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# Educational And And Entertainment Software

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enters its second year, its software base has expanded greatly. Nowhere is this more apparent than in two software categories for home users: education and entertainment. Because

good educational software is usually entertaining and allows students to enjoy learning, these two categories often intertwine.

Entertainment programs that endure and have the highest replayability often require a good deal of mental agility and manual dexterity. Many Amiga programs fit this description. It becomes hard for users to tell what they are doing most, learning or having fun.

The Amiga is well suited to run both software categories. Its speed, sound and graphics capabilities allow programmers to simulate an extraordinary range of activities. Users can fly jets, joust with knights or become 19th-century pioneers crossing the great plains and settling the American West.

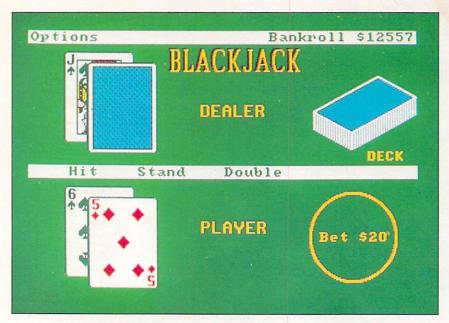
### **Educational Software**

A substantial number of companies have begun shipping a variety of educationally oriented programs for every age group.

For preschoolers, you can get *The Talking Coloring Book* (\$29.95) from JMH Software, which is a simple painting program that contains a collection of predrawn pictures that can be colored over and over again. The program also has a simple drawing pad that can be used to create new pictures, which can be stored to disk along with the supplied images. While entertaining, this product also uses the Amiga's built-in speech capability to teach color recognition.

First Byte produces First Shapes (\$49.95), aimed at 3- to 8-year-olds. It teaches shape recog-





Video Vegas from Baudville

nition and matching and uses the Amiga's speech synthesizer to talk to children. Users can also combine shapes to make toys or more complex recognizable objects.

For older children, a large number of programs are available that help in reading, math, social sciences, languages, spelling and everything in between.

To teach spelling and word recognition, there is Discovery Spell (\$39.95) from Micro Illusions. Users are crew members of a spaceship that has had an accident, which has caused the ship's energy crystals to be scattered about. They must search the ship and collect the crystals, avoiding some weird alien creatures that have also gotten loose.

Closed doors inside the ship can only be opened by correctly spelling words chosen at random by the ship's computer. Because its word lists vary in difficulty, the program is suited to all age levels, including adults. The graphics are excellent, the animation is good and children like to play the game. We recommend it highly.

Another good spelling tutorial with speech capability is Speller

Bee (\$59.95) from First Byte. Children from preschool through sixth grade can play the games this program offers, which teach spelling and word recognition.

MicroEd offers a large range of educational packages. For spelling practice, there's Spelling Series Levels 2-6 (\$29.95 each) and The Spelling Detective Game (\$39.95).

The company also offers a number of reading programs, such as Beginning Reading 1-4 (\$29.95 each), Basic Grammar (\$29.95), Word Demons (\$29.95) and Vocabulary Series (\$49.95, high-school level).

All MicroEd programs are written by teachers, and most are written in AmigaBASIC.

First Byte makes a very good reading package called KidTalk (\$59.95). Designed for small children through the sixth grade, it teaches reading and has a simple word processor that can be used for small writing tasks.

Queue Intellectual Software offers a number of worthwhile spelling and reading programs. It produces How To Spell (\$39.95). Lessons in Reading and Reasoning (\$149.95), Reading Adventures I-III (\$39.95 to \$59.95 each), Reading and Thinking I-III (\$54.95 each). Comprehensive Grammar I-II (\$54.95 each), Making Words Work

(\$44.95), Logical, Clear Sentences (\$54.95), Selecting The Best Approach (\$44.95), Making Sentences Work (\$44.95), Using Words Correctly (\$44.95), Practical Vocabulary (\$54.95), Vocabulary Adventures 1-3 (\$59.95 each) and many others.

The Other Guys offers a spelling program called Spellman (\$39.95), an elementary-level

learning package.

Mathematics has not been forgotten by producers of Amiga software. One good program is Discovery Math (\$39.95) from Micro Illusions. It uses the same spaceship format as Discovery Spell, only this time users must answer math problems to open the ship's doors. Like its spelling counterpart, Discovery Math offers a wide range of difficulty levels.

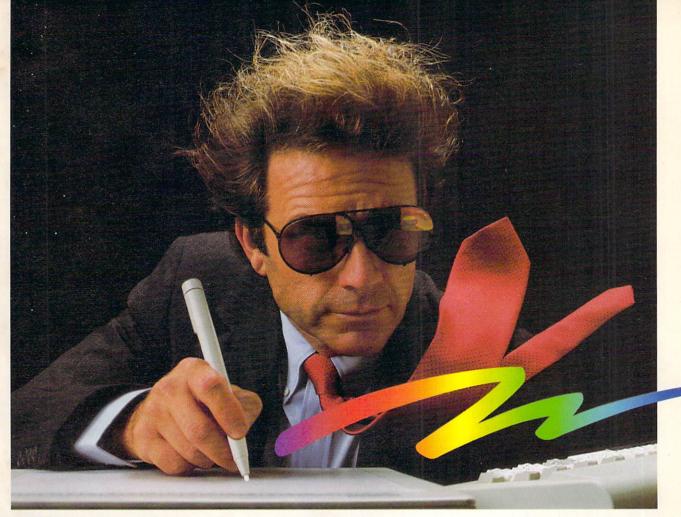
The Other Guys makes Add-Man (\$39.95), an elementary math



Marble Madness from Electronic Arts

tutor. MathTalk (\$59.95), also aimed at elementary-school children, is from First Byte. It uses sound, speech and graphics to teach math fundamentals.

Junior-high to college-level mathematics are well covered by True Basic's math series. All programs in this series, which are written and compiled with True Basic, use graphics to teach and illustrate various mid to high-level math concepts. Available in this series are Algebra (\$49.95), Trigonometry (\$49.95), Pre-Calculus (\$49.95), Calculus (\$49.95), Discrete Math (\$49.95), Probability (\$49.95), Chipendale (\$49.95) and True Stat (\$79.95). The latter two programs cover statistics.



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There are a large number of educational programs for the Amiga aimed at the social sciences, history, geography and foreign languages.

MicroEd makes The Lewis and Clark Expedition (\$89.95), Across the Plains (\$59.95), Fur Trade of the Great Lakes (\$79.95), Making Our Constitution (\$79.95) and The Transcontinental Railroad (\$39.95).

These programs consist of reading and question sessions that include a generous sprinkling of digitized photographs and paintings depicting people and places from the era each represents. For example, *Crossing the Plains* contains photographs of pioneers, indians and mountains that help explain and emphasize the subject matter. Many of these pictures are digitized copies of 100-year-old-or-more originals.

Queue Intellectual Software has five programs in its geography series, U.S. Geography Adventure and World Geography Adventure I, II, III and IV (\$59.95 each). It also offers three history packages, American History Adventure, How a Bill Becomes a Law and World History Adventure (\$59.95 each).

To teach foreign languages, several programs make good use of the Amiga's speech capabilities. Queue Intellectual Software has produced French Grammer I and Spanish Grammer I, II and III, (all \$34.95 each). Eclipse Data Management sells KWIK-SPEAK I (\$50) to teach spanish. Finally Software markets Senor Tutor (\$69.96), another Spanishlanguage tutorial program.

The Other Guys makes a program called *Great States U.S.A.* (\$39.99) that uses graphics, sound and speech to teach states and capitals. MicroEd produces *Introducing Maps* (\$59.95), which explains maps and map reading and teaches geography. Mindscape is the maker of a highly entertaining program, *The Halley Project* (\$44.95), that teaches astronomy and space science.



Flight Simulator II from SubLogic

For students preparing for their scholastic aptitude tests (SATs), at least two Amiga programs can help. One, from Mindscape, is called *The Perfect Score* (\$79.95). The other, from CBS Interactive Learning, is called *Mastering the SAT* (\$99.95). It includes two complete SAT tests and hundreds of exercises.

### Entertainment

miga games are certainly impressive. which is not surprising at all because of the graphic and sound wizardry built into the machine. The company that has produced the greatest number of entertainment packages for Amiga is Electronic Arts. The best of the lot may well be Marble Madness (\$39.95), a visual arcade treat that consists of moving a marble through an increasingly complex maze of objects and creatures.

Another good Electronic Arts game is *Archon* (\$39.95), a combination of arcade action and chesslike strategy. The Amiga version is superb, and a sequel, *Archon II—Adept* (\$49.95), is also available in Amiga format.

If you like shoot-em-ups, try

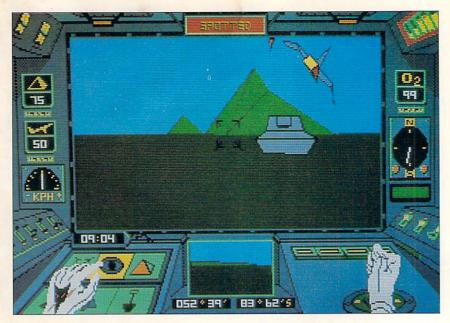
Skyfox (\$39.95) or Arctic Fox (\$39.95) from Electronic Arts. In the first game, you command a high-speed aircraft and battle tanks and planes. In the second, you are in charge of a tank operating in arctic regions, attacking and being attacked by three-dimensional alien ships.

Electronic Arts also makes its share of role-playing games. *Seven Cities Of Gold* (\$39.95) is based upon the early exploration, conquest and colonization of North and South America in the 15th century. Its graphics are reasonably good and it teaches history and geography.

Adventure Construction Set (\$49.95) allows a user to create extremely complex adventure games, each having its own unique world environment. Eight different ready-to-play games are included on the disk.

One-On-One (\$39.95) is the popular Dr. J vs. Larry Bird basketball game. The graphics in this program are well done, and the sounds are identical to those found in a real basketball game.

Those who desire a challenging game of chess should purchase *Chessmaster 2000* (\$44.95). It is,



Arctic Fox from Electronic Arts

without a doubt, the most advanced chess program available for any microcomputer, and it uses three-dimensional graphics for its displays.

Dark Horse makes a chess game called Chessmate (\$29.95) that is not quite as good as Chessmaster 2000, but costs less. It also provides a three-dimensional graphics display.

Electronic Arts also markets a number of entertainment programs written by other companies. Among them are Software Golden Oldies (\$34.95), which includes four classic computer games of the past: Pong, Eliza, Adventure and Life. Star Fleet I (\$55) is an enhanced version of the game Star Trek, which has been played on minicomputers and mainframes for years.

Activision also makes a number of splendid Amiga games. Borrowed Time (\$44.95) is a great detective game with excellent graphics. It uses color pictures, the mouse, animation and text to guide users through the mystery. Mindshadow (\$44.95) is also a graphic adventure game. Only here users are seeking buried treasure.

Hacker (\$44.95) is an especially enjoyable adventure game. It comes with no instructions. The game begins with the words "Please Logon." Users must break into the computer system to discover what sinister deeds are developing and who is behind them.

A game for children of all ages, Little Computer People (\$49.95) presents users with a house and a little person they must take care of. This interesting program is accompanied by excellent music and sound.

Also from Activision is Shanghai (\$44.95), a computer version of Mah Jongg. It involves matching and removing tiles from a pile of tiles, and has simple but elegant graphics.

Infocom has converted its entire line of text adventure games over to the Amiga. Some of them are the most advanced adventure games ever written.

Zork I (\$39.95), II and III (\$44.95 each) are the original adventure games. All computer owners should have Zork I so they can explore the Great Underground Empire and look for all the gold and treasure they can find, steal or otherwise plunder.

Deadline (\$14.95), Suspect

(\$39.95) and The Witness (\$39.95) are all 1930s-based adventures that allow their users to assume the role of gumshoe detectives. Ballyhoo (\$39.95) is a mystery that takes place in a circus setting.

If you prefer science fiction, play Hitchhikers Guide To The Galaxy (\$39.95), which is based upon an award-winning British-television comedy series. Trinity (\$39.95) is about nuclear war and time travel, and A Mind Forever Voyaging (\$39.95) concerns a user's travels in a computer-simulated world.

In Planetfall (\$39.95), users have enlisted in the space corps. Starcross (\$14.95) is a complex science-fiction adventure where users discover an alien ship and attempt to solve its secrets before it drifts out of the solar system.

Suspended (\$14.95) takes place in a weird futuristic setting where users control a number of robots that act as their eyes, ears, arms and legs and try to repair their planet's control system, destroyed by their crazy predecessors.

Fantasy games are also part of Infocom's lineup. Enchanter (\$39.95) is the first in a series of magic-based adventures where users must defeat a wicked wizard. The second in the series is Sorcerer (\$44.95), followed by Spellbreaker (\$49.95) and Wishbringer (\$39.95).

Other Infocom programs are Cutthroats (\$39.95), a pirate adventure; Seastalker (\$14.95), for younger adventurers; Infidel (\$24.95), an Egyptian desert adventure; and Leather Goddesses of Phobos (\$39.95), an adult science-fiction adventure game.

Mindscape makes several games for the Amiga. One, Balance Of Power (\$49.95), is a strategy game, not an arcade. Users become president of the United States and must compete with the Soviet Union for power and prestige,

without causing a nuclear war.

Also from Mindscape is *Bratac*cas (\$49.95), a graphic adventure game with a mouse-controlled character. We had trouble trying to control the character and were unable to get too far with this one.

Racter (\$44.95) is a rather strange conversational program that puts us in mind of talking with someone who's completely crazy. Not that we've ever done that, you understand.

Perhaps our favorite Amiga game is *Defender of the Crown* (\$49.95) produced by Master Designer Software and marketed by Mindscape. It's one of those programs that show off the Amiga's graphics. In it you are a knight from the Middle Ages trying to conquer Britain. Along the way, there is time to rescue fair



Borrowed Time from Activision

maidens, raid castles, use a catapult and joust with other knights for fame and land. The program's graphics were done by Jim Sachs, perhaps the best Amiga artist around.

From Commodore there's *Mindwalker* (\$49.95), a complex, weird and very good arcade game with a compelling quality. In this game, you are a crazy professor—trapped within your own brain—trying to regain your sanity. The graphics are fantastic and extensive.

If you like sports simulations, there are two good golf games available. One is *Leader Board* (\$39.95) from Access Software. The other is *Mean 18* (\$44.95)



Chessmaster 2000 from Dark Horse

from Accolade. Both offer realistic high-resolution color graphics.

Baseball enthusiasts should check out *Computer Baseball* (\$39.95) from Strategic Simulations, Inc. Users can create the teams they want using the world's greatest baseball players and pit the teams against the computer or other famous teams.

Epyx has converted its classic role-playing games *Temple of Apshai Trilogy* (\$39.95) and *Rogue* (\$39.95) to Amiga format. The graphics are better, but the games are essentially unchanged.

Diablo (\$29.95) from Classic Images is a deceptively simple game where users must guide a marble around a maze and remove all the pieces of the track. It's not easy to do, but it's lots of fun.

If complex games are not your style, try Meridian Software's *Games Gallery I, II* and *III* (\$29.95 each). Each disk contains a large selection of simple word and graphic games that can be loaded from the Workbench.

From Insight/Lehner Communications comes a stock-market simulation called *The Financial Time Machine* (\$39.95). This program simulates selected stock activities from 1930 to 1984. It also has a future stock-market simulation.

There are more. Polarware makes two adventure games. One is called *Transylvania* (\$29.95) and the other *The Crimson Crown* (\$29.95). Both combine high-resolution color graphics and text, take place in Transylvania and feature monsters and vampires.

Winnie The Pooh (\$39.95) from Sierra On Line is the first program in a series of educational games for children. Players must return 10 items to the various residents of Pooh Corner before a big wind blows the items around and mixes them up. Children learn logic and deductive reasoning while playing this game.

Rainbird has released *The Pawn* (\$44.95), a complex text and graphic adventure game that has excellent graphics and surprisingly advanced text parsing. It understands complete sentences such as "Get everything in the case except the rock."

Triclops Invasion (\$27) from Geodesic Publications is an unusual game where users must shoot down three-dimensional Imperial Walkers. The game uses three-dimensional polygon objects, and all ground and planetary surfaces

are generated using fractal mathematics. We didn't care much for the game itself, but the fractals were interesting.

Flight Simulator II (\$49.95) from SubLogic is one of our favorite games. The Amiga ultra-advanced version offers users the option of flying either a single-engine plane, a corporate jet or a World War I biplane (with a special dogfight option). The disk contains over 120 airports, extremely highresolution and detailed graphics of San Francisco, Chicago and Los Angeles and can be used in either full-screen mode or multiwindow mode. It also has a multiplayer option, where two or more computers can be hooked together via modem or null modem cable. Each player can see the other's aircraft as well as his own.

Baudville makes Video Vegas (\$34.95), a collection of casino games that use color graphics and animation to simulate the real thing.

GRIDIRON! (\$69.95) is a foot-

ball simulation from Bethesda Softworks. It is a real-time simulation that uses an extensive database to calculate the events that happen in a football game and then display them.

One of the most entertaining programs for the Amiga is not a game at all. It is Instant Music (\$49.95) from Electronic Arts. which allows users with no music knowledge to arrange, play and create music. It comes with 24 instruments and a number of songs already on disk.

The best part of this program may be mouse jam, where the music reacts to every rhythmic move a user makes with the mouse.

### Conclusion

s you can see, the Amiga is well supplied with highquality educational and entertainment programs. These are areas of great excitement for those developing products and for those

interested in the Amiga as a personal computer.

Then, as a greater number of powerful productivity software packages is developed in the months to come, the machine will be the first to serve equally well as an educational, entertainment and productivity computer for home and office users. This will certainly give the Amiga the additional impetus in the market it needs to be a great commercial success.

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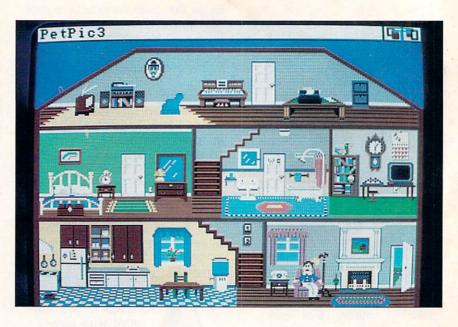
Welcome to the world inside your computer. Somewhere among its circuit boards and multicolored wires lives a Little Computer Person (LCP). The *LCP Discovery Kit*, from Activision, Inc., Mountain View, Calif., allows you to break down the barrier between yourself and the LCPs and create a world suitable for your own personalized LCP to live in.

Reminiscent of the Cabbage Patch Kids, Activision states that each LCP is a unique, independent being. This information is contained on the House-on-a-Disk included in the LCP Discovery Kit, along with a Modern Computer People Magazine on the world of the LCPs and a deed of ownership for the LCP's house.

After inserting the *House-on-a-Disk*, the initial screen you see, which resembles a large book, is labeled the "Guestbook." Here you are prompted for your name, the date and the time.

After typing in this information, the screen unveils a fascinating and detailed inside view of a house. There are six rooms altogether in this 2½-story residence, including a living room, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, study and a recreation room in the attic. Each room is loaded with furniture, appliances and appropriate recreational devices, such as a television, a stereo, a computer and a piano.

The first time you log in, the house appears totally furnished but empty of any LCP life. After a minute or so, the front door of the house opens and a LCP enters. He appears a little apprehensive at first, as he inspects the



rooms of the house thoroughly. This inspection lasts anywhere from five to 10 minutes, and the LCP tries out a number of things, such as turning on the television, playing a record on the stereo and using the computer.

After the inspection, the LCP leaves the house and returns shortly with his belongings and his faithful dog.

The house is now inhabited by your LCP, who takes care of it and keeps busy throughout the day. As the owner of the house, though, you have certain responsibilities. You must provide food and water and other needs for your LCP and his dog, which you accomplish using certain keyboard control functions. If you want to deliver food, for example, control-F starts the sequence by ringing the doorbell. The LCP answers the door, receives the food and neatly stores it in the kitchen cupboard.

Your LCP also has emotional needs that, according to the manual, are important to his overall health. The LCP's moods range from happy to sad to sick. Each mood is shown by a different facial expression. In order to improve an LCP's mood, there are

other control functions to try. These include giving the LCP telephone calls, a pat on the back, a new phonograph record or playing a number of games with him. Be careful, however. LCPs love to chat on the phone, but they become a little upset when answering the phone interrupts their other activities.

Watching your LCP go about his business is most enjoyable. Left alone, he will roam from room to room and occasionally go outside to gather enough firewood to keep the fire in his fireplace roaring. From our experience, the LCP loves to stay in the recreation room. He will watch TV or play the piano, which produces stereo sound, on his own.

Another favorite LCP pastime is typing letters. Your LCP will often sit down at his typewriter and type a letter to you about whatever is on his mind. This letter appears at the top of the screen and scrolls up as he writes.

In a similar way, you can communicate with the LCP by typing in sentences, in the form of questions or requests, that appear on screen. Depending on the question or request, the LCP will sometimes respond or react to

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your inquiry. For example, if you ask him to light a fire, he will most likely go downstairs to light a fire in the living-room fireplace.

We were quite fascinated to watch our LCP roam around the house accomplishing his daily tasks. If you wish to change the time of day you are observing the LCP, you can exit the house and go back to the Guestbook. When we changed the time to late at night, we found the LCP coming home-probably from a night on the town. He went into his bedroom closet, reappeared wearing pajamas and then climbed into bed. When we felt our LCP had slept long enough, we rang his alarm clock, which put him in a terrible mood. He did wash up in the bathroom, however, and went to the kitchen to make breakfast.

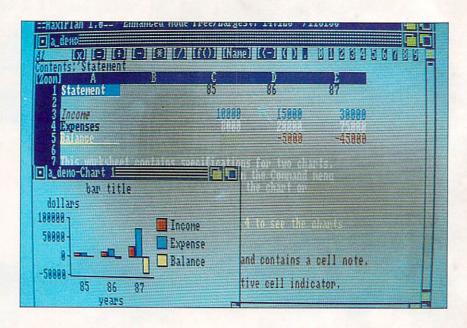
The LCP's cabinet of games includes an anagram game, a card war, five-card draw poker, blackjack and a word-puzzle game. You can play these games with your LCP by either asking him to play or waiting for him to knock on the video screen, which he'll do when he gets bored. We found five-card draw and blackjack enjoyable since, unlike some computer card games, there is a chance for you to actually win.

With each successive log-in, after the initial one, you will find your LCP performing a multitude of activities, as if he is leading his own life as you lead yours.

The Little Computer People Discovery Kit is ideal for children who spend vast amounts of time with their computers. It's not a game per se, but more of an on-line friend that certainly won't ask to borrow any money. We found the program fun-even for adults and it might teach younger children to be responsible enough to care for their LCPs.

-Eric Tenbus

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# MaxiPlan Spreadsheet

512K Amiga; external disk drive.

MaxiPlan is said to be the first spreadsheet to take advantage of all the unique Amiga features, and it may well be the only such program to do so.

Consider this: a range of cells is selected by clicking the left mouse button and "dragging" until the range is defined; math formulas, from the simplest to the most complex, can be created entirely by mouse; a range of numbers can be turned into a graph or chart and, a few clicks later, the chart appears as a window superimposed over a portion of your worksheet (and if you change a number, you can watch the chart redraw itself to reflect the change).

That's power as well as ease-ofuse. Those parameters sum up the intent of MaxiPlan. Along the way, it also succeeds in being a pleasure to work with. One of the reasons for that is the variety of colors available in the Enhanced mode. We don't normally think of spreadsheets as being attractive (it's enough if they can be

useful), but this one is.

To begin with, there is a Standard as well as an Enhanced mode. These have to do with the colors available. In Standard, you have the familiar four Workbench colors, while in Enhanced you may work with up to eight colors. Like painting programs for the Amiga, the Enhanced mode offers a palette complete with slider bars for changing the hue of any particular color. Note that use of the Enhanced mode will cost you several kilobytes (K) of free memory.

On the basic worksheet, grid lines may be superimposed so that each cell shows it's own boundaries. Since the grid may be printed, this feature also will allow you to create charts just as you would on graph paper, labeling and filling in the blocks as vou desire.

To create a pie chart, bar chart or line/area chart, pull down the chart menu and select Create. A Requester window appears, in which you specify the type of chart, labels and range of cells to be included. Then return to the Create menu and select Show. Almost instantly, your chart appears in a separate Workbench window

at the lower left of the screen. Because it is a Workbench window, it can be repositioned and sized.

If more than four colors are used in the chart, the colors are repeated with shading and crosshatching. In bar charts, negative numbers are accounted for by showing the bar extending below the base line: a representation that is logical but seldom found.

In entering data on the worksheet, MaxiPlan recognizes a label if the first character is entered alphabetically. It also recognizes a number if a digit is the first character entered. Formulas are differentiated by being preceded by an "=" sign.

If you wish to make your formula entries by mouse, refer to the math bar just above your worksheet. Here you'll find arithmetic operands as well as numbers from 0 to 9 and a section called Names.

Click on Names and the screen changes to show you key words of all formulas that operate with MaxiPlan, such as Sum, Average, Cosine, Net Present Value and so on-about 20 in all. Select Sum and when you're returned to the worksheet you'll see that "=sum()" is in place. The cursor is within the parentheses and is in Insert mode so that you now only have to enter the cells to be added. Do this by typing in the cell numbers or by dragging your mouse over a range.

Although this is no faster than entering a formula from the keyboard, it is an aid for those of us who cannot always remember the proper syntax-especially for some of the more complex operations possible.

When entering data into cells, you may call on the Keyboard Echo feature from the Options menu. Each character input into a cell is spoken as it is typed. This can be thought of as a doublecheck on correct data entry.

Up to five lines of text notes can be created for each cell. These can be called up by selecting a cell and pressing the Help key. If you like, you can elect to have the notes shown, spoken or both. While notes can be a handy feature, you should realize that it is an option that will use more memory-as will the speech option, the implementation of which requires 30k.

Another new feature on the command bar is one called "Zoom." Click on it and you are shown a graphic representation of your worksheet: not all of it, but much more than can be seen on a single screen. Cells are represented by tiny squares and those that are in use are filled with color—the color representing whether the cell contains a label, formula, number or notes. Clicking on any cell while in this mode causes that cell to become the upper-left corner of your spreadsheet.

By duplicating your spreadsheet in another window and using the Zoom feature to redefine the home cell, you arrive at the Maxi-Plan equivalent of a split screen. Simply toggle back and forth between windows as you work on different areas of the sheet. And for the power user, up to six windows can be opened at once and cut-and-paste options may be used between windows.

On the title bar at the top of the screen, MaxiPlan continually displays both available and free memory. Free memory determines the maximum size of your sheet. The difference between available and free memory is what is necessary to operate the system and DOS. We feel this is a necessary feature for spreadsheets and, when used with the aMega memory expansion board from C Ltd., MaxiPlan recognizes and uses the additional megabyte without any modification.

In its more conventional features, MaxiPlan will also function

as a database, with sorting on up to two fields and the ability to use fields with up to 31 characters the maximum column width. The number of records in such a database is limited only by the number of rows available (16,384) and, of course, by available memory.

Bear in mind that the number of available columns—a maximum of 512-will shrink as the columns grow wider and that this usage of free memory will also lessen the number of rows available. This is true whenever a spreadsheet is used as a database and is not a fault of MaxiPlan.

As for the program's imperfections, no global functions are offered (although you can simulate such functions by defining a range of cells) and there are no macro capabilities. Macros allow the implementation of complex formulas with just one or two keystrokes. The mouse method of entering formulas is close to the convenience of macro use, but old spreadsheet hands may feel it is not quite the same.

Since this review was written, MaxiPlan Plus has been introduced. It contains a macros feature as well as additional utilities. It is offered as an optional purchase and registered MaxiPlan owners may currently buy this addition for \$25.

Because MaxiPlan is not copyprotected, it can be installed on a hard disk; you may make a working copy and keep your original safe. With the several demos on the disk and by following the step-by-step instructions in the introduction, first-time users should have little trouble in learning to use the program. Experienced users should also consult the documentation, for there will be a few terms that may not be familiar.

In sum, MaxiPlan is a very good spreadsheet with capabilities useful to small and possibly midsized businesses, as well as

homes, and it really does use most of the features the Amiga computer offers.

-Ervin Bobo

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# Mean 18 Golf simulation

256K or larger Amiga.

In comic strips, golf is portrayed as an obsessive hobby that takes a a golfer—usually a man—away from his family, leaving the spouse to plot ways of diverting attention back to the home front. Well, computer golf can become obsessive, too. By booting up *Mean 18* on your Amiga, you can drive your spouse crazy—even on rainy Saturdays.

Mean 18 presents you with a choice of four golf courses: Pebble Beach, Augusta, St. Andrews and your own home course at Bush Hill Country Club. If none of these selections are to your liking, you can redesign the features and hazards of each individual hole.

To design your own hole or course, select the Arch icon from the Workbench window. After choosing your course, you'll be presented with a screen showing all 18 holes. Select the one on which you wish to work and you'll be given a larger image, showing the hole from tee to flag.

This image is surrounded by icons that represent trees, water, bushes, etc. Select the icon of the image you like by clicking on it, then put it on the fairway anywhere you choose. Once you are done, your alterations can be saved to disk and used again.

To begin the game, you must select from the following: one to four players, course to be played, practice tee, practice hole, practice green or play a game. At the



practice tee, distances are superimposed on a fairway. After making each shot, you are told the yardage and if your shot has sliced to the right or hooked to the left. You can go through this routine as many times as you like and, hopefully, see some improvements.

Practicing a hole allows you to select any of the holes from the course you've chosen and play them from start to finish. Practicing on a green positions the ball and gives you a chance to work on your putting.

Your viewpoint is from behind the golfer displayed on screen, with the fairway stretching into the distance. Sometimes you may start at a tree trunk, however, depending on where your ball lands. Coloring and artwork indicate hazards such as sand traps, bushes, trees, water and rough.

As you make a shot, the screen becomes animated. The on-screen golfer goes through his swing and freezes after the follow-through. The ball continues to travel, hopefully, and the fact that you lose sight of it as it goes behind a tree or through a bush adds to the realism.

To make a shot with Mean 18,

whether it be teeing off or sinking a one-foot putt, you must refer to a thermometer-type scale at the left of the screen. Each stroke is broken into three parts, requiring three clicks of the left mouse button. The first click sends the "mercury" rising to measure your backswing. Clicking again ends the backswing and sends the mercury down as you swing forward.

About three-fourths of the way down the thermometer there's a critical line. If you click the button just as the mercury reaches this line, you'll execute a perfect golf shot. Hitting the ball too early or too late causes it to either slice or hook, perhaps even sending it out of bounds. Putting is done exactly the same way.

Although the stroke may seem complicated, we did not find it difficult to learn and are now able to occasionally drive a ball straight down the center of the fairway.

At the bottom of the screen there's an information box that tells you how many strokes you've made, the club in use, distance to the flag and the name of the player making the shot. Left and right arrows, when clicked on, cause the screen to scroll in the direction chosen-up to a full 180 degrees-allowing you to accurately position the golfer in order to make the best shot possible.

A game may be played as an amateur or pro, the difference being the pro tees are farther from the flags. You may also play as a beginner or an expert. Here the differences are greater. As a beginner, you are blessed with perfect aim and the proper club for each shot is selected for you. which you may override. As an expert, you're on your own and must play according to your best judgment.

When you finally reach a green, the viewpoint is from overhead. A line extends—in Beginner mode from your club to the cup. Clicking on the up or down arrows allows you to better align your shots. The thermometer is still your guide for determining the force of your strokes.

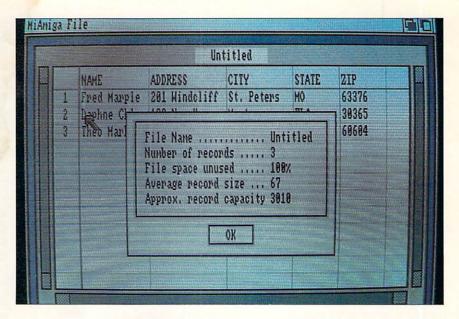
Once you've sunk a putt, the screen changes to show your score card, which is sometimes humiliating.

I never cared about golf; never thought much about it one way or another. I keep coming back to Mean 18, however, determined to better my score. Trying to get the ball to fly straight and true in this game is analogous to real golf, where golfers spend half a morning bouncing about in a golf cart during an actual round of golf and most of the evening replaying the game in their minds.

In its graphics, Mean 18 presents clear pictures every step of the way. Sound and animation, though sparse, are well done, and the sound of a driver hitting a golf ball sounds like the real thing to me.

The program's documentation is also good, though it was written for the IBM version of the game. An insert card makes it clear that translation to Amiga terms is very easy.

I don't know how actual golfers



will feel about loading Mean 18 into a computer and playing 18 holes. During the depths of winter, perhaps they'll appreciate it a great deal. For the rest of us, it is a good introduction to the game, offering play that seems realistic and challenges too good to pass up.

-Ervin Bobo

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## MiAmiga File Database management

512K Amiga.

In spite of its cute name, Mi-Amiga File is a good database that does all it sets out to do. That its designers did not aim higher is an irritation, for the program just misses being the ultimate database as far as we're concerned.

While the program's shortcomings keep it from being suited for business use, it remains one of

the best and easiest-to-use entrylevel databases around. This is due, in part, to the fact that File makes full use of intuitive interface features, such as pull-down menus and mouse movement, and even offers the ability to rearrange fields.

If you've never worked with a database, an explanation of a few common terms is probably in order. A field is a unit of information, such as a name: Fred C. Dobbs. Depending upon how you plan to make use of the information you are about to record, you may want to use separate fields for first and last names. The street address is usually another field, city another, state another, zip code another.

You don't have to stop there, of course. You can record blood type, next of kin, amount of money owed you and more. Capacities are important with any database. In this case, File's field capacity of 64 characters is quite respectable.

The total number of fields per record is equally important, and once again File comes up with a good number: 32. If you know 32 things about Fred C. Dobbsperhaps he's borrowed money on

more than one occasion—they can all be included in a single record.

The total records in a single category make up a file. This is where *MiAmiga File* turns in a very respectable number: 32,000, depending upon available random-access memory (RAM) and disk space. Obviously, if each record contains the full 32 fields and each field contains a full 64 characters, then the total number of records is going to be less.

To help you know where you're going, *MiAmiga File* gives you a Status option on one of its pull-down menus. Click on it and a Requester window appears, telling you the number of records in a file, the number of fields per record, average field length, percent of memory used and approximate record capacity for that file.

In setting up a file, you allocate space for your fields and give them labels. With MiAmiga File, the Requester window used during the creation of a file also allows you to select the type of information that can be used in a field: Alpha/Numeric takes anything, Date allows only the date in a mm/dd/yy (month/day/year) format, Amount accepts only monetary amounts and so on. Later, during information entry, both audible and visual warnings tell you when you've entered the wrong type of information in a field. You're not allowed to continue until vou correct it.

In creating your fields of information, you use a screen called List. It looks rather like a ruled tablet with vertical lines separating the fields. These lines are set when you enter the number of characters you feel you will use in a field. A record is laid out in a horizontal line as follows: name followed by address, followed by city, etc. In this way, as many as 20 lines—each line a record or portion of a record—are visible at once

While you are labeling columns

with field names, a second screen for actual data entry is being created. It is called the Form screen.

To fill in the information for a record, go to the Form screen—accessed from a pull-down menu—and enter your information in the vertically stacked boxes. The boxes are stacked about eight high. The screen automatically scrolls upward if your records contain more fields than can be shown at one time.

For printing, these field boxes may be dragged into whatever order you wish—two abreast if you like—depending upon whether or not you wish to print mailing labels. The limitation here is that only five lines can be printed. While this will probably be suitable for most home use, it is a drawback where business is concerned.

Another drawback is the program's lack of math functions: *MiAmiga File* just offers addition, which is only operative on fields designated as Amount fields. Further, it does not make computations on screen but only on printouts. Nor will it perform addition on two amounts within the same record. Operation is strictly columnar and there is no way to change it.

While the display of information on the program's List screen is certainly impressive, keep in mind that you are looking at 20 records and may scroll through them at any time. For records too long to be contained within a screen, horizontal scrolling is also possible.

There is no random access and no ability to call up just one particular record by specifying a keyword. From the program's List screen, however, you can access the Form screen where as many as 16 fields may appear at once. That doesn't rival dBASE III, of course, but it's not bad.

The word instant can be used freely in discussing MiAmiga File,

because the program is RAM based. Whenever you call a file from a data disk, the entire file is dumped into RAM. There is never any need to wait for disk access. Enter a record, click on Accept and the record is added to the file in RAM. Later, at the end of your session, you will need to save the entire file to a disk.

Files can be sorted on any field in ascending or descending order, and *MiAmiga File*'s sorting speed is faster than any comparable program we've seen. If you blink, you'll miss it. This is due to the fact that the entire file is resident in RAM.

There are typos in the program's documentation, which is otherwise clear and concise. It is geared for newcomers to database operations. Screen colors are bland, black on fawn, but you really don't need flash in a program of this type. The combination chosen leads to a screen display that is sharp and clear.

There are obvious shortcomings to *MiAmiga File*, when compared to databases created for other computers. The people those shortcomings would most affect aren't looking for an entry-level program anyway.

The fact that *MiAmiga File* is one of only two such programs currently available for the Amiga is certainly not the fault of those who worked hard to get it to market. Those of us who need a full-fledged, business-level program will just have to wait a little longer.

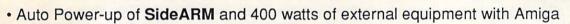
We judge any software by how well it accomplishes its aims. The aim of *MiAmiga File* is to be an easy-to-use, entry-level database that's suitable for light-to-medium filing and record keeping. It succeeds in all these areas, and we recommend it highly.

-Ervin Bobo

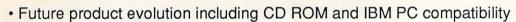
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# Penmouse Input device

There are always going to be people who feel that even the best graphics and drawing packages for the Amiga are hampered by dependence upon the mouse. For them, we now have Penmouse from Kurta, combining the best features of a light pen and a mouse in one easy-to-use package.

Penmouse consists of a cordless pen with a plastic stylus (which can be replaced with a ballpoint pen refill to draw permanent lines); a software driver called Pencraft: and, at the heart of the system, a small, thin graphics tablet that connects to and draws power from the Amiga's

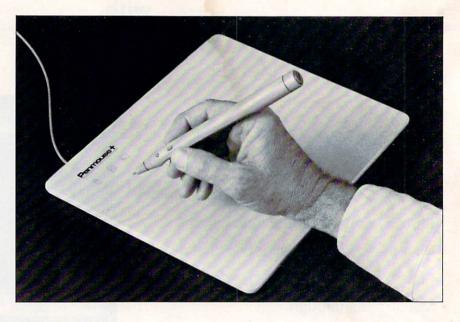
serial port.

Connect the tablet to the serial port and click the pen twice to turn it on. The click is done by pushing the stylus against the tablet. The clicking stylus will then serve the same function as the left mouse button. Install the Pencraft disk, open the Pencraft window and click on InstallPencraft. Since the pen is not working at this point, you'll have to do this with the mouse.

From the pull-down menu, select Penmouse. Default values for baud rate and resolution are correct, but this step must still be made. Save those parameters to disk, return to the window, select Pencraft and vou're on your way. Move the stylus over the tablet and watch the pointer on your screen.

One interesting feature is that the stylus need not touch the tablet to have an effect on the cursor. The stylus will work up to onehalf inch away. This is true for moving the cursor only, not drawing lines.

Proximity also plays a part in how well Penmouse works. A monitor, especially the highresolution type you probably have on your Amiga, may emit enough



radiation to make the cursor behave erratically. Should this happen, the only solution is to move the tablet farther away from the monitor. I found the cursor to be more consistent when I propped the tablet on my knee instead of placing it on my desk next to the keyboard.

In our testing, we found that Penmouse will work with both Graphicraft and Deluxe Paint. However, you will not find this information in the documentation. A note on the setup card says users will be sent an updated compatibility list upon receipt of their registrations. This is to ensure that you have the latest information, but it would have been nice to have something with which to start using your new toy.

Penmouse emulates a mouse in that you can use it with all the tools in Deluxe Paint or Graphicraft and can also access pull-down menus. Do this by moving the pen across the tablet until the cursor is where you want it, then press the pen down once. This is a command, just as pressing the left mouse button is a command. To pull down a menu, point to it and press the first button closest to the stylus. This is similar to

using the right mouse button.

Assuming you wish to draw a circle, move the pen until the cursor is in the right area, press down to depress the stylus and drag your circle open to the proper size. This procedure is as easy as using a mouse.

A device such as Penmouse should show its greatest strength in freehand drawing. For those with such talent, it probably will. You may find, however, that the cursor lags behind your work with the pen, but this slight difference is not worth worrying about.

Overall, we feel Penmouse is a very good product, but one that falls short in areas of documentation and software.

In the user's manual, while we freely admire Penmouse's technology, we're not interested in reading about stop bits or baud rates. We don't want to fix the thing, we'd rather use it. A manual written for the less-experienced user would be more appropriate.

As for Pencraft and the Pencraft manual, the software's use and instructions for use are somewhat confusing. As an example, though there is a lot of information about switching between Tablet and Mouse modes, the Mouse mode is not supported with Penmouse.

While we're at it, since the Pencraft disk is supplied with Penmouse, why doesn't it have the proper drivers already installed? Instead, you must go through a Pen menu (though only the Penmouse choice will work), set Baud Rate and Points Per Inch (though nothing but the default settings will work) and choose Tablet or Mouse (though only Tablet will work).

Don't get the wrong idea. Let us state it again loud and clear. Penmouse is not a bad product. It is a very good product hampered by documentation that emphasizes what should have been a "techni-

cal notes" appendix.

The hardware is also hampered by what probably is an attempt to economize on the driving software. Specific versions of Pencraft for specific models of the Penmouse line would be much less confusing than the current version, which tries to be all things to all mice

Fortunately, these are problems that are easily corrected and that probably will have been corrected by the time you read this. Documentation written for the nontechnical user and a dedicated version of *Pencraft* are all that's needed to make this an exciting and easy-to-use product.

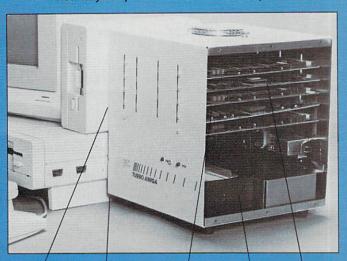
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Computer-aided design of software 512K Amiga; external drive.

C.A.D.S. is a computer-aided design program for software developers. It is unique from code generators in that its design tools are centered around a flexible editor.

A user is able to see what the parts of his program will look like in minutes, including the effects any changes will make. Produced source code, which is highly structured, can be changed and regenerated.

C.A.D.S. is comprised of many subprograms, each of which makes designing and implementing structures, such as screens, windows, menus, requesters, images, borders and text, more reliable and efficient.

Many files can be loaded into memory for editing. A user can step through the files, mark multiple blocks and copy the blocks from one file to another.

The editor allows text to be loaded and saved as a complete file, merged with another file or loaded and saved in blocks. It can also transfer blocks of text to and from the subprograms, making it possible to immediately incorporate and/or change all the data provided. The editor also simplifies the construction of C statements and automates the indentation of text. Available March, 1987

Future Computer Applications; PO Box 6140; Santa Fe, N.M. 87502; 505-984-0774

Commodore-Amiga

Programming languages \$199.95 retail; Amiga LISP \$149.95 retail; Amiga C \$99.95 retail; Amiga Pascal \$99.95 retail; Amiga Macro Assembler Commodore Business Machines; 1200 Wilson Dr.; West Chester, Pa. 19380; 215-431-9180

■Developer's Toolkit

Program development aids 512K Amiga; True BASIC.

The *Developer's Toolkit* gives a user easy access to many of the special features available on an Amiga.

Included are libraries for animation (sprites and bobs), pull-down menus and screen dumps. Also included are high-level DOS routines for direct commands (askdir, chdir, read\_dir, etc.), as well as low-level utilities (peeks and pokes of signed/unsigned words) and system calls (more than 400).

Source code is provided for all routines, and the program requires the *True BASIC Language System*.

\$49.95 retail

True BASIC, Inc.; 39 S. Main St.; Hanover, N.H. 03755; 603-643-3882

### **■**Expert System Kit

Development utilities 256K or larger Amiga.

The Expert System Kit consists of three

development utility programs plus examples that enable a user to implement a rule-based expert system. The produced system can then exchange data with other programs, execute other programs and execute DOS commands.

The development utilities include The Editor, used for creating and modifying knowledge bases; The Trainer, which uses an example file to train a knowledge base; and The Runner, a run-time package that allows the knowledge base to be used independently of the editor.

\$69.95 retail Interactive Analytic Node; 2345 W. Medicine Lake Dr.; Minneapolis, Minn. 55441; 612-559-6601

### **■**EXPLORER

256K or larger Amiga.

The EXPLORER is a utility that displays and alters the contents of Amiga hardware registers, MC68000 registers and memory.

It supports program development with disassembly and program trace functions and operates under *AmigaDOS* at the CLI (Command Line Interface) where program development will normally take place. \$49.95 retail

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### **■**JForth

Forth compiler 256K or larger Amiga.

JForth contains both an interpreter and a compiler in one language, providing a user with an interactive programming environment. It utilizes a technique known as "JSRThreading" to tie together compiled programs. This allows all code produced by the compiler to be directly executable.

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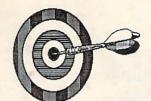
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Developer's package \$34.95 retail; Data Research Processing, Inc.; 5121 Audrey Dr.; Huntington Beach, Calif. 92649; 714-840-7186

### Metacomco

Programming \$199.95 retail; Cambridge LISP \$99.95 retail; ISO Pascal \$99.95 retail; Macro Assembler \$69.95 retail; Amiga Shell Tenchstar, Inc./Metacomco; 5353 Scotts Valley Dr., Ste. E; Scotts Valley, Calif. 95066; 408-438-7201, 800-252-6382 or 800-438-6382 in Calif.



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Tenchstar, Inc./Metacomco; 5353 Scotts Valley Dr., Ste. E; Scotts Valley, Calif. 95066; 408-438-7201, 800-252-6382 or 800-438-6382 in Calif.

### The Metacomco Toolkit

Programming aids \$49.95 retail; Tenchstar, Inc./Metacomco; 5353 Scotts Valley Dr., Ste. E; Scotts Valley, Calif. 95066; 408-438-7201, 800-252-6382 or 800-438-6382 in Calif.

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Software development \$179 retail; Creative Solutions, Inc.; 4701 Randolph Rd., Ste. 12; Rockville, Md. 20852; 301-984-0262 or 800-367-8465

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Interactive programming aid 512K Amiga.

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Programming language 512K Amiga.

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DiskCraft is a mouse-driven program that enables a user to repair damaged disks as well as recover otherwise lost data with the use of a menu-selecting process.

For a novice user, the program facilitates the recovery and repair of a crashed diskette through the use of a single menu function. A visual graphic image is displayed, giving a user a clearer and easier understanding of what *DiskCraft* is doing.

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Rankin Systems Software; 2853 Coleridge Rd.; Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118; 216-932-7796

### Disk Library

Provides a way to organize the contents of a disk for easy access. \$49.95 retail Classic Image, Inc.; 510 Rhode Island Ave.; Cherry Hill, N.J. 08002; 609-667-2526

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Tigress; PO Box 665; Glendora, Calif. 91740; 818-334-0709

### DOS-2-DOS

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A disk file transfer program that transfers all file types from PC/MS-DOS to AmigaDOS and vice versa. \$55 retail

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DataTalk Information Systems, Inc.; PO Box 546; Selden, N.Y. 11784; 516-732-3823

### InfoMinder

Information resource

An information resource program that allows a user to access stored data. The program consists of three parts: an access/display program, a text compiler and a programmer's interface.

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Byte By Byte; Arboretum Plaza II; 9442 Capital of Texas Hwy. N., Ste. 150; Austin, Texas 78759; 512-343-4357

### LaserUp! Graphics

Printer utility

Allows a user to print virtually any Amiga screen on an Apple LaserWriter printer. \$79.95 retail

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### LaserUtilities Vol. 1

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### The OnLine AmigaBASIC Manual

An online resident help utility that displays multiple screens of information on most Microsoft AmigaBASIC topics using pull-down menus.

\$29.95 retail; not copy protected Omega Star Software; PO Box 1831; Clemson, S.C. 29633; 803-882-3602

### ■PRINTZ 1.0

Spreadsheet and printer helper 256K or larger Amiga.

PRINTZ, a spreadsheet and printer helper, contains three programs on disk that allow the printing of large spreadsheets and make any printer easier to use.

The programs include: SIDEWIZE, a program that allows a spreadsheet to be printed sideways on a printer; TYBAN-NER, a banner program that produces large text output of either string or file input; and PRINT, a printer formatter. \$79.95 retail

Tychon Technologies, Inc.; 25000 Euclid Ave., Ste. 107; Cleveland, Ohio 44177; 216-261-7088

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File recovery

Consists of four programs: Recover-All, Recover-Deleted, Un-Kill and Diskedit. These files are designed to run from the CLI environment, and instructions are provided in the manual for users who are not familiar with CLI.

\$49.95 retail

Techni Soft; PO Box 7175; 5505 Walden Meadows Dr.; Murray, Utah 84123; 801-268-4961

### ■ Tychon Utilities 1.1

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256K or larger Amiga.

Tychon Utilities contain five programs and numerous data files on a Workbench version 1.1 disk.

The programs include: TALKEY, a CLI interface that reads input from the input command, echoes it verbally to the Amiga sound device and then executes the input command; PRINT, a listing formatter program that formats text files with varying page lengths and margin sizes with or without page-header information; POLY-DRAW, a freehand paint program with file save-and-read capabilities in IFF format; TERMINAL, a generic communications program that supports file upload and download capabilities, file capture of screen information, variable baud rates and on-line help to the function key commands; and HELP, a CLI-entered command that features textual information and examples on all AmigaDOS commands as well as the Tychon specific commands. \$49.95 retail

Tychon Technologies, Inc.; 25000 Euclid Ave., Ste. 107; Cleveland, Ohio 44177; 216-261-7088

### ZING!

Productivity software

Allows a user to bypass typing cryptic commands through CLI. With the program, a user can copy, edit, delete, rename, sort, search and organize files and programs using the mouse. \$79.95 retail

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### Word Processing

### E.T. Writer

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Available second quarter, 1987; \$49.95

T.R. Software; PO Box 24905; Chicago, Ill. 60624; 312-875-9760

### Flow

Idea processor

A tool that assists in creating sales reports, school papers and novels; helps plan business strategies and schedule appointments; and organizes thoughts and ideas.

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New Horizons Software, Inc.; PO Box 43167; Austin, Texas 78745; 512-329-6215

### LaserFonts Vol. 1

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Spelling checker and utilities

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### **ProWrite**

Word processor

A word processor that allows a user to edit and print in different fonts, styles and colors, and include IFF graphics in their documents.

Only graphics-capable printers can print in the font used on screen, however, and only color-capable printers can utilize the program's color-printing capabilities. Available February, 1987; \$124.95 retail New Horizons Software, Inc.; PO Box 43167; Austin, Texas 78745; 512-329-6215

### Scribble!

Word processor

A full-featured word processor that contains a 40,000-word spelling checker, basic word processing capabilities and advanced features.

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An easy-to-use, what-you-see-is-what-youget word processor that speaks as a user types. It includes all standard word processor features such as word wrap, margin setting, bold, italic, cut, paste, copy, headers, footers, page numbering, underlined text and more.

\$69.96 retail

Finally Software; 4000 MacArthur Blvd., Ste. 3000; Newport Beach, Calif. 92663; 714-854-4434

### Textcraft

Word processing

An entry-level word processor that stresses ease of use, on-screen documentation and templates for business letters, memos, etc. \$99.95 retail

Commodore Business Machines; 1200 Wilson Dr.; West Chester, Pa. 19380; 215-431-9180

### Wordwright

Word processing

A word processor with support for macros, conditional statements, string

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variables and DOS commands. It also includes a primitive outliner. \$75 retail

RTL Programming Aids; 10844 Deerwood SE; Lowell, Mich. 49331; 616-897-5672

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Interactive educational space adventure \$39.95 retail; MicroIllusions; PO Box 3475; Granada Hills, Calif. 91344; 818-360-3715

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Basic geometric shapes with built-in speech \$49.95 retail; First Byte, Inc.; 2845 Temple Ave.; Long Beach, Calif. 90806; 213-595-7006

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\$59.95 each retail; U.S. Geography Adventure, World Geography Adventure I, II, III, IV

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\$89.95 retail; Associated Computer Services; 1306 E. Sunshine; Springfield, Mo. 65804; 417-887-7373

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Conversational Spanish tutor \$69.96 retail; Finally Software; 4000 MacArthur Blvd., Ste. 3000; Newport Beach, Calif. 92663; 714-854-4434

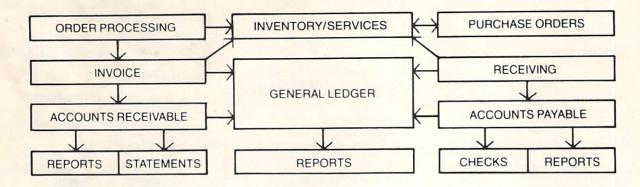
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### Unicorn Educational Software

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### **Activision Games**

\$44.95 each retail; Hacker, Mindshadow, Borrowed Time, Shanghai, Tass Times in Tonetown, GBA Championship Basketball: Two On Two \$49.95 each retail; Hacker II: The Doomsday Papers; The Activision Little Computer People Discovery Kit Activision, Inc.; PO Box 7286; Mountain View, Calif. 94039; 415-940-6044 or 800-227-9759

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Action game \$19.95 retail; Silver Software; 77 Mead St.; Bridgeport, Conn. 06610; 203-366-7775

## The Chessmaster 2000; Software Golden Oldies Volume 1

Strategy; entertainment \$44.95 retail; *The Chessmaster 2000* \$34.95 retail; *Software Golden Oldies Volume 1* 

The Software Toolworks; 1 Toolworks Plaza; 13557 Ventura Blvd.; Sherman Oaks, Calif. 91423; 818-907-6789

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Computerized chess game \$29.95 retail; Dark Horse; PO Box 36162; Greensboro, N.C. 27416; 919-852-3698

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Sports game \$39.95 retail; Strategic Simulations, Inc.; 1046 N. Rengstorff Ave.; Mountain View, Calif. 94043; 415-964-1353

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Space game \$38 retail; HC Software Australia; GPO Box 2204; Adelaide, South Australia 5001; 08-428377

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### **Epyx Games**

Strategy Temple of Apshai Trilogy, Rogue, Winter Games Epyx, Inc.; 1043 Kiel Ct.; Sunnyvale, Calif. 94089; 408-745-0700

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Adventure game \$49.95 retail; MicroIllusions; PO Box 3475; Granada Hills, Calif. 91344; 818-360-3715

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Interactive investment simulation 256K or larger Amiga. \$39.95 retail INSIGHT; 2708 Arlington Ave.; Highland Park, Ill. 60035; 312-432-5458

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Football simulation \$69.95 retail; *GRIDIRON!* \$19.95 retail; *Pro DataDisk* Bethesda Softworks; 9208 Burning Tree Rd.; Bethesda, Md. 20817; 301-469-7061 or 800-992-4009

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### Leader Board

Golf simulation \$39.95 retail; Access Software; 2561 South 1560 West; Woods Cross, Utah 84087; 801-298-9077

### ■Mean 18

Golf simulation 256K or larger Amiga. \$44.95 retail \$19.95 retail; supplemental course disk (includes Harbor Town, Hilton Head, S.C.; Inverness, Toledo, Ohio; Turnbury, Scotland) Accolade; 20833 Stevens Creek Blvd.; Cupertino, Calif. 95014; 408-446-5757

### Micro League Baseball

Sports game \$59.95 retail; Micro League Sports Association; 2201 Drummond Plaza; Newark, Del. 19711; 302-368-9990

### Mindscape Games

\$49.95 each retail; *Deja Vu: A Nightmare Comes True, Brataccas, Balance Of Power* \$44.95 retail; *Racter* Mindscape, Inc.; 3444 Dundee Rd.; Northbrook, Ill. 60062; 800-221-9884 or 800-942-7315 in Ill.

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Developers of Advanced Software; 12455 Veterans Memorial Dr., Ste. 204; Houston, Texas 77014

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Graphic routines

A collection of graphic routines that are randomly generated for a kaleidoscope-like

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### Jumpdisk

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Jumpdisk; 1493 Mt. View Ave.; Chico, Calif. 95926; 916-343-7658

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Packet Press; 14704 Seneca Castle Ct.; Gaithersburg, Md. 20878; 301-762-7145

### Hardware And Peripherals

256K Memory Expansion

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Math coprocessor board \$149 retail; bare board \$269 retail; without 68881 \$459 retail; with 68881 Netch Computer Products; PO Box 645; Monrovia, Calif. 91016; 818-334-1002

### ADC-1 Data Acquisition And Control System

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512K memory-expansion unit \$379 retail; Access Associates; 491 Aldo Ave.; Santa Clara, Calif. 95054; 408-727-8520

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1MB memory-expansion board

The aMEGA Board is a 1MB expansion board that features complete auto-config compatibility; asynchronous operation; a fully automatic software-installation routine for use with DOS 1.1 (no installation is required with DOS 1.2); pass-through design that allows optional or additional

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components; an optional power supply; a small 1-inch footprint; no interference with the mouse/joystick ports; and more.

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C Ltd.; 723 E. Skinner; Wichita, Kan. 67211; 316-267-6321

Amiga Expansion Box

\$995 to \$1,995 retail; The Gemstone Group; 620 Indian Spring Ln.; Buffalo Grove, Ill 60089; 312-537-7405

Aprotek Printers

Daisy wheel and dot matrix printers \$279.95 retail; Aprotek Daisy 1120 \$189.95 retail; Seikosha SP-1000A Aprotek; 1071-A Avenida Acaso; Camarillo, Calif. 93010; 805-987-2454

### ■ASDG Hardware

The .5M, 1M and 2M are Zorrocompatible, 0-wait-state memory boards that give an Amiga an additional .5MB, 1MB and 2MB respectively. The .5M and 1M are upgradeable to 2MB, and each comes with the ASDG Recoverable RAM Disk, which allows any files on the RAM disk to be recovered after machine crash or reset. \$450 retail (.5MB); \$650 retail (1MB); \$900 retail (2MB)

The Mini-Rack-C is a powered two-slot expansion chassis for the ASDG memory boards. The rack does not obscure either

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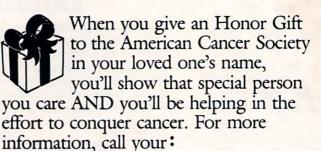
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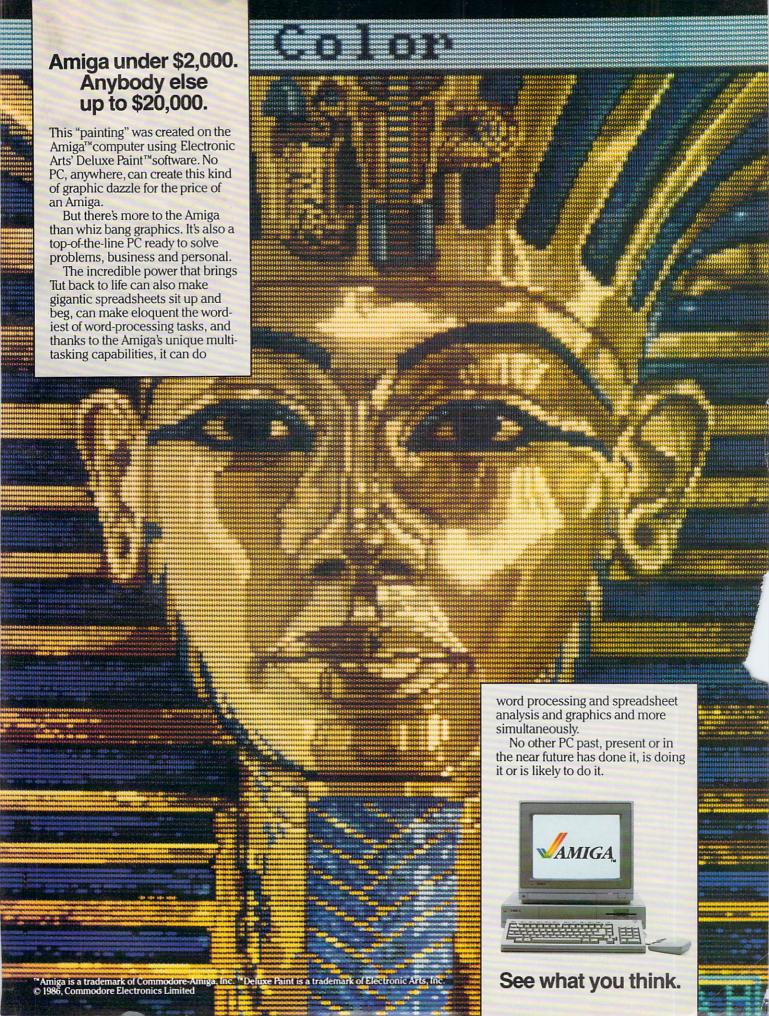
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