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SUMMER STORMS ARE KILLING YOUR MODEMS

In the last issue, I warned about the damage that lightning strikes and power surges could do to your sensitive computer equipment. During the past couple of weeks, I have seen at least 1/3 of my service work related to surge-damaged modems. Even if you have a system surge protector for your computer system, make sure that your modem phone line is protected also. Most of the better surge protectors and battery backups have phone jacks on them to allow you to pass the phone line through them to protect the modem from surges. Even if a lightning bolt strikes a line miles from your location, the electrical grid can still bring the surge to you.

Family Computer USA has a limited supply of surge protectors and battery backups available. Get your computer and modem protected now before it's too late!

UPGRADES, ANYONE?

Need more performance but are hesitant to buy a new computer? Do you like your software as it is, but would like the computer to run faster? Consider a complete hardware upgrade. Family Computer USA is able to remove and replace your mainboard, CPU, RAM, video, sound card, etc. and still use your computer case and drives saving the cost of a new system. Plus you get to keep all your software as you like it instead of starting with brand new software again.

With amazing recent price reductions from several parts manufacturers, Family Computer USA is now able to offer an even better performance upgrade at a lower price than two months ago. We can now offer an upgrade package with a new mainboard and an INTEL 700MHz CPU, 128MB SDRAM, 16MB AGP video card, 56K V.90 modem, and a 10/100 LAN card all for the new low price of \$397.00. That's an additional \$52 from our previous newsletter special. You must be running Windows 98 to take advantage of all of the new hardware. Call for a bench reservation so you will be offline for the least amount of time. 941-435-9210

DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE, DOUBLE YOUR RAM

You know how expensive RAM has been. We now have a closeout price on Micron 128MB PC133 SDRAM of only \$29.95!!!! Yes, you can add an extra 128MB of RAM to your system for only \$29.95. Don't be confused by the specs. "Micron" is a top brand name. "PC133" is an industry standard that means that this RAM is rated to run at a bus speed of at least 133MHz. "SDRAM" describes 168-pin memory cards that fit into slots on your mainboard. If your computer is less than 3 years old, it should be able to use this type of RAM.

RAM has never been this cheap. Now is the time to max out your system RAM for fastest performance.

LITTLE BLUE GUYS

Family Computer USA is currently offering a 1.5GHz Pentium 4 system with 256MB RDRAM, a 40GB hard drive, a 32MB AGP video card and a 12x10x32 CD-R/W drive for only \$1759.00. For those that don't need the very fastest, we are offering a 1.4GHz Pentium 4 system with 128MB RDRAM, a 30GB hard drive, a 52X CD drive, and a 32MB AGP video card for only \$1369.00.

We are currently offering a 1000MHz Pentium III with 256MB SDRAM, 30GB hard drive, 32MB AGP video, and 52X CD drive for only \$1099.00.

We also have a mid-range system featuring a 800MHz Pentium III with 128MB SDRAM, 20GB hard drive, 32MB AGP video, and 52X CD-ROM drive for \$795.00.

These are complete systems with keyboard, mouse, speakers, and software. You only need to add the cost of a monitor of your choice to round it out.

NEW SUMMER STORE HOURS

During summer, we will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays, but will remain open Monday through Friday, from 8:30am till 5:30pm.

On Saturdays, we will offer service by appointment only. THIS OFFER IS ONLY GOOD TO READERS OF THIS NEWSLETTER. Just call to arrange a schedule.

SCHOOL'S NOT OUT FOR SUMMER

Family Computer USA has expanded its training facilities. The Learning Center in Naples has two classrooms for a total of 8 students at a time. IT Academy, our affiliate in Fort Myers, has four classrooms for a total of 17 students at a time. We have full-time occupational curriculums as well as customized one-on-one training schedules. Call Herb for details at 941-435-9210.

We hope everyone had a great Independence Day. Enjoy the rest of the summer and thanks for reading. Now you're one of the Family!

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