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So, how do you like the new format? We were having soooo much trouble (particularly out in El Cerrito territory) getting our old, folded Journals thru the Post Office meat grinders that we changed to envelopes! Just continuing high quality management from the SLCC officer corps.... Give them a slap on the back next time you see them (with due consideration to their age, in some cases).

This new process gives me a little more space to print out articles and such, so feel free to write something to share with the rest of us, OK? (then I don't have to fill the page with dumb 1200XL pictures....)

# **GENERAL MEETING**

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1st 1998 8:00PM

St. Leander School
Davis Street - San Leandro

# RAFFLE PRIZES!!!



No, we are not going to raffle off any 1200XLs The picture is just an advertising ploy – kinda like having Cindy Crawford, only better.

We will probably have other stuff, though. Like:

MEGA ST(in the box)
MEGAFILE 30(HD)
SH 204 Hard Drive(in the box)
Atari 800(in the box)
Atari 130XE(in the box)

Just in case some weirdo out there prefers C.C.

# **Only Stuff**

Meetings are meetings and we had another one this month with the same predictable results. The really neat crooked raffle prizes this month included along with the usual assortment of odds and ends an Atari Portfolio computer. (Remember them? A nice palm sized but a bit before their time.) From the way raffle tickets were going a lot of people remembered the Portfolio. It goes without saying the winner of the Portfolio was the Presidents brother or some such type relation.

Last month I mentioned my friend looking to buy a new computer and the quite reasonable prices he had been quoted. To make a long story a bit shorter my friend decided to go all out and ended up buying a fancy 350 Mhz. Computer with all the trim for a still good price but almost double what it was when he started. The more interesting part of the story is that he asked me to get his new toy setup with all the goodies including an Internet connection and a HomeBanking connection.

One thing I forgot to mention is that said friend lives in Placerville which is about half way to nowhere for about six months of the year, and in Desert Hot Springs in Southern California the other six months. No problem right! All I had to do was find an Internet Provider that had a local number at both places, well that's easier said than done because for practical purposes there aren't any. I arrived at this conclusion after three days of searching the web. Finally settled on a Web Email address and two separate Providers. Everything went well, the computer was delivered and setup in Placerville, and friend is poorer but quite pleased. End of story ---- almost!

While friend's new computer was being worked on second friend sees it, tries it, and orders a better one for herself and asks me to set it up for her. So as I work on these so called minutes on my antique 486/66 SCSI computer, there is a new 350

Mhz. SCSI computer holding down the end of my desk. Did I forget to mention that while all this is going on my brother in-law buys a used Compaq Pentium 90 to do his word processing and a bit of Email and Internet work and it is setting on an ice chest behind me.

Needless to say it has been a fun month for me as I was able to spend a lot of other peoples money buying computer pieces and parts. The only bad part is having to give up these machines after just getting used to them. I probably should have taken some pictures because for at least a short time my computer room looked like Bob Woolley's attic.

See you at the meeting!

Jim Moran - Secretary

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