

## RESOURCES

### ◆ INT'L CONFERENCE ON PARALLEL ARCHITECTURES

Go to the city of brotherly love for a weeklong discussion of both conventional and unconventional approaches to parallel computing (MPP, SMP, clustered-SMP, PC-clusters, data-flow, ILP, multithreading, and optical). To be held at the Sheraton University City Hotel in Philadelphia, Pa. on October 15–19, 2000. Surf over to [www.ece.orst.edu/~pact2000/](http://www.ece.orst.edu/~pact2000/) for more information.

### ◆ NERD CITY, HERE WE COME

The unlikely intersection of computers and wearable fashion surfaces at the International Symposium on Wearable Computers to be held October 16–17, 2000, at the Sheraton Colony Hotel in Atlanta, Ga. Needle in on <http://iswc.gatech.edu/> for more information.

### ◆ GET YOUR FILL OF MEMS

Appropriately located in Nagoya, Japan, the IEEE International Symposium on Micromechatronics and Human Science (MHS) has been held since 1990 as the symposium on Micro Machine and Human Science. This year's symposium will be held October 22–25, 2000, at the Nagoya Congress Center. The International Micro Robot Maze Contest is

co-located and will occur on October 22. Click on [www.mein.nagoya-u.ac.jp/mhs/](http://www.mein.nagoya-u.ac.jp/mhs/) for more information.

### ◆ THE SWITCH BOOK

Rich Siefert has written the clearest introduction to LANs and network switching technology that has crossed our desk in a long time. Titled simply *The Switch Book*, (Wiley, ISBN 0-471-34586-5), this \$50 tome belongs on your bookshelf if you ever need technical networking information. It's written in an agreeable style and includes Siefert's amusing laws of networking, such as Law #11: Architectural purity goes out the window when purchase orders come in the door. Surf over to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) and use 1-click ordering.

### ◆ CHIPS ON THE MOVE

The only conference dedicated to wireless semiconductors. Join key semiconductor players including SiGe, Texas Instruments, and Lucent Technologies as they tackle hot 3G wireless issues like power management for next generation handsets and single-chip multiband RF design. Takes place October 24–25, 2000, at the Copthorne Hotel in London, England. Check out [www.handsettech.com/mobilesilicon\\_frame.htm](http://www.handsettech.com/mobilesilicon_frame.htm) for more information. ◆