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## **PII + New CPU = P4?**

Faster computers make your staff more productive, but replacing computers is an expensive proposition. Is performance at an acceptable price possible? Perhaps there is a Santa Claus!

We've recently had the opportunity to test a 1.4 Ghz Overdrive CPU from PowerLeap Corporation. This is an enhanced 'brain' that plugs into many older computers.

In the past we've been skeptical of this technology, but to our surprise a PII-350 equipped with an overdrive CPU performed as well as a P4 - 1.7 Ghz workstation in word processing and printing.

The savings can be dramatic: a P4 workstation typically costs over \$950. A PowerLeap Overdrive CPU costs about \$200 including installation.

The overdrive CPU is not a perfect solution; although the Overdrive CPU gave us extraordinary performance gains while running WordPerfect and generating QuickBooks reports, QuickBooks bank account reconciliation actually slowed dramatically.

The PowerLeap Overdrive CPU will enable a PII to perform many functions of a P4 for ¼ to ½ the cost of a new computer. If a workstation is primarily used for word processing, it is an alternative worth considering, especially if you need to implement MS-Windows 2000Pro as the desktop operating system. A new PC, of course, has the advantage of a comprehensive multi-year warranty, newer video card, more memory....

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## **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

LANsultants will be closing at 3:00pm on Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and will be closed all day on Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> in celebration of Christmas.

LANsultants will be closing at 3:00pm on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> and will be closed all day on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> in celebration of New Years.

## **END OF YEAR PROCEDURES**

LANsultants' recommends that all our clients archive their December 31<sup>st</sup> backup tape as a precaution. This is especially true for those clients whose tax year coincides with the calendar year. Remember to order a replacement tape if you do not already have one.

## **THANK YOU**

As the year comes to an end I want to say thank you to all our clients for your patronage, not just for this past year, but for the many years we have been your computer service vendor and, I like to think, your strategic business partner and friend.

When we started this business in the fall of 1990, I never imagined how many long term relationships we would be developing. In a business that changes as rapidly as ours, it amazes me how many clients we have had for 5, 6, 7 and even 10+ years!

I am sure you have been approached over the years by other service vendors and we appreciate your loyalty.

John S. Miller  
President