

Steve - Nice article in CWD this week - GOOD SHOW!  
Sincerely Jim W  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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A tentative agenda for our Fifth International Users Conference has been prepared and a most interesting program is assured. I am particularly pleased that Leo Cohen has agreed to deliver the keynote address (see article in this Newsletter).

Some changes have been made to the Conference format placing an emphasis on user participation. We have, of course, retained the formal presentations, but have allotted more time to Special Interest Groups where all users have the opportunity to participate. S.I.G. chairmen are preparing programs for their session at the Conference. Contact them now with any suggestions for the S.I.G. sessions.

Alan Martin, from Simon Fraser University, has agreed to chair the DBA Tools Special Interest Group until the Boston Conference.

There has been some interest in creating a new S.I.G. to formulate suggestions for long range improvements to and directions for ADABAS and related products. While this can never become the precise science of change/enhancements, ideas generated may be valuable to software ag. Any ideas? Bring them to Boston.

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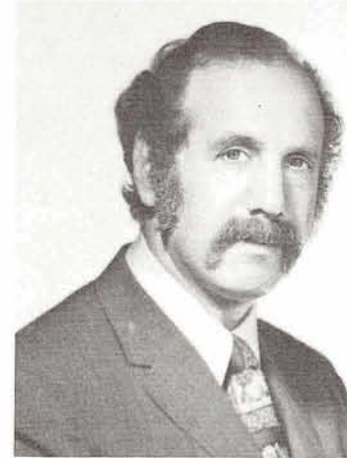
## HAVE YOU HAD A DISASTER LATELY ?

by Gordon Cochran

If not, have you planned for one? This has been a tough winter for data centers. New disasters have replaced the standard ones such as fire and bombings. This winter we had floods, mud slides, and frozen plumbing on our 168's.

There are two solutions to the disaster situation. Mirror image systems at another location is one solution, but an expensive one. A reciprocal agreement with another company's computer center is a more cost effective solution.

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## LEO COHEN KEYNOTE SPEAKER

5th International ADABAS Users Conference

by: Rob Macmillan

We are delighted that Mr. Cohen has agreed to address the ADABAS Users Group. His experience in the computing industry dates from 1953 with Doctors Eckert and Mauchly. He subsequently worked at Burroughs Corporation and was active in the area of software design. In 1963 he founded Leo J. Cohen Associates, subsequently renamed MetaSystems Corporation. He is currently President of Performance Development Corporation.

Mr. Cohen has designed compilers, operating systems, and data base systems and has lectured on each of

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