

# Academic Computing Newsletter

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## New Computing Facilities Across Campus

New computer labs have emerged across the campus. Cooper Hall has a new Education lab with 22 PCs. Hartwell Hall now has a Mac Lab in Health Science and a PC facility shared by Business and English. Tuttle North has an expanded Mac lab for Physical Education and Sports. The Biology Department in Lennon Hall installed their new PC lab, Spring '96. The SUNY Metro Center at the Sibley building will be installing a PC lab for use by Spring '97. Dailey Hall has new 12 Suns.

Many of these labs are funded by the 96-97 student technology fee.



*Joe Balog, Chair, Health Science Dept. and HLS faculty members setting up a new Mac Lab in Hartwell Hall.*

## Student Accounts

As of fall 1996, all currently enrolled students at Brockport will now have Prime e-mail accounts created for them that are active as long as they continue to be enrolled. This eliminates the need for class accounts to be created for each course.

Students need to be advised that e-mail more than a month old will be deleted from the mail queue and should be copied to their directory if they wish to keep it longer.

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### Windows95 Classrooms

This summer the majority of the labs in Dailey Hall have been upgraded to Windows95. This move was made to stay compatible with new labs on campus and to stay current with newer applications.

## Hardware

### SUN Sparc Workstations

Twelve (12) new Sun workstations were added to the existing twelve stations in Dailey Hall.

The new machines include ten (10) Sparc4s, and two Sparc5s. Currently the Sun lab has a total of 25 workstations. For current information on the Suns, see the ACS on-line documentation(<http://www.acs.brockport.edu/doc.html>) web page.

### CD-Writers

Faculty and staff now have access to CD-ROM writers in at least two locations on campus this fall. Both Dailey and the Business Dept. in Hartwell now have the capability to press CD's. CDs hold much more information than floppy disks and may be used for PowerPoint presentations with lots of graphics that occupy more than one floppy.

The CD writers may be used for faculty experimenting with multimedia and for student portfolios or resumes.

The unit in Dailey can be used with either a PC or a Mac,

and records at 2x speed. Users must provide their own blank media (@ \$10 each). For instruc-

## Software

ACS has annual renewable site-licenses for a few software products for faculty and staff use. To obtain a copy of the following products, contact ACS at ext. 2368 or send E-mail to [staff@acspr1.acs.brockport.edu](mailto:staff@acspr1.acs.brockport.edu).

### Borland

C++ and Turbo Pascal for DOS, Windows3.x, and Windows95 systems.

### Mathematica

Mathematica is a full featured mathematical software package and is available for use on all campus Suns.

### Microsoft

A volume license has been purchased for faculty and staff offices and student labs.

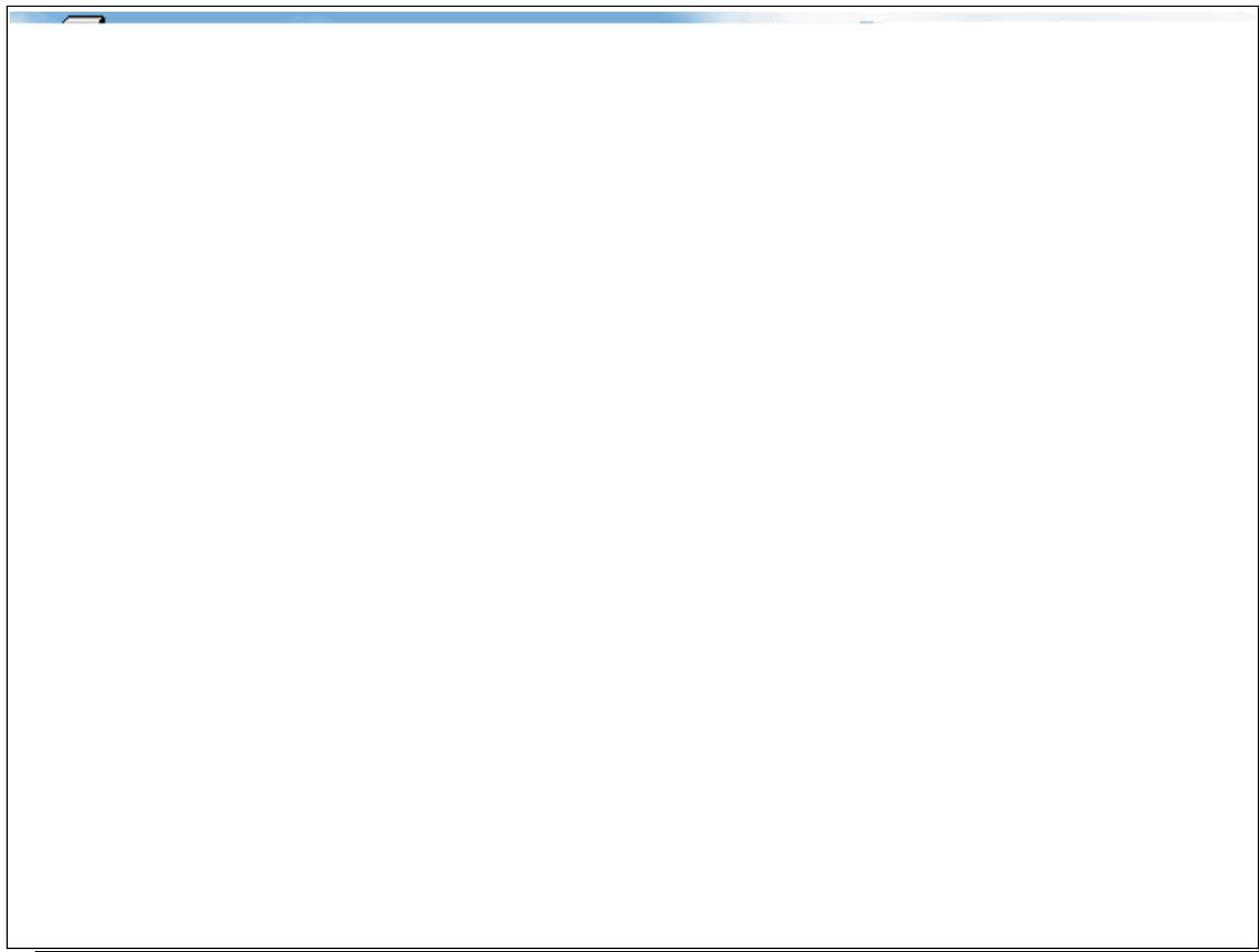
MS Office (Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint) for Win3.11, Windows95, and Macs.

### SPSS

SPSS is a statistical package that is available for Win3.x, Windows95, Macs, and the Prime.

## Starting Windows95

The “start” button in Windows95 displays menus for running programs. To start a program in Windows95, click on the start button and then click on programs and follow the menu as it grows. The following is a full screen taken from one of the computer systems on the second floor in the Dailey Hall.



## Right and Left Mouse Buttons

Unlike Windows3.x, Windows95 takes advantage of the right mouse button. The following tasks can be performed using the right mouse button.

### Format a Floppy Disk

1. Insert a disk into the floppy drive.
2. Right click once on the “31/2” Floppy [A:]” icon.

3. Left click “Format” and select the options of your choice.

### Copy Disk

1. Insert a disk into the floppy drive.
2. Right click once on the “31/2” Floppy [A:]” icon.
3. Left click “Copy Diskette”.
4. Insert diskette you want to copy files from into the floppy drive.
5. Left click “Start Copying”.
6. Switch disks as prompted.

## Calendar of Events

*September 30*

### **Freedom of Speech in the Cyber University**

A teleconference, Freedom of Speech in the Cyberspace University will be broadcast live via satellite from the studios of WBGU-TV (Bowling Green State University) on September 30, 1996. It will be shown in Seymour 220-221 from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM.

Speakers include: Gary Pavela, Peggy Sanday, and William Kaplin. This teleconference is co-sponsored by Academic Computing Services, Human Resources, Academic Affairs, and Student Affairs. It is free and open to the public.

*October 14*

### **Windows95 Overview**

Diane White from UB Micro will conduct a three-hour session on Windows95 from 9am to noon. Call ACS at ext. 2368.

*October 29-30*

### **MS Word for Win95**

On Tuesday and Wednesday Oct. 29, 30, Diane White from UB Micro will conduct introductory session on MS Word for Win95 from 9am to noon. Registration is limited to 20 each and may be made by calling ACS at 2368.

*September 30-October 14*

### **Word 6.0 for Windows**

Brockport Central School is offering an evening course on MS Word 6.0 for three weeks. Cost is \$25. For more information contact Joyce Brawn at 352-2478.

## Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How do I find my friend's e-mail address?

A. Try Knowbot (<http://info.cnri.reston.va.us/kis.html>), a metaserver that searches various other directories, including MCI mail, the Internet white pages, and seven others. Give it a name (first, last, or user name) and other information as available, and it will conduct the search.

Four11 is a commercial directory service, although basic use and listing are free. It's easier to use than many of the alternatives. You can search by first name, last name, company, university, hobbies, and more. It relies on the same name sources as the other tools, lists submitted by service providers, and its own listings (you must let yourself be listed to use it). Four11 claims to have access to 1.5 million listings (including 200,000 of its own)- a fraction of the Net, but still impressive. You can find it at <http://www.four11.com>

Q. How do I correct the WordPerfect Share Errors, MFWIN20.exe/|-US/#.. and File locking up and the system failing

A. Close out of WordPerfect

From the File Manager or from DOS prompt

Delete the following file:

C:\Windows\WPCSET.BIF

Now try launching WordPerfect, this should eliminate any problems you may have had.

Q. How do I subscribe or unsubscribe to LISTSERVs?

A. To Subscribe to mailing lists, send E-mail to:

**listserv@hostaddress**

with the body of the message containing

**subscribe listname Your Name**

To Unsubscribe (remove) your name from a mailing list, send E-mail to:

**listserv@hostaddress**

include in the body of the message

**unsubscribe listname Your Name**

## Edwards Now Wired

All classrooms in Edwards Hall now have access to the Internet for WWW demonstrations. When hands-on computer access is not required, Edwards can provide valuable means of showing students (or students showing you!) interesting and/or course-related Web sites and resources.

Arrangements for necessary equipment should be made ahead of time by calling AV/Tech at ext. 2667.

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## Printing from Satellite labs

Students wishing to print from the Prime in satellite labs can now use the following commands:

Spool filename -at Biology  
 Spool filename -at Business  
 Spool filename -at HLS  
 Spool filename -at Dailey  
 Spool filename -at Grace



*Andy Raab, Education and Human Development graduate student, helps set up a new Education Pentium lab in C6 Cooper Hall.*

## The Mathmobile is coming to SUNY Brockport!

As part of the rollout of Mathematica 3.0, Wolfram Research has outfitted an entire forty-foot RV which will be rolling into Brockport on October 10 from 1 to 5 pm. The Mathmobile will be giving tours, demos, posters and prizes related to the newest version of this award-winning software.

The Mathmobile is on a year-long nationwide trek that begins at MIT on Sept. 30 to promote the capabilities of Mathematica for numerical analysis, graphical capabilities and problem solving in physics, chemistry, math, computer science and engineering.

Specialized demos are also being scheduled. This promotional effort is particularly timely for Brockport since all freshman physics labs will be taught using Mathematica on the Suns beginning this fall.

The Mathematica is co-sponsored by Wolfram, Academic Computing Services, and Chemistry & Physics.

## Pascal-to-C Short Course

Presented by  
**Dr. James Snell & the  
 Computer Science Department**

Day: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
 Date: September 4, 5, 6  
 Time: 7:15 - 8:15 PM  
 Room: 205 Dailey Hall

### Objectives:

- designed for students planning on taking CSC205 or CSC406
- covers the entire C language in 4 1/2 hours
- includes hand-on exercises and handouts and documentation
- no cost — no credit
- the three sessions are cumulative and the pace will be rapid

## Where are they now?

Many Brockport graduates who have worked at Academic Computing Services through the years have gone on to successful careers. We thought you might like to hear about some of them:

**Todd Bauer** ('96) has been hired by the Brighton School District. He will be teaching two 7th grade and two 8th grade math courses and may also teach an Introduction to Computing class. Todd will be taking graduate classes at Brockport working toward his Master in Education.

**Ryan Madison** ('96) is using his computing and networking skills at SUNY Geneseo where he is now employed as a computer guru.

**Don Schleede** ('96) is working as a contract programmer at Xerox in Webster where he presides over an entire building of Suns. He is also the proud dad of a new daughter, Erin Lynn Schleede, born in May 1996.

**Barb Wainwright**, ('96) received a \$1500 scholarship to RIT where she is pursuing a graduate degree in Industrial and Applied Mathematics.

This list is meant to illustrate the value of working at ACS. If you know a student who wants to enhance their work experience and strengthen their resume, please send them to complete an application in Dailey Hall.

## CIT97 Planning Retreat

Brockport hosted a planning session for the SUNY CIT (Faculty Conference on Instructional Technology) on August 12 and 13, 1996.

Volunteers from across the state converged on Thompson Hall to plan speakers, events, and logistics for the conference to be held May 27-30 1997. A call for abstracts is forthcoming. Brockport faculty and staff are invited to participate. Call 2368 for details.



*CIT committee members visit, Brockport.*

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## On-Line Student Information Service

Information for prospective students about Brockport classes, facilities, dorms, and student life are now available on the Web. In addition, students can now access transcripts, submit change of address forms, obtain class schedules etc. from the Web with their Social Security and PIN number. The URL for the Student Support Services is <http://www.brockport.edu/brock/f/f.htm>

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## Computer Printing Facility

Printing has been consolidated on the first-floor of Dailey. Due to increased use, all printouts in the building will now be routed to centralized distribution on the first-floor. With the addition of a new high volume network HP laser printer, better service without long lines can be provided for students.

We encourage all users to use the printers judiciously consume paper. Break up long files into smaller files and print full page graphics sparingly. Use the coin operated copier for multiple copies.

There will no longer be a per page charge.



# ACS General Information

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Fax 395-2399

## Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 11:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm

Sunday 1:00 pm - 11:00 pm

## Computer Labs in Dailey

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| 202 | Pentium PC Teaching Lab                    |
| 203 | IBM PS/2 Teaching Lab (386s)               |
| 205 | Pentium PC teaching Lab                    |
| 211 | Software Hardware<br>Evaluation Lab (SHEL) |
| 212 | Macintosh Lab                              |
| 213 | Sun Lab                                    |

## SUNY Brockport WEB Servers

### Official Campus Web Server

<http://www.brockport.edu>

### Academic Computing Services Web Server

<http://www.acs.brockport.edu>