

CONVERTING COFFEE INTO SOFTWARE SINCE 1976







Celebrating 40 Years!

In 1976, as the USA was celebrating the 200th anniversary of its founding, Amgraf was incorporated as a software company with the slogan "New Horizons in Computer Graphics". Sure, it takes a positive work ethic, sound planning, strong technical skills, imagination, and lots of luck to succeed in the software business. But we are marking our 40 year milestone with a tribute to *coffee.*

At Amgraf we always have pots of fresh brewed coffee (flavored and regular) and everyone has to pass by the coffee room as they traverse the offices. From the first morning cup to that final afternoon pick-me-up, coffee (and no doubt caffeine) have helped our programmers and designers increase their productivity and meet deadlines. This slight edge in performance has certainly contributed to our longevity. In the fast-paced world of computing technology, almost everything has changed over the past 40 years, but a good cup of coffee is still something to enjoy.



So we decided to have 40th anniversary promotional coffee cups made to send to our customers and friends. We gathered in the conference room to discuss the cup design. As you would expect, some employees were drinking coffee at the meeting, and a variety of cups were represented. Before long, the consensus was that cups that looked like advertisements were unpopular. It was also mentioned that coffee stains (like the one on the opposite page) and desktop rings were a hazard. Maybe the answer was to send promotional "coasters" instead of cups.

Enclosed you will find what we settled on: a simple black and white ceramic cup with a small Amgraf mark, and an accompanying weighted coaster with the full Amgraf logo. *Please accept these gifts with our thanks for being part of our first 40 years.*

Highlights in the History of Amgraf, Inc.

- 🕈 1976 Amgraf founded by Franklin J. Garner, III and Robert Kisel. Developed GRAFICA
- 1977 Amgraf opens its first offices in Kansas City's historic Union Station
- 1979 Launches MECCA™ (Mechanical Editor for Computer Created Artwork)

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- 1982 Amgraf relocates it main offices into downtown Kansas City, Missouri
- 1982 MECCA II runs on IBM 370 mainframes
- 1984 MECCA III was born. Over the next 14 years 1,500+ MECCA III systems delivered
- 1992 Introduction of the PixeLace™ Security Feature
- 1997 OneForm™ Designer developed for Windows PC electronic forms
- 1998 OneForm Designer Plus developed for paper, electronic, and Internet forms
- 1998 MECCA 2000 introduced to replace MECCA III
- 2000 Develops Stationery Option for the online ordering of imprinted documents
- 2001 Applies for a patent on the LogoDot™ halftone dot
- 🔶 2002 Joins the Adobe Solutions Network and develops the PDF Forms Generator Module
- 2003 Develops method to convert Content Metadata XML into fillable forms
- 2004 Begins hosting e-commerce web sites
- 2005 Develops eForms Accessibility Option for visually handicapped persons
- 2005 Automates the XML-production of dynamic database-connected reports and statements
- 2006 Forms a strategic partnership with Voice Signature LLC for eForm signing
- 2006 Nominated Best Software and Best Technology Provider at Gartner Print & Imaging Summit
- 2007 Amgraf receives U.S. Patent No. 7,196,822 for the LogoDot security document technology
- 2008 Implements an online artwork ordering Void Pantograph Service called VoidMaker™
- 2009 Opens the eForm Solutions and Services center
- 2009 Franklin Garner receives Jo Warner award from the Business Forms Management Association
- 2010 Adds international language support to OneForm Designer Plus
- 2012 Expands our secure data center operations and begins forms portal hosting services
- 2013 Processes 500th online application for VoidMaker Pantographs
- 2015 Contracts with U.S. Census Bureau to develop an international forms design system
- 2016 Amgraf Celebrates our 40th year in business



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