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#### Free PowerPC News on Internet

Internet Publishing (London) has launched a new electronic information service called *PowerPC News* that provides information on PowerPC chips, systems, tools, and software and also, to a lesser extent, covers x86-based and other computer products. Every few weeks, subscribers receive a table of contents via e-mail; individual articles are obtained by replying to the service, which then sends the requested items.

The service is free of charge to anyone who has access to the Internet. To subscribe, simply send an empty message to *add@power.globalnews.com*. Your address will be added to the distribution list, and you will receive a follow-up message describing how the service works.

## **Purdy's Pacific Group Covers Mobile News**

Gerry Purdy, formerly a VP at Dataquest, is the editor in chief of a new monthly newsletter, *Mobile Letter*, subtitled the Insider's Guide to Mobile Computing and Communications. Judging from the first issue, we believe that it promises to provide high-quality analysis of PDAs, wireless communications, on-line services, and related subjects in this fast-growing field. Other partners in The Pacific Group, who will also contribute to the newsletter, are Gilbert Hoxie, formerly in charge of mobile-computer consulting with Booz Allen Hamilton, and Leonard Kapner, who is putting together the group's mobile venture fund. Subscriptions are \$495 per year. Call them at 408.987.5340; fax 408.987.5335.

#### Chicago Hits the Road

Microsoft is conducting a series of one-day technical briefings on its operating systems, titled the **1994 Windows Strategy Seminars**. The sessions cover future OS releases such as Chicago (Windows 4.x) and NT releases Daytona and Cairo. Much of the program will

focus on the Win32 API used in Chicago and NT.

The road show is already under way and continues until 5/10; upcoming stops include Washington (DC), New York, Dallas, Boston, Santa Clara (Calif.), Denver, and (appropriately) Disneyland. The cost is \$125. For more information on places and dates, call 800.677.6979; fax 508.443.4715 or e-mail 71137.2271@compuserve.com.

### Visit Sun's World in San Francisco

Get the latest information on Sun, Solaris, and SPARC at **SunWorld '94** on June 13–18 in San Francisco. The main conference, from Tuesday through Thursday, includes a live Q&A with Scott McNealy. It also features several tracks of presentations, including one by our own Linley Gwennap. Monday's program consists of six technology tutorials, and the end of the week is for a Sun Users Group meeting. There will also be a product exhibition during the conference.

Early registration (by 5/9) runs \$395 for the conference and \$345 for the one-day tutorials. Attendance at the exhibition is free. To register, call IDG World Expo (Framingham, Mass.) at 800.225.4698; fax 508.872.8237.

## **Learn About Sigmetrics and Country Dancing**

The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) sponsors **Sigmetrics '94** in Nashville (Tenn.) on May 16–20. Sigmetrics covers mathematical modeling and analysis, and the conference features recent academic papers on topics such as modeling of parallel computer systems, wireless networks, shared memory, and performance benchmarks. Tutorials will be presented on Monday and Tuesday, with the rest of the week devoted to papers.

Registration for the three-day conference costs \$375 for ACM members or \$425 for nonmembers. For all five days, the prices are \$610 or \$685. Contact Dr. Karen Gordon at 615.833.6346 or e-mail gordon@ida.org.