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A Site to See

You may notice the new look of our *the Vision*, but did you see our newly redesigned website? In May Micro Visions launched an update in design and content on our website, www.microvisionsinc.com. If your site needs a new look or added function call 776-0400 for information on how we can give your site a great new look.

Green IT Tip

An easy tip to save energy and a few bucks: Turn off you monitor every night. Whether or not you power down your computer turning off the monitor will likely save the most energy. Power saves are built into most PC's but monitors are by far the biggest power hogs.

We Can Help-Anytime

System crashes are never convenient, but when it happens it's good to know Micro Visions offers 24/7 emergency service. To reach a Systems Engineer after hours call 616-776-0400 leave a message, then call our pager at 616-230-1620.

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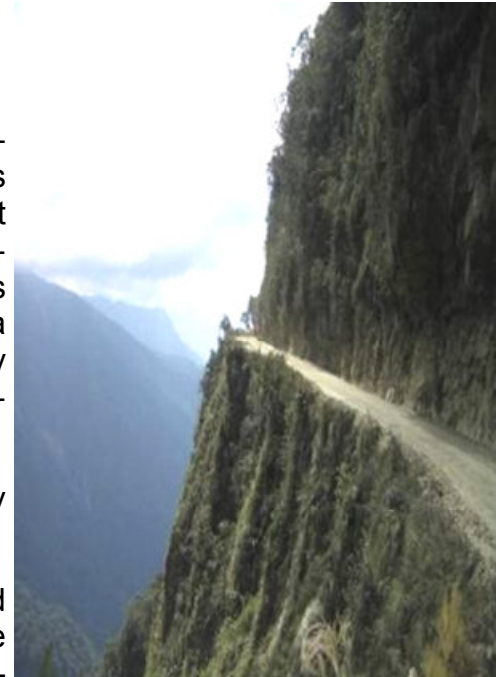
A Micro Visions Road Warrior

By Rob Lough

That which Micro Visions senior engineer, Gary Glass, describes as his next "vacation" most others might identify as a life-threatening experience. Gary will be departing later this month, August 24, for South America to do some motorcycling. Not just any motorcycling, mind you, but motorcycling of the most treacherous sort.

Some of the various challenges Gary will be facing:

- Altitude sickness. These intrepid bikers will be spending much time above 12,000 feet above sea-level, passing through a mountain pass at close to 15,000 feet, then descending to sea-level within a few short hours. All high altitude motorcycling will be accomplished without supplemental oxygen.
- Hypothermia. It's cold up there.
- Illness. Yellow fever, typhoid, malaria, and goodness knows what else. Gary got vaccinations for some and will be keeping his mouth clamped firmly shut so as not to swallow any disease-carrying insects; unless he's screaming of course, but then sinister bugs will be the least of his worries.
- Entertainment. These guys are bikers. They'll be riding into sleepy little Peruvian towns looking for trouble.
- Medical care. While dodging illness and Bolivian cartels, one must consider that healthcare is not exactly cutting edge, no pun intended, and then you have to find it.



- Traffic. Gary has received notice that pedestrians, animals, and decrepit rolling stock all use the same roads. Below are some photos of the “road of death” Gary will be traversing between Copacabana and Coroico.

So that the rest of us might live vicariously, Micro Visions has constructed a blog at <http://blog.microvisionsinc.com> to follow Gary’s adventure. Gary will update us during his trip as time and connectivity allow.

Meanwhile, check out the following sites to get some flavor and join us in wishing Gary well:

<http://www.perumotors.com/English/RideTheAndes.html>

<http://www.perumotors.com/>

<http://www.darkroastedblend.com/2006/11/most-dangerous-roads-in-world.html>



Tech Quote of the Month

“The empires of the future are the empires of the mind.”

-Sir Winston Churchill