THE MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE PENINSULA

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HOMEBREW ROBOTICS

CLUB

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WHEN: August 27, 1986 (last WEDNESDAY)

WHERE: ALZA Corporation
950 Page Mill Rd.
Palo Alto, Ca.
(across from Varian/Kodak)

TIME: 7:30 pm

SPONSOR: Richard D. Prather
91 Roosevelt Circle
Palo Alto, Ca. 94306
415-494-8499(8-11 am or pm)
415-494-5367(11 am-8 pm)

PROGRAM: Mike Saari will demonstrate his TOPO Plus robot.
Mike has modified a digital TOPO with Polaroid
sensors and various other goodies to turn TOPO
into an autonomous robot. Mike will discuss the
hardware modifications as well as the software
he's written to let TOPO operate on his own.

The second half of the program will be presented
by Tom Zimmerman of VPL Research. They have a
nifty glove for your hand which is a mouse input
for your computer. As you move your hand, a hand
on the computer screen moves, and when you move
your fingers, the fingers on the screen move as
well. A version for the C-64 will be in the stores
by Xmas for $39.95! This device has application
not only as a computer I/O device but as a robot
manipulator feedback device as well. Should be
interesting.

Paul Biederman still has Androbot robots (BOB/XA)
for sale. If five of you can buy as a group, he'll
sell a bare BOB for $200. (Has IBM/PC cardcage on
the robot). Call 408-723-2739 if interested. I'll
have one at the meeting for you to look at.