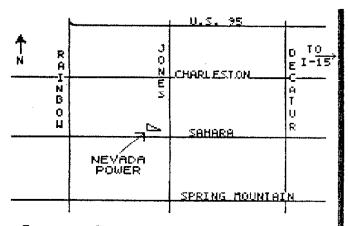
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NEXT MEETING -- Note NEW LOCATION!!!

MONDAY, February 8, 1988 - 6:30 PM

NEVADA POWER BUILDING MEETING ROOM

These maps show the new location.

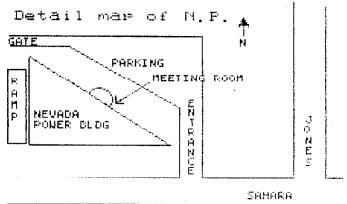


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A note on the new meeting place. You must enter from Sahara at the main entrance. The meeting room is the semi-circular extension on the back of the building as shown on the detail map. You should park in the lot near the meeting room. The parking ramp is not open, and one cannot get through the main building to get to the meeting room.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As you all know, this month SNU6 will be hosting the TI-XPO-88 (TIXPO). This is the most ambitious project that we have ever undertaken. In any project such as this, there are several factors that can make it a success, and therefore a lot of fun. Probably the most important of these is member participation. SNU6 has had several projects similar to this in the past (on a much smaller scale). All have been very successful (and a lot of fun) because we had a high percentage of our members volunteer their time, equipment, and muscle to make them successful. It's that time once again. We need your help and support.



At this month's meeting we will have several sign-up sheets. We are asking that everyone sign up for something. These sheets will have days and times on them. Just pick the day(s) and time(s) that you WILL be available and put your name on the list. We need help with manning the SNUG booth, relieving vendors at their booths, helping with booth setup, gopher duty, etc. I know I can count on each of you to do your part.

We plan to have a lot of TIXPO flyers available at the meeting for members to take. We would like to have them distributed throughout the county on bulletin boards, in computer shops, and anywhere else you can think of where they will be read. It's time to get the local advertising going. Please take some of these flyers with you when you sign up for TIXPO activities.

The February meeting will be pretty much devoted to the TIXPO. The sign up sheets and discussion of show plans will most likely take some time. For that reason, we have not scheduled any formal demonstrations. We do have a couple of programs from the D.O.M. that we can show if the TIXPO portion of the meeting doesn't take as long as expected. Steve tells me that he will be doing "a couple more" console mods this month for new members, but that

this will be the last meeting where he wil be doing so. We will also be having our monthly raffle. I will try to get a list of raffle itnes typed up for inclusion in this newsletter. We have gotten some new donated items from several members, so there should be something to interest everyone once again.

I'm sure this will be quite redundant, but I'd like to remind everyone that this month's SNU5 meeting will be held at the Kevada Power Co. building at West Sahara and Jones. There should be a map elsewhere in this newsletter showing the exact location and how to get there.

In last month's newsletter, I published a list of vendors who had accepted our offer to attend the TIXPO. There was an error in the list. I had shown Dijit systems of San Diego, CA, as having a 2 MEGABYTE RAM card with battery backup. While there is such a device, it is not made by Dijit Systems. This reference should have been listed under Rave 99 Co. It was my mistake, and I apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. Dijit Systems makes an 80 column card and Advanced Graphics card (RGB interface).

That's about all I have for this month. I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

-John-

TI-XPO-88 UPDATE!

The recent additions to the vendors attending TIXPO B8 is as follows:

J. Peter Hoddie. He said he will be coming to TIXPO after all, and will be representing Genial Computerware and the Boston Computer Society. He will both speak and give demos.

Larry Connor. He is representing t.L. Connor Enterprises, and Texaments. He will be showing Turbo Pascal and John Wilforth's PEBox Proto board card. Turbo Pascal is the version which runs on a standard expanded system. The Proto board allows "roll your own" hardware projects, and he will have info on projects that have been devised to use the card. There is information on various projects for this card on GENIE at least.

If any SNUS members are not familiar with any of these vendors they should come to the Feb. meeting to learn more about them. Ed.

BBS REPORT

Things are really booming on the BBS these days. A quick check reveals that there have been 749 calls since mid November when I first set up the version 7.5 BBS program. Rarely a day goes by lately without at least 1 new user signing on. A good number of the new callers are from out of state. They have been quite friendly and some have left us with some good software in our upload section.

I suspect that the increased usage has a lot to do with the publicity we have been receiving through Computer Shopper in the TI Forum column written by Ron Albright and Johnathan Zittrain. Their column has given us very good coverage of the upcoming TI-XPO-88 in the January and February issues. Ron left me a note on Compuserve last week indicating that there would also be a mention of us in the March issue! Thanks Ron, we really do appreciate it!

I haven't gotten a lot of feedback from the local users about the new program. Since there have been almost no complaints and the local usage has increased quite a bit too, I have to assume that most of you like the new format. I know that I sure do. The Sysop duties are quite a bit simpler for me now than they were with the old program.

There are a few changes that I expect to make soon (like as soon as the TIXPO is over). I will be adding a new message base for Geneve 9640 users. I will either set up a separate D/L section for Geneve specific programs or at least find some way to mark them so they won't cause confusion to TI users. I will be adding some new adventure games. I hope to build a clock card soon to install in the system so we once again can keep track of the time and date that someone calls. The clock in the modem seems to be inaccessable with this version of the BBS. I will add a menu to allow you to download via XMODEM any files that are in the INFO/NEWS section. This will allow you to get the file without having to worry if it's 40 or 80 columns, whether or not you have you capture buffer set up correctly, or whether the file will be garbaged by a bad telephone line (XMODEM has some good error checking). If anyone has any comments about these plans, or any suggestions for other improvements, please let me know.

If you have not called the SNUG BBS in the last few months, I suggest that you do so. There have been quite a few changes. If you had a user number and password before, you should still be in the database. There were significant differences in the structure of the file, but I was able to convert the old one to the new format and saved everyone's records. In case you've forgotten the number, it's 702-648-1247.

-John-

FEBRUARY RAFFLE

HERE IS A LIST OF ITEMS CURRENTLY IN THE RAFFLE POT.

MODULES:

1-PERSONAL REAL ESTATE
2-ADVENTURE
1-TAX INVESTMENT/RECORD KEEPING
1-ALPINER
1-PERSONAL RECORD KEEPING
1-HOME FINANCIAL DECISIONS
1-MUSIC MAKER
1-HOUSEHOLD BUDGET MANAGEMENT
1-TOMBSTONE CITY

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Exerpt from Bits, Bytes, & Pixels, Lima 99/48 US (Bec 87)

FUNNELWEB V4.0 MENU FLOW CHART FCTN 7 (AID) from any of these meinus gives a disk directory.

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-----1 TI-Writer : A ..
                      <-2 Edit/Assm : B ..
                      : 3 XB-Return : C ..
                     1 4 ..
                                  : D ..
                     | 5 MYARC DM : E ..
                     | 6 TI-FORTH : F ..
                     1 7 ..
                              : 6 ..
                                  : H ..
                     1 9 ...
                                  : I CONFIGURE (needs CONFIG)
                     ! (XB first menu USER LIST. This boots from DSK1.LOAD.
                     ! Items 4-I can be customized with CONFIG to load any
                     : XB, PROGRAM Image, or D/F80 software.}
                      >----
                                      1
  1 EDITOR
           (needs files ED/EE)
                                     1 EDITOR
                                                 (needs files ED/EE)
 2 FORMATTER (needs files FO/FP)
                                    2 ASSEMBLER (needs files AS/AT)
 3 DM1000 (needs files M5/MH)
                                     _3 LOADERS
 4 MODEM
            (loads user file MD)
                                  4 c-Compiler (needs file CO and
 5 DATABASE (loads user file DB)
                                   ł
                                        renamed c99 files)
 6 UTILITY
            (customized with CONFIG. : 5 DISK PATCH (needs file DP)
     boots any assembly language file) : 6 UTILITY
                                               (customized with CONFIG.
 _7 USER LIST (needs file UL)
                                   •
                                         boots any assembly language file)
! (TI-Writer CENTRAL MENU. This boots : 7 RESET/QUIT
٧
                                    ! with TI-Writer CENTRAL MENU with the
1 ..
                                    : press of any non-number key.}
2 ..
3 ..
5 MYARC DM
6 NEXT UL (needs UM, a recustomized
          renamed duplicate of UL)
7 CASSETTE (loads an EA PROGRAM file
          from CS1)
8 CONFIGURE (needs CONFIG)
9 CARTRIDGE ROM
(User List CENTRAL MENU. Loads from
#7 of TI-Writer CENTRAL MENU. Items
1-8 can be customized with CONFIG to
boot any PROGRAM Image or D/F80 files.}!
1 TEXT MODE (TWr) (loads PROGRAM files normally loaded from TWr #3)
2 GPL ENVIRONMENT (loads PROGRAM files that otherwise use E/A #5)
3 PROGRAM (E/A)
                (loads PROGRAM files that are images of E/A #3 object code)
4 LOAD/RUN (E/A) (loads D/F80 object files that otherwise use #3 of EA module)
5 SCRIPTLOADER
                (loads predefined sequence of D/F80 files, needs file SL)
6 LOW-MEM LOADER (loads D/FBO object files into low memory, needs file LL)
7 L&R ALL-MEM (loads autostarting D/FBO object files into memory anywhere)
8 (Not shown on screen. Cancels autostart of autostarting D/F80 object files)
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FUNNELWEB V4.0 CONFIGURE FLOW CHART

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__1 Continue Normally (Use this the first time you run CONFIG.)
--+-2 Redo User Lists
                         (Use to alter and/or add to already configured XB
1 1
                          and/or central menu User Lists.)
1 | 3 Redo Configuration
! ! 4 Back to FWB Vn 4.0
! ! (First and last CONFIG menu)
  1
l v
1 "Boot drive tracking on? (Y/N)"
1 __Y.. FWb expects all its own files and the user files accessed directly
          from central menus to be in the boot drive or in DSK1.
1 | N.. Overrides boot drive tracking, allows specifying specific drives
          for TIW and Edit/Assm central menu files. Particularly useful
     1
          with ramdisks or with multiple floppy drives.
1 1
| Fixed drive # (TI-Wr) DSK_"
                                    Enter a single digit drive number.
  \ "Fixed drive # (Ed-As) DSK_"
                                    Enter a single digit drive number. This
   1 1
                                        is the SECONDARY DRIVE number.
 "Utility drive default? DSK_.UTIL!" Enter a single digit number that will be
          the default number displayed when LF/SF is first used in the editor.
   - !
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! "Editor printer device" Enter PIO, or whatever your printer name is.
! "Format printer device" Enter your printer name followed by ".LF" or, for
   1
                              some printers by ".CR".
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 "Workfile name default" If you enter something here, the name will appear
    ! after "DSKx." the first time you LF or SF from the editor after booting
    : FWb. If you leave this blank, as I do, then you can exit FWb, do
    ! something else with the computer, then reboot FWb and usually find the
    I old file name still in the mail box.
1 "Edit Utility Choice #6"
                             Type in the screen display name of an assembly
! "Edit Opt #6 filename"
                             language PROGRAM user file you want to be able
    ! to boot from a central menu. Then enter a 2 character name for this file.
    ! Repeat the process for the other central menu. These user files must
    ! be on the same disk as the other files accessed by the displayed TI-Wr
   : or Ed-As central menu.
! "Color choice selection" Colors and their hex values are displayed. Ten
    ^ foreground/background combinations are shown with the first being the
    : combination showing at powerup. The other 9 can be cycled through by
    ! pressing zero from most FWb menus. Edit the color combinations, or press
    ! ENTER to cycle though all ten without editing. You then get this
    : menua
    1 1 Cycle Colors (Press 1 repeatedly to see each color combination)
    1_2 Select Again (Re-edit the colors you just entered)
    1\_3 Original Set (Re-edit the colors originally present on the FWb disk)
1
      4 Next Screen
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GOTO NEXT
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"Do you wish to edit the central menu screen UL before saving UTIL17 Y/N"
   Y.. You get a display of screen and file data for the first B items in the
         central menu User List. Press N(ext) and B(ack) to cycle through
         these 8 items. Press E(dit) to enter data or change data of the
         displayed UL item. Editing screen prompts are identical to those
         shown below for XB User List editing beginning with "Edit file name
         for loader." When you have finished editing all the items you wish to
         edit, press S(ave).
        "Save data to DSKx.UL" Enter a drive number and change "UL" to UM, UN,
                etc. if you are CONFIGuring more than one User List. Then press
   !<-----ENTER. If you wish to CONFIGure more user lists, answer Y to</pre>
                option to (again) edit the central menu UL. Otherwise answer N
                and continue with the XB User List part of CONFIG.
  N.. (You don't want to CONFIGure any more central menu user lists.)
"Do you wish to edit the XB LOAD program UList before saving UTIL1? Y/N"
  Y.. Follow screen prompt and load LOAD. You then see the XB User List first
         menu with the cursor on choice #4.
     --->Choices 4 through I must be cycled through before leaving XB UL con-
        figuring portion of CONFIG. Type in what you want the menu to display
         for each item, then press ENTER. Or, to rapidly cycle through the SR
        UL menu, just press ENTER if you like what you see displayed. ENTER
        can be used instead of any called for screen prompt in XB UL config-
        uration. Not finished with cycle:
                                                        Finished with Cycle:
         1 XBasic Program----v(User file is XBasic.)
         2 Assembly Loaders->:(For assembly language user file.)
     1<--3 Return to XBasic v(Causes this XB UL item, when pressed, to im-</p>
                             !mediately return to XBasic, as does UL item #3)
                             : (Returns you to the XB first menu UL display so
                             lyou can edit the next UL item.)
     !<--4 Leave Unaltered</pre>
                             ! (Returns you to the XB first menu UL display so
                             !you can edit the next UL item.)
            "Edit file name for loader" Enter a file name including a drive
                                        number in the form DSKx.FILENAME.
                             V
     !<----If XB program: If assembly file:</pre>
              ___1 Memory Image Program (Assembly language file that lists as
                                        PROGRAM in a disk directory)
             1 2 Tagged Object Code_ (A single D/F80 assembly file)
                3 Script Load File | (A sequence of D/F80 files)
                 _1 No special conditions (This is what you usually choose)
            !-+--+-2 Load low memory first
           v v 1_3 Autostart - E/A LFMH
   FROM
           GOTO :_4 Intercept autostart
                                                                           GOTO
   LAST
           NEXT
                                                                           NEXT
   PAGE
           PAGE
                                                                           PAGE
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GOTO
PREVIOUS
 PAGE
                _1 Text Mode (TI-Wr) (Usually loads from #3 of TIW
                                      module.)
               1-2 GPL Environment
                                      (The usual choice for most EA5 files)
              1-3 E/A Program file
         "Boot tracking off (Y/N)" Y prevents the boot drive number from
              ! overwriting the drive number you specified as part of the
              : file name.
         "Secondary Disk (Y/N)" This is the drive # specified near the
              ; beginning of CONFIG for the Ed-As central menu if you turned;
              ! off boot drive tracking. If this number is different than
              ; the boot drive number and if you answer Y to this question :
              ! then FWb will look for the user file in the secondary drive. ?
           "Provide reminder (Y/N)" If the user file is not on the same disk;
               as the rest of your FWb files then answer Y. FWb will stop
               when the user file is selected from a User List and the
               mossage "Insert Utility Disk in Drive a" will be displayed.
       -----The x is the secondary drive number.
N.. (You don't want to edit XB User List)
    "Select F'WB File Name" (Press 1 or 2 for the correct name
   1 UTIL1
                            of the reboot file. FWb originally
     2 RELOAD
                            comes configured as UTIL1.)
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"Save file to drive #?" Select a single digit number and/or press ENTER.

"Press 1 to save configuration" You may also redo your configuration by pressing 2 or 3, or return to FWb with 4.

"Configuration saved" You are now returned to the first CONFIG menu at the start of this flow chart.

CASSETTE:

1-TEACH YOURSELF EXTENDED BASIC

BOOKS:

1-PROGRAMMERS REFRENCE GUIDE TO TO THE 99-4/A by C. Regena

1-COMPUTES GUIDE TO EXTENDED BASIC HOME APPLICATIONS ON THE TI-99/4A by Chris Flynn

1-33 PROGRAMS FOR THE TI-99/4A by Brian Flynn

1-USING AND PROGRAMMING THE TI-99/4A by Frederick Holtz

1-PROGRAMS FOR THE TI HOME COMPUTER by Steve Davis

HARDNARE ETC:

PHP1250 DISK DRIVE FOR P-BOX COMMODORE JOYSTICKS W TI ADAPT. MUNITUR VIDEO CABLE BOX (3500 SHEETS) PRINTER PAPER PKG (25) BULK DISKETTES ALLSOP DISK HEAD CLEANING KIT

As always, SMU5 is looking for donations for the raffle pot. If you have any unused aodules, software, hardware, etc, why not donate them to SMU5. THANKS!

V.P. VERBAGE

Mell, here it is Febuary already with the year already 1/12th gone. Time does seem to fly doesn't it? From the look of John's column it looks like this should be a very interesting meeting this month. This is the meeting where we find out who can support the TIXPD Fair this month. I hope to see alot of volunteers. Personally I plan to sign up for as many details as I can as this will put me one on one with most of the Vendors and will hopefully give me the inside track on all the new products that are out for the TI and Myarc. I think it will be alot of mork, NO doubt, but I also think it will be alot of fun and a super learning experience. Granted, being "involved" can be work, but it is "NEVER" dull! I just hope I find time to do everything I think I want to do.

On a different note I found an article in one of the newsletters that should be a great help for those members trying to configure FunnelWriter Ver. 4.0 with little or no success. As I got it from an article I had to re-type it, but I think I did it without too many errors. (Don...This was for you!!)

On a last note I will be doing a few more consoles

this meeting, but this is the last time. If you don't bring them this meeting them you are on your own from here on out for this MCD.

Take care and hope to see you at the meeting.

-Steve-

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT-FED 88

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT-FEB 86 by R. J. BIEDER

FEB 88 MEETING !!!!

SPECIAL NOTICE: The 8 FEBRUARY '88 SNU6 MEETING and all future meetings will be held in the Wengert Community Reeting Room located at the rear of the Nevada Power building, NW corner of Jones and W. Sahara Ave. Enter the parking area from Sahara and go to the back parking lot. The room is accessible thru exterior doors in the rear of the building. SNU6 has reserved the meeting room from 6pm until 10:30pm.

BULK DISKETTES:

SNU6 still has some bulk diskettes for sale. The price for a package of 25 diskettes which includes Tyvec sleeves and labels remains the same as before. SNU6 members - \$12.50 per package of 25. Non-members - \$15.00 per package. First come, first served.

8K RAM CART PROGRAMS

For those of you with Ram Carts, Supercarts, etc., I've received 2 disks of Supercart programs with limited docs from Dave Romer. I haven't had time to review any programs; however, the disks will be available at the Feb SNUS meeting. I'll make a copy of both disks for a reduced SNUS COPY fee of \$5.00. Dave hinted he'd like \$5.00 per disk. It's up to you what you send to him.

MORE NEW PROGRAMS

I received a care package from the Lima Ohio Users' Group. It's a disk of A/L utilities and a PLATO disk cataloging routine. It'll be available at the SNUG Feb meeting for a reduced Copy Fee of \$.5.00.

Here's what they say in the -READ ME file (slightly revamped by rj):

February 1, 1988

This disk is a gift from the Lima Chio User Group, P.O. Box 647, Venedocia CH 45894, and contains the software and documentation described in the Feb. 88 issue of our newsletter Bits Bytes Pixels. Everything on this disk is in the public domain.

The PLATO cataloging routine is file PLATO which loads from XBASIC and requires 2 drives. Place an initialized

data disk in drive 2 before you RUN the program PLATG. Docs for the Plato cataloging routine are file PLATODOC. A sample Plato catalog file is included as PCATSAMPLE.

The other files on the disk are a set of mergable XBASIC routines that are designed to allow you to run almost any program written for the "Super Extended Basic v120" module using only the regular v110 XBASIC module. These have been donated to the public domain by Art Byers of the Central Westchester user group and GENIE sysop. Documentation for these files loads from XBASIC as LOAD. The file MERGEFILES is the complete set of mergable routines and docs combined into one large archived file. It can be unpacked with ARCHIVER v2.21. They're already unpacked on this disk.

ENJOY!

FEBRUARY DISK OF THE MONTH!

How do you get 440 sectors of information on a BS/SD disk? Why you ARCHIVE and COMPRESS it using Barry Boone's Archiver Ver 2.3 of course. And that's what this month's DOM is all about. It's a disk chocked full of programs that we received from Ray Kazser.

All 5 files (I/F128 format) must be UnCompressed and BeArchived using Archiver V2.3 which was featured on a previous DOM. It's also available on SNU6's Bulletin Board.

Here's catalog of the Feb '88 DOM (355 sectors).

| EA(3)GAMES | Two assembly language games UnCompress & DeArchived = 43 sectors |
|------------|---|
| POP=EA(3) | Excellent Music, wait 'til you hear it!! UnCompress & DeArchived = 223 sectors |
| PUSH=EA3 | Assembly language Game. UnCompress & DeArchived = 131 sectors |
| XB/MUSIC | 4 songs in XB - All AOK UnCompress & DeArchived = 130 sectors |
| IB/STUFF | 3 XB-games plus a File Lister Utility. UnCompress & DeArchived = 121 sectors |

Since my Horizon Ramdisk decided to start acting up earlier this meek I've been loosing too much data. Friday it locked up twice, then just died. I can reload everything AOK, but if I shut down for just a few minutes everthing disappears. The RD has lost it's mesory. The batteries are OK, so I guess it's brain surgery time. Too many cigarettes and too much coffee maybe??

That's all for this month. See you at February's meeting.

- rj -

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| FIXED ANNUAL EXPENDITURES: | |
| Postage (\$22/Mo X 12) | \$ 516.00 \$ 264.00 \$ \$ \$ 22.00 \$ 96.00 \$ 132.00 \$ 90.00 \$ |
| TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS (Estimated) - | \$ 1200.00 |
| Annual Dues Collection: (Avg 30 Mbrs X \$18) + | \$ 540.00 |
| ANNUAL DEFICIT (Estimated) | |
| To be recovered thru Fund Raisers, Disc Copying Fees, Special Sales, etc | \$ 660.00 |
| A PUNCH NAL NUMBER A PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN NA | |
| # FUNDS BALANCE (as of 31 December 1987) + 9 (Includes \$7.67 Dec 1987 Service Charges) | \$ 838.67 # |
| COLLECTIONS (during Jan 1988) | |
| Unlimited Library Access Fees (\$25 x 0) SNUGLETter only Subscriptions (\$10 x 0) Bulk Diskette Sales (\$12.50/Pkgs x 2) Excess proceeds from Modem Purchase Project. Miscellaneous TI Equipment Raffle (Not Held) Disc of the Month (Sales) Disc/Program Copying Fees FunnelWeb Ver 4.0 Donations J.J. Menu Ver 7.1 Donations | \$ 36.00 \$.00 \$.00 \$ 25.00 \$ 1.50 \$.00 \$ 5.00 \$ 5.00 \$ 30.00 |
| (Sub-Total) + | 167.50 |
| EXPENDITURES (during Jan 1988) | |
| Postage (SNUGLETter Mailings)-(R. Bieber) Jan 88. 500 plain envelopes w/SNUG return address. Printing costs for TIFW87 attendee mailouts. Mail TIxpo88 Info to Fest-West 87 attendees. | 25.38 22.00 31.32 15.90 33.16 5.29 |
| (SQD DC#17 - 1 | |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE (as of 29 Jan 88) | |
| | . 117 16 |
| Checking Account (General operating funds). + 1 TixpoBB Vendor/U6 Booth+Tickets Trust Fund. + 4 FunnelWeb Donations Trust Fund + 4 J.J. Menu Donations Trust Fund | 65.00 35.00 |
| (Bank Balance)>> + 9 | |
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| PROJECTED EXPENDITURES: | |
| SNU6 - Related (Non-Reimbursed to date) | 146.20 39.93 |

Bank Account Service Charge (Jan Estimate). > \$

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ATTENTION - ATTENTION

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TI-XPO-88 --- TI-XPO-88

PALACE STATION SPECIAL ROOM RATES

GUARANTEED RESERVATION CUT OFF DATE

MIDNIGHT 12 FEBRUARY 1988

75 ROOMS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED OUT FOR TI-XPO-88 ATTENDEES.

As of 5 PM - 1 February 88 only 22 of the 75 rooms blocked out by the Palace Station Hotel, management for TI-XPO-88 have been reserved.

The Palace Station Hotel has notified us all available rooms have been booked thru the end of February 1988, EXCEPT FOR THE 75 ROOMS BLOCKED OUT for TI-xpo-88 attendees. Because of the high demand for rooms by outside sources, any and all unreserved rooms in the BLOCK being held for TI-xpo-88 attendees will revert back to the Palace Station on 13 Feb 88. The Palace Station Management has supported us all the way, but we can't expect them to lose money by holding unsold rooms until the last minute.

Therefore, we ask that you please pass the word along as fast as possible to all your members and friends, and Travel Agents, too. It they know of anyone who may be comming to Las Vegas the weekend of 26-29 Feb 88 and plans on staying at the Palace Station to get their room reservations in NOW. It doesn't matter whether they come to TI-XPO-88 or not. Rooms \$42 per night - includes free SUNDAY BUFFET!! CALL 1-800-544-2411 for room reservations. Make sure to mention TI-xpo-88/TI-Fest-West to get the special rate.

I have to be honest. SNUG just found out on 1 Feb 88 from the Palace Station's new Sales/Marketing Director that we will be hit with \$850 in additional expenses for the Convention Area if a minimun 50 rooms reserved for TI-xpo-88 attendees have not been booked by 12 February 1988. This new condition was totally unexpected by the TI-XPO committee and it has really put a damper on our budget. It could bankrupt us!! We'll have to totally revamp and rebudget our local advertisement campaign.

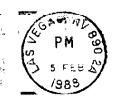
So please, contact all your members and friends and ask them to get their room reservations in immediately, if not sooner!!! And remember, it doesn't matter whether they attend TI-xpo-88 or not. We need to get 28 more rooms reserved and confirmed by 12 February 1988 or SNUG stands to loose a bundle even before TI-XPO-88 gets off the ground.

From the TI-xpo-88 Committee

HELP !! HELP !! HELP !!

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