

# AMICRONews

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## Welcome 1999

1998 was a great year for us. We added two new members to the team: Justin Koch, our new Office Manager, and Shawn Lacey, our new Sales Manager. We opened our Executive Training Center. And our sales increased for the fourth year in a row! We want to thank all of our customers for their continued support. We look forward to serving you in 1999 as we celebrate our Fifth Anniversary serving Western New York! >Richard Rost, President/CEO

**News Shorts:** If you receive an Email with an attachment called PICTURE.EXE, don't open it! It is actually a Trojan Horse (similar to a virus, but non replicating). McAfee has updated their VirusScan program to catch it, but be careful. Don't open strange Email attachments. To learn more about Viruses and Trojans call for our free document **901081**. ♦ Intel is preparing to release it's new processor - the Pentium III - in March, with speeds starting at 450 and 500 MHz. ♦ We've just learned that Microsoft will be releasing Office 2000 soon, however customers who purchase Office 97 after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999 will be eligible for a free upgrade (less shipping/handling) when it comes out. ♦ It looks as though Intel has cut prices on it's Celeron processors to compete with low-cost processors from AMD and Cyrix. We haven't seen any reductions from our suppliers, but we'll let you know next month if the price reduction is worth it. ♦ As a reminder, this is your last year to make sure your business is Year-2000 safe. Call for our free report: ask for document **901082**. Don't wait.

**January's Tech Tip:** (Don't miss this one!)

## Critical Backup Tips

If you've ever had a computer crash on you, you know the importance of making good, regular backups. If you haven't had a drive crash on you yet, consider this: *every drive* in use today will *eventually* fail. We get calls all the time from customers with crashed hard drives. In most cases, there is *nothing* you can do to recover the data. So, we have put together a *free* report outlining what you should do to make sure your critical data is safe from catastrophe. All you have to do to get it is give us a call and request document **901083** and we'll fax it right over to you. Please don't wait until your drive crashes to call us! It's more costly that way.

## Free Internet Accounts

Amicron has just signed on as an authorized reseller for Internet service through Prime Communications Systems. As a bonus to our customers and *AmicronNews* readers, we are offering a *free* 30-day trial Internet account. Just give us a call and request document **901084** and we'll fax you a registration form for your *free* account. No strings attached!

**Errata:** In the last issue of *ComputerFAQs* we told you of a neat trick involving Word 97. We didn't note that it only works if you have Service Pack 2 of Word.

## Upgrade To A Fast 300 MHz

If you're tired of waiting for your applications to load, and your old computer just doesn't cut it anymore, don't trash it. We can upgrade most systems to *fast* 300 MHz processor for as little as **\$259**. Add 64 MB of RAM for only **\$99** (with motherboard upgrade). For complete details, call and request document **901085**.

## Custom-Built Computers

If you are in the market for a computer system for home or office, let us discuss your needs and put together a quote for you. In many cases, you don't need the biggest and the best - you just need something to get the job done. Call and request document **901086** and we'll send you our *Complete Guide to Buying A New Computer* in addition to pricing for some of our most popular configurations. You'll find we're competitive with national vendors, yet we're a local company and can provide you with outstanding services such as our 1-year on-site warranty and computer training. Our popular *Amicron Beta* machine, for example, is a perfect office workstation. It includes a 300 MHz P2 processor, 32 MB of RAM, and a 3 GB hard drive for only **\$740**. Business leasing is also available. Call today and we'll put together your custom quote.

## Free Software

If your business issues gift certificates, you should try *Certifica* to create, print, and track your certificate sales. To download your free trial copy, visit our web site at [www.amicron.com](http://www.amicron.com), or call for document **901087** for information on how to get your copy on CD-ROM.

## Network Faxing

Would you like to be able to send a fax from any computer on your network? Request document **901088** for complete details on how you can.

## Computer Training Schedule



Call now to get your copy of our complete training schedule available through March of 1999. We have expanded our class offerings and now have additional evening sessions available for the winter months. **Why Amicron?** There are many reasons why you should choose Amicron: we emphasize small classroom training (only 4 students per class), everything is hands-on with each student at his or her own computer. Our instructors are knowledgeable and friendly. We're priced very competitively (\$59 for day-time classes, \$69 for the evenings). All of our classes are only 3-hours long, so you don't have to spend the whole day in the classroom. Plus, we guarantee your satisfaction. Here are some of the classes we have coming up:

*Intro To PCs:* 1/22-1pm, 1/28-6pm, 2/1-9am  
*Windows 1:* 1/19-9am, 1/21-1pm, 1/22-6pm  
*Word 1:* 1/14-1pm, 1/20-9am, 1/25-6pm  
*Excel 1:* 1/14-6pm, 1/28-1pm, 1/29-6pm  
*Access 1:* 1/13-9am, 1/21-6pm, 1/26-9am  
Other classes available include *Using The Internet*, *Microsoft Outlook*, *PowerPoint*, *Publisher*, *Web Page Design*, *Quickbooks*, and more. Call for our complete schedule: request document **901089**. We'll send you our schedule through March 1999. There's no obligation.

## Private Training Now Available

Don't have the time to sit through a full class? Do you already know most of the material covered in a class and have specific topics you need to learn? We have private training sessions available for as little as **\$29**. Just you and one of our instructors can sit down and cover what *you* want to learn. Request document **901080** for complete details.

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