

Introducing the Fast-232 from CoNect!

Tired of being limited to 4800 baud on your CoCo under OS-9? Get in the fast lane with the Fast-232 Pak from CoNect! It uses the 16550 with a FIFO buffer to cut down on the overhead needed to service an RS-232 port. It is capable of speeds up to 115.2k! Finally you can use a high speed modem under OS-9! Stop by the Monk-O-Ware booth to see one....

OR stop by the ChiCoCo & SandV BBSes booth to see the pak in action.

The ChiCoCo BBS CoCo will be there on display again this year. This is a CoCo3 that is repackaged in a PC fileserver case that has four serial ports, a parallel port, two floppy drives, four hard drives, an IBM keyboard and it all runs under Nitros-09! This is a must see CoCo!

5th Annual "Last" Chicago CoCoFest



Presented by **The Glenside Color Computer Club**

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Fest Guide Information

The Glenside Color Computer Club is a not-for-profit organization whose members share an interest in the Tandy Color Computer®. The Fest Guide is edited and published by CJB technologies & Consulting. The official mailing address for the Glenside Color Computer Club is:

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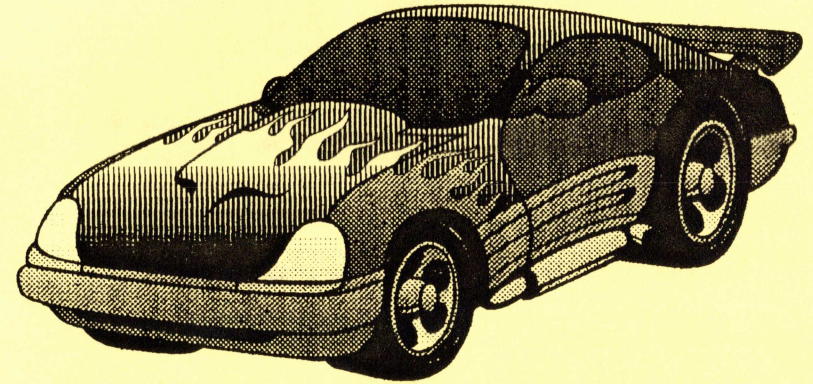
Membership is open to anyone who qualifies under the bylaws of the club. Please stop by the Glenside Color Computer Club booth for more information or write to the club for more information.

Membership entitles you to receipt of the CoCo~123, the official newsletter of the club, which will be published at least four times a year.

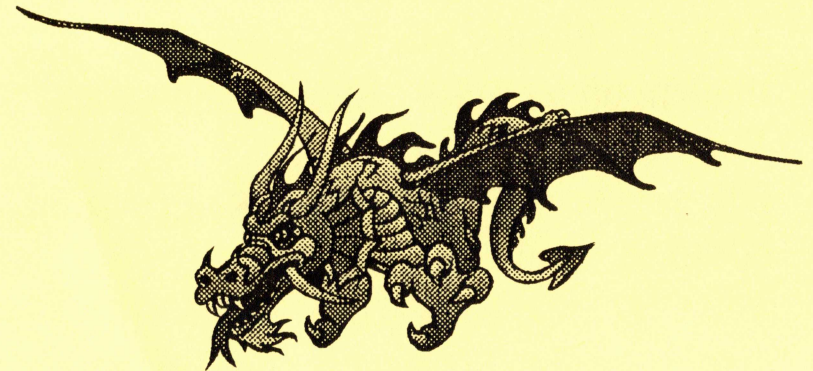
The Glenside Color Computer Club is pleased to exchange newsletters with other Color Computer clubs. Please write for more information on the newsletter exchange program.

If you would like to contribute an article to the CoCo~123 you may upload an ASCII file to the Glenside's Cup 'O CoCo BBS or send it on a standard DECB or OS-9 disk (5 1/4") in ASCII form. The CoCo~123 also accepts ads for free and will run them when space is available. Preference will be given to vendors who have advertised in the Fest Guide, otherwise ads will be run in an order determined by the President and editor of the newsletter. If you advertised in the Fest Guide please make sure to mention that fact. Ads should be camera ready or in straight ASCII text.

The ChiCoCo BBS



(312) 735-3355



**Games, Files, CoCo Support, OS9 Support
Now running with High Speed Serial Ports
from CoNect! and a Hayes 9600 Modem.
Come join the fun, join the Chicago CoCo
BBS and the ChiCoCo Network.
UUCP Mail coming very soon!
14,400 just around the corner.**

Chicago 1996

Welcome to the 5th Annual "Last" Chicago CoCoFest; and thank you for your continued support and interest!

It's been 5 years since Dave and Nancy Myers hosted the 1st Annual "Last" Chicago CoCoFest, a "Gathering of CoCo, OS9 and OSK enthusiasts".

Five years ago many thought the CoCo and it's related machines and software dead and that the fest hosted by Dave and Nancy would indeed be the last. However here we are as proof that the doubters were wrong, that our favorite machine could and does survive, that the closeness and sense of kinship and community remain as strong as ever.

It is that sense of community, (as well as the hard work of the Glenside Color Computer Club fest committee headed by Tony Podraza) that brings us and keeps us all together.

It is only with the continued support of each and every one of us, that we can continue to bring these Fests about in the future. It takes a lot of work by a lot of people, not just those who organize the Fest but those who attend also, the vendors and attendees!

FARNAS Systems

Software:

CoCo Family Recorder (DECB) - \$15.00
Genealogy program for CoCo 3. Requires 2 drives, 80 col. monitor.
OS-9 Version - \$20.00

DigiTech Pro (DECB) - \$10.00
Record any sound for easy play-back in your BASIC or M/L programs. CoCo 3 512K.

ADOS (DECB)
Support for double sided drives, 40/80 tracks, faster formatting, much more!
Original (CoCo 1/2) - \$10.00
ADOS 3 (CoCo 3) - \$20.00
Extended ADOS 3 - \$30.00 (ADOS 3 req., RAM drives, support for 512K-2MB)
ADOS 3/Rt. Combo - \$40.00

Pixel Blaster (OS-9)- \$12.50 : High speed graphics tools for OS-9 Level II. Easily speed up your game programming with this tool kit and subroutines!

*Software, Books, and Hardware for
all OS-9/OSK Systems!*
ADD \$3.00 S&H
(\$4.00 Canada, \$10.00 Overseas)

Patch OS-9 - \$7.50
Automated program installs most popular/ needed patches for OS-9 Level II 512K and two-40T/DS (or larger) drives required. (128K /3ST users can install manually- state 3ST.)

Books:

NEW!! Mastering OS-9 - \$30.00 : This is the long awaited update of Paul Ward's "Start OS-9". New format is easier to read, has easier to follow tutorials and updated information files. Comes complete with disk, which has a few added utilities.

Tandy's Little Wonder - \$20.00
History/technical info, schematics, peripherals, upgrades, modifications, repairs, much more- all described in detail for all CoCo model! Vendors, clubs, BBSs also listed.

Quick Reference Guides
OS-9 Level II - \$5.00 OS-9/68K - \$8.00
These handy QRGs have the most needed info in a 5.5" x 8.5" desk-top size. Command syntax, error codes, special keys, etc.

CoCo Hardware:

DiScan Video Digitizer - \$125: Capture images from VCR, camcorder, or TV camera. No MPI required- uses joystick ports. CoCo Max3, Max 10, Color Max 3 compatible. Special order- allow 90 days for delivery. Send \$75 deposit, remainder due before delivery.

Purple Keyboard Adapters - \$65: Use IBM PC/XT keyboards with your CoCo! Mounts in CoCo case with no soldering.

Box 321
Warner Robins, GA 31099
Phone 912-328-7859
Internet: dartfox@delphi.com



Annual General Meeting

(see the Fest schedule for the exact time and location)

Drop by our booth at the Fest for a complimentary copy of the MOTD newsletter, or for more information. We can also be contacted on Internet as "os9ug@sandv.chi.il.us", or at the address below.

Individual Membership Application

Mail to: OS-9 Users Group, Inc Annual Dues (US dollars):
6158 West 63rd St, Suite 109 USA & Canada \$25.00
Chicago, IL 60638 International \$30.00

Membership includes the OS-9 Users Group Newsletter, the MOTD, which is published 4-6 times annually.

Check or Money Order (US Funds) payable to "OS-9 Users Group, Inc".

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____

E-Mail Address: _____



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SANDV BBS

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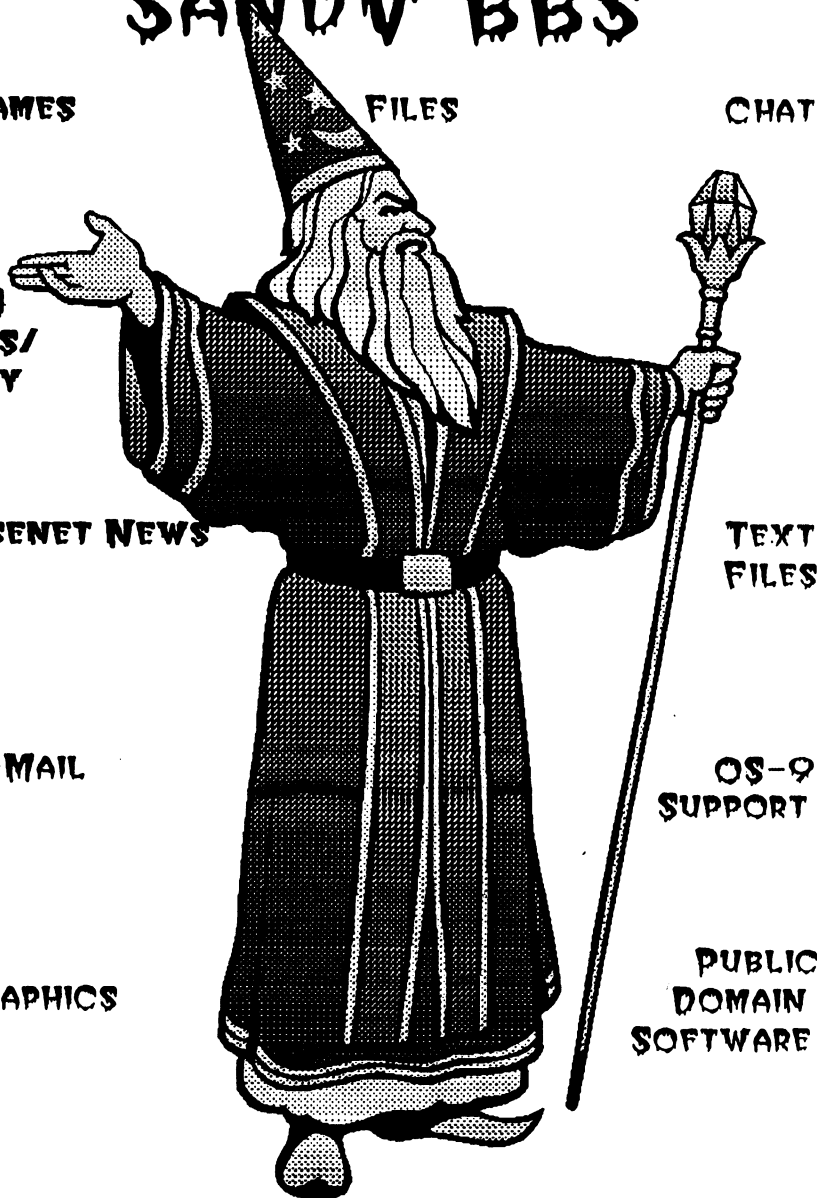
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OS-9
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DOMAIN
SOFTWARE

300-14,400 Baud
System Administrator: Paul Jerkatis
BBS: (708) 352-0948
Voice: (708) 579-1314

Without them the fest can't happen. Let us not forget the ones who help get the word out either. They do an awful lot of work too.

In the years between that first fest and today's, we have seen the introduction of new machines and software. We have software and modifications to improve the performance of our old faithful CoCo's. We can even run our software on that "other" hardware!

It is through organizations like Glenside and the Vendors represented here at the fest; and those who could not attend but still support us, that support for our favorite machine continues.

So see old and make new friends. Make new discoveries and learn something new at the seminars. Visit the exhibitors and get the latest upgrades and software, but most of all **HAVE FUN!**

Robert Gibons

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President -Glenside Color Computer Club 1996

John Brown is selling:

HAZELWOOD COMPUTER SYSTEMS PRODUCTS

- CDL BASIC***
- CDL BASIC LITE***
- BIBLE REFERENCE**
- OS-9† 68000 ver 3.0**
- OS-9† 68000 ver 2.4 for TC-70†† boards**
- Euro-K* Computers 68020 & 68030**
- coming soon - Basic to C writing program**

*CDL BASIC & EURO-K systems are trademarks of Hazelwood Computer Systems
†TC-70 is a registered trademark of Frank Hogg Laboratories
††OS-9 is a registered trademark of Microware

The Glenside Club apologizes for not having a listing of seminars in the Fest Guide this year but in the rush of things we didn't have time to put the list together in time for the printing of the Fest Guide. We did not have time for drawing out a floor plan this year either. We hope that this will not cause any of our attendees any problems. Please note all of the vendors listed and make sure you visit them all. The seminars will be posted prominently at the show.

My CoCo Friends

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HAZELWOOD COMPUTER SYSTEMS

Sporting a number of items for OS9 68000 systems, EURO-K systems, and the TC-70 systems, John Brown is making his first official "FEST!" outing this year in Chicagoland. Give him a friendly Laurel and a Hardy Handshake as you interestingly peruse the goods that he is purveying.

Address: **7887 Longview Drive; Bryan, TX;
77808-8762**

Phone Number: **409-589-2278**

JUSTIN TIME

Justin Wagner, a friend of GLENSIDE since 1990, has stumbled across a cache of various hard-, firm-, and soft-ware items that he is making available to the "FEST!"-goers. Cache for cash, such a deal. Get that "spare" JUSTIN TIME...before the original crashes!

Address: **P.O. Box 82; Glen Ellyn, IL; 60138**
Phone Number: **708-620-9370**

MONK-O-WARE

This year, The CoCo Community's own adopted monk officially presents us with, uh, well, it's really...it's sort of like..... Actually, only HE knows just what Brother Jeremy will have cloistered together for this pilgrimage to the "FEST!". Ask him how the unsupported software project is going and where to leave messages about old programs and authors that have dropped out of the community. While you're at it ask him lots of questions about anything and everything, he's a great person to talk to.

Address: **P. O. Box 1903; Racine, WI; 53401**
Phone Number: **414-634-8979**

ALAN DAGES

"Al" Dages is no stranger to the CoCoFEST!s. He has been instrumental in organizing the Atlanta "FEST!"s and returns, again, as an exhibitor to the Chicago "FEST!". You'll always find something of use at his "horn of plenty" of recyclable goods.

Phone Number: **404-469-5111**

ADVENTURE SURVIVORS

A.S. is a family-run club for CoCo adventure game players. Annual memberships and back-issues of the Club Newsletter are available at the show for a modest fee. At least 28 of the best CoCo adventures are reviewed (with maps and solutions) in back issues.

Address: **24 Perthshire Drive; Peachtree City; GA;
30269**

Phone Number: **404-487-8461**

CHICAGO AREA OS9 USERS GROUP

Stop by and get information on the local OS9 support group and see the ChiCoCo BBS in action. Log in and check out this CoCo & OS9 support BBS. Other OS-9 platforms are also supported such as the MM/1. Big plans for the future of this club are in the works.

Address: **10 McCarthy; Park Forest; IL; 60466**
Phone Number: **708-747-0117**

CHICOCO BBS

The ChiCoCo BBS is back! Drop by and see the CoCo in a File Server case. This is the CoCo that runs the ChiCoCo BBS with high speed serial ports, 4 hard drives and much more. It runs under Nitros-09 and the owner, Carl Boll is proud of his little 150 pound toy computer. Drop by and talk with the people at the booth. The BBS supports the CoCo, OS9 in all of its forms and is part of the ChiCoCo Network. There is also stuff for sale!

Phone Number: **312-735-6087**

BBS Phone Number: 312-735-3355

DIGIGRADE PRODUCTIONS

Dave Pellerito is here again as Digigrade Productions! Goto his booth and you will find yourself immersed in a point-and-click adventure CD-ROM named DAS. It's murder, and it's your friend. Featuring digitized scenery and sound for the MM/1.

Address: **1325 West Lincoln Hwy; Apt 412A; DeKalb; IL; 60115**

Phone Number: **815-756-7419**

FARNA SYSTEMS

As Editor and Publisher of "The World of 68' micros", Frank has given the community one of its rallying points in the printed word. Last year he released the long-awaited, re-edited and updated version of Paul Ward's "Start OS9," retitled as "Mastering OS9." Already the author of at least one CoCo program, he is also the author of the book, "Tandy's Little Wonder".

Address: **Box 321; Warner Robins; GA; 31098-1029**

Phone Number: **912-328-7859**

GLENSIDE COLOR COMPUTER CLUB

Glenside has been intimately involved with Chicago-area 'fests since 1987. This year is no exception. As the "FEST!" sponsor, we sincerely hope that your visit with us is all and more than you expected. As usual, past issues of the club's newsletter, the CoCo~123 will be freely available, as long as supplies last. Membership packages for '96 and '97 are available, as are the ever popular "FEST!" Tee-Shirts. A limited supply of commemorative mugs are to be had, and maybe a few surprises, too! We almost forgot to mention the fact that the Glenside Club will also again this year sponsor an auction of goodies. If you have something that you don't need or want and just want to get rid of it, give it to the people at the Glenside Booth and they'll auction it off later in the day. The auction has become one of the favorite side shows at the Fests.

Address: **1209 Winslowe Drive, Apt. 103; Palatine, IL; 60067**

Phone Number: **708-529-3539**

HAWKSOFT

Being one of the longest current CoCo vendors in business, and the inventor of the widely reknowned "Slot-Pak", Chris and Nancy Hawks of Hawksoft continue to grace the "FEST!"s with their attendance and surprises! Do you have any of the Tandy Plug and Power controllers for the CoCo 1 & 2? Want to use it on a CoCo3? 'Nuff said! Among the other products they offer, you will find the ever-popular switchable high-res joystick interface, Domination, MyDOS, and more! See Chris and Nancy for any and all of these GREAT items.

Address: **28456 S R 2; New Carlisle, IN; 46552**

Phone Number: **219-654-7080**

SBUG of Los Angeles

Andre Lavelle of SBUG will be offering special prices on Tandy(tm) CoCo software, as well as on surplus computer accessories. Also available will be other hard to find goodies. Check out the bargains! You can't believe his one-man "flea market" variety of computer parts, supplies and often other gizmos that will amaze and baffle you. Andre is a fixture at the Fests. We wouldn't think of having a Fest without him...or would we? Well, we'll always invite him!

Address: **1251 W Septulveda Blvd - Suite 400;**
Torrence, CA; 90502-2677
Phone Number: **310-539-9702**

STRONGWARE

StrongWare will be featuring products for the MM/1 and the Color Computer 3. Be sure to check out Soviet Block and Gems which features stereo sound effects when used with the Orchestra 90(tm) pak. These guys have been staunch supporters of the Fests, taking a booth even when they didn't have anything ready to sell yet!

Address: **Box 361; Matthews; IN; 46957**
Phone Number: **317-998-7558**

THE COCO CELLAR

In its second year as an exhibitor, the Cellar promises to be an interesting stop on your agenda. Open the Cellar door and walk down the creaky steps to see what you can find in the nooks and cranies.

Address: **735 Prairieview Lane, #3B; Woodstock, IL;**
60098
Phone Number: **815-337-0117**

THE OS9 USERS GROUP, INC.

Revitalized a little over four years ago, the OS9 User's Group of USA has the vision to inspire new blood to greater heights. Find out what they can do for you! More important, find out what you can do for them. All it takes is a few minutes of your time. This is the User Group that publishes the M. O. T. D.! This is a great publication. It's more than just an average newsletter. Join people from around the world that are members of this group. Stay informed of what is happening in the world of OS9. Stop by and join or get information on joining the group.

Address: **6158 W 63rd Street; Suite 109; Chicago, IL;**
60638

WITTMAN COMPUTER PRODUCTS

Last year, "WCP", in it's first official "FEST!" outing, surprised us with the announcement that it had acquired the publishing rights and privileges of ColorSystems. Now, with at a number of its own specified systems in commercial service around the country, they are continuing to expand into the computer market, this time presenting the Chicago "FEST!"-goers with their first look at their new hardware.

Address: **39 South Lake; Bergen, NY; 14416**
Phone Number: **716-494-1506**

**Just a short message from your friends at the
Glenside Club. Piracy hurts everybody in the
community. Don't be a party to it. We actively
prohibit piracy of software. It is against the law
and we reserve the right to prosecute anyone
caught distributing pirated software at this Fest.
Don't be a debit to the community!**

NORTHERN XPOSURE

Welcome NX to Chicago for the THIRD time! Their offerings include SCSISYS 2.2 by Matthew Thompson, a host of items by Alan DeKok, and not to be missed, NitroS9. You have to spend some time with them to get a full understanding of just how they can help you with YOUR quest for games, utilities, and applications. Alan Dekok, one of the programmers of Nitros is supposed to be at this Fest. Stop by and tell him what you think of Nitros if you are using it. He listens!

Address: **7 Greenboro Crescent; Ottawa, Ontario;**

Canada; K1T 1W6

Phone Number: **613-736-0329**

R. C. SMITH

"RC" has long been dedicated to the proposition that good hardware and software should be kept from passing out of existence. His supply of "previously owned" items range from ROM-PAKS to power supplies and computers to drives. If "RC" doesn't have it on his table, you can bet that he will probably have it at home. If you're looking for that "spare", look here.

Phone Number: **404-469-6601**

RON BULL

Ron comes to Chicago for the second time as an exhibitor, this time giving us time to prepare for his arrival. Rumor has it that, among other offerings, he will be sporting the wares of... but, then, I don't start rumors... You'll have to see for yourself. We hope he enjoys his time here.

Address: **115 Ann Street; Duncannon, PA;**

17020-1204

Phone Number: **717-834-4314**

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WHY DIDN'T YOU?

Our Community Is In Danger

The above statement is sad but true. The most disturbing thing about it, however, is that the danger comes from within the community itself.

There is currently an individual within our community who is using the national users group that he controls and the electronic magazine of which he is the editor to distribute, for a fee, programs which are still under copyright and whose authors have not given permission for their distribution. This activity is being conducted under the guise of the term "orphanware" so as to make it seem as though this software has been abandoned and is no longer supported by the authors. Through this users group, through the magazine and through online public forums and the listserv this individual has attempted to convince us that his actions are done in the best interests of the CoCo community and that he maintains a high level of integrity in the administration of the distribution of the copywritten software. I have come to discover, unfortunately, that this is all a ruse.

I have met with Mr. Terry Simons, editor of the Upgrade magazine, treasurer of the Mid Iowa and Country CoCo club (MI&CC) and the individual in question here, face to face. We have discussed this matter at length, and I have come to understand that the things that are being said by him in public are not the truth. In person, Terry Simons has admitted to the questionable ethics of this activity. He has admitted that he only supports the principle underlying his position because it benefits his purpose but that in other situations he doesn't believe in the principles that he argues for here. Most importantly, though, contrary to numerous online statements in which he has said that any authors who wish their software removed from his distribution list will have their wishes respected, in person he has admitted to me that, if such an author did make such a request, whether or not he would discontinue distributing their software would depend upon how important he thought that software was.

Friends, regardless of how tempting the idea is and how well-intentioned Terry Simons makes himself seem, he is, in actuality, a disillusioned man who is doing more harm to this community than good. This issue is driving a greater wedge into this community and driving more software authors away than any other event in this community's history.

I know many of you do not support the illegal distribution of copywritten software that the MI&CC currently participates in, but you still support the club out of a feeling of loyalty to the community. However, I must inform you that the unfortunate truth is that, by supporting the MI&CC, you are, at the very least, indirectly supporting the illegal and unethical actions which Terry Simons is undertaking on behalf of the club.

I can only urge MI&CC members and all other members of the community to distance themselves away from the MI&CC, the Upgrade magazine and Terry Simons, and to shift their support to the more reputable national Color Computer organizations, such as the fine groups which continue to make Chicago and Atlanta Fests possible.

Long live our community.

Eric Crichlow

CoCo/OS-9/OSK programmer, supporter and enthusiast

This was a article paid for by Eric Crichlow himself. It is the policy of the Glenside Color Computer Club to prohibit any type of software piracy as noted elsewhere in this Fest Guide. The Publisher and Editor of the Fest Guide felt that this article was in keeping with the club's policies and is solely responsible for the article's being published.