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G.S.B.A.A. OFFICERS

Here is the list of 2005 club officers and how to contact them. If you have questions about the association call one of the officers for the answers.

POSITION	NAME	PHONE	PRIMARY FUNCTION
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Vice-President	Justin Wagner	630-363-0518	Meeting planning, etc.
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CoCo~123 INFORMATION

The CoCo~123 is the newsletter of the Glenside Color Computer Club. Your annual contribution of \$15.00 keeps our club going. Send your check to Glenside Treasurer:

George L Schneeweiss 13450 N 2700 E Road Forrest IL 61741-9629

If you are unsure of when you last paid dues, look at the address label. The numbers to the right of your name indicate the last year you paid your dues.

Our treasury provides newsletters, local meeting room and good times with fellow CoCo users at our annual Chicago CoCoFEST!.

CoCo~123 CONTRIBUTIONS

If you have any suggestions for the newsletter or would like to submit an article, please contact the CoCo~123 Newsletter editor:

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G. C. C. MEETINGS

The Glenside Color Computer Club meets the second Thursday of each month at the Schaumburg Township District Library at 7:30 PM. See our WWW Glenside Homepage at:

http://members.aol.com/clubbbs/glenside/

if you need a map. A social get-together always occurs at a nearby Restaurant.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DISK

Selebration, Selebration, Selebration, Whoopee, we are celebrating the Silver Anniversary of the mighty CoCo. I hope many of us CoCo-nuts will be attending, and I think it would be good for some of us old timers (maybe new timers, also) to share war stories about their experiences with the CoCo. Maybe we can have a special session for that purpose.

This year we have moved to a new location, as you can see. The old place was sold to a patron that wasn't open to having our club meet there. Thanks to all of those who helped with the search for a new location, especially Tony who secured our final location choice.

I hope you've had a chance to visit our web site at http://members.aol.com/clubbbs/glenside/. There you will or have seen this year's logo. It is a very attractive logo, colorful and the message is presented well. I thank Mr. Jim Johnson, Graphic Artist for the Baptist Bulletin, who has helped us out at the last minute, this time and several times in the past, when we needed help getting the artwork finished in time for our CoCoFEST!.

You will also be able to see our previous CoCo~123 Newsletter which contains last year's CoCoFEST! and our Annual Glenside Picnic in full color. Just click on the animated editor typing at his computer to read the newsletter.

Another item on the web site is the announcement that Cloud-9 is going to schedule a presentation of the work and programs they have been working on. I am looking forward to that seminar.

Hey, folks, lets all be there!

Howard Luckey, President
Glenside Color Computer Club

TREASURY NOTES

As of March 10, 2005, the balance in our checking account is \$4,314.02. At present we have 100 paid members and 65 more members late in paying.

George Schneeweiss, Treasurer
Glenside Color Computer Club

THE SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

December 9, 2004

Howard Luckey opened the meeting at 8:55 p.m. at Schaumburg Public Library. Also present were Tony Podraza, William Swoger, Bob Swoger and Chris Hawks.

Bob Swoger read the November 11, 2004 minutes. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Tony paid the Holiday Inn just north of the intersection of I-90, the Northwest Tollway, with a \$1000.00 check. He reminded us that the room rates would be \$79 instead of the \$65 we had last year. Our CoCoFEST! date shall be April 16 & 17, 2005. There will be 10 rooms available for Friday Night and 15 available for Saturday night.

Malcolm Cleveland is our first vender paid for the 2005 CoCoFEST! R.C. Smith has already donated \$50 for prizes at the fest.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m..

January 13, 2005

Howard Luckey opened the meeting at 7:43 p.m. at Schaumburg Public Library. Also present were Tony Podraza, Brian Goers, and Bob Swoger.

Bob Swoger read the December 9, 2004 minutes. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Bob reported that the Autumn 2004 newsletter had been printed and mailed to our 155 members. Bob reported that he also just updated the web site as he was informed that some of the links no longer worked.

Tony reported that the SAM's Club membership needed to be renewed. Motion was made and passed.

Brian Goers will be seeking seminars for the fest.

Past President Robert Gibons, now residing in Florida, will be at our 2005 CoCoFEST!

Tony reported that Brother Jeremy will be in town on January 20 or 21, 2005

Bob is still looking for someone to get him a good photo of a CoCo 1 in good condition for the CoCoFEST! Logo.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

February 10, 2005

President Howard Luckey opened the meeting at 7:38 p.m. at the Schaumburg Public Library. Also present were Chris Hawks, Tony Podraza, Brian Goers and Bob Swoger. Tony was very tardy as he had apparently gone to the wrong meeting room.

Bob Swoger read the January 13, 2005, minutes. George Schneeweiss read the Treasurers report over the phone.

Bob was still looking for someone to get him a good photo of a CoCo 1 in good condition for the CoCoFEST! Logo. He put out a request for a good picture of a CoCo1 to use for the logo and got no response. Chris and Tony acknowledged that they had CoCo1s. Tony will bring his CoCo1 to Bob's home and it will be photographed using Annette Swoger's Sony Mavica digital camera. The photo will be given to Graphic Artist Jim Johnson, designer of last year's shirt to produce our Shirt design. Frank Davis of FTW Computing has already phoned to remind us that he needs the Logo sooner this year because we are having the show a month early.

President Howard and Vice-president Tony requested that our winter 2004 newsletter be ready to stuff into envelopes at our March 10 meeting.

Bob reported that the Annual Color Computer Club Picnic date of Sunday, September 11, 2005, was OKed by our Streamwood hostess Annette Swoger.

Brian Goers is still seeking seminars for the fest.

President Howard reported that he had received a letter from Joseph Fox informing us that he wanted to sell his entire CoCo 3 setup. Howard will contact Joe informing him that we will put this information in our next newsletter as well as offering other options such as obtaining a table at our fest or sending the equipment to be used for our no minimum bid auction at our 2005 CoCoFEST!.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. and we reconvened at Portillo's Restaurant near our meeting place for our MEETING AFTER.

Bob Swoger, acting Secretary Glenside Color Computer Club

CoCoFEST! Announcement

Glenside will again offer 2005 dues or dues extention at a \$5 reduced rate to those attending the CoCoFEST!. Other benefits of this kind will be announced at the fest.

Those venders you can expect to see at the fest this year are:

Hawksoft
Dave Kelly
Cloud-9Tech
Roy R. Justice
Luckey Corner
Monk-O-Ware
Malcolm Cleveland
Dave & Susan Poitras
The Glenside Computer Club
FWD Computing/Good Life Productions LLC

We are still waiting to hear from:

The Music Men

The IDE Project

Sub-Etha SoftWare

Bargeman Research Labs

STG.NET/BUYCOCO.COM

CJB Technologies and Consulting

FWD Computing & Good Life Productions LLC will have many new products at CoCoFEST! this year. In addition to our usual T-shirts for Coco users, and our Coco mouse pads, we are working to have CoCoFEST! coasters (used for drinks, etc) for sale at the show. We plan to do two short seminars and product demos of our new products Saturday at 3 PM and Sunday at 12:30 PM, in front of our booths, and answer questions about our other products as well.

Also, three lucky fest attendees will take home 3 pieces of software valued at normal retail between \$119 and \$149 each.

See you at the show...bring all the friends and other users you can so we can have an even better show this year!

Carol and Frank Davis
FWD Computing
Good Life Productions LLC

Cloud-9 will be hosting its first annual "Cloud-9 CoCoBASH!: A Salute To Our Customers" at this year's Chicago CoCoFEST! as a way of saying "thanks" to our many patrons,

The bash will be held on Saturday, April 16th at 8:00 PM, at Cloud-9's hotel suite in the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites in Elgin, Illinois (room number will be announced at the fest on Saturday). The event is free and is open to all CoCoFEST! attendees.

We will have hors d'oeuvres and beverages, and will be on hand to talk about Cloud-9 products, including the new SuperBoard, in a very informal and casual setting.

See you there, Mark & Boisy
The Cloud-9 Team http://www.cloud9tech.com

COMMUNICATIONS

E-mail from Dick Crislip: ... I mentioned a while back that I have a couple of boxes of CoCo stuff I'd love to donate to the club for your CoCoFEST! auction if only I had the address to send it to. I'll even pay for the shipping. 8-). Dick

rcrislip@neo.rr.com

E-mail from Ernie Hedberg: ...I am looking for a good home for my CoCo and associated equipment. If you know someone who will give it a good home, my CoCo and its related equipment is free. I learned a lot with it and would not feel right about selling it. Nowadays it is just taking up room and I doubt if I will ever get back to it.

I have a Color Computer 2, 64 MB, JDOS with dual 5 1/4 floppy drive, 1 or so years of Rainbow Magazine, Wico Command Control, Cassette tape player, a Tandy DMP-130 dot matrix printer, and miscellaneous cables & books. It all worked when I last put it away. Please let me know if you are interested in it. Ernie -- ehedberg@gte.net H727-397-3492 C727-542-0930

E-mail from **Joe Fox**: I wish to find a good owner for my CoCo equipment. I live in Ohio. Joe -- joe.fox@sbcglobal.net

[If our readers do not respond to these ads, there are two more ways to keep your CoCo equipment out of some land fill. One way that has worked for others is to get a table at the CoCoFEST! and sell the whole package. This way you can enjoy seeing the face of the new owner and have a great time at the fest. The other way would be to ship the equipment to Fest Organizer Tony Podraza, 119 Adobe Circle, Carpentersville, IL, 60110-1101 and your items will help support our fests through our auctions during the fest. ED.]

ARTICLE

Jim Johnson, you saved us again! I had been trying to get someone to send me a picture of a CoCo1 with no responses. Frank Davis of FWD computing phoned me to say he needed the CoCoFEST! Logo by the end of February in order to have souvenir shirts and mouse pads ready for our Silver Anniversary CoCoFEST!. I brought the problem to the February 10 meeting. Both Tony Podraza and Chris Hawks responded with the fact that they both had one but neither machine was very pretty.

Tony bought his CoCo1 over to my home the following day. It sure wasn't the stock machine that came out 25 years ago, like the one that Dave Poitras purchsed at last year's fest, but looked just like all the CoCo1s I had seen at Motorola that were made more usable by their owners shortly after the original purchase with the addition of the REAL keyboard, composite video & sound outputs and a 64K RAM upgrade

upgrade.

I photographed Tony's machine using my wife's Sony Mavica Digital Camera. Above is the result, a picture of Tony's Work Horse with many years of wear and dirt which was the result of long hours of constant use. Yes, this machine still works. Tony, you can be proud of this machine!

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I gave the picture to my neighbor and friend for many years, Jim Johnson. Jim did last year's Logo for us and at least one other in the past.



Jim put the picture up on his Macintosh which has all the graphics software he uses for the Baptist Bulletin Magazine of the G.A.R.B.C. (General Association of Regular Baptist Churches in Schaumburg, IL). Tony's machine looked like new when Jim was through with it.

The Glenside Color Computer Club, Inc. presents The 14th Annual "Last" Chicago CoCoFEST!

"The Silver Silicon Selebration"

April 16th & 17th, 2005

(Sat. 10am-5pm; Sun. 10am-4:30pm)

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Elgin

495 Airport Road

Elgin, Illinois 60123

(A city block from I-90 & IL-31 - JUST NORTH OF THE LOCATION OF THE LAST 11 YEARS!) Overnight single occupancy room rate: \$79.00 (plus 10% tax). We have been told there is no surcharge for multiple occupancy. Call 1-847-488-9000 for reservations. Be sure to ask for the "CoCoFEST!" rate. There is a LIMITED SUPPLY OF ROOMS blocked out for the fest. Reserve your room early. THESE ROOMS WILL BE RELEASED for regular reservations on April 8, 2005 and WILL NOT, !NOT! !NOT! BE AVAILABLE to fest attendees. YOU MUST REGISTER under "CoCoFEST!" to GET THIS RATE.

WHY? WHY? OH WHHYYYY? DO WE DO THIS?

A. To provide vendor support to the CoCo Community

B. To provide Community support to the CoCo Vendors

C. To provide educational support to new users.

D. TO HAVE AN OUTRAGEOUSLY GOOD TIME!!!!!

HOW MUCH? General Admission, ALL ATTENDEES: \$5.00/day, \$7.00 whole show - Children 10 and under - FREE

Advance ticket sales available between 2/01/2005 and 3/20/2005 from:

George Schneeweiss

13450 N 2700 E Road

Forrest, IL 61741

Include a Self-Addressed-STAMPED-Envelope (SASE)

For further information, general or exhibitor, contact:

Brian Goers, VP, Special Events, GCCCI

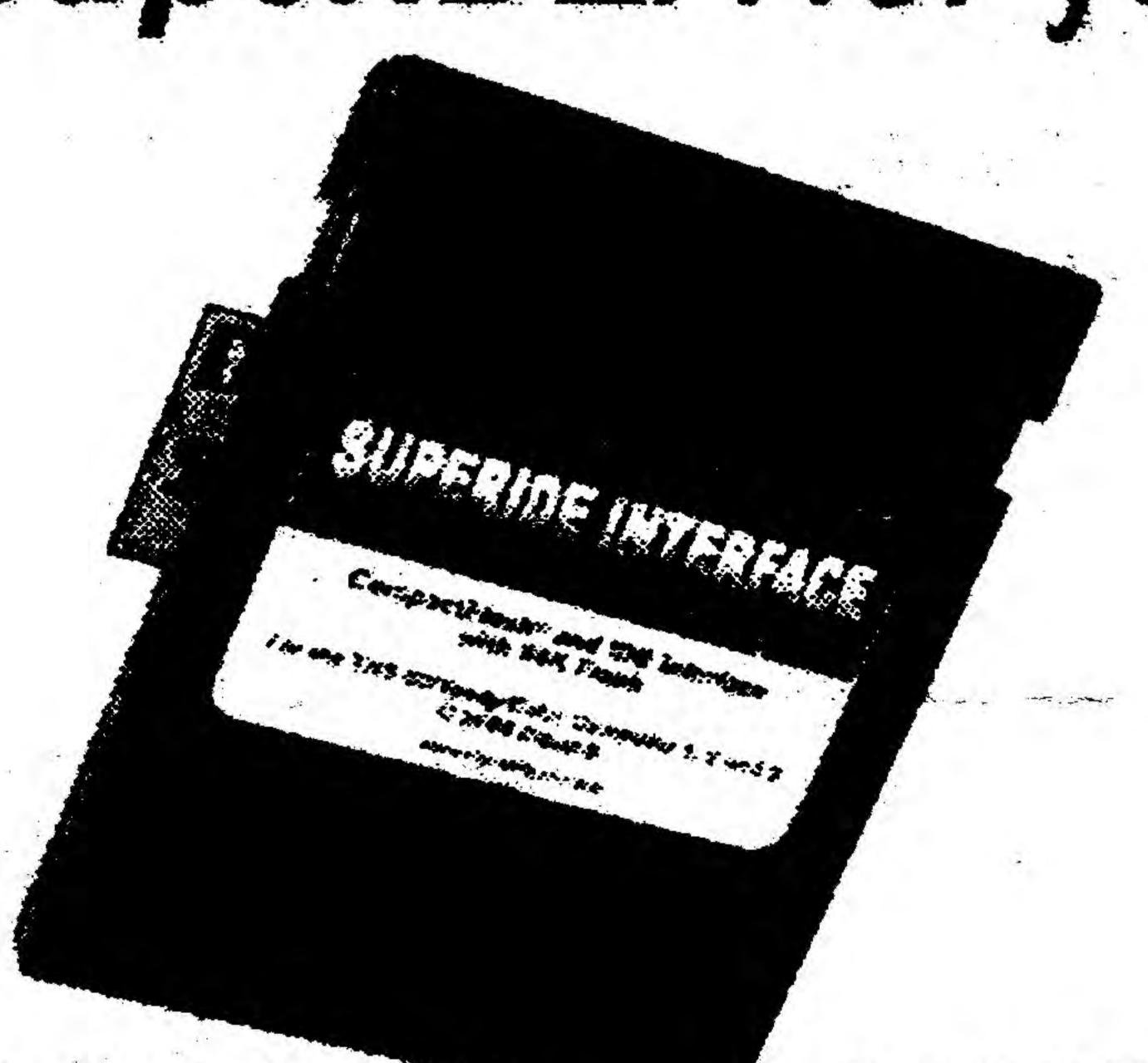
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Be sure to visit GLENSIDE's web site ~ "http://members.ao1.com/clubbbs/glenside/"

Here's a SuperIDEA for your CoCo...



Want The Ultimate In CoCo Storage?
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