The Glenside Color Computer Club
Is proud to welcome you
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to:

The Seventh Annual "Last" Chicago CoCoFEST!
April 18-19, 1998   Elgin, Illinois

sponsored by:
GLENSIDE COLOR
COMPUTER CLUB INC.

The best CoCoFEST! I've ever been to!

We all hope you enjoy our Fe(a)st

WELCOME!

TO THE SEVENTH ANNUAL "LAST" COCOFEST!

CELEBRATING THE UNSINKABLE COMPUTER

The Tandy Color Computer

Welcome aboard the 7th voyage of the Unsinkable "Last" Glenside CocoFest!

Long ago, naysayers predicted our maiden voyage would be our last. But we've dodged the icebergs of DOS and Windows for so long that we now have our own saga of Fests. Come hear Allen Huffman spin the yarns of Fests past.

Not all the secrets of the past are buried beneath the waves. Come hear Steve Bjork reveal the shocking truths behind the early history of our beloved Coco and its motley crew -- along with hints on creating really great games. His multi-media show promises to sweep the Oscars this year.

It's full steam ahead with more Vendors than last year. And the famous Auctions will let you salvage first-class hardware and software at steerage prices.

How'd you like to go to a REAL party? Don't miss our First Annual Coco Family Dinner, with informal sing-and-play-along afterwards with whatever instruments and voices we've got. No need to jump ship for a good meal Saturday evening, and all your mates will be right here.

Don't those musicians ever give up? Never! Come see and hear the latest features just added to UltiMusE.

Feel the mighty engines throbbing -- must be the IDE Hard Disks running under Glenside's new IDE controller! Come pick up yours and learn how to set it up for smooth sailing from Carl Boll. And help keep the Coco4 dream afloat.

Travel back in time to a real "radio shack!" Sunday morning the sun will rise on the gorgeous cabinets of vintage radios, as the Antique Radio Club of Illinois (ARCI) holds their quarterly swap fast in the West parking lot at 7:00 AM. If someone calls our CoCo an "antique," wait till you see a 1925 radio receiver, and spare parts that only look like they've spent time underwater.

We'd never leave the dock without the crew and the stokers -- the many members of Glenside who sweat and toil behind the scenes to set up, run, and clean up the Fest. Accept this Fest as our gift to you, from the members of the Glenside Color Computer Club. Remember, it's YOU who've kept us afloat. Together, we are the Unsinkable Coco Community!

-- *Mike Knudsen*,
President of Glenside Color Computer Club

ACADIAN EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

Boisy Pitre joins The FEST! this year with his own OSK-supporting company. A long-time supporter of the 68XX- and 68XXX-based machines, he has travelled up the Mighty Mississippi from Louisiana just to be here. It is even rumored that Boisy may be running a CoCo again at home! Way cool!

Address: 475 Saint Paul Avenue; Opelousas, LA 70570-1726

Phone Number: 318-543-7554

ALAN DAGES

"Al" and "Babs" Dages are no strangers to the CoCoFEST!s. They have been instrumental in organizing the Atlanta "FEST!"s and return, again, as exhibitors and supporters of the Chicago "FEST!". You'll always find something of use at their "horn of plenty" of recyclicable goods. Al may be out in the parking lot Sunday morning...He is a real "ham".

Phone Number: 770-469-5111

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, not to mention the line of games that they will have available.

Address: 24 Perthshire Drive

Peachtree City, GA 30269

Phone Number: 770-487-8461

BARGEMAN RESEARCH LABS

Karton Sefcik, who hardly ever misses a Fest (has he ever missed one yet?) opened up the field, last year, with discussions centering around technology and support. He'll be doing the same this year...but isn't that one of the things that the FEST! is all about? Thanks for stimulating our minds and actions, Karl.

Address: 11306 Brady

Redford, MI 48239

Phone Number: 313-532-0116

BLACKHAWK ENTERPRISES INC.

As the premier proponent of the MM/1 computer, Blackhawk can help you MM/1 owners with your modifications and upgrades.

Address: 221 S Fannon Street
             #4; Tyler, TX 75701

Phone Number: 903-592-5427

CLOUD-9

Returning for the first time, Mark Marlett (and all the little Marlettes) continue to astonish us with his "grand master hardware-hacked coco repack". Having produced the Cloud-9 512K Simm memory upgrade for the CoCo, last year, it will be interesting to see the results of his fertile mind, this year...do I hear 2MEG, anybody?

Address: 3749 County Road 30
             Delano, MN 55328

Phone Number: 612-972-3261

COCO HUT

Jim Davis is here for the first time as an exhibitor. He is representing Rick's Computer Enterprises, a name that is familiar to all of us. Catch the NEW Pac-Man game from Austrailia that he has available. Gaurenteed to frustrate even the best gamer.

Address: PO Box 1704
             Nixa, MO 65714

Phone Number: 417-725-8481

CHICAGO AREA OS-9 USER GROUP

This is one of the oldest OS-9 groups around (also one of the very few). They meet on the fourth Thursday of the month whenever possible. There are usually computers available to "play with" or bring yours if you are having a problem. The meetings are very casual. For meeting dates or info contact either Carl Boll or Howard Luckey.

Address: 6242 S. Menard Ave. (Carl)
             Chicago, IL 60638
             10 McCarthy (Howard)
             Park Forest, IL 60466-2122

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THE SPEAKERS:

Allen Huffman -- "And the Fest Played On" -- Allen takes us on a review of the post-Rainbow CoCoFests, using readings from his new book 'CoCoFest Chronicles' and many behind-the-scenes bits of information, history, and trivia.

Steve Bjork -- at least 2 hours on Coco game programming tricks and little-known inside tidbits of Coco history. We'll be talking for years about this multi-media presentation by an all-time great personality and programmer. Two hours to miss it, a lifetime to regret it.

Carl Boll, Eddie Kuns and >maybe< Jim Hathaway III -- Setting up your new IDE hard drive, choosing a drive, selecting the right OS9 descriptor and driver for your drive and situation, etc.
PLUS open forum on Coco4 design concepts, like last year.

The Music Men -- latest features of UltiMusE, good tunes, etc. UME's new KeyPad Editor lets you enter sheet music much faster than ever!

John Strong of Strongware -- to be announced

SEMINARS - Etc.

SATURDAY APRIL 17

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10 AM	Fest Opens
10:30-11:30	Allen Huffman: Coco Fest Chronicles
12:00	Dining Room STOPS serving Brunch
12:00-1:00	Lunch Cart is set up outside of Fest Room
12:30-2:30+	Steve Bjork: Game Programming;
	Surprise Tidbits of Coco History
2:30+ - 4:00	Business as Usual; Relax!
4:00-5:00	No-Min-Bid Donation Auction
5:00	Fest starts winding down Day 1
6ish--8ish:	FIRST ANNUAL COCO FAMILY DINNER
8ish - Midnite:	Sing and Play Along; Retire to Bar ad lib
Midnite - ?:	Hacking, Gabbing and General Socializing

SEMINARS - Etc.

SUNDAY APRIL 18

7:00 AM (!) Radio Swap in Parking Lot (not ours, but...)

8:30 Holy Communion Service with Brother Jeremy

10:00 Fest Re-Opens

10:30-11:30 John Strong, StrongWare: Topic to be announced

12:00 Dining Room STOPS serving lunch

12:30-1:30 The Music Men: New UltiMusE Features, Fun with MIDI

2:00-3:30 Carl Boll: IDE Project Discussion and Status Report; Coco4 Discussion

3:30-4:30 No-Min-Bid Auction Day #2

5:00-6:00 Fest winds down

6:00 Everybody out-dinner usually at Mongolian BBQ!

NOTES:

We had hoped the Hotel's staff would come into the main room to take lunch orders from the Vendors between 11 and 11:30, as a convenience to those crewing the booths. However, that isn't going to happen. Anyone may leave the room and get their own brunch in the dining room between 11 and 12. The hotel is going to provide a sandwich cart for those who wish to have a cold cut sandwich, chips and a drink, or you can duck out to 'Donald's.

The Hotel's access road will be CLOSED for a Marathon run for about an hour starting about 8 AM Sunday. So don't duck out for a Sunday breakfast. Besides the parking lot is full of radios.

Sunday's sunrise Antique Radio flea market in the parking lot is by ARCI (Antique Radio CLub of Illinois). Here's your chance to get a 1925 or 1940 radio, and parts for it. Yes, ancient tubes are easier to find than 6309s or 2764 EPROMs -- come out and see for yourself.

Remember that we are all here to enjoy ourselves as well as to find bargains (like at the auction or at the resller's tables) or hard to find items that we just can't live without. Take your time, make sure you see everything twice (at least) and make new friends.

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BILL GATES: Waiter! There's a bug crawling in my salad!
WAITER: Sir, that's our undocumented Protein Enhancement Feature. Still in Beta, sir, please don't shout and tip off the other customers.

--Mike Knudsen and Carl Boll, GCCC

COLOR COMPUTER PRESERVATION SOCIETY

This brainchild of Rick Cooper and others is dedicated to just what it says. A regular exchange of information and ideas will be taking place in order to keep the CoCo users aprised of developements in the community. There will be a regular newsletter, a web site and a regular E-mail list. Steve Bjork is an ardent supporter of the CoCoPS as the Color Computer Preservation Society is known. If you aren't a member you definately want to join if you are at all interested in helping preserve this great little 8-bit computer that just won't say die!

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Liberty, KY 42539

E-mail: cocops@stg.net   or stg.net/cocops

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. In 1995, 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". Frank has a CoCo 2000 (a CoCo repackaged in a Tandy 2000 case) and a whole lot of neat toys.   His magazine has been instrumental in keeping the CoCo community informed of what's going on and providing a venue for vendors to still advertise their wares.

Address: Box 321

Warner Robins, GA 31099-0321

Phone Number: 912-328-7859

FWD COMPUTING

In their first year as a FEST! supporter, Frank Davis and company promises to open our eyes to things that we have never seen before. At least, I haven't. However, if you have a Sinclair Spectrum, Timex, Z88 or QL, MAC, Cambridge, Intel-compatible or Amiga computers, you just might have.

Address: PO Box 17

Mexico, IN 46958

Phone Number: 765-473-8031

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 '98 and '99 are available, as are the ever popular "FEST!" Tee-Shirts. A limited supply of commemorative mugs may be had, and maybe a few surprises, too! Don't forget to check out the OS-9 based Point of Sale system at their booth! Who says you need a PC for a POS?

Address: 119 Adobe Circle

Carpentersville, IL 60110-1101

Phone Number: 847-428-3576

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! Not only do they support the CoCo though, they also have items for the MM/1 and OSK! Some of the OSK stuff includes CDF, now you can read CD-ROMs under OSK, VCDP, a virtual CD Player and much, much 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

LEE VEAL

Many of you might remember Lee when he was here representing DALTRUG. This year he returns to the FEST! with goodies of his own. Please welcome him back with a warm hand shake and and a big smile.

Address: 8809 Linda Vista

Rowlett, TX 75088

Phone Number: 972-475-7399 (evenings only, please)

LUCKEY CORNER

You can never tell just what you may find here. But this year, Howard and Carl have thrown a major percentage of time and effort in getting the GLENSIDE IDE project completed, so I imagine that you'll find alot of IDE info, interfaces, and drives here.

Address: 6242 South Menard

Chicago, IL 60638

MANISTEE COLOR COMPUTER CLUB

Arthur & Cheryl Krause and Eleanor Buck have been here before, in 1995, but not as an official vendor. The Manistee CoCo Cub that they represent has been the birthplace of one or two "noteables", if my (poor) memory serves me correctly. Ask them to tell you about the club's activities and members while you consider lightening their return trip.

Address: 1514 Main Street; Manistee, MI 49660 (Krause)

918 Vine Street; Manistee, MI 49660 (MCCC)

Phone Number: 616-723-5608

MERCHWARE

Roger has said that he doesn't know what he'll put on the table, but I'll just bet that you won't want to leave without seeing it.

Address: 9 Tamara Lynn Circle

Kincheloe, MI 49788

Phone Number: 906-495-5491

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....... THE OS9 LEVEL TWO UPGRADE!!! Yes! It's actually here! And, only HE knows just what pilgrimages, what songs written and sung, and to what far corners of this country that Brother Jeremy has travelled in order to be able to do this for the Community.

Address: P. O. Box 1903

Racine, WI 53401

Phone Number: 414-634-8979

R. C. SMITH

"RC" has long been dedicated to the proposition that good hardware and software should be kept from passing out of existance. 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: 770-469-6601

ROGER HALLMAN

Roger may be a newcomer to the Chicago-area FEST!, but he's certainly no stranger to the CoCo. Once part of the team (spearheaded by Walter Bayler) that brought you software from Coless Computer, he is extremely experienced in DECB, and has quite an interesting venue of offerings.

Address: 2150 South 32nd Street

Milwaukee, WI 53215

Phone Number: 414-383-1532

RON BULL

Ron comes to Chicago for the third time as an exhibitor, again giving us the opportunity to show our support for the PennFEST! that he is organizing to be held August 15-16, 1998. Consider joining GCCC and other attendees at this GALA event, this year.

Address: 115 Ann Street

Duncannon, PA 17020-1204

Phone Number: 717-834-4314

SBUG of Los Angeles

Andre Lavelle of SBUG and Dick Albers 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! Andre is another of the "old time" vendors, having been to more Fests than we want to count.

Address: 1251 W Septulveda Blvd - Suite 400

Torrence, CA 90502-2677

Phone Number: 310-539-9702

STEVE BJORK

Certainly, Steve requires little in the way of introduction. As one of the premier programmers for the Color Computer, and verifiably, the most prolific on Tandy's records, Steve has been tied to the CoCo since 1842....ok, I lied...I don't have his bio in front of me, but certainly since 1984...gotta be, right, Steve? Make sure you attend his "multimedia" seminar too, it is one seminar nobody should miss!

E-mail: Editor@e-technews.com

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. They were one of the few software writers to take advantage of the Orc-90 Pak's sound features.

Address: Box 361

Matthews, IN 46957

Phone Number: 765-998-7558

SUB-ETHA SOFTWEAR

GRAB YOUR TOWEL AND RUN! Sub-Etha returns (in the {dis}guise of Allen Huffman), once again, to astound the populace. Presenting a NEW publication, "The CoCoFEST! Chronicles". Read and see what you missed. While there ask him if his bed is comfortable.

Address: PO Box 22031; Des Moines, IA; 50325

E-Mail: subetha@pobox.com or www.pobox.com/~subetha

THE MUSIC MEN

In their second appeerence at the FEST! as the Music Men, this entourage of familiar faces is sure to brighten our days, and NIGHTS, with songs, songs and more songs. If you thought that last year was a blow-out, wait until you hear what goes down tonight. These guys have more amps than ComEd!

Address: 606 Willowwood Drive, #106

Carol Stream, IL 60108

Phone Number: 630-260-9514

My CoCo Friends

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