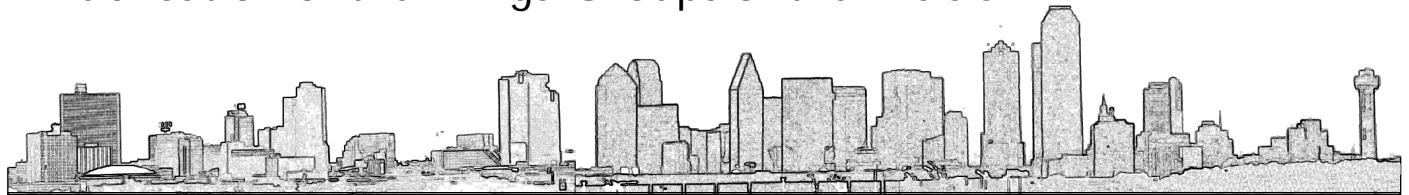


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## Extravaganza Update

### Rent a table OR leave it to the club

The club's Board of Directors decided to allow individuals to rent tables this year. The cost for one table will be \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Contact me for details.

Fleamarket forms will be available at both September meetings. Items will be collected at both September meetings, but only at the By-the-Loop meeting in October. So dust off your extra hardware and software, bring it in, and let the club do the rest. Below is a list of collectors for fleamarket items if you cannot attend a meeting.

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If you have any questions or comments leave me email on the internet at [mstodola@airmail.net](mailto:mstodola@airmail.net) or call me at metro (972) 299-6824.

...Mark Stodola

## Executive Update

### The latest from Bill McEwen

August 8, 2000 — Greetings to the Global Amiga Family

It has been a hectic several weeks, and we are moving even faster this week.

There will be some new announcements in the next few days that should be of interest to everyone as we work hard to expand the members of the Amiga family. [See the club website. ...Editor]

I would like to say a big "Thank You" to everyone who

attended the show in Sacramento California, and another special thank you to John and Jan Zacharius and the rest of the SACC team. They did a great job.

I am writing this letter as a quick answer to some questions that I have received in the last 48 hours.

As mentioned before, if you hear something that you need to confirm, ask. Every member of the Amiga team is more than willing to answer questions. It gets somewhat tiresome to constantly get rumors sent to us after they have been out there for several days or even weeks.

Here are answers to two rumors that need to be addressed immediately:

1. Once you sell the remaining A1200's you are pulling out of Germany.

Answer: No. We have no plans of pulling out of Germany. In fact we are looking at ways to increase our presence in all of Europe, Asia, South America, and even here in North America. There are several ideas on the table, and even some names have been attached to the ideas. There will more information available when we are ready to share the plans.

We are certainly not going to disregard the business in these markets. We are a growing company and very excited about the future.

2. You are going to begin selling new A4000's and there are already 1,000 of these new A4000's being built.

Answer: Who came up with this one? There is no manufacturing of any Amiga except the new desktop, notebook, and handheld in the works.

I have asked before, and now I will ask again, please stop these rumors. If you hear one, contact any member of the Amiga Team directly, and we will answer you.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Kindest regards, Bill McEwen, and the rest of the Amiga Team.

# Rumor Control

## From Amiga Inc.

We are very excited at the response that we have received in the first few weeks of the Amiga SDK version 1 going out into the world. We have received lots of feedback, mostly good, some not so good, and three particular points have come up that we would like to address before they become common untruths.

Firstly, it is true that the Amiga Foundation Layer which ships on the SDK does not have memory protection. However, this does not mean that AmiTM, the next generation Amiga Digital Environment will not have memory protection. A comment made in an article in the last AmigaWorld seems to have been interpreted in such a way as to suggest that this is the case when in fact the

point being made was that Amiga is looking at many solutions for providing robustness and security. AmiTM will provide a robust, secure environment and we will use the most elegant and effective means to achieve this.

Secondly, the End User Licence Agreement that made it into the SDK is in error as a result of a legal misinterpretation. There is NO ROYALTY to be paid for any application either created with the SDK or which will run on AmiTM. Amiga will be creating a scheme in which third parties can pay a royalty to Amiga in exchange for official Amiga certification, branding and promotion. This provides a revenue stream to Amiga and a value add for the third party. This scheme is entirely voluntary.

The third point has been drawn as a conclusion from the first two, namely that Amiga is abandoning the desktop market. Nothing could be further from the truth. The announced AmigaOne will feature processor options

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## September Calendar

- Sep 11 — Amiga By-The-Loop Chapter  
7:30 pm — N.Richland Hills Community Ctr.  
Loop 820 at Rufe Snow, N.Richland Hills
- Sep 11 — MCCC Board of Director's Meeting  
Approx. 10:00 pm — TGI Friday's  
Loop 820 & Bedford Euless Road
- Sep 21 — Amiga North Dallas Chapter  
7:30 pm — SMU Building  
Collins Blvd. & International Pkwy, Richardson
- Sep 23 — Newsletter Deadline — 7:00 am

ranging from 600 Mhz to 1 Ghz, with other, even more powerful devices already on the drawing board. The conclusion to be drawn from this is either that Amiga is very committed to the desktop market or that we are going to build one mother of a cellphone.

We are committed to making the Amiga THE best computer system in the world. Yes we are also going to go into other markets, but that does not mean we are abandoning the desktop, the Amiga philosophy or the loyal Amigans who have stood by the platform through the good and the bad.

Thank you,  
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