

Glenside Color Computer Club

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MAY/JUNE NEWSLETTER

To start off with, I would like to THANK EVERYONE who helped out at the Club Booth during RAINBOWfest. Without ALL of your support and assistance, we would have been just another CoCo Club at just another RAINBOWfest! It was due to your efforts that Glenside was singled out by Lonnie Falk at the CoCo Community Breakfast as a Host Club of example! THANKS AGAIN.

I would like to single out a few members who really went that extra distance to see that Glenside put it's best foot forward before and during the Chicago RAINBOWfest.

SPECIAL THANKS

Joe Register spent many a hour with we to t together the Club Video and helped out when ever called upon.

Ron Steinberg was always there ready to roll up his sleeves and pitch in when help was needed the most. Without Ron's understanding ear and timely words, I do not think we would have been in the position to be the Host Club.

David Barnes readied the BBS to handle special RAINBOWfest calls from out-of-town visitors. He also put together his segment of the Club Video without help (believe me, putting together a video with help is quite a task, doing it alone is a task and a half!)...

Rich Ekstrom really HELPED Glenside to become the Host Club. Between all of his words of wisdom, he at times became the Club contact with Rainbow.

Bruce Gilmore made it possible for us to buy the Club T-Shirts at a real super price.

Greg Pietrucha took on the roll as official Club Photographer during RAINBOWfest.

Tony Podraza and Tony Nowakowski presentated their own club and were a tremendous help during RAINBOWfest. A extra special thanks to Tony P. for PHOTONing my brother, his friend Dave and myself (Gimp).

Lonnie Falk, Ira Barsky and the entire RAINBOWfest staff for having us as their guests and giving Glenside the chance to be the Host Club. This requires a very special THANKS!

Lastly, I would like to thank a very special person who gave up as much time as anyone to help out. Ruth my wife, allowed me to take the needed time to jump in with both feet. Thanks again Ruth!

You are all very special people. I know that I've said it before, but, it deserves to be repeated. "With the great group of members that Glenside has, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!" Thanks again.

Since RAINBOWfest weekend, twelve (count'em 12) new members have joined the growing Glenside family. In addition to the new members, during RAINBOWfest we made arrangements to exchange Club Newsletters with 5 new CoCo Clubs. One of the Newsletter exchanges will be with a Jose Jimenez from Costa Rica!

That just about does it for another month of fun and frolic. I would like to say how sorry I am if this Newsletter gets into your hands a little late. Between coming down from a RAINBOWfest high and putting an addition onto my house, most of my banging has been on a hammer and not the keyboard! See ya all in June.

THE GLENSIDE COLOR COMPUTER CLUB
- JUNE MEETING -

Thursday, June 11, 1987 - 7:30pm
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Chicago RAINBOWfest

by: Ed Hathaway

For myself, the 1987 Chicago RAINBOWfest was a very special event. It not only marked the end of two long years of trying to become the Host Club, but it also provided an excellent opportunity to meet so many super people. For me RAINBOWfest is not just an event to get good deals on software or hardware equipment, however, I must admit that my needs were more than satisfied. RAINBOWfest is a time when the CoCo Community can get together and do what it does best, HAVE FUN! The reason for this is simple. The CoCo Community was not made up of a few multi-million dollar companies. It was made up by the average 'Color Computer User' looking for a little help and support for a very special machine. Some of these people have gone on to provide themselves with a living from the CoCo, but, all have remained just people! As you were walking around RAINBOWfest and talking to the different vendors, for the most part you were talking to the owner(s) of that company. Sure, they loved it when you and your money parted company, that's why they were there! But, each of them were always ready to assist and lend 'free' advise for the cost of a smile or a friendly handshake. That's what RAINBOWfest really is.

Yes, there were a few short comings about this years fest. I to would have liked to have seen a 16 color digitizer for the CoCo III or the 4th set of Max Fonts or this or that, but, we too forgot to bring everything that was needed for the Club Booth. But when you weigh out these short comings to the advantages of meeting the people that make up the CoCo Community, well, I think I can live with a few disappointments.

The one underlining consideration that we can not over look about this years RAINBOWfest was the renewed interest for the Color Computer market. If you attended last years fest, you probably saw quite a few long faces. Vendors and users alike were wondering just where the CoCo future was going. The release of a CoCo III was uncertain, sales overall were down compared with past years and a little of that old CoCo Community magic was missing. That old saying, "You've come a long way baby" best described this years RAINBOWfest. Throughout the weekend people were leaving the Hyatt with arms full of 'CoCo Stuff' and it was apparent that the magic had returned.

Sleep well all you CoCo Community people and thanks for the smiles and the friendly handshakes. And a special thanks for bringing Merlin to the 1987 Chicago RAINBOWfest.



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NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome with me the newest members to the growing Glenside family for the month of April;

Roy Rozman of Joliet, IL has a 64K CoCo II disk system. Other equipment includes a Tandy Model 100 LapTop with modem and a DWP-210 printer. Roy saw us at RAINBOWfest and became a member.

Tracy Oliver of Naperville, IL has a 64K CoCo II and will soon have a disk drive system. Tracy is a friend and neighbor of Club Officer Joe Register and signed up during RAINBOWfest weekend.

Geof Hyde of Chicago, IL has a 64K CoCo I disk system, printer and will soon have a modem. Geof comes to Glenside as a transfer member of NICCC and signed up during RAINBOWfest weekend.

Dorothy J. Francis of Chicago, IL has a 64K CoCo I disk system and a Gemni 10X & Epson printer. Dorothy comes to Glenside as a transfer member of NICCC and signed up during RAINBOWfest weekend.

Doug Dalton of Indianapolis, IN has a 64K CoCo I & 512K CoCo III disk system. Other equipment includes a Panasonic 1091 printer and a Qume 2400 baud modem. Since Doug lives out of state, don't look for him at our meetings! He joined Glenside during RAINBOWfest weekend to receive our Newsletter and club benefits.

Gregory Cramsey of Warrenville, IL has a 64K CoCo II disk system and a Brother EP44 printer. Gregory joined Glenside during RAINBOWfest weekend.

Gail Allinson her husband, Tom and their sons, Greg & Brian of Brookfield, IL have a 64K CoCo II & a 512K CoCo III disk system. Other equipment includes a Star SG-10 printer and a 1B 300 baud modem. Gail joined Glenside during RAINBOWfest weekend and has become the 'first lady' of the Club BBS!

Welcome one and all to Glenside. I hope your time with us is that much needed shot in the chips you have been looking for!

***** EDITORIAL *****

Nibble On This Byte

by Tony Podraza, Treas. & Past President
Illinois Color Computer Club of Elgin

It is customary, when advertising a catalogue of products for sale, to charge a nominal fee for that catalogue which will then be deducted from the first purchase made from that catalogue. We've all seen this type of offer at work, indeed, most of us have taken part in this type of offer at one time or the other. Anyone who has a Sears or JC Penneys' catalogue in their home is very familiar with this routine. I have no problem with this means of advertising because I've requested the material, knowing up front that I will be charged. Recently, however, I've had occasion to become somewhat irritated at the advertising schemes of a well-known soft and hardware house for the Coco. Is my ire well-justified? Let me tell you the plain, simple facts and you be the Jury.

On March 16, 1987, the Postman delivered a packet with no return address to the "Coco Club of Elgin" c/o my home address. So far, no problem. As a past president of that user group, I continue to receive mail for the Club. After all, that is the address given in 'The Rainbow' as point of contact for the Club. (As recently as April 18, 1987, I've received mail for the Club from a Coco user in Argentina.) So, getting mail for the group is no big deal to set me on my high horse.

The packet contained the "Spring '87" catalogue of "Soft and Hard wares for colorful computing from ..."; a product review of one of the software products that they are marketing; and 100 (yes, I did count them) coupons for a \$2 discount at the door during Rainbowfest '87 held at the Chicagoland location. "Okay", you say, "Looks like a pretty good deal. Where's the beef?" Well, I'll tell you. Not one piece of literature in that packet was any different from this Company's ad in the above mentioned magazine. All this means is that they spent money for printing and distribution twice in order to be sure that I, and the Club, knew that they had something to sell. If they would have thought about it, the fact that our address was taken from the same place that their ads were reprinted from (e.i., the magazine) would have told them that they could have saved themselves some money. And I do admit that it seems real nice that they would agree to distribute those '\$2 off' coupons for "Rainbowfest". What I object so strongly to

is that I had to pay the Postman in order to get the packet in the first place. It seems that, with the inclusion of the coupons, the packet weighs between 3 and 4 ounces. Since there was only a \$.22 stamp on the packet it was incumbent upon me to fork over the remaining postage, especially since there WAS NO RETURN ADDRESS. (How conveniently forgotten.) Now, I know that this could've been an isolated incident, so I checked with another club's officer in the area. He, too, had received an identical packet WITH NO RETURN ADDRESS & WITH POSTAGE DUE. In short, it appears that the addresses were expected to pick up the tab for the agreement entered into by the merchandiser to distribute the coupons, WITHOUT THEIR KNOWLEDGE OR THEIR CONSENT, and very likely without the knowledge of 'The Rainbow', either.

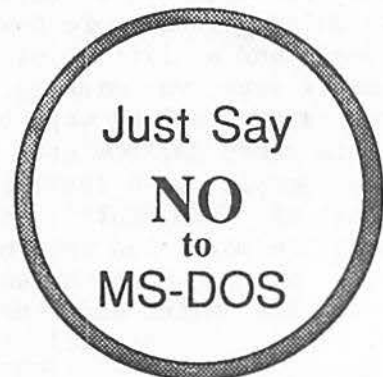
Although it is an excellent way to gain the good graces of Falsoft Publishing at a minimum of additional expense (at \$.51/copy, a mailing list of 200 would SAVE them over \$100 in postage if they sent the packets with postage due), this seems like a very poor way to build a good rapport with prospective customers and it certainly has left a sour taste in my mouth.

In spite of the desirability of the products that Bob Rosen and Spectrum Products market, it will be some time before I will consider them as a source for Mr. Coco's gregarious appetite for programs and hardware modifications.

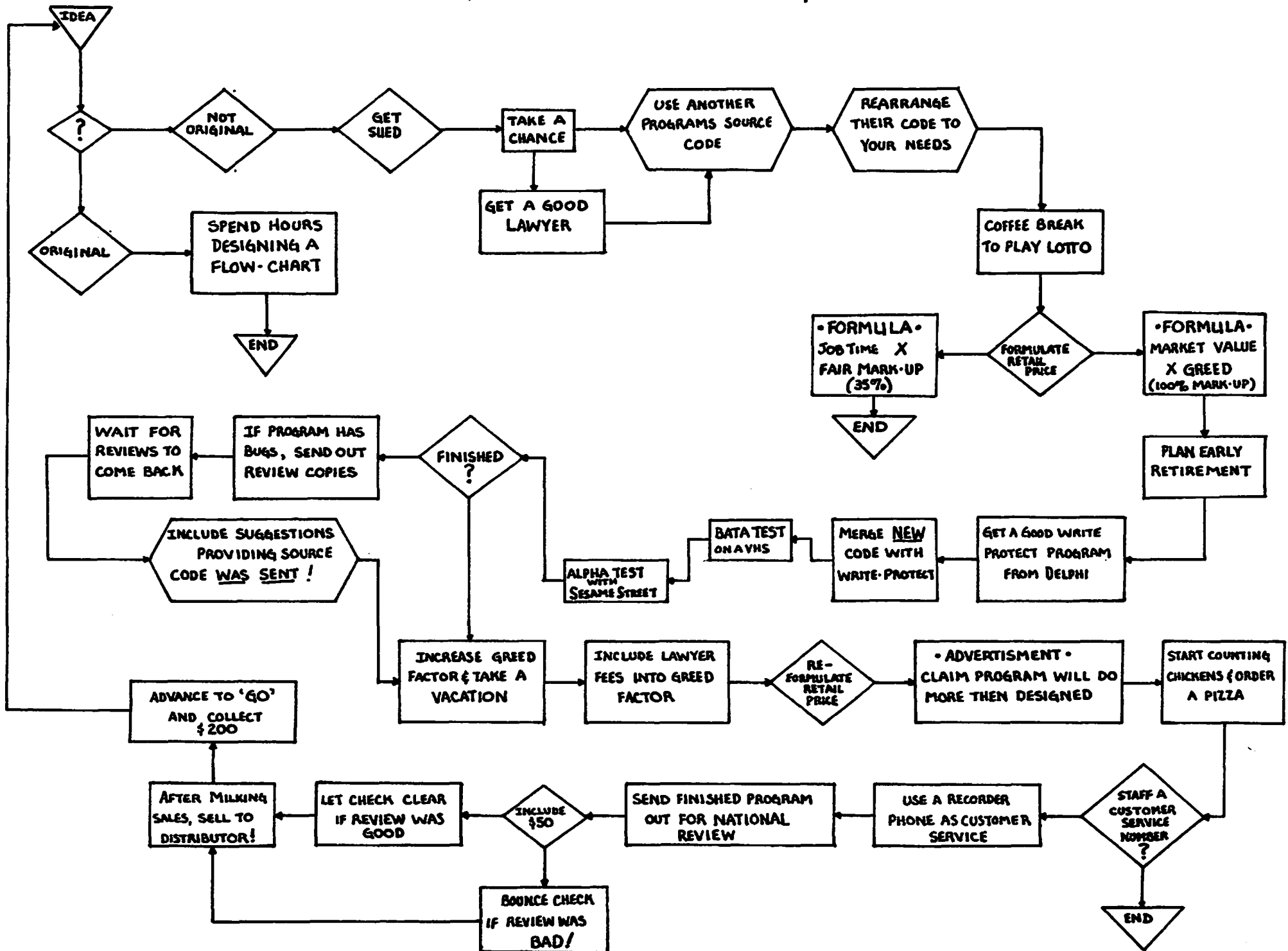
I imagine any number of you are thinking that this is pretty small of me. Perhaps so, but if this is any indication of how Spectrum Products tries to win over new customers, just how do they treat those people who are their old customers? In my book, those who start out looking for ways to avoid responsibility (as they have in mailing items they KNEW were going to be postage due) will continue to attempt to dodge or deny other responsibilities that confront them.

Is my ire well-justified?

The Jury is still out.



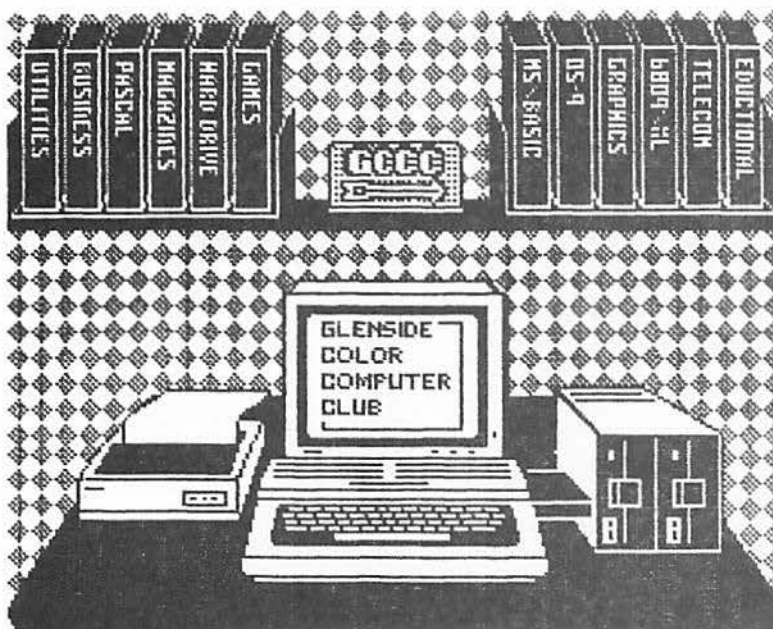
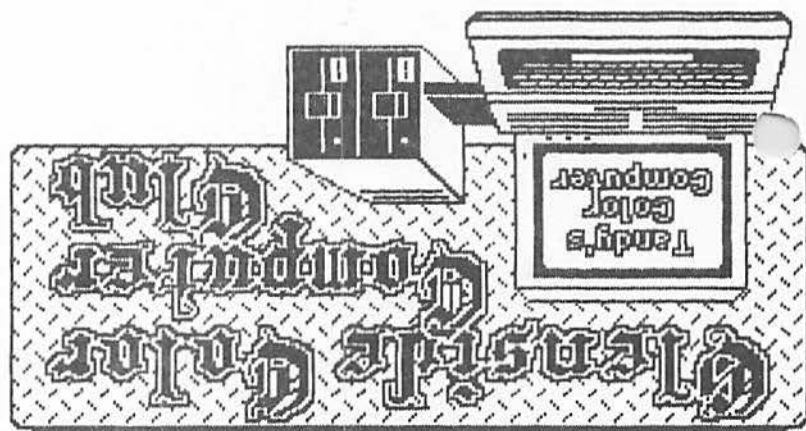
LATE NIGHT WITH A CoCo FLOW CHART By: Ed HATHAWAY



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Beckley	Bill	140 W. Greenfield	Lombard	IL	60148	312-620-7020	A
Blackman	Mark	1642 Coloma Pl.	Wheaton	IL	60187	312-665-7215	A-E-H-J
Bruhl	Robert	841 N. Mapleton Ave	Oak Park	IL	60302	312-386-5731	A
Buche	Chuck	3S321 Blackthorne Ln.	Warrenville	IL	60555	312-393-4442	A
Butwell	Emil	605 Austin	Downers Grove	IL	60515	312-968-4098	A
Carvajal	Art	68 Elizabeth Dr. #7	Addison	IL	60101	312-932-8134	A
Chaplin	John	512 Aztec Dr.	Carol Stream	IL	60188	312-665-2843	A-L
Charlier	Camille	1055 Floride Ln.	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	312-893-0162	A
Chasteen	John	480 Gilbert Dr.	Wood Dale	IL	60191	312-860-2580	A-L
Cohan	Aaron	6329 N. Francisco	Chicago	IL	60659	312-743-3192	A
Cook	Jerry	855 Madison St.	Oak Park	IL	60302	312-386-8108	A
Covello	Paul	529 N. Hartland Ct.	Chicago	IL	60622	312-243-4337	A
Cramsey	Gregory	30W131 Lindenwood Ct.	Warrenville	IL	60555	312-562-0550	A
Crittendon	Greg	705 Brantwood Ave.	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	312-593-2665	A
Cummings	Art	2042 Farnham Ct	Schaumburg	IL	60172	312-310-0734	A
Cvetko	Donald	4N539 Kingery Hwy.	Bensenville	IL	60106	312-766-6745	A
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Driebergen	Dennis	9545 Flamingo Terr.	Hickory Hills	IL	60457	312-598-1065	A
Dybas	Joseph	6420 S. Long	Chicago	IL	60638	312-735-0235	A
Ekstrom	Richard	580 Milton Ln.	Hoffman Estates	IL	60194	312-885-2573	A
Evans	George	230 Yarmouth Rd.	Elk Grove Village	IL	60007	312-364-4323	A
Fandel	Richard	1N321 Morsa	Wheaton	IL	60188	312-690-9812	A
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Landwehr	Ronald	654 Cherrywood	Wheeling	IL	60090	312-537-4624	A
Lasinsky	Mike	562 D. Lynn Ct.	Glendale Hts.	IL	60139	312-858-1888	A
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Lorenz	Bob	150 Quail Run Ct. #3B	Carol Stream	IL	60188	312-665-1151	A
Lucas	David	4451 N. Christiana	Chicago	IL	60625	312-478-5336	A
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Muma	Zena	Box 134	Brownstown	IL	62418	312-427-5394	A
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Orszula	Burt	130 E. Grove St.	Lombard	IL	60148	312-629-3184	A
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Register	Joe	1078 C Herritage Hill Dr	Naperville	IL	60540	312-357-1752	A-H-I
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Santini	Al	3N716 Elizabeth	Addison	IL	60101	312-629-6035	A
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Wahlberg	Fred	5706 W. 133rd Ave	Crown Point	IN	46307	219-663-4462	A-G-H
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White	Kerry	26W075 Hazel	Wheaton	IL	60187	312-260-0548	A
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Wilson	Tom	934 Childs St	Wheaton	IL	60187	312-653-7651	A
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