# Resources

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The *Computer Select* CD-ROM from Computer Library provides quick access to 175 leading computer publications such as *PC Magazine*, *InfoWorld*, *MacUser*, and, of course, *Microprocessor Report*. Full text of the past 12 months of these magazines (2 years for μPR) is included, along with the *Data Sources* product directory, Alan Freedman's *Computer Glossary* and Harry Newton's *Telecom Directory*. With the supplied software, information on thousands of computer products and companies is easily obtainable.

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### Guide to Accessing the Internet

O'Reilly & Associates has published *The Whole Internet User's Guide & Catalog*, written by Ed Krol, author of the popular on-line guide, *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Internet*. The *Whole Internet* is a comprehensive guide to using the Internet and lists over 300 network resources and archives. Informally written, yet clearly organized, it should prove useful to both novice and experienced users.

The 400-page book costs $24.95. Contact O'Reilly & Associates at 103 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA 95472; 800/998-9938 or 707/829-0515; fax: 707/829-0104.

### Computer Design Conference in Boston

For those of you who just can't make it to the West Coast for the Microprocessor Forum, the IEEE *International Conference on Computer Design* (ICCD), focusing on VLSI in computers and processors, will be held October 11-14 at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The architecture track features papers on the IBM RSC, LSI's LR33020, DEC's NVAX and Alpha chips, and the T9000 Transputer. Other tracks cover CAD, design and test, VLSI and technology, and computer-based system design. Our own Nick Tredennick will give the banquet talk before making a coast-to-coast dash to appear at the Microprocessor Forum.

On-site registration for ICCD is $90 for students, $300 for IEEE Computer Society members, and $375 for non-members. For more information, contact the IEEE Computer Society at 202/371-1013; fax 202/728-0884.

### Fifth Annual ASPLOS in Boston

ICCD also goes head-to-head with the Fifth International Conference on *Architecture Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems* (ASPLOS-V), to be held October 12-15 at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel. Monday's program features two tutorials: shared memory models and superscalar processor design. The remaining day's sessions include presentations from university and commercial laboratories on subjects such as file systems, networks, caches, and processor design.

Symposium registration is $120 for students, $398 for ACM or IEEE members, and $558 for everyone else. The tutorials cost an additional $97 for students, $277 for members, and $387 otherwise. For registration information, contact Darlene Forsyth at 508/436-5450 or send e-mail to *asplos@apollo.hp.com*.

### 386/486 Compatibility Hints

Prospective cloners of Intel-compatible CPUs will want to obtain the *Cx486SLC and Cx486DLC Compatibility Report*. It describes the differences in behavior between Intel and Cyrix processors, including many interesting and unexpected behaviors performed by the Intel parts.

To receive a copy of this report, order publication number 94074-00 from Cyrix Corporation, 2703 North Central Expressway, Richardson, TX 75080; 214/234-8387.