNUAL???

SPOKANE U.G. members attended but did not register. They did not know of our Convention last year til they READ ABOUT US IN THE COMPUTER SHOPPER (Thank you Dr. Ron Albright). Now, we have added a new group to our roster. Having so many customers and calls to Seattle from Spokane users, we can now guide the callers in the right direction.

PUNN members, FROM PORTLAND, OREGON were also in attendance. We had quite a group considering the distance they traveled. Too late to register, they assured us of their participation NEXT TIME??

CANADIAN SUPPORT:

Canadian support has never been taken for granted and was a thrill to see so many new people here. The main group that registered with us is: TICC of Vancouver, B.C.

John Aupperle comes to town quite often, keeps in touch with our people, visits the two Seattle area shops and we seem to find more fairware software in his pocket than what

we can get for him. Several members were not able to attend
at the last minute, but John was here and he brought with
him an item that sold out mighty fast. It is a beautifully
printed overlay sheet for the much needed TIWriter, Original
overlay strip that seems to disappear when the computer gets
repaired, stored and/or sold to someone else. Multiplan
overlay, TE-II, Editor Assembler, P-Code, just to name a few
of the important overlays that help move this computer along
at an easier pace. Even though other user groups in Canada
were not present by name, we were so pleased to see the
distance Canadians traveled here. Many own the Geneve 9640
and several bought them at the Convention. Duty-free?? Don't
you wish???

        I cannot actually close this story without at this
moment thanking the VIP positions. TO BE A VIP you must:
SHOW   UP....WORK...VOLUNTEER....SMILE...GO   ANYWHERE   AT
ANYTIME ON SHORT NOTICE...CLIMB LADDERS, sometimes several
times, WHEN CHANGES ARE MADE, COVER BOOTHS FOR VENDORS WHEN
THEY   NEED   TO   LEAVE   FOR   A   WHILE...WORK   WITHOUT
BREAKS..FOOD..DONATE   ALL   THEIR   PERSONAL   EQUIPMENT AND OF
COURSE TIME TO THIS ENDEAVOR...No VIPS in sight you say?

        Wrong again: James Smith, of Tacoma 99ers, Chris Baker,
Bob   Seaman,   Brian   Collins(Jr.VIP),   Dave   Powell,   Kay
Trovjosky (collected the money at the door), John   Kannisto,
Bert   Jones   (makes   green   cakes),   Tom   Auleta(super VIP),
Cynthia Becker (transplant from Boston Computer Society, and
BBS watchcat), John Calvin Traver (Jr.VIP), BARRY TRAVER
(Special Guest), Terry Hoder, and Craig Duarte. HOW DO YOU
THANK EM??? ONE VIP not mentioned yet, is TOM WYNNE, who
will get a very SPECIAL VIP thank you. He goes to school,
works with individuals privately when they need help with
learning how to use TIWriter and Multiplan, creates signs,
cards, letters, banners, is the Editor of the Puget Sound
99er Newsletter, and CAME THROUGH AGAIN, for the 2nd time.
We NEED his printer and Artist capabilities in a FLASH to
create posters, advance letters with coupons for mailing
announcements, folding Myarc flyers, printing all the forms
and banners for the convention. AGAIN, this VIP did it all,
AGAIN!!! A thousand thankyou's Tom for meeting DEADLINES!!

        LAST   COUNTED   IN   THE   ATTENDANCE   ARE: ALL   THE NEAT
CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 10, SOME BEING CARRIED BY PARENTS,
who took the TIME TO BRING THEIR PARENTS TO THIS CONVENTION

so they would EXPAND THEIR COMPUTERS FOR EASIER USE..kids
hate to load tape recorders and wait out the blip, blip,
blip...

        So, guys and gals...start counting..can ya tell how
many were in attendance? If ya can, then let me know. The
room was crowded from 10:00 a.m. til 5:00 p.m. with at least
6 people deep per booth. The vendors and user groups never
had a time when they were not talking to someone (or many at
the same time). WATA CONVENTION.... That is success...

        ADDENDUM: There were no earthshaking announcements at
this Convention, but I believe that the TI99/4A world has
had about enough of those. To successfully produce, direct
and pull off a Second Annual, TI99/4A, and Geneve 9640
solely supported Convention of the magnitude of this one, is
EARTHSHAKING IN ITSELF.

        You can order a video tape of this 2nd Annual State of
Washington TI99/4A User Groups Convention (still available,
Convention 86) for the price of $25.00 and meet us via
video. Send order to Barb Wiederhold at the Queen Anne
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