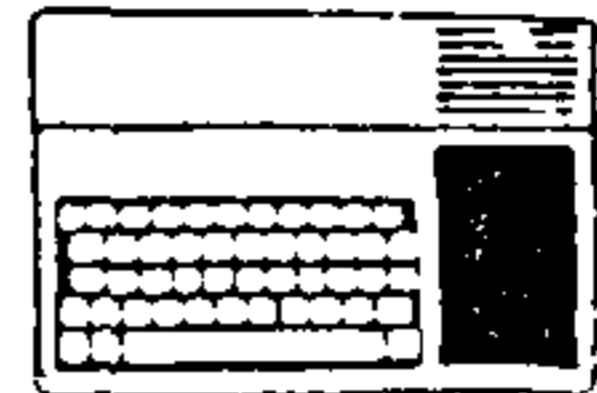


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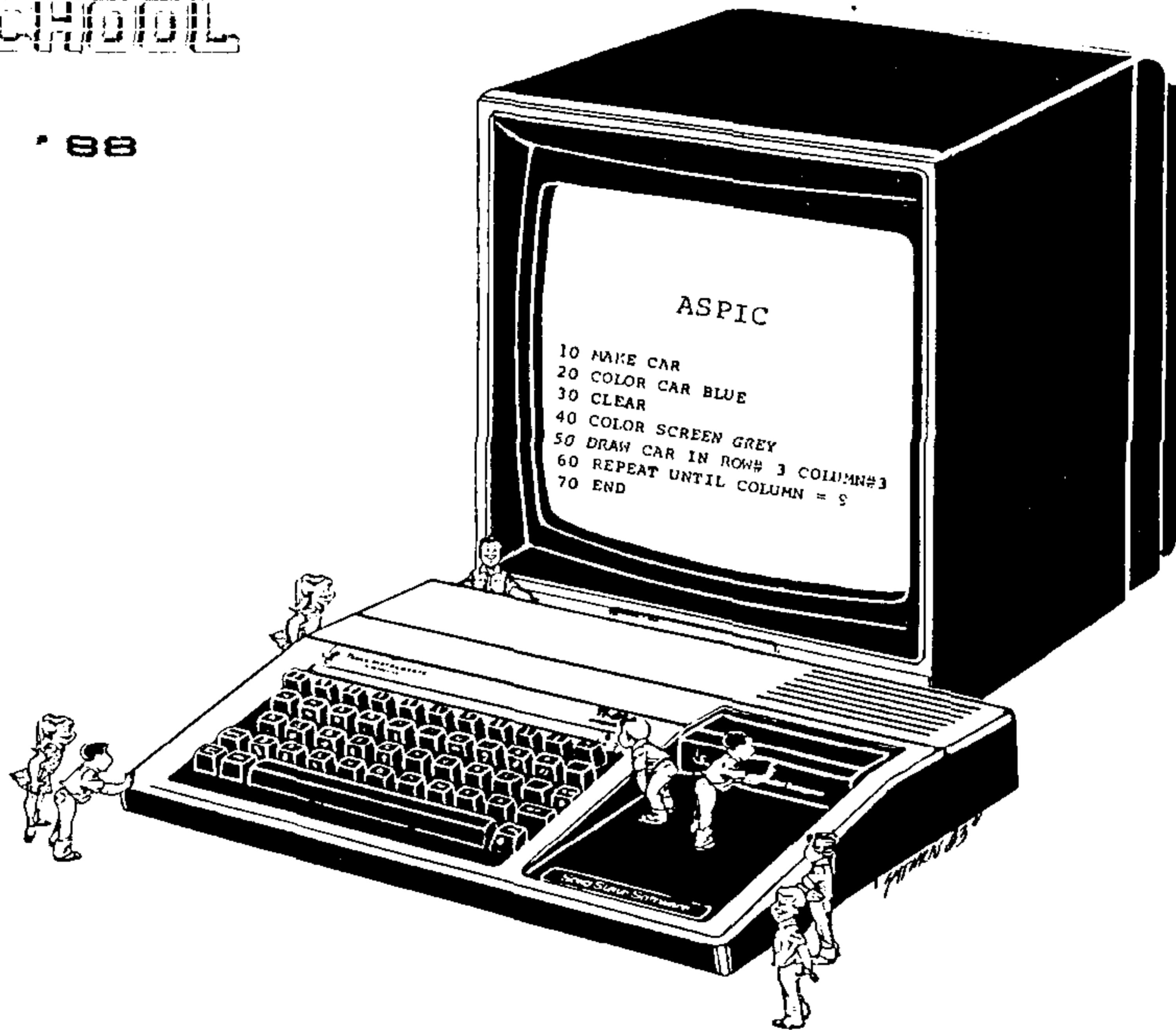
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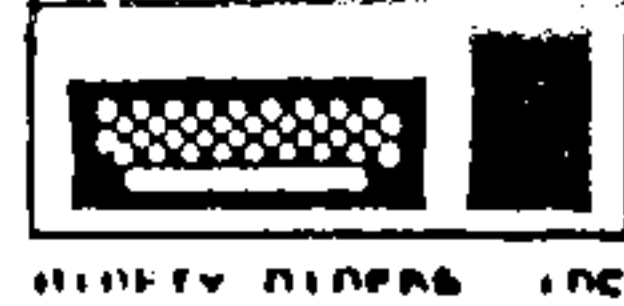
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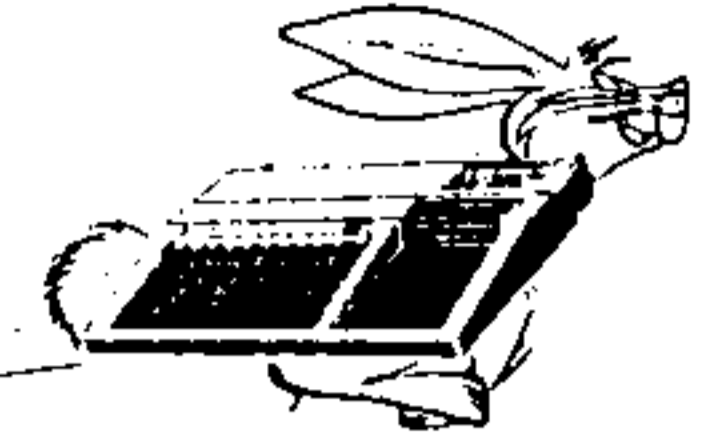
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 MEETING AGENDA ----- SATURDAY 10 SEPT 1988

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|---------|--|----------|--|
| 9 AM | Library open - Raffle -
Bulletins available -
Registration - Membership
Officers meeting to plan
October Anniversary | 10:00 AM | Demo Jean Eyeran - Safety
with Safety |
| 9:35 AM | Question and Answer session
Hardware SIG - Cassette SIG
Genealogy SIG | 10:20 AM | Business Meeting |
| | | 10:55 AM | Demo-John Cummings - Part
II PRBASE |
| | | 12:00 PM | End - building must be
locked |

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 + HARDWARE S.I.G. +
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At each Saturday meeting and hopefully each evening meeting as well, Curt Borders will be leading a group designed to help members add hardware options and modifications to their equipment. All welcome.

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 + COFFEE ANYONE? +
 + SATURDAY MORNINGS +
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Sept- Dick + Lorita
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 + WEDNESDAY EVENING +
 + MEETING - AUG 24 +
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PASCAL PROGRAMMING
 by Bud Wright

Highlights of Lima
 conference on Video
 tape - edited and
 presented by
 John Parkins

NEXT WEDNESDAY EVENING
 MEETING - SEPTEMBER 28
 SEE YOU THERE!!!!!!!



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

by Dick Beery

After a month with no column to write, I feel kind of a desperate need to play catch up. Therefore, this will be a mixed bag of items.

At the August Saturday meeting, the winners of the programming contest were announced. Top winner was Ralph Lathouse, who submitted three programs, two in Assembly and one in Extended Basic. The Assembly programs were conversions from Decimal to Hex, and the reverse. The Extended Basic program was a loan amortization.

Other winners, with their programs in alphabetical order): Tim Brooks with a novelty program titled "Bugs"; Jim Klein with a cryptogram solver; Kevin Noesner with a musical program "Moonlight Sonata"; and Jon Van Winkle with a mortgage calculation program. All were in Basic or Extended Basic. The winners received various kinds of software selected to coincide with their interests. The programs will appear, one or more at a time, in this newsletter. The grand prize, awarded to Ralph Lathouse, was a year's free membership in C.O.N.N.I.

The August Evening meeting, on Wednesday, August 24, will feature: Programming with Pascal presented by Bud Wright, and highlights of the Lima Faire videotassette, edited and presented by John Parkins. This will have taken place by the time you receive your newsletter, but I wanted you to know what you missed!

On Saturday, September 10, John Cummings will present part II of his demo on setting up and printing with PR-Base. Both parts I and II will soon be videotaped and made available to those who missed one or both. Try to make it to this one!

NEW PRODUCTS: Genial Computerware, P.O. Box 183, Grafton, MA 01519, announced on August 15 the debut of one exciting new product and revision of an earlier one. Revised is Graphics Expander(c) which now has the ability to shrink graphics and fonts, in addition to its regular capabilities. The BIG announcement, especially for you fans of graphics, is MacFlix(c), which allows you to "view, print, and save industry standard MacPaint graphics with your computer...these images are a full 8 by 10 inches...if you have an Epson compatible or

ProWriter printer the image size is 10 by 10 inches. In 1984, these images have high-res quality, and can be saved to either My-Art(c) format. And even more! Watch for a review soon in this journal. The announcement includes the new database by Warren Agee titled FirstBase(c) which is to be released by August 28. (Maybe, instead of version 2.1, 3.2, etc., they'll move us to 2ndBase...and finally HomePlate!). To be serious again, it is reportedly a leader for TI/9640 in the area of databases.

In the field of Genealogy databases, I made oblique reference in an earlier issue to a new Australian offering written in Assembly. It is Genealogical Data Base(c) by Allan Wright, 77 Andrew Rd. VALENTINE 2280, N.S.W. AUSTRALIA. Members of C.O.N.N.I. can receive their copy by contacting Jean Hall, and are of course expected to send their Fairware offering to Allan. Other readers may send their orders directly to Allan, or may contact Chuck Grimes, C.O.N.N.I. disk librarian using the club's mailing address, and have a copy mailed to them. Among the numerous superlative features of the program are its capacity for storing siblings, and a cross-referencing capability that permits entering and relating both maternal and paternal lines. Plus more! It even includes a help file for the beginning genealogist. Either Jean Hall or I hope to present a detailed review of this program in a month or two, after we have had the opportunity to use it more extensively.

Jean recently bought the TI-Count program, and needs help setting up the General Ledger. If you can assist, please write or call her.

Irwin recently (08/20/88) revised the Spirit of 99 BBS program so that now you no longer have to wait for private and deleted messages to scroll past while waiting to read the next public message. A new Title Screen is in the works and should soon be complete, also. Thanks, Irwin.

Tim Brooks informs us that those of you who are looking for a good-quality Hayes-compatible 1200 baud modem can get an Avatex 1200hc for about \$79.00 from: Cyco, 1-800-233-8760. I am using an Avatex-e myself and find it both capable and dependable. The company is located in Pennsylvania.

Hats off to Jean, who though recently afflicted with a painful, though hopefully minor, illness, got the August one page newsletter substitution out on time, and is again on target with the September issue. Very few people have that kind of courage and dedication. We all salute you, Jean.

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GETTING THE MOST FROM YOUR CASSETTE SYSTEM
BY MICKEY SCHMITT
NUMBER 9
UNDERSTANDING CASSETTE ERROR CODES AND MESSAGES
PART I

(Ed. note: Thanks to Mickey Schmitt and the West Penn 99'ers Club).

UNDERSTANDING CASSETTE ERROR CODES AND MESSAGES IS NOT QUITE AS DIFFICULT AS IT MAY SEEM. UNFORTUNATELY, TRYING TO FIND A LIST OF THE ERROR CODES AND MESSAGES THAT DEAL SPECIFICALLY WITH THE CASSETTE RECORDER HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT TASK! IN DOING MY RESEARCH FOR THIS PARTICULAR ARTICLE, I HAVE HAD TO COMBINE MANY DIFFERENT SOURCES OF INFORMATION - IN ORDER TO BE AS INFORMATIVE AND AS COMPLETE AS POSSIBLE.

BASICALLY, CASSETTE ERROR CODES AND MESSAGES CAN OCCUR DURING ONE OF TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF COMMANDS. MORE SPECIFICALLY, I AM REFERRING TO THE "LOADING" (OLD CS1) PROCEDURE AND THE "SAVING" (SAVE CS1) PROCEDURE.

THIS MONTH I WILL BE EXAMINING THE ERROR CODES AND MESSAGES THAT CAN OCCUR DURING THE "LOADING" (OLD CS1) PROCEDURE.

WHEN THE COMPUTER FINISHES LOADING THE DATA, IT TELLS YOU WHETHER OR NOT IT READ THE DATA PROPERLY. IF THE DATA WERE READ CORRECTLY, YOU WOULD SEE THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE APPEAR ON YOUR MONITOR OR TV SCREEN:

* DATA OK
* PRESS CASSETTE STOP CS1
THEN PRESS ENTER

IF, HOWEVER, THE COMPUTER DID NOT SUCCESSFULLY READ YOUR PROGRAM INTO MEMORY, AN ERROR OCCURS AND THE COMPUTER PRINTS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ERROR MESSAGES:

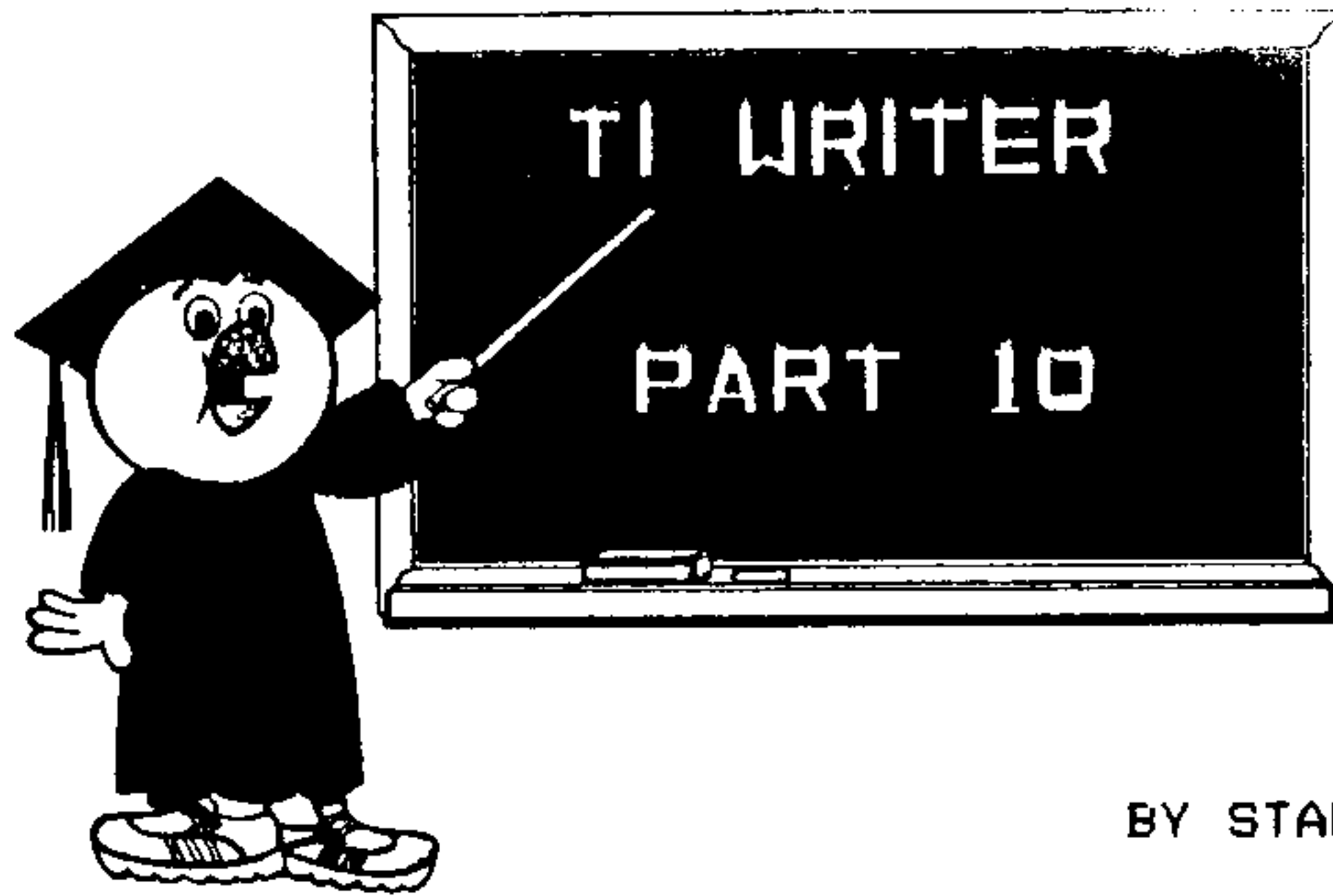
* ERROR - NO DATA FOUND	* ERROR DETECTED IN DATA
PRESS R TO READ CS1	PRESS R TO READ CS1
PRESS C TO CHECK	PRESS C TO CHECK
PRESS E TO EXIT	PRESS E TO EXIT

WHEN THIS OCCURS - YOU HAVE A CHOICE OF USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THREE OPTIONS: NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT THE SINGLE-LETTER RESPONSES (R - C - E) THAT YOU TYPE IN AT THIS TIME MUST BE IN UPPER-CASE CHARACTERS!

1. PRESS R TO REPEAT THE READING PROCEDURE. HOWEVER, BEFORE REPEATING THIS PROCEDURE, CHECK TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE PUT THE CASSETTE TAPE IN CORRECTLY - THAT IT IS THE CORRECT CASSETTE TAPE AND THAT IT HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE CASSETTE RECORDER WITH THE CORRECT SIDE FACING UP. THEN FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR MONITOR OR TV SCREEN.
2. PRESS C TO CHECK THE DATA YOU HAVE READ INTO MEMORY. AT THIS POINT YOU MAY WISH TO ADJUST YOUR CASSETTE RECORDER'S VOLUME CONTROL AND TONE SETTING. THEN FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS AS THEY APPEAR ON YOUR MONITOR OR TV SCREEN.
3. PRESS E TO EXIT FROM THE LOADING PROCEDURE. AT THIS TIME ANOTHER ERROR MESSAGE IS DISPLAYED, INDICATING THAT THE COMPUTER DID NOT PROPERLY READ YOUR PROGRAM INTO MEMORY:

* WARNING:
CHECK PROGRAM IN MEMORY
* I/O ERROR 56

IF I/O ERROR 56 APPEARS, SOMETHING DEFINITELY WENT WRONG. BUT DON'T PANIC! GENERALLY SPEAKING, WHEN THE ERROR MESSAGE "ERROR - NO DATA FOUND" OCCURS - THE COMPUTER DID NOT RECOGNIZE THE CASSETTE RECORDER AT ALL DURING THE "OLD CS1" ROUTINE. ON THE OTHER HAND - WHEN THE ERROR MESSAGE "ERROR DETECTED IN DATA" OCCURS - THE COMPUTER RECOGNIZED ONLY PART OF THE DATA THAT THE CASSETTE RECORDER WAS SENDING TO THE COMPUTER. WHEN THIS HAPPENS, RECHECK YOUR CASSETTE RECORDER'S VOLUME CONTROL AND TONE SETTING. THEN RECHECK YOUR CASSETTE CABLE. MAKE SURE THAT BOTH ENDS OF THE CABLE ARE ATTACHED TO THE COMPUTER AND TO THE CASSETTE RECORDER. WHILE YOU ARE AT IT - MAKE SURE THAT THE COLOR-CODED WIRES LEADING TO THE CASSETTE RECORDER ARE CONNECTED CORRECTLY. THE CASSETTE RECORDER WILL NOT OPERATE PROPERLY IF THE COLOR-CODED WIRES ARE REVERSED!



BY STAN KATZMAN

(Ed. note: Thanks to Stan Katzman and the West Penn 99'ers Club).

Well, let's continue our discussion of dot commands in the Formatter. The next commands I want to discuss control the number of lines on a page (.PL _), if you want to have the document double or triple spaced (.LS _) and if you want to skip some lines in your document (.SP _).

Let's start with (.PL _) the page length command. The default setting for the number of lines on a page in T.I. Writer is 66. You cannot have more but you can have less. To do this, at the start of your document type .PL 60 - press <ENTER>. Now type your document. When your document is put through the Formatter there will be only 60 lines per page. If you want 55 just enter 55 in place of the 60 (or whatever you want to have).

The default setting for spacing in the Formatter is single spacing. If you want your document to be double spaced or triple spaced just type .LS 2 - press ENTER at the head of your document for double spacing or .LS 3 - press ENTER for triple spacing.

If you want, say, five blank lines, for some reason, in your document, on a separate line unto itself, type .SP 5 - press ENTER and the Formatter will skip five lines and then continue printing the rest of your document.

What I am going to discuss now is a handy feature but not dot commands. In the beginning of the Formatter there is a time when it says "What pages (A)". Meaning what pages do you want printed from a multipart document. If you just press enter it will print all pages from 1 until the end. If you want selected pages printed out, just enter them as

described next. Say we want to print page 6, pages 12 through 15 and 22 to the end, type the following in response to the "What Pages" question, 6,12-15,22-E and only those designated pages will be printed out.

As kind of a close out, I would like to show you what the Formatting (dot) commands would look like for a document to have margins of L 17, R 77, double spaced, right adjusted and a page length of 50.

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.LM 17<ENTER>  
.RM 77<ENTER>  
.FI<ENTER>  
.LS 2<ENTER>  
.AD<ENTER>  
.PL 58<ENTER>
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Try these Formatting commands and happy "processing".



NEW FREeware

* * BALLRANK * *

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FOOTBALL

RANKING AND RATING

PROGRAM

This is a series of software programs and forms that can aid a football fan in determining expected scores and pointspread of up-coming games each week. It uses the primary source of data from **Game Plan College Football Annual Preview**, a publication of Sports Associates Inc.

The program requires: EXTENDED BASIC, MULTIPLAN, SIDE*PRINT, 32K MEMORY EXPANSION, AT LEAST 1 DISK DRIVE, AND A COMPATABLE PRINTER. The output is presented for a hard copy only, and does not appear on the monitor. The programs are for PIO parallel, but may be changed to RS232 if desired.

The POINTSPREAD program is used to update the previous week's scoring into new values to be used for the next week's games. It outputs the expected score, as well as the pointspread. This data gives an indication of the most likely winner.

The RATING program uses the data printed in the newspaper to produce data showing the strengths and weaknesses of each team, and "paints" a picture of how the game was played.

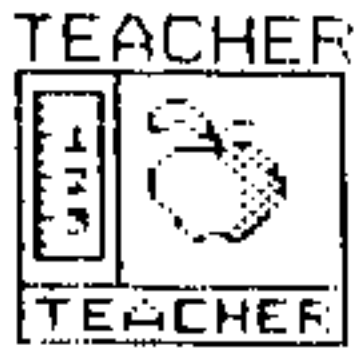
The RANKING program is produced on MULTIPLAN, and the SIDE*PRINT program produces the hard copy. The SIDE*PRINT program is available elsewhere and is not FREeware. You may obtain a copy of SIDE*PRINT from Jim Swedlow, 7301 Kirby Way, Stanton, CA 90680.

During the 1987 season I ran data on 451 games, and picked 323 winners, or 71.6% of the games. For the bowl games I picked the winner in 8 out of 14 games for 57.1%.

There are filenames for producing the different forms required for data.

For those wanting a copy of these programs they MUST send the following: 1-SS/SD FLOPPY DISK IN A DISK MAILER, RETURN POSTAGE, AND RETURN ADDRESS LABEL. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I WILL GIVE A COPY!!! I CANNOT ACCEPT MONEY FOR COPYING.

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TARRANT, AL 35217
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TWO JOYSTICKS IN ONE

by CURTIS BORDERS

THIS IS HOW I MADE TWO JOYSTICKS OUT OF ONE.

FIRST YOU WILL NEED ONE OF THOSE SURPLUS JOYSTICK CABLES. ALL THE PINS WILL HAVE TO BE THERE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF PINS 1 AND 6.

PINS 1 AND 6 ARE NOT USED ON THE TI-994-A. YOU CAN GET ONE AT "STAR SURPLUS" ON N. HIGH ST. IN COLUMBUS. THEY SELL FOR ABOUT \$1.99.

OK, NOW THAT WE HAVE THE CABLE, TAKE YOUR FAVORITE JOYSTICK-IT CAN BE ATARI, BOSS, EPSX500XJ OR WICO, BUT I WOULD NOT WASTE MY TIME ON TI-99 JOYSTICKS.

TAKE THE JOYSTICK APART AND UNSOLDER THE CABLE FROM THE CONNECTORS, ALL BUT THE GROUND OR (COMMON), THAT'S THE WIRE THAT CONNECTS ALL THE PADS TOGETHER.

TAKE YOUR NEW CABLE AND A OHM METER AND WRITE DOWN ALL THE PIN NUMBERS AND WHAT COLOR WIRE IT IS, BECAUSE ALL COLOR CODES MAY NOT BE THE SAME.

TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 2 TO ONE OF THE OUTSIDE TERMINALS OF THE SWITCH.

TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 7 TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SWITCH.

TAKE A SHORT PIECE OF WIRE FROM THE CENTER OF THE SWITCH AND SOLDER IT TO THE GROUND OR (COMMON). IF THE SWITCH IS WIRED UP RIGHT WHEN IT IS IN ONE POSITION YOU WILL BE USING JOYSTICK NUMBER 1, WHEN IT IS IN THE OTHER POSITION YOU WILL BE USING JOYSRICK NUMBER 2.

TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 3 TO THE JOYSTICK UP POSITION.

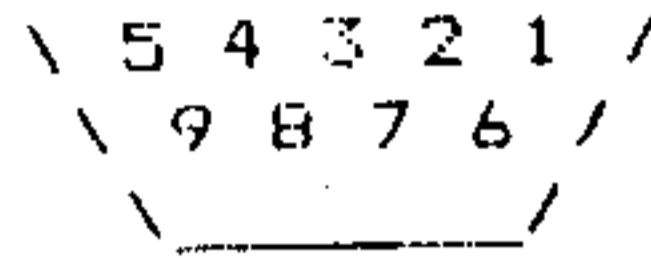
TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 8 TO THE JOYSTICK DOWN POSITION.

TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 9 TO THE JOYSTICK RIGHT POSITION.

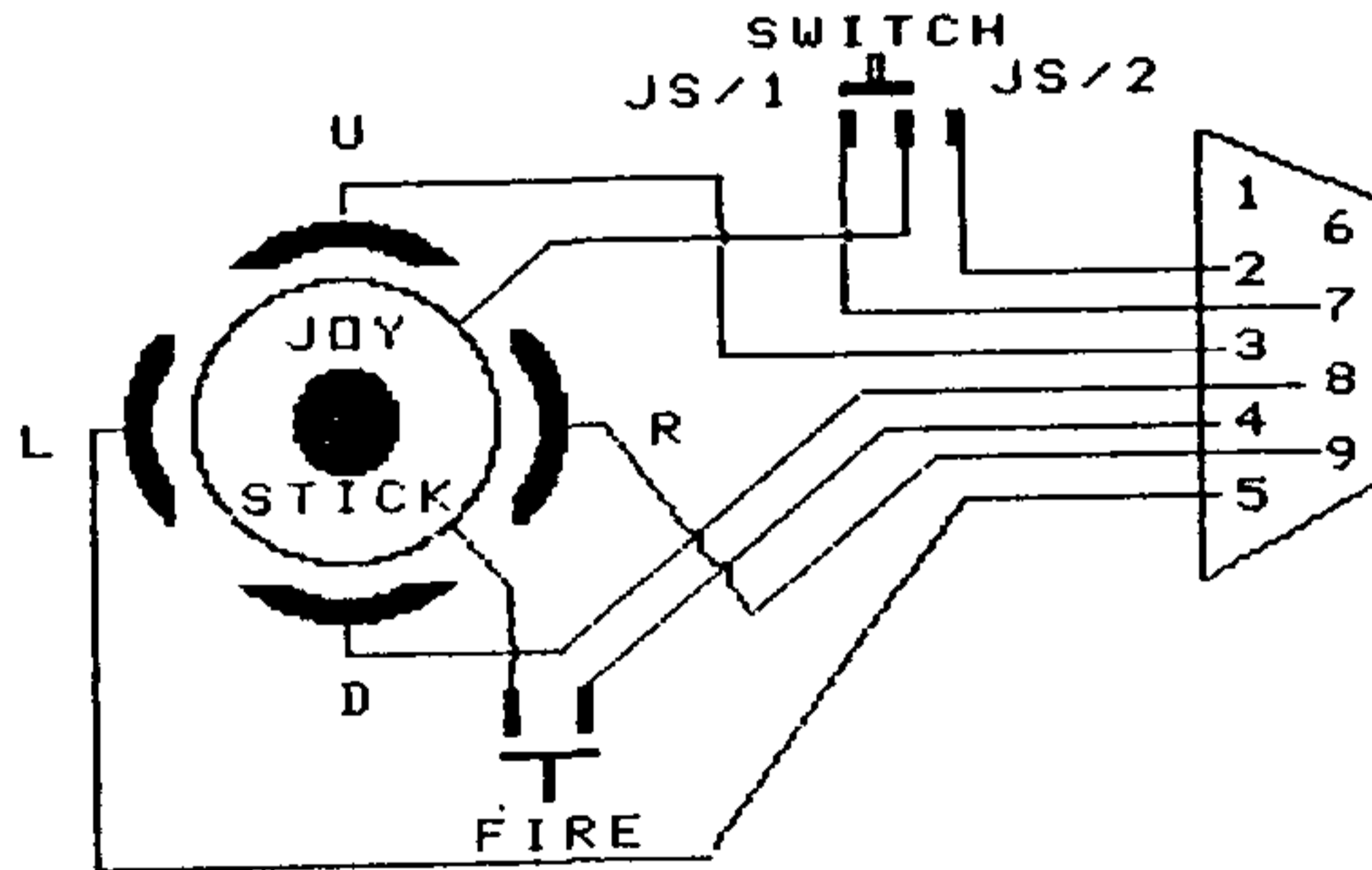
TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 5 TO THE JOYSTICK LEFT POSITION.

TAKE THE _____ COLOR WIRE FROM PIN 4 TO THE JOYSTICK FIRE BUTTON, THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FIRE BUTTON WILL GO TO GROUND OR (COMMON).

JOYSTICK PIN OUT



PIN	USE
1	NOT USED
2	COMMON LINE JOYST #2
3	UP
4	FIRE
5	LEFT
6	NOT USED
7	COMMON LINE JOYST #1
8	DOWN
9	RIGHT





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programming. No. 4 contains Tips newsletters Nos. #46-52. These were prepared for user group newsletter editors but are available to anyone else for \$5 each postpaid.

I believe this word game is totally different from anything you have ever seen, and very challenging if you don't use the AID key. The first time you run it, pick option 3 to create a file of phrases and give it the file name COMPUTE. This will then become the computer's file, option 1, and you can create as many of your own files as you want. Recommend phrases of several to as many as 20 words - short ones are too difficult.

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100 DIM M$(20):: DIM D$(20)
110 GOTO 150
120 Q$,K,S,B,F$,E,FLAG,X,J,X
$,Y$,A,B,M$,DY$,V,A$(),C$,CH
,CH$,Y,M$(),L,M,D$(),F,Z,C,R
,H
130 CALL CHAR :: CALL KEY ::
CALL SOUND :: CALL CLEAR ::
CALL CHARPAT :: CALL COLOR
:: CALL SCREEN :: CALL VCHAR
:: CALL SPRITE :: CALL LOCA
TE :: CALL DELSPRITE
140 !BP-
150 CALL CHAR(94,"3C4299A1A1
99423C"):: DISPLAY AT(2,1)ER
ASE ALL:"TIGERCUB SHUTTLESEA
RCH V.1.1"::"^^ Tigercub So
ftware for free":distributi
on but no price"
160 DISPLAY AT(6,1):"or copy
ing fee to be charged"::"I
f you should feel moved to":
"send me a few bucks for my"
:"work, I won't be offended!"
"
170 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"Jim Pe
terson":156 Collingwood Ave
.":"Columbus, OH 43213"
180 DISPLAY AT(16,5):"Instru
ctions? (Y/N) M" :: ACCEPT A
T(16,25)SIZE(-1)VALIDATE("YN
"):Q$ :: IF Q$="N" THEN 260
190 DISPLAY AT(2,1)ERASE ALL
:" The computer will display
a":"phrase or saying concea
led":"within a grid of rando
    
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200 DISPLAY AT(10,1):"the to
p line, and the phrase":"may
'wrap around' from the":"bo
ttom row to the top."
210 DISPLAY AT(10,1):"the to
p line, and the phrase":"may
'wrap around' from the":"bo
ttom row to the top."
220 DISPLAY AT(13,1):" You c
an find the phrase by":"shut
tling columns of letters":"u
p and down, looking for":"co
nsecutive rows with letter"
230 DISPLAY AT(17,1):"combin
ations that could be":"parts
of words.":" A cheat key is
available,":"if you are rea
lly stuck, but"
240 DISPLAY AT(21,1):"try no
t to use it!"
250 DISPLAY AT(23,8):"PRESS
ANY KEY" :: DISPLAY AT(23,8)
:"press any key" :: CALL KEY
(O,K,S):: IF S=0 THEN 250
260 DISPLAY AT(3,2)ERASE ALL
:"Do you want to - 1":" (
1) Solve a saving from my
file?":" (2) Solve a p
hrase from your file
?"
270 DISPLAY AT(11,2):"(3) Cr
eate a file of":" phrase
s?":" (4) Have someone ty
pe in a phrase to solve
?"
280 ACCEPT AT(3,19)SIZE(-1)V
ALIDATE(DIGIT):Q :: IF Q<1 O
R Q>4 THEN 280
290 ON Q GOTO 300,310,410,47
0
300 F$="1.COMPUTE" :: E=1 ::
GOTO 320
310 DISPLAY AT(18,1):"File na
me? DSK" :: ACCEPT AT(18,14)
:F$ :: E=2
320 ON ERROR 370
330 IF FLAG=1 THEN 350 :: FL
AG=1 :: OPEN #1:"DSK"&F$,FI
XED,RELATIVE,INPUT :: ON ERRO
R STOP
340 INPUT #1,REC 0:X :: CLOS
E #1 :: FOR J=1 TO X :: X=X
&CHR$(J):: NEXT J :: Y$=X$
350 RANDOMIZE :: A=INT(RND*1
EN(Y$)+1):: B=ASC(SEG$(Y$,A,
1)):: Y$=SEG$(Y$,1,A-1)&SEG$
(Y$,A+1,255):: IF LEN(Y$)=0
THEN Y$=X$
    
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360 OPEN #1:"DSK"&F$,FIXED,R
ELATIVE,INPUT :: ON ERROR ST
OP :: INPUT #1,REC B:M$ :: C
LOSE #1 :: GOTO 490
370 FOR J=1 TO 10 :: DISPLAY
AT(20,1):"" :: DISPLAY AT(2
0,1):"CANNOT OPEN FILE!" ::
CALL SOUND(-99,110,5,-4,5)::
NEXT J
380 ON ERROR 390 :: CLOSE #1
390 FLAG=0 :: INPUT "CHECK D
ISK AND DRIVE, PRESS ANY KEY
":DY$
400 IF E=1 THEN RETURN 260 E
LSE IF E=2 THEN RETURN 310 E
LSE RETURN 410
410 DISPLAY AT(8,1)ERASE ALL
:"Filename? DSK." :: ACCEPT A
T(8,14):F$
420 E=3 :: ON ERROR 370 :: O
PEN #1:"DSK"&F$,FIXED 124,RE
LATIVE,OUTPUT :: ON ERROR ST
OP :: X=0
430 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"Enter
END when finished":""::"Ty
pe phrases, not more than 20
words and 124 characters"
440 X=X+1 :: ACCEPT M$ :: IF
LEN(M$)>124 THEN PRINT "TOO
LONG!" :: X=X-1 :: GOTO 440
450 IF M$(">END" THEN PRINT
#1,REC X:M$ :: GOTO 440
460 PRINT #1,REC 0:X :: CLOS
E #1 :: GOTO 260
470 CALL KEY(3,K,S):: DISPLA
Y AT(12,1)ERASE ALL:"Type a
phrase of less than 20 word
s and press Enter"
480 ACCEPT M$ :: CALL CLEAR
490 DISPLAY AT(3,2)ERASE ALL
:"Choose skill level - 1":""
:" (1) All words begin in":"
first column"
500 DISPLAY AT(8,2):"(2) All
words begin in same":"
column":"" (3) Each word m
ay appear in":" a differ
ent column"
510 DISPLAY AT(14,2):"(4) As
No. 3 but AID key is":"
disabled":"" (5) Quit"
520 ACCEPT AT(3,23)SIZE(-1)V
ALIDATE(DIGIT):V :: IF V<1 O
R V>5 THEN 520 :: IF V=5 THE
N CALL CLEAR :: STOP
530 DISPLAY AT(12,6)ERASE AL
L:"SCRAMBLING....."
540 A$(1)="jkzae klmpr vgaho
nceci sdufy bqijw astrf urd
sa nvjxe blbig trakv nobth w

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ehy vnijo oherq umbai rtika
opleg nosve tarkh zeski "
550 A$(2)="!boju m.fgt krac,
pjip? tn-un osheg kar,q ibl
.o tons! idrix ?uhig ebarf u
ks,k ,,jhge vifyt kibrn taga
, .!ry lakle ilf.! inst"
560 C$=A$(1)&A$(2)
570 FOR CH=65 TO 90 :: CALL
CHARPAT(CH,CH$):: CALL CHAR(
CH+32,CH$):: NEXT CH :: CALL
CHAR(42,"82444428281010")
580 CALL CHAR(143,"18243C4A4
A3C2418"):: CALL COLOR(14,16
,1)
590 M$=M$&" " :: Y=1
600 X=POS(M$," ",1):: M$(Y)=
SEG$(M$,1,X):: L=LEN(M$(Y)):
M=MAX(M,L):: RANDOMIZE ::
M$(Y)=M$(Y)&SEG$(C$,INT(230*
RND+1),20-L)
610 Y=Y+1 :: IF Y=21 THEN 62
0 :: M$=SEG$(M$,X+1,255):: I
F LEN(M$)>0 THEN 600
620 FOR J=Y TO 20 :: M$(J)=S
EG$(C$,INT(230*RND+1),20)::
NEXT J
630 ON V GOTO 670,640,650,65
0
640 X=INT(RND*(20-M))+M+1 ::
FOR J=1 TO Y :: M$(J)=SEG$(
M$(J),X,255)&SEG$(M$(J),1,X-
1):: NEXT J :: GOTO 670
650 FOR J=1 TO Y :: X=INT(RN
D*(20-M))+M+1 :: M$(J)=SEG$(
M$(J),X,255)&SEG$(M$(J),1,X-
1):: NEXT J :: GOTO 670
660 ! the string
670 FOR J=1 TO 20 :: FOR L=1
TO 20 :: D$(J)=D$(J)&SEG$(M
$(L),J,1):: NEXT L :: NEXT J
680 IF V=1 THEN F=M ELSE F=2
0
690 FOR J=1 TO F :: Z=INT(20
*RND+1):: D$(J)=SEG$(D$(J),Z
,255)&SEG$(D$(J),1,Z-1):: NE
XT J
700 CALL CLEAR :: CALL SCREE
N(5):: FOR S=1 TO 13 :: CALL
COLOR(S,5,16):: NEXT S :: C
ALL VCHAR(1,31,1,96)
710 CALL VCHAR(4,5,143,20)::
CALL VCHAR(4,28,143,20)
720 FOR C=1 TO 20 :: FOR R=1
TO 20 :: CALL VCHAR(R+3,C+6
,ASC(SEG$(D$(C),R,1))):: NEX
T R :: NEXT C
730 DISPLAY AT(1,1):"s&d to
select, e&x to scrollfctn 7
aid, fctn 8 restart"

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740 H=1 :: C=48 :: CALL SPRI
TE(#1,42,7,18,C)
750 CALL KEY(3,K,S):: IF S=0
THEN 750 ELSE ON POS("EXSD"
&CHR$(1)&CHR$(6),CHR$(K),1)+
1 GOTO 750,800,810,820,830,7
60,840
760 IF V=4 THEN 750
770 FOR S=5 TO 8 :: CALL COL
OR(S,16,5):: NEXT S
780 CALL KEY(3,K,S):: IF S=
1 THEN 780
790 FOR S=5 TO 8 :: CALL COL
OR(S,5,16):: NEXT S :: GOTO
750
800 D$(H)=SEG$(D$(H),2,19)&S
EG$(D$(H),1,1):: FOR R=1 TO
20 :: CALL VCHAR(R+3,H+6,ASC
(SEG$(D$(H),R,1))):: NEXT R
:: GOTO 750
810 D$(H)=SEG$(D$(H),20,1)&S
EG$(D$(H),1,19):: FOR R=1 TO
20 :: CALL VCHAR(R+3,H+6,AS
C(SEG$(D$(H),R,1))):: NEXT R
:: GOTO 750
820 C=C-B-(C=48)18 :: H=C/B-
5 :: CALL LOCATE(#1,18,C)::
GOTO 750
830 C=C+B+(C=200)18 :: H=C/B
-5 :: CALL LOCATE(#1,18,C)::
GOTO 750
840 CALL CLEAR :: FOR J=1 TO
20 :: D$(J)="" :: NEXT J ::
M=0 :: CALL DELSPRITE(#1)::
IF B=1 OR B=2 THEN 350 ELSE
470

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Here are three screen display subprograms of the type you will find on my Nuts and Bolts disks. Note that subprograms can read DATA from the main program. The double colons in the DATA statement cause input of null strings of data for spacing between the lines. The M\$(I) in the subprogram parameter lists is necessary, even though the array is not passed from the main program, in order to DIMension the array in the subprogram - unless you prefer to place the DIM in the subprogram itself. I is the number of DATA items to be read.

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100 CALL CLEAR
110 DATA THIS IS A DEMO,,OF

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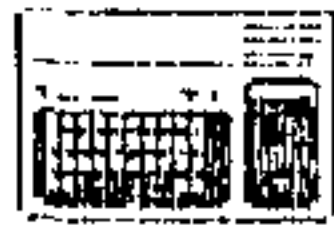
THREE SCREEN PRINTING,,SUBPR
OGRAMS PUBLISHED IN,,TIPS FR
OM THE TIGERCUR,,No. 51,,BY
TIGERCUB SOFTWARE
120 DIM M$(11):: CALL DOWNPR
INT(M$(1),11):: FOR D=1 TO 10
00 :: NEXT D :: CALL CLEAR :
: RESTORE 110 :: CALL DIAGPR
INT(M$(1),11)
130 FOR D=1 TO 1000 :: NEXT
D :: CALL CLEAR :: RESTORE 1
10 :: CALL INWARD(M$(1),11)
1000 SUB DOWNPRINT(M$(1),T)
1001 FOR J=1 TO T :: READ M$(
J):: L=INT(LEN(M$(J))+.5)::
M$(J)=RPT$(" ",14-INT(L/2))
&M$(J):: M$(J)=M$(J)&RPT$("
",28-LEN(M$(J))):: NEXT J
1002 FOR J=1 TO 28 :: FOR L=
1 TO T
1003 DISPLAY AT(L,1):SEG$(M$(
L),1,J):: NEXT L
1004 NEXT J :: SUBEND
2000 SUB INWARD(M$(1),T):: FO
R J=1 TO T :: READ M$(J):: M
EXT J :: R=1 :: FOR A=1 TO T
2001 L=INT(LEN(M$(A))): F=1
3-L/2 :: G=L+F
2002 FOR J=1 TO INT(L/2+.5):
: DISPLAY AT(R,F+1):SEG$(M$(
A),J,1):: DISPLAY AT(R,6):S
EG$(M$(A),L-J+1,1):: F=F+1
:: G=G-1 :: NEXT J :: R=R+1
:: NEXT A :: SUBEND
3000 SUB DIAGPRINT(M$(1),T)::
FOR J=1 TO T :: READ M$(J):
: L=INT(LEN(M$(J))+.5):: M$(
J)=RPT$(" ",14-(L/2))&M$(J):
: M$(J)=M$(J)&RPT$(" ",28-LE
N(M$(J))):: NEXT J
3001 FOR J=1 TO 28+L :: FOR
L=1 TO T
3002 IF J<L THEN 3007
3003 DISPLAY AT(L,1):SEG$(M$(
L),1,J-L):: NEXT L
3004 NEXT J :: SUBEND

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Just in case you didn't know - to jump directly to the first or last line in a TI-Writer file, use FCTN 9 and S(earch) and 1 for the first line or E for the last.

MEMORY ALMOST FULL...





Thanks to Mid South 99/4A User Group for the following three articles taken from August 1988 issue of TIDBITS:

GENEVE NOTES by Henry Miller

Well folks, not too much has happened since the last newsletter to really mention. As of July 30, 1988, it was strongly rumored that Myarc had started shipping the HDCC to distributors. If this should be the case, I would expect mine to be delivered before the next meeting, but as always, don't hold your breath as there could likely be a software delay. The latest gossip has it that the MDOS for the HDCC will be greater than 90K and will be available only for HDCC purchasers as I do not think any new features have been added except for hard drive support (It is rumored to have all support for MDOS and GPL except for OSKI emulation.) Myarc now claims to have the source code for the likely finished GPL Interpreter and GPL support for TIMODE which includes a command line argument for a module file to load and RAMDISK carry over in both directions from MDOS to GPL.

One slight enhancement has been a GPL mode for Gtrak 1 and 2 that now has been changed so that John Johnson's Menu program is stored in that place and on boot up, allows GK files to be loaded from it's own menu, EA files, and up to 27 files with a single keypress can be loaded from the BO column menu. One last program that I almost forgot about is NOT-MY-COPY running for the Cor Comp disk controller and the TI Controller that is faster than any other track copy program on the market. A Myarc controller version is in the near future. This is a GPL program available for the 9640 that is just absolutely fast at 80 seconds most for a DS/DD copy with verification. The slowest portion is disk formatting, as reading and writing one can barely tell when the track advances occur as it goes so fast.

One last thing I would like to mention is my adventure with Writing "9640 News". This is going to be a Geneve specific 9640 Newsletter or disk. More information on this magazine can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. I encourage all Geneve owners to unite under this magazine as this has the potential of becoming a major addition to the TI Community. That is about all that I have on the Geneve for this Newsletter, however, if you would like to learn more, subscribe to "9640 News".

GENEVE-NEWS

Now introducing the first disk newsletter specifically for the Geneve 9640 -- "9640 News" will contain the latest information or advancements with the

9640 along with Geneve specific software. The recently released B-Base, a piece of software for providing limited data base capabilities will be released, and with your subscription to "9640 News", no freeware payments, etc will be required. The latest software and hardware hacks and advancements will be released by "9640 News".

As currently stated, only Geneve specific software and information will be available on the disk. No 4A compatible software will be included on the disk as I do not wish to compete directly with another fine Disk Magazine that is currently available for the 4A.

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

by Michael Dorman

The Myarc Hard/Floppy Drive Controller card (HFDC) is now shipping. The HFDC is fully functional on the 4A and it works on the Geneve 9640 with some limitations. The HFDC, which is available for about \$325.00, includes the Myarc Disk Manager V and a comprehensive manual.

For Geneve owners, MDOS v1.06, GPLv.1.01, and My-Word v1.20 are also included. This combination of MDOS and GPL allow the passing of a 120K ramdisk (larger with a modified 512K card) from MDOS to GPL and back. To use this, the command TIMODE must be present in an AUTOEXEC file. A 16K print spooler is automatically created.

Until the external DSR that J. Peter Hoddie is writing is completed, the MDOS hard drive commands (e.g. RMDIR, MKDIR, TREE) are not operational. Also, the HFDC will not control floppy drives on the 9640 until the DSRs are finished. The disk file emulation will not work for the same reason.

This controller card should really help expand the potential of both the TI-99/4A and the Myarc 9640.

THE NEW FEATURES OF FUNNELWEB



v4.1
by Charles Good
Lima Ohio User Group

FUNNELWEB is probably the most significant software ever for the 99/4A. After booting FUNNELWEB v4.1 from XBASIC (you can boot FNB from any assembly language loader, but the XBASIC module is the best way) you can do all of the following without changing modules.

1. With a single keypress you can load from a selection of user created menus almost any software ever written for the 99-4A. If the software you want to load isn't configured into one of your user created software menus, you can call up a disk directory anywhere within FNB, mark the file name of software seen in the directory, and then load that software.
2. Do word processing with a much improved version of TI-WRITER.
3. Create assembly source code and then assemble it as you would with the E/A module.
4. Manage disks with a modified version of DM1000 which is supplied with the FNB package. Pre-configured menu entry points for other common disk managers are also provided.
5. View and edit disk sectors with a modified version of DISK PATCH, also sometimes known as DISKO.

This review will describe the changes and additions in v4.1 as compared to v4.0. Although this description is based on the May 30, 1988 release which says "Memorial Day" on the XBASIC title screen, the review should be valid for all subsequent releases of 4.1.

Enhanced CENTRAL MENU capabilities.

Each central menu now has 8 items, and items 4-7 are completely configurable to load any kind of assembly language file. This includes autostarting D/F80 source code and assembly PROGRAM files. In previous versions of FNB the central menus could only load PROGRAM files and only a limited number of central menu slots were configurable.

The TI-WRITER menu reads as follows:

1. EDITOR
2. FORMATTER
3. DISK UTILITIES
4. MODEM
5. DATA BASE
6. DM1000
7. DSKU
8. USER LIST

As noted above, items 4-7 can be configured to suit the user. MODEM is an entry point for terminal emulation software such as FAST TERM or TELCO. DSKU refers to John Birdwell's "DISK UTILITIES." This fairware disk manager/sector is so good that some former users of DM1000, myself included, have switched to DSKU for most disk management uses. DSKU is not provided as part of the FNB package, but can be obtained directly from John Birdwell or from most user group libraries.

Item 3 in the above TIW central menu leads to a specially created user list menu in which disk management software is grouped together. The DISK UTILITIES menu reads as follows:

1. DM1000
2. DSKU
3. MYARC DM
4. DPATCH
5. SCREAMER
6. TRACKER
7. ARCHIVER
8. CONFIGURE
9. (CTR ROM)

DPATCH is the modified sector editor DISKO which is provided as part of the FNB package. SCREAMER is a good entry point for an ultra fast whole disk copier such as REDISKIT or TURBO COPY. TRACKER can be used to load one of the various "copies anything including protected disks" track copiers. Will McGovern, one of the FNB authors, has written a fairware track copier called TRACKER that is one of the few (maybe the only) that works with a Myarc controller. Send him a few bucks in Australia and he will send it to you, or look in your user group library. ARCHIVER will load the latest version

of Barry Boone's archiver/compressing program. This archiving software is not part of the FWB package. CONFIGURE boots the FWB configuration files CF/CG. Items 1-8 in the above DISK UTILITIES user list menu can be altered with CF/CG to boot any assembly D/V80 (autostarting or not) or PROGRAM files.

The Edit/Assem central looks this way as configured on the FWB distribution disk:

1. EDITOR
2. ASSEMBLER
3. LOADERS
4. C-COMPILER
5. DISK PATCH
6. LINEHUNTER
7. ..
8. RESET

Item 4 loads the latest v4 release of c99. LOADERS, unchanged from FWB v4.0, leads to a menu for loading assembly D/V80 or PROGRAM files that aren't already configured into one of the FWB user lists; LINEHUNTER is new to v4.1. It is an assembly programming utility that prints on the screen any specified line of assembly D/V80 source code. You can also type the name of a label, and LINEHUNTER will display lines that have that label

THE CONFIGURATION PROGRAM, FILES CF/CG:

This has been totally redone for v4.1 and MUST be used to do any configuring of the various user lists. It is no longer possible to directly edit FWB's XBASIC LOAD program to alter the XBASIC user list because there is very little XBASIC code in LOAD. There are only a few XBASIC line numbers in LOAD and the rest of LOAD is all in assembly.

CONFIGURE is much easier to use in v4.1 than it was in v4.0. CF/CG has a tree structure which allows you to quickly get to any part of the configuration without redoing the entire configuration process. The configuration program is very professional looking with sound effects, overlapping menu windows that pop into view, and help screens that are available at various points in the configuration process by pressing "?". Obviously much effort went into the preparation of the new v4.1 configuration files. The authors note that CF/CG was condensed from over 500 sectors of source code.

Basically what you do is load a configuration data file, alter the configuration, resave the altered data file to disk, and then while it is still in memory install the new configuration data into the FWB LOAD and UTIL1 files. If you later obtain a more recent release of FWB v4.1 you can configure the more recent release simply by loading your old configuration data file and installing this data into the newer LOAD and UTIL1 files. This is REALLY EASY! I had access to a pre-release beta testing edition of FWB v4.1 and was able to use the beta testing edition's configuration data file to configure my "Memorial Day" v4.1 in about 30 seconds. Hopefully the FWB authors will maintain this configuration data file system in all future upgrades of FWB and allow this easy transfer of v4.1 configuration information into all future FWB updates. Unfortunately, configuration information from v4.0 cannot be transferred directly to v4.1.

The important universal keys to remember in the configuration routine are (ENTER) to advance to the next window, and BACK to return to the previous part of the program (often the previous window). AID will get you a disk directory from most places in the program, and "" brings up the help screens. When a window is displayed, you press the first letter of the text line in the window to perform the function indicated. If the window says:

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-----  
:Load:  
:Edit:  
:Save:  
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then you press "L", "E", or "S". Sometimes "N" and "B" are used to move the cursor up and down within the window when the functions "Next" and "Back" are displayed in the previous window. When more than one window is visible at the same time, the active window is indicated by a fat (2 pixel wide) border. The borders of the windows get alternately fat and skinny depending upon which is the currently active window.

The early windows in the configuration process are as follow:

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: Sysinfo      Quit      Install: First
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                                Window

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:Load:  :Loading:  :Boot tracking OFF:
:Edit:  :Devices:  :TI-Writer side 1 : LOADING
:Save:  :Colors :  :Edit/Assm side 1 : WINDOW
----- :Menu  :  :Working Drive 2 :
SECOND :XB List:  -----
WINDOW* :UL List:

-----
THIRD   :Edit Printer:
WINDOW  :Fmtr Printer: DEVICES
        :Object File : WINDOW
        :Work File  :
        :Program   :
-----

:EDIT:
:NEXT: COLOR
:BACK: WINDOW
:CHG:
:REDD:
:VIEW:
-----

:TI-Writer side: MENU
:Edit/Assm side: WINDOW
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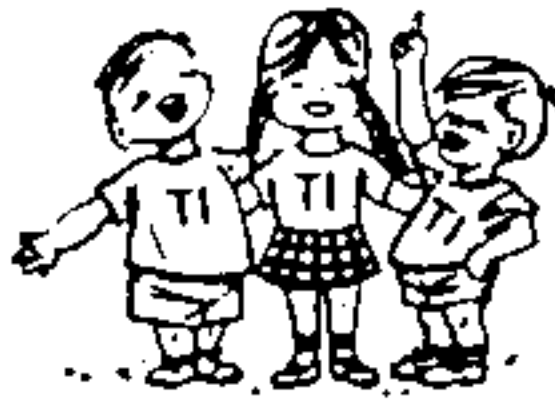
You start out by pressing S(sysinfo) to display the second window, and then press L(load) to load the configuration data file, following the prompts for loading. The name of this file on the FWB distribution disk is SYSCON, but you can use any name. You can create different FWB configurations on different configuration data files each with a different file name. After loading the configuration file, you press E(edit), change the configuration data and display the third window. From here you bring up fourth series of windows where much of the configuration actually occurs.

LOADING WINDOW: Boot Tracking toggles between ON and OFF by pressing "B". Usually it is left ON unless FWB is installed on a ramdisk. In that case, the authors suggest it is sometimes best to leave boot tracking OFF. If the files loaded by FWB's central menus are in different drives (or ramdisks) these drive numbers are specified next to "TI-Writer side" and "Edit/Assm side". The "Working Drive" is the default drive number that appears after "DSK" if the mailbox workfile name is empty when you LF from the editor or use the Formatter.

DEVICES WINDOW: Printer names are self explanatory. "Object File" name is the default that appears on the screen next to DSKx. When you select LOADERS from Edit/Assm central menu and try to load a Q/FBO assembly file. I have "Object File" name configured as "DF/BOFILE" to remind me that only this type of file can be loaded from certain parts of LOADERS. "Work File" is the default file name used the first time you LF. It is best to leave this blank as it is on the distribution disk. If "Work File" is left blank, you can exit FWB, go through th title screen and do something in BASIC without turning off the PE box, return to FWB and find the previous workfile name still there when you LF. "Program" is the default displayed on the screen when you use the LOADERS menu t load assembly PROGRAM files. The ability to set "Object File" and "Program" defaults is a feature new to FWB v4.1.

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PROGRAM WINNER - LOAN/AMORT
RALPH LATHOUSE



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.TL 126:94;
.TL 123:64;
.TL 125:38;
.TL 124:42;
.TL 92:46;
.NF
100 (=0 :: [=1 :: ]=2 :: =3
:: \=4 :: GOTO 120 :: INC$,
LP$,MP$,N$,V$,W$,X$,XX$,Y$ :
: (,A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,INC,K,
L,M,P,Q,R,T,U,UU,V,W,X,Z,(, \
),_ :: CALL CLEAR
110 !(P-
120 (= [ :: [= [ :: ]= ] :: =
:: \= \ :: GOTO 130 :: INC$,
LP$,MP$,N$,V$,X$,XX$,Y$ :: A
,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,INC,K,L,M,P
,Q,R,T,U,UU,X,Z :: CALL CLEA
R :: !(P-
130 !FILE NAME "LOAN-AMORT"
3/30/87 THIS PROGRAM WILL CA
LCULATE YOUR PERIODIC
140 !PAYMENT AMOUNT TO PAY O
FF A FIXED AMOUNT, RATE AND
TERM LOAN\ IF DESIRED
150 !IT WILL PRINT A COPY OR
AN AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE SH
OWING THE AMOUNT OF
160 !PAYMENT TO INTEREST, PR
INCIPAL AND THE LOAN BALANCE
AT EACH PERIOD\ ALSO
170 !ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS TO P
RINCIPAL CAN BE INCLUDED\
180 !BY Ralph Lathouse, Colu
mbus, OH
190 CALL CLEAR
200 DISPLAY AT(1,\):"!!!!!!
!!!!!!"
210 DISPLAY AT(1,\):"! LOAN
AMORTIZATION !"
220 DISPLAY AT(,\):"! CAL
CULATIONS ;"
230 DISPLAY AT(,\):"!!!!!!
!!!!!!"
240 DISPLAY AT(5,10):"BASIC
DATA"
250 DISPLAY AT(6,1):"AMOUNT
OF LOAN? "
260 ACCEPT AT(6,20)BEEP VALI
DATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-9):A :: D
ISPLAY AT(6,20):USING "####
###":A
270 DISPLAY AT(8,1):"ANNUAL
INTEREST RATE: "
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280 ACCEPT AT(8,24)BEEP VALI
DATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-7):R :: I
F (R<1)+(R>25)THEN 280 ELSE
DISPLAY AT(8,22):USING "###\#
###":R :: X$=" 12"
290 DISPLAY AT(10,1):"NUM\ O
F PAYM'TS PER YEAR:"X$
300 ACCEPT AT(10,27)BEEP VALI
DATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-):X$ ::
X=VAL(X$):: Z=R/(X*100)
310 DISPLAY AT(12,_):"DO YOU
WANT TO CALCULATE"
320 DISPLAY AT(14,1):"! AMOU
NT PERIODIC PAYMENT?"
330 DISPLAY AT(16,1):"!2 NUM\
PM'TS TO PAY OFF LOAN"
340 ACCEPT AT(17,3)SIZE(-)V
ALIDATE("12")BEEP:V$ :: IF V
$="1" THEN 350 :: IF V$="2"
THEN 390
350 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"
" :: D
ISPLAY AT(14,1):"
"
360 DISPLAY AT(16,1):"
" :: D
ISPLAY AT(17,3):"
"
370 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"NUM\ F
M'TS PAY OFF LOAN?"
380 ACCEPT AT(12,26)SIZE(-)
VALIDATE(NUMERIC)BEEP:M :: G
OTO 460
390 DISPLAY AT(19,1):"PERIOD
IC LOAN PM'T?"
400 ACCEPT AT(19,21)SIZE(-8)
VALIDATE(NUMERIC)BEEP:P :: D
ISPLAY AT(19,21):USING "###\#
###":P
410 DISPLAY AT(23,1):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEPT
AT(23,25)BEEP:XX$
420 DISPLAY AT(23,1):"
" :: DISPLAY A
T(19,1):"
"
430 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"
" :: D
ISPLAY AT(14,1):"
"
440 DISPLAY AT(16,1):"
" :: D
ISPLAY AT(17,1):"
"
450 M=LOG(P/(P-A/Z))/LOG(L+Z
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)
460 F=INT(M):: IF V$="1" THE
N 480 :: IF M-F<101 OR M-F>\
99 THEN F=INT(M+1)
470 L=A:(L+Z)*F-P:(L+Z)*F-(
)/Z
480 IF L<101 THEN L=( :: M=F
ELSE IF L<11P THEN F=F-( :
: L=L+P ELSE L=L+(L+Z)
490 L=INT(L/100+15)/100
500 P=A:(Z:(L+Z)*M)/(L+Z)*
M)-L:: P=INT(P/100+15)/100
:: IF V$="2" THEN 1130
510 DISPLAY AT(12,1):USING "
TERM OF LOAN IN PAYMENTS ###
":M
520 DISPLAY AT(14,1):USING "
LOAN PAYMENT IS ###\#\#\#
":P
530 T=(P/F)+L :: T=INT(T/100
+15)/100 :: D=T-A :: D=INT(D
/100+15)/100
540 DISPLAY AT(16,1):USING "
TOTAL INTEREST IS ###\#\#\#
":D
550 DISPLAY AT(18,1):USING "
TOTAL COST IS ###\#\#\#
":T
560 DISPLAY AT(24,_):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEP
T AT(24,27)BEEP:XX$
570 CALL CLEAR :: N$="1"
580 DISPLAY AT(1,23):"PRESS"
590 DISPLAY AT(1,1):"WANT PR
INTED COPY OF":"BASIC LOAN D
ATA? 1"
600 DISPLAY AT(5,1):"WANT A
DISPLAY OF":"PAYMENT DATA?
2"
610 DISPLAY AT(8,1):"WANT PR
INTED COPY OF LOAN":"AMORTIZ
ATION SCHEDULE? 3"
620 DISPLAY AT(11,1):"WANT T
O RESTART CALC? 4"
630 DISPLAY AT(13,1):"QUIT
5" :: N$
="1"
640 DISPLAY AT(15,1):"WANT A
DD AM'T PRINC\ PAY? 6"
650 DISPLAY AT(17,27):"1"
660 ACCEPT AT(17,27)BEEP VALI
DATE("123456")SIZE(-):N$ :
: UU=VAL(N$)
670 IF UU=6 THEN 1240 :: "IF
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UU=) THEN 830 :: A=A+6 :: I=
I-1 :: 6=6-6 :: IF UU=( THEN
710
680 IF UU=\ THEN 190 :: IF U
U=5 THEN 1320 :: IF UU=_ THE
N V=( :: 60SUB 700
690 U=( :: 60TO 870
700 OPEN #[:"PIB" :: PRINT #
[:CHR$(27);CHR$(67);CHR$(1);
CHR$(11),CHR$(27);CHR$(78);C
HR$(5):: RETURN
710 60SUB 700
720 PRINT #[:CHR$(27);"W";CH
R$(1);" LOAN AMORTIZATION"
::
730 PRINT #[:TAB(5);"CALCULA
TIONS";CHR$(27);"W";CHR$(1);
: :
740 PRINT #[:USING " AMOU
NT OF LOAN, ###\#\#\#
":A
750 PRINT #[:USING " ANNU
AL INTEREST RATE, ###\#\#
":R
760 PRINT #[:USING " NUMB
ER OF PAYMENTS PER YEAR, #
":X
770 IF V$="2" THEN 1160
780 PRINT #[:USING " TERM
OF LOAN IN PAYMENTS #
":M
790 PRINT #[:USING " LOAN
PAYMENT IS ###\#\#\#
":P
800 PRINT #[:USING " TOTA
L INTEREST IS, ###\#\#\#
":D
810 PRINT #[:USING " TOTA
L COST IS, ###\#\#\#
":T
820 PRINT #[:CHR$(27);CHR$(17
9):: PRINT #[:CHR$(27);CHR$(
64):: CLOSE #[: :: GOTO 570
830 IF B THEN A=A+6 :: IF B
THEN I=I-1 :: IF R THEN 6=6-
6 :: W=( :: V=( :: U=(
840 CALL CLEAR :: DISPLAY AT
(1,1):"ENTER NUMBER OF PAYME
NT TO":"BE DISPLAYED"
850 ACCEPT AT(1,16)BEEP VALI
DATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-):Q :: C
ALL CLEAR
860 IF Q>15 THEN INC=Q :: E=
C :: GOTO 930
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870 CALL CLEAR :: DISPLAY AT
(8,1):"NUMBER OF PAYMENTS TO
BE": "PRINTED"
880 ACCEPT AT(9,15)BEEP VALI
DATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-):E
890 INC$="I " :> Q=(
900 DISPLAY AT(12,1):"DO YOU
WANT EVERY PAYMENT": "SHOWN
ON PRINTOUT OR IN": "INCREMEN
TS OF PAYMENTS\"
910 DISPLAY AT(14,15):"I "
920 ACCEPT AT(14,15)BEEP VAL
IDATE("1234567890")SIZE(-):
INC$ :: INC=VAL(INC$)
930 FOR H=[ TO E :: FOR C=[
TO INC
940 IF U=V-1 THEN P=P+W
950 K=A:Z :: B=P-K :: IF K+B
>A THEN B=A :: A=A-B ELSE A=
A-B
960 K=INT(K:100+15)/100 :: I
=I+K :: B=INT(B:100+15)/100
:: G=6+B :: A=INT(A:100+15)/
100 :: U=U+I
970 NEXT C :: Y$=" "
980 IF U=Q THEN DISPLAY AT(1
6,1):USING 1200:U,K,B,A
990 IF Q>15 THEN 1050
1000 IF (U+I=C):(H=1)THEN 10
10 ELSE 1030
1010 PRINT #C:" PAYMENT
PAYMENT PAYMENT
BALANCE ADDED TO"
1020 PRINT #C:" NUMBER
TO INTEREST TO PRINCIPAL
OF LOAN PAYMENT"
1030 IF W THEN PRINT #I,USIN
G 1190:U,K,B,A,W :: P=P-W ::
W=( :: IF U>V-1 THEN 1050
1040 PRINT #I,USING 1310:U,K
,B,A
1050 NEXT H
1060 IF Q>15 THEN DISPLAY AT
(20,1):USING 1230:Y$,U,I,G ::
A=A+6 :: I=I-1 :: G=6-G ::
U=( :: GOTO 1110
1070 IF Q=( THEN PRINT #C,US
ING 1210:Y$,I,G,U :: IF A=0
THEN 1090
1080 GOTO 820
1090 DISPLAY AT(21,5):"LOAN
BALANCE ZERO\" :: A=6 :: I=0
:: G=0 :: U=0
1100 DISPLAY AT(24,1):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEP
T AT(24,24)BEEP:XX$ :: GOTO
820
1110 DISPLAY AT(24,1):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEP
T AT(24,24):XX$ :: CALL CLEA
R :: GOTO 570
1120 PRINT #C:CHR$(27);CHR$(
79):: PRINT #C:CHR$(27);CHR$(
64):: CLOSE #C :: GOTO 190
1130 MP$="### PAYMENTS OF
#####\" :: DISPLAY AT(11
,1):USING MP$:F,P
1140 LP$="LAST PAYMENT IS
#####\" :: DISPLAY AT(13
,1):USING LP$:L :: GOTO 530
1150 DISPLAY AT(24,1):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEP
T AT(24,24)BEEP:XX$ :: GOTO
570
1160 PRINT #C,USING 1180:F,P
1170 PRINT #C,USING " . LAS
T PAYMENT IS, #####
\"#":L :: GOTO 800
1180 IMAGE ##### PAYMENTS
OF #####\##
1190 IMAGE ##### \###
\## \#####\## \
#####\## \#####\##+
1200 IMAGE :::::PAYMENT##
#####\##\##\##\##\##\##
BALANCE #####\## \#####\##
#####\##
1210 IMAGE #####TOTAL #####
\## \#####\## THRU P
AYMENT ##\
1220 !(P+
1230 IMAGE #####TOTAL THRU P
AYMENT ### \#####\## \#####\
##
1240 GOSUB 700
1250 CALL CLEAR :: W$="0
" :: DISPLAY AT(1,1):"EXTR
A PAYMENT? ")W$
1260 ACCEPT AT(1,16)BEEP VAL
IDATE(NUMERIC)SIZE(-9):W$ ::
W=VAL(W$)
1270 DISPLAY AT(1,16):USING
"#####\##":W :: V=U+1 :: IF
U<1 THEN V=1
1280 DISPLAY AT(23,1):"PRESS
ENTER TO CONTINUE" :: ACCEP
T AT(23,25)BEEP:XX$
1290 CALL CLEAR :: GOTO 870
1300 !(P+
1310 IMAGE ##### \###
\## \#####\## \
#####\##
1320 CALL CLEAR :: END
.F);AD;

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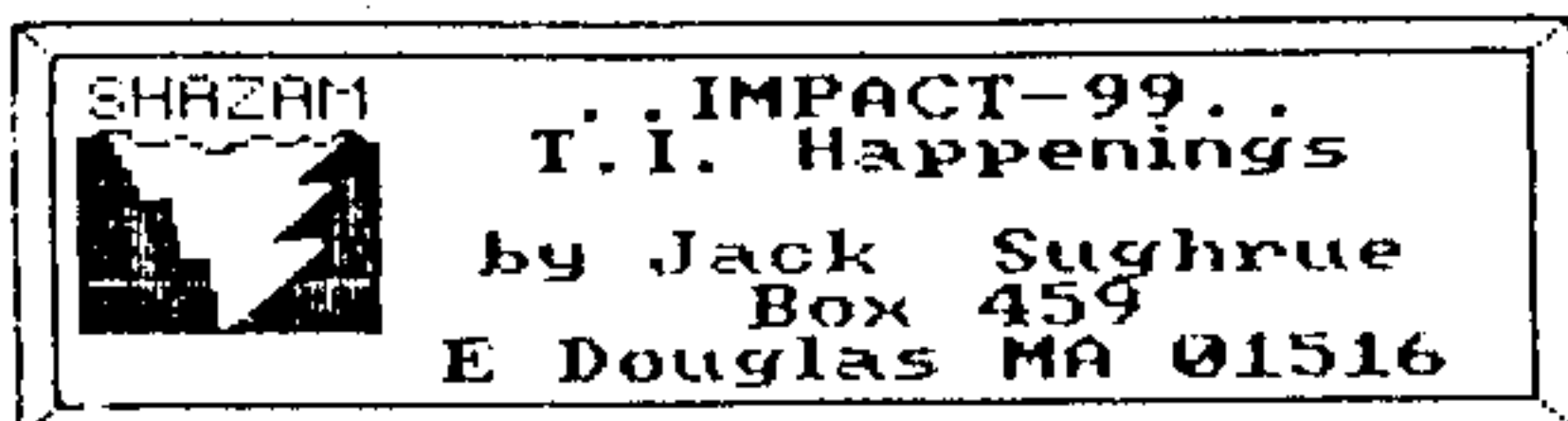
COLOR WINDOW: Here you can edit and view your choice of 10 color combinations. You can alternate between two sets of such combinations. The one listed at the top of the list is the combination that appears first when you boot FWB.

MENU WINDOW: This choice allows you to configure items 4-7 in each of the central; menus. You can configure autostaring D-FBO assembly files or assembly PROGRAM files. Each file name is limited to two characters and should either be on boot disk in the either one of the two central menu drive numbers specified above in the LOADING MENU. Press BACK to exit this part of the configuration process.

XB LIST AND UL LIST CONFIGURATIONS: These are both done in a similar manner. First Fletch) the list by pressing "F". Then press N(ext) or B(ack) to select the item to be configured and press E(dit) to change that item. Press <ENTER> to go from menu to menu in the editing process. When asked for the "Secondary" this refers to the drive number specified in the device window for the E/A central menu files. If you ask for a "Reminder", FWB will display the message INSERT UTILITY DISK when you attempt to boot the configured program from a FWB menu. When XB List or UL List configuration is finished (and S(aved) in the case of UL List, press BACK to return to the third window.

THE FINAL CONFIGURATION STEPS: Press BACK several times to return to the second window and then press S(ave) to save the modified SYSCON configuration data file back to disk for later use. Then press BACK, and from the first window press I(nstall) to install the configuration data into the LOAD and UTILI files. Follow the prompts. An alternate name for the UTILI file is FW and you can use this name if you want. The alternate name used to be RELOAD in earlier versions of FWB, but this name is too long to use with current Horizon Ramdisk Menu software. It is necessary to save the configuration data to BOTH the LOAD and the FW/UTILI files, so cycle through the installation process twice. Then press BACK a couple of times to return to the first window and press Q(uit) to return to FWB. If you exit configuration with Q(uit) you will not immediately see your new configurations. It is necessary to reboot FWB from the beginning for the new configurations to appear on screen.

(to be continued in Oct 1988 issue of Spirit of 99)



GOOD OLD DAYS ARE COMING BACK!

Remember those good old days of 1982-84 when there were loads of books and magazines for us TIers? When we could buy text materials for our computer faster than we could read and use them?

Methinks these days may be returning. At least a little.

At recent fairs and meetings I've attended there has been lots of talk about the disappearing textware in the TI World Community. No more books. No more magazines. No more...

Actually, there is more good, intelligent, useful TI stuff being written for textware today than there was four or five years ago. It's just that most of it is being written by users in user groups, not by some writer in an ivory tower somewhere. Most of these new writings are free (in newsletters with membership or in exchanges with other groups) and readily available.

Someday, I'd love to publish a list of my favorite dozen newsletters worldwide, but then the IMPACT column may be reduced to only 12 publications.

So much for that idea.

Joining a user group, even by mail if there aren't any nearby, may be the most sensible investment a 99er could make.

However, there are still lots of other sources for textware in our fellowship.

COMPUTER SHOPPER (\$21 for 12 monthly issues) P.O. Box 1419, Titusville, FL 32781-9988. This 10 x 14 500-plus page giant is probably the best single source for inexpensive disks, drives, cables, monitors, printers, what-have-you. It also has a listing of user groups (Check to see if yours is there.) and a TI classified section. But the reason most of us subscribe is the TI FORUM written by Ron Albright and John Zittrain. These two guys have a folksy approach to the realm of TI computing. Their monthly articles are full of wit and information and lots of heady reviews and predictions.

MICROpendium (\$20 for 12 monthly issues) P.O. Box 1343, Round Rock, TX 78680. This is the best magazine source for all TI owners, from super techie all the way down the ladder to people like myself. The 40-page newsprint periodical is totally devoted to the TI world and is as up-to-date as one can get. If you can only

afford one TI magazine, this is probably the one. (John Zittrain, Ron Albright, Barry Traver, Chris Bobbitt, and Bruce Forbes are probably going to kill me for saying that.)

ASGARD NEWS (\$6 for 4 quarterly issues) P.O. Box 10306, Rockville, MD 20850. Though this magazine is fairly new, the editor - Chris Bobbitt - has been programming and writing steadily for the TI community since his teenage years. So it's a natural step up to see a full-fledged magazine come out. Most of the first issue was devoted to previews of coming attractions and reviews of many of Asgard's products. Each issue, though, has an extended article (the 9640 vs the 99/8, for example) and editorials and regular columns and corners. Lots of small, helpful hints and comments are given on a variety of TI subjects.

Genial TRAVELER (\$36 for a one-year, six-disk subscription; \$65 for a two-year subscription. These subscriptions also have bonuses.) 835 Green Valley Drive, Philadelphia, PA 19128. In a way Barry Traver's diskazines are not strictly a hardcopy magazine, but the DV/80 files dumped will give you the equivalent of a novel. To be a 99er with a disk drive and not have this service is to live a deprived life. These are packed! Really packed disks of an incredible variety of things for the TI: music, utilities, games, wordprocessing, everything else. Far less than a penny a sector, these disks may be ordered as Volume One (the set already complete), Volume Two (still some to come), or both. I would recommend Volume One first.

All of the above you may already own or at least know about. But there is another text/disk setup out there that is really worth discovering. It's been around since September of '87, and it is another large value for we 99ers, though it just hasn't gotten the attention many other TI efforts have gotten.

Tld Bits is a bimonthly magazine for only \$8 (6 issues) for hardcopy or \$12 (6 issues) for disk (SSSD floppy). The disk contains lots of additional PD and Fairware stuff to extend to two sides. The magazine contains photos and graphics.

Mail to Bruce Forbes, editor; Route 2, Box 412; Sumnerduck, VA 22742.

It may be hard to make a decision about which version to get - disk or text. Although the disk contains the exact text of the hardcopy (and a lot of other surprise goodies besides), I personally am partial to the hardcopy for a number of reasons.

Tld Bits pilot issue contained some screen photos, graphics of an envelope cataloguer, and a screen graphic to go along with a program printed out.

The next issues, however, contained some of the best photographs I have ever seen of the internal structure of our computer. The text talks about chip replacements and

gives some very precise, easy-to-follow photographs and enlargements that make the process very logical, very clear, and - even to a non-techie like myself - very unfrighteningly practical.

It's one thing to see drawings (which are also in the magazine), but it's quite another to have step-by-step photographs of the entire process.

These magazines are jam-packed with all kinds of stuff that you don't find in MICROpendium, ASGARD NEWS, or - because of the nature of the zine - Genial TRAVELER.

Bruce supplies the reader with all kinds of inside information on a large variety of things for us 99ers. Lots of prices of things. Lots of addresses. Lots of reviews. Lots of programs.

It's a one-man operation at this point, and each issue gets better and better.

Bruce has promised to continue this magazine through at least one year's subscription. And hardcopies of all past issues will be available through 1988 with each subscription. The disk versions will continue to be available, I assume, for a long time to come. Newsletter editors may be interested in getting this version for an excellent source of some interesting material.

Bruce says of his excellent efforts, "A lot of thought went into the pricing of Tid Bits. We were keeping in mind that the TI community has been shafted too many times. Therefore, we set a break-even factor projected to December 1988. If we should pick up a sponsor or advertiser throughout the year, those funds would be used to lure a TI Brain to produce unique articles for us." (I'm available, Bruce.)

"We are committed to 1988 and are cautiously optimistically looking to 1989. If the world doesn't end or the TI community completely collapse we project some kind of survival into 1989 and beyond."

Hooray!

Writers and programmers and techies and non-techies, take note! Here is a good source for you to get those articles and designs and comic strips published.

Readers, here is another great TI source that needs

all our support. For only \$8 we could be supporting our own futures with our fabulous machines.

Good luck, Bruce!

HELPFUL HINT OF THE MONTH

This has to do with TI WRITER (or any version: FUNNELWEB, BA WRITER, whatever).


Did you know you can type anything you want after a carriage return ON THE SAME LINE and it won't print out. But it'll SAVE. This is great for text notes for screen reading. I've used this a lot, particularly when I'm writing articles or poems. Very handy.

Also handy is the space use in LF and SF.

When you LF and there is already a DSK2.HEMENWAY up there on auto and you want to load DSK2.KONG, all you have to do is type the KONG and press the Spacebar and Enter, even though it'll say DSK2.KONG MAY on the screen. Actually, you can even SAVE a file with a long (up to 80-col) note after a filename and space. This will disk SAVE and screen read but not print out. Lots of handy reasons for this on working disks.

Another handy-dandy is letter saving. If you write as many letters as I do (between 30 and 40 a week), it's a good idea to let your FUNNELWEB do the sorting and hard work for you. Just name the letter by date and name in the following way. If I write to Jim Peterson on May 17 I would SAVE the file as DSK2.517JIMPETE. Always month first (5) followed by day (17) and the name as far as it'll go. So if I wrote to Jim on November 27 it would be 1127JIMPET, but if I wrote on April Fool's Day it would be 4JIMPETER. This is also handy if you write a lot of letters on the same day, as TI WRITER will sort them for cataloguing first by number then by letter. So they will be numerically AND alphabetically sorted in the catalog.

Have any handy-dandys of your own (or ones you've come across)? Send them along. I'll be happy to IMPACT them for you, with full credit, of course.



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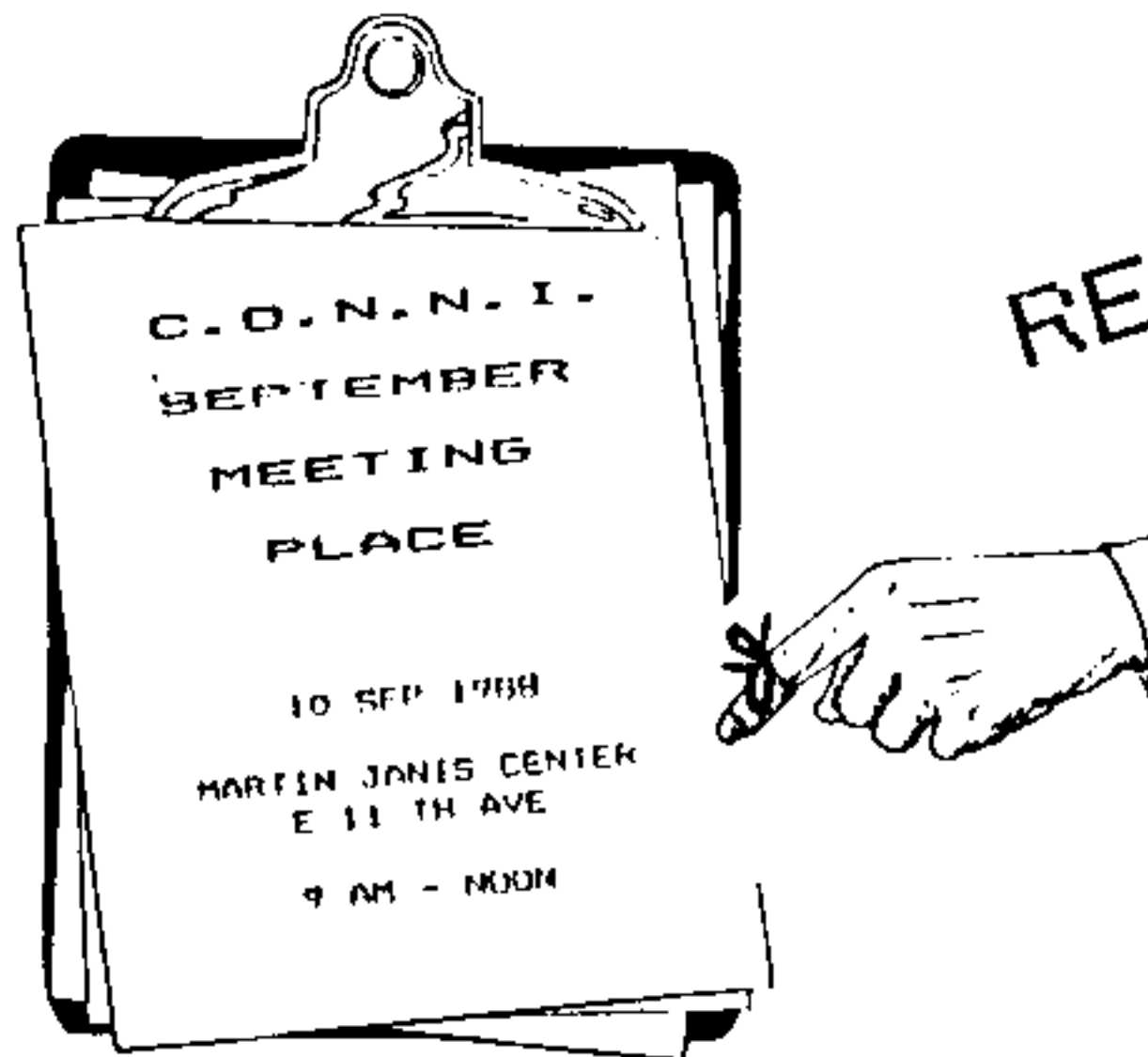
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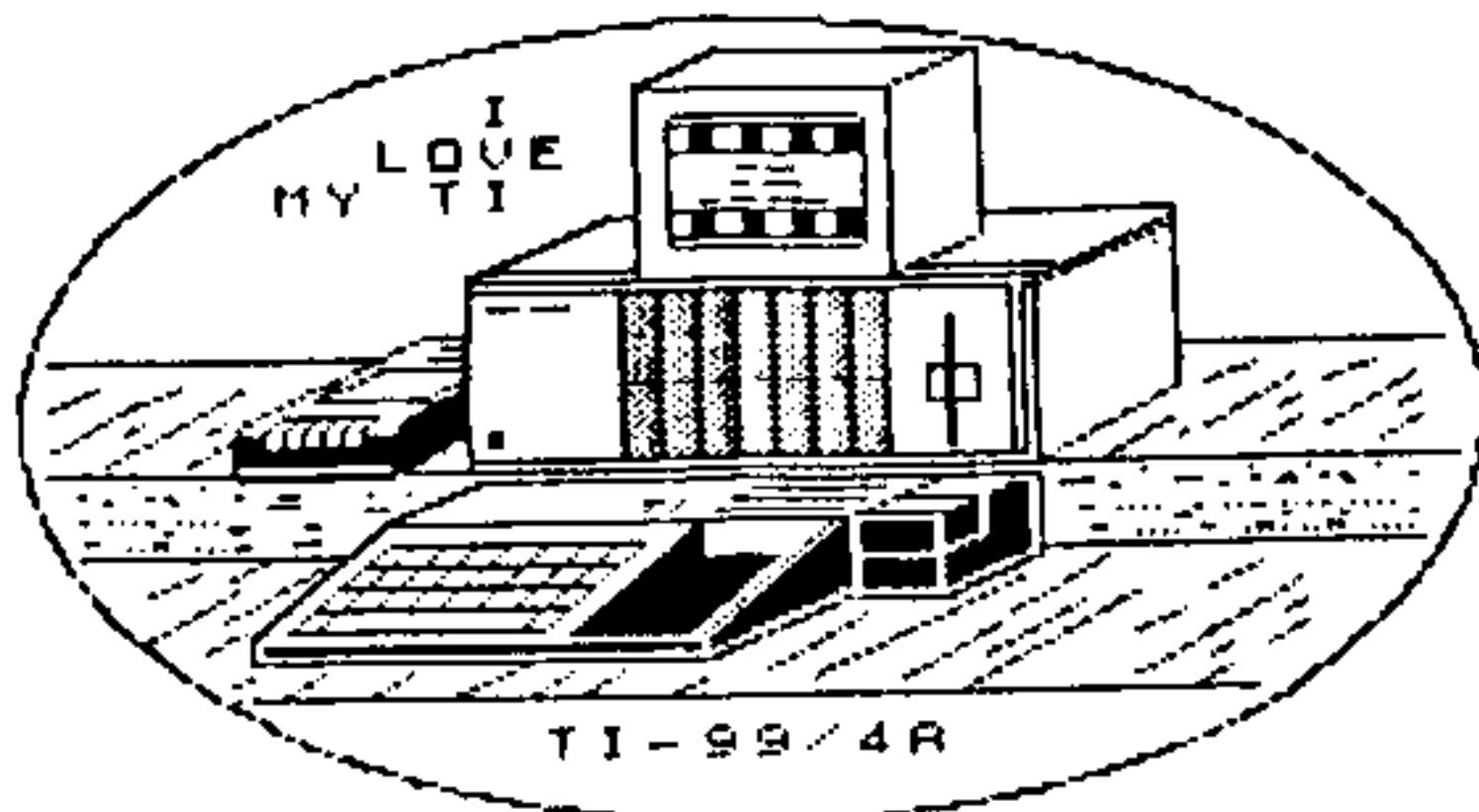
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