December 19, 1999

President's page

Howdy Fellow Commodore Users!

This month, if you didn't plan on attending our meeting, you are going to miss some mighty fine eating. Our annual bring your covered dish meeting is this month, December 19th. Start planning that exquisite recipe now, and be sure to give that recipe to Julie Barr, our secretary, who is gathering together recipes for a club cookbook. I have a few favorite recipes that I plan to have included, one of which is my favorite snickerdoodle recipe.

This year has been a rocky road (no food pun intended) for the Commodore modeming community. First stab was when CompuServe coverted their Commodore Forum, followed by the total removal of that forum. Fortunately, there is still a small fraction of that forum that has been splintered into the Vintage Computer Forum, but alas, it is still not accessible by a Commodore.

Second stab is Delphi's dialup network to be discontinued by the end of the year, which has been used by Commodore Users for many years. Delphi users with Commodores now have to find a local ISP that offers shell accounts, and then telnet into Delphi. At least not all Commodore Users are shut out with this option, but a lot are not so fortunate in the offerings provided by their local ISP's.

The third stab is Genie discontinuing their original service on December 27th. Everyone who isn't already moved over to their new web based service is urged to call and finalize that move. Their new service is a shell type of service, so it will benefit the Commodore community at large, if they are close enough to a local number to take advantage of it.

Is there a possible light at the end of the tunnel? Maurice Randall of Wheels fame is working on his long shelved Wave program for geos. He expects this program to be usable before the year-end, and released to the Commodore community at no charge. This means that a C64 or C128 can use the connections of internet services like AOL, Prodigy, or CompuServe, just like the IBM Compatibles and Macintosh systems currently enjoy. More details will be available when the program comes out, and you can be sure our club will have a copy of that program. If you are an old time club member, you might remember I demo'd the Wave on a 28.8K modem when we were still meeting at the Nativity School Library. So, this is a program I have been waiting for, for a long time!

A jpeg viewer is now available for the C64, for both the native and SCPU versions. The web address to find out more about it is:

http://www.ffd2.com/fridge/

I have used it, and it does work! Thanks go to a wonderful set if programmers to bring this option to life! The two program names are JPZ and JPX. If you have no internet access, it will be included in our library this month.

I mentioned in last month's meeting, that there were problems with our email account at Geocities. That problem still exists, and it has finally been recognized by their tech support, but no resolution to the problem has been forthcoming. In the meantime, I have set up a new email address to take care of the club's email:

cbmusers@yahoo.com

This might become our new email address, if

the resolution to the current problem is not fixed.

If I don't see you this month, I wish to send along my best wishes for a wonderful and joyous holiday season, and a Happy New Year!

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Holiday Grabbag Raffle

If the prospect of sharing some time with your fellow Commodore club members as a respite from the holiday hussle and the enjoyment of all the tasty goodies that are going to be available isn't enough to make attending the next meeting irresistible, here's a news item that will certainly do it. Millie Cox has assembled a grab bag of items to be raffled. She hasn't revealed what they are, but she gives assurance that they are worthwhile and desirable. Miss the meeting and you won't be able to attend another one until the year 2000!

Happy Holidays!

E-MAIL SURVIVAL KIT

Wondered what all those abbreviations mean ?? Here's a brief list

AFAIC	As Far As I'm Concerned
AISI	As I See It
ANFAWFOS	And Now For A Word Word From Our Sponsor
ANFAWFOWS	And Now For A Word Word From Our WEB Sponsor
AOL	Assholes On Line
ASAP	As Soon As Possible
ASAFP	As Soon As Friggin Possible
AWGTHTGTTA	Are We Going To Have To Go Through This Again
AWGTHTGTTSA	Are We Going To Have To Go Through This S--t Again
B4	Before
BCNU	Be Seeing You
BFD	Big Fucking Deal BK Bo Knows
BNF	Big Name Fan
BOT	Back On Topic
BTSOOM	Beats The S--t Out Of Me
BT	Byte This!
BTW	By The Way
BTWBO	Be There With Bells On
CIAO	Goodbye (Italyin Itlin Itlen Italian) :-)
CIS	CompuServe Information Service
CMF	Count My Fingers!
CTC	Choaking The Chicken
CUL	Catch/See You Later
CUL8R	See You Later
CWYL	Chat With You Later
DBEYR	Don't Believe Everything You Read
DDD	Direct Distance Dial
DHYB	Don't Hold Your Breath
DILLIGAD	Do I Look Like I Give A Damn
DQYDJ	Don't Quit You're Day Job
DYSTSOTT	Did You See The Size Of That Thing
FE	Fatal Error
FTASB	Faster Than A Speeding Bullet
FTL	Faster Than Light

FUBAR	F--ked Up Beyond All Repair/Recognition
FUBB	F--ked Up Beyond Belief
FWIW	For What It's Worth
FYI	For Your Information
FYM	For Your Misinformation
GE	GEnie Information Service
GEE	No, GTE
GIGO	Garbage In, Garbage Out
GIWIST	Gee, I Wish I'd Said That
GR&D	Grinning Running & Ducking
HAK	Hugs And Kisses
HUYA	Head Up Your A$$
HHOK	Ha Ha, Only Kidding
HHO1/2K	Ha Ha, Only Half Kidding
HIOOC	Help! I'm Out Of Coffee!
HTH	Hope This Helps
HUA	Heads Up, Ace
IAC	In Any Case
IAE	In Any Event
IANAL	I Am Not A Lawyer
IANAC	I Am Not A Crook
IAO	I Am Outtahere
IBCNU	I'll Be Seeing You
IBTD	I Beg To Differ
IFABCTE	I Found A Bug, Call The Exterminator
IITYWTMWYKM	If I Tell You What This Means Will You Kiss Me
IITYWTMWYBMAD	If I Tell You What This Means Will You Buy Me A Drink
IITYWTMWYLMA	If I Tell You What This Means Will You Leave Me Alone
IIWM	If It Were Me
ILSHIBAMF	I Laughed So Hard I Broke All My Furniture
ILSHIBMS	I Laughed So Hard I Broke My Stitches
IMCO	In My Considered Opinion
IMHO	In My Humble/Honest Opinion
IMNSHO	In My Not So Humble/Honest Opinion
IMO	In My Opinion
INPO	In No Particular Order
IOW	In Other Words
ISP	Internet Service Provider
KISS	Keep It Simple Stupid
KMA	Kiss Me A$$
L8R	Later
LD	Long Distance
LDTTWA	Let's Do The Time Warp Again
LLTA	Lots And Lots Of Thunderous Applause
LOL	Laughing Out Loud
LSHHTCMS	Laughed So Hard, Had To Change My Shorts
LTIP	Laughing Till I Puke
MTFBWY	May The Force Be With You

NBFD	No Big F--king Deal
NFW	No F--king Way
NRN	No Reply Necessary
NYCFS	New York City Finger Salute
OAUS	On An Unrelated Subject
OATUS	On A Totally Unrelated Subject
OATIS	On A Totally Irrelevant Subject
OBTW	Oh By The Way
OI	Operator Indisposed
OMIK	Open Mouth, Insert Keyboard
ONNA	Oh No, Not Again
ONNTA	Oh No Not This Again
OOTC	Obligatory On Topic Comment
OTOH	On The Other Hand
OTOOH	On The Other Other Hand
OTSH	On The Same Hand
OWTTE	Or Words To That Effect
OZ	Australia
PITA	Pain In The A$$
PMF	Pull My Finger
RBTL	Read Between The Lines
RML	Read My Lips
RMM	Read My Mail
ROTFL	Rolling On The Floor Laughing
ROTFLMAO	Rolling On The Floor Laughing My A$$ Off
ROTM	Right On The Money
RSN	Real Soon Now
RTFM	Read The Fucking Manual/Message
SH	S--t Happens
SH2M	S--t Happens To Me
SITD	Still In The Dark
SOI	Sit/Spin On It
SOL	S--t Outta Luck
STM	Spank The Monkey
SysOp	System Operator
SYP	Send Your Password
TAFL	Take A Flying Leap
TANSTAAFL	There Ain't No Such Than A Free Lunch
TDTM	Talk Dirty To Me
TFASB	Time For A Sex Break
TFN	Thanks For Nothin'
TIA	Thanks In Advance
TIC	Tongue In Cheek
TISEC	Tongue In Someone Else's Cheek
TLA	Three Letter Acronym (such as this)
TM	Trust Me
TMNTM	That Means Nothing To Me
TSR	Terminate and Stay Resident

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CINCINNATI COMMODORE COMPUTER CLUB

Minutes of Nov. 21 1999 Meeting
by Julia Barr

SecretaryClub Meetings are held regularly on the third Sunday of each month at NORWOOD PLAZA BINGO HALL, located at 3825 Montgomery Rd. Norwood, Ohio from 2 - 4 pm.
There were 9 members present and 5 GUESTS. The new faces belonged to Mr. James Casey & Ms. Wilma Casey (moved from Oklahoma to Carthage OH.), and Mr & Mrs. A. Krahenbuhl of Cleves, OH.

1. The meeting got under way by David Witmer opening the meeting with Officers reports summarized below:

a. President David WITMER did most of the talking. The dates of upcoming COMPUTER SHOWs at the Sharonville Oh Convention Center Dec 18 & 19. Our club will not be setting up at this one because that is our Annual POT LUCK / Bring a dish dinner.
Feb 5 & 6   We plan to have a booth at this show, so plan to volunteer for working the booth or creating a demo
March 25 & 26   David announced our Web Page is up to 1 meg with 15 allotted. However as far as the E-Mail address you can send it to David (his addresses are found else where in this newsletter).

Several of you brought in copies or mentioned their subscriptions to GO 64, a merger between German 64 magazine and Commodore World. I believe they said the subscription was $79 a year, but since its coming from Germany it is taking several months to receive your mag. You can check with David Witmer, Carl Menne, Jack Kemp or Roger Hoyer on this. Or CBM users can check out YAHOO.com
b. Vice President Steve WINKLE was out buying up all of Jans craft bazaar items. So we will be tickled ; } to see their smiling faces :) |) again this month.
c. Publicity Roger HOYER has been busy keeping up with newspaper and TV confirmations of our clubs existence and contact numbers. He was currently working on the latest update disk of the clubs goodies . He also announced Jim Brain is working on a club list update on his web page.
Roger brought in a computer stand, which was raffled off at the low price of a $1 ticket. Congratulations to the Casey family, we know they will be enjoying using the Clubs computer on their "new" desk. If you didn t show up for the meeting then you missed this "lucky" opportunity. So make sure to mark your calen- dars for the third Sunday of each month and join us.
d. Membership Ike GEER showed up late trying to give us what he thought was the flu. However we still was glad to hear his booming voice (from the back of the room). We all hope you re feeling better IKE.
e. Librarian
Ed GASE "neither were present"
f. Newsletter Editor
g. Treasurer Ski BUCHUENAU
Where were You?
2. Under OLD business Swapple was

canceled   at Forest Fair Mall.

3. As for NEW business A unanimous vote was taken in favor of a POT LUCK/ Bring a dish FEAST for the DEC 19th meeting in lieu of a restaurant or catering. OBVIOUSLY from the response of our members we have some mighty good cooks.

Jack Kemp brought up the fact that he, like several members, has a few Commodore excess sitting in the closet, and suggestions were made that the club could help sell them or list them on the clubs 4for sale web page.

Demo requests were made for a CAD program of which a super cpu was suggested. It was then mentioned that Mr. Randall is working on a GEOS based Internet account shell for the super CPU due to be released by the end of the year.

----- The motion to adjourn was made, and seconded. The meeting then dispursed into socialization and various program demos- such as injured engine, a minesweeper type of game, solitaire, etc..

TSR	Totally Stuck in RAM
TTFN	Ta Ta For Now
TTT	That's The Ticket
TWHAB	This Won't Hurt A Bit
VI	Village Idiot
WDIPME	Where Did I Put My Excedrin
WEB	World Wide Wait
WGAFF	Who Gives A Flying F--k
WGAFS	Who Gives A Flying Squat
WIT	Wordsmith In Training
WMG	Wheres My Glasses
WTHDTIM	What The Hell Do These Initials Mean
WTSDS	Where The Sun Don't Shine
WYSIWYG	What You See Is What You Get
WYSIUWYW	What You See Isn't Usually What You Want
YGBK	You Gotta Be Kiddin'
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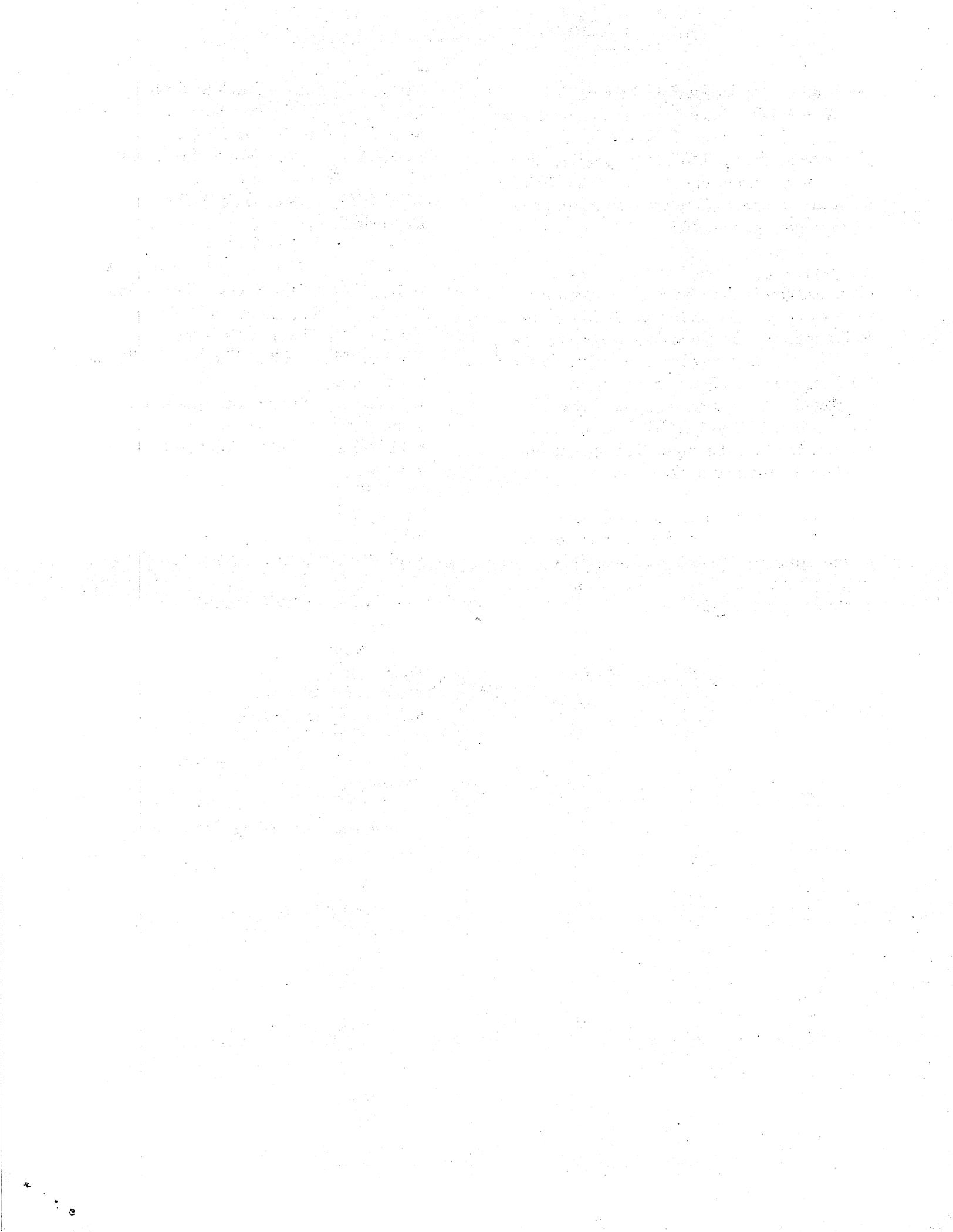
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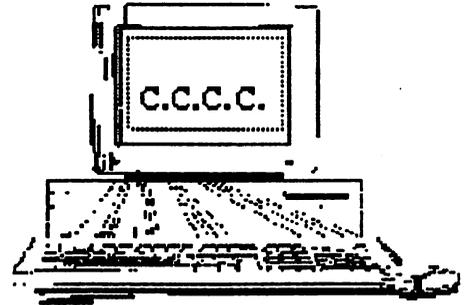
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