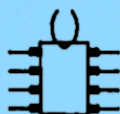


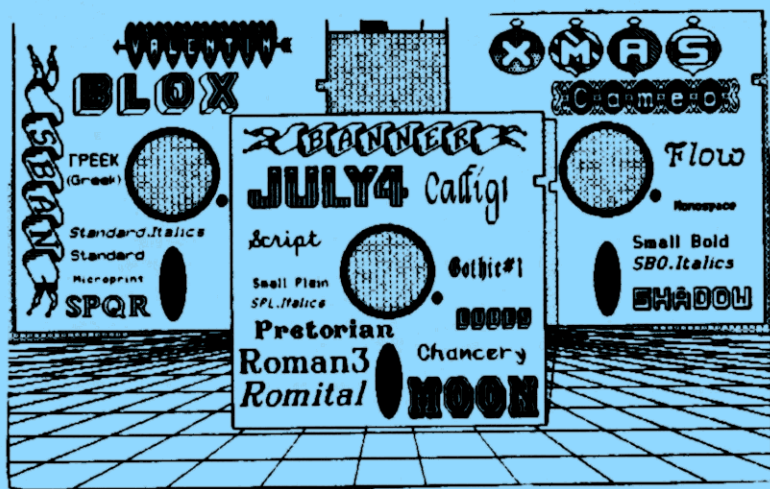
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LOOK---PAY ATTENTION*---the next SBUG meeting will be held at the
Cupertino library. Time: 7:15 P.M.

The next 3 meetings will be held on June 17, July 15 and August 19.

The speaker will be Frank Vanslager. The subject: The Intel family of microprocessors
from the 8088 to the 80386. This is a subject most of us know very little about. If you
don't show up for this one, the rest of us will have the privilege of scoffing at your
ignorance.

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If the need arises, give anyone of us a call.

THE EDITOR'S BYTES AND BITES

The last Mochican speaker died in Huacho in 1937. The thought of that lonely soul, the last representative of his tongue and culture inspires me with a profound sadness. Because I know you wish to know, I will tell you that the Mochicans were a city/state (empire?) in northern Peru, and Huacho is a port on the central Peruvian coast.

The Mochicans were conquered by the Chimu, a rather straightlaced people who were disgusted by the sexy Mochicans and slaughtered them in thousands. The Chimu were in turn conquered by the Incas who were even more straightlaced and slaughtered several thousand more sexy Mochicans. The Incas were then conquered by the Spanish who (officially) didn't like sex at all and finished up the slaughter of the Mochicans. I just told you this so you'd understand why that poor guy was dying all by himself in Huacho in 1937. No, there's no moral to this story, you can be as sexy as you wish; I don't think the Chimus or the Incas, or even the Spaniards care one way or another. I sure don't.

There are still a lot of Model 4s around that my 4 and I can talk to, but the tunnel gets a little darker each month. Eventually I will be one with the Mochican, the only Model 4 speaker in a remote corner of sleepy San Jose. Talking to yourself can be extremely interesting for short periods of time but not as a full time endeavor.

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SBUG Financial Statement
May 29, 1986

Receipts:	May	Y-T-Date	% Used	Budget
Members dues	160.00	609.00	60.90%	1000.00
SBUG BBS Dues	0.00	0.00	0.00%	200.00
Disk Library	0.00	62.00	51.67%	120.00
Load80	0.00	216.00	108.00%	200.00
Documentation	0.00	0.00	0.00%	40.00
Interest	0.00	3.54	11.80%	30.00
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Total Receipts	160.00	890.54	56.01%	1590.00
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Disbursements				
Phone	0.00	254.19	105.91%	240.00
Utilities	0.00	40.00	15.15%	264.00
Printing	0.00	303.19	84.22%	360.00
Postage	0.00	94.00	62.67%	150.00
P O Box	0.00	0.00	0.00%	26.00
Bank charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Disk Library	0.00	204.97	409.94%	50.00
Documentation	0.00	0.00	0.00%	80.00
SBUG BBS	0.00	0.00	0.00%	200.00
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Total Disbursements	0.00	896.35	65.43%	1370.00
Begin Cash Balance	353.81	519.62	100.00%	519.62
Net Receipts	160.00	-5.81	-2.64%	220.00
Ending Balance	513.81	513.81	69.47%	739.62

But listen to the sighing wind through the semiconductors. There may be hope. Let us begin with Media Master Plus. This is a program that will permit you to exchange data and run 8-bit CP/M programs on PCs and compatibles. Of course that's relatively easy because MSDOS was modeled after CP/M. (A poor choice by the way, they would have been better off modeling it after TRSDOS 1.3.)

Moving along at a good clip, we surprise Macintosh announcing that Apple intends to make the Mac PC compatible.!!! Well, not quite, but they are planning on coming out with an interface that will enable the Mac to run MSDOS programs.

Another way of running your CP/M programs on a MSDOS machine is to get a NEC V20 chip that will run CP/M on a MSDOS machine. For the Z80 users, the big news is that NEC is working on a chip that will run everything from Z80 through 80386 software.

All of this activity between operating systems means that there are a lot of people who are annoyed at being Mochicans dying in Huacho. Or Sunnyvale.

WORD PERFECT 4.1
REVIEW by Alan B. Abrahamson
from VOICE OF THE 80

When you choose a name for the software program that you are about to write you had best keep your act together. The title for this little beauty declares "perfection" and I am certain that the author(s) mean what they say. I am NOT altogether certain that they have reached nirvana as yet but it is certainly not for a lack of trying. If I have a complaint about this word processor, it would have to be that it is too good or maybe that should be stated as too complex. We all know that the first thing everyone should do when trying out a new software package is READ THE DOCUMENTATION. But being from the SOHK (School Of Hard Knocks) I feel that takes the fun out of the evaluation. Besides, I want to see how difficult the program is to learn for the novice user, and if I can use it without wading through tons of documentation and still become fairly adept at using the program, that program will get a high score in my book. You might classify that as "user friendly".

I am certain that most if not all of you reading this piece use or have used word processors before. This one is a bit different and much more complex than any that I have seen before. Of course, with the complexity come functions that boggle the mind. For example, I am typing this text in two column mode and the processor is on-screen handling all the shifting of the data for me. When the word mode appeared at the top of this column, it appeared by itself all aligned with the format that I had constructed earlier. The columns could have been set for any size or and up to 5 column can be controlled. If I edit this document it will reformat the text accordingly, all automatically.

The program has the ability to do business arithmetic (add, subtract, multiply and divide) and controls a multitude of printers with aplomb. It contains a built in Thesaurus and Dictionary, both of which work with great efficiency. It handles footnotes, headers, footers, document merges and also contains a full macro invocation set.

Let us dwell a bit on the dictionary and thesaurus. These both are fantastic. The speed is adequate but the facility is unbelievable. You have the ability to check a word or the whole document, you can get a word count and even look up in the dictionary

phonetically. The thesaurus is large and comprehensive and will allow you to choose a replacement word for your text and even do the insertion (replacement) for you. These are really a beautiful combination of word processing tools for both the professional writer and the amateur as well. As an indication of the power afforded by these tools, let me state that the dictionary contains over 110,000 words and the thesaurus is of similar size. You can add words to your own dictionary as well, thereby customizing for your particular needs.

Page breaks are handled directly on screen according to the format you have selected and a visual broken line appears to set off the page. A status line keeps you informed as to the cursor position as well as the page number and document number. What's a document number? Well, you can have two screens going at once if you desire, and alternate between the two.

Screen colors, superscripts, bolding, subscripts, DOS entrysearch and replace are all here, of course. Underline, centering, flush right margins, tabs, block moves, indexing and much more also exist in the system. All the standards, like typeover, insert, delete, etc., exist as well. Document merge is another goodie and line drawing, if your printer supports the IBM graphics set, can be accomplished on screen. Hyphenation is available either as a "hard" or soft hyphen.

You want to know about file handling? WORD PERFECT does a terrific job here as well. It easily loads and writes ASCII (DOS type) text files as well as saves in its own unique format, retaining all character attribution with the document. It even has some utilities to convert files from other data formats like LOTUS DIF or SYLK files, comma delimited database files and a few others as well.

So what's the problem? Thought you'd never ask. WORD PERFECT is probably too complex for most users. If you don't need all this power, then you shouldn't consider purchasing this product. Not to mention that the price of the product is a bit steep (\$495 for Version 4.1 (DM editor's note-- Version 4.2 is now available, same sweet price). Why too complex? The IBM keyboard layout has been used to "simplify"???????? the command structure. For example, each function key has four functions through the use of the key alone, the Alt plus F key, the Shift key plus F key and the Ctrl key plus F key. These combinations alone give you forty commands to ponder and when you select most of those, you are presented with a sub-menu of up to 6 more choices selected by number. I really don't know how many choices that is, but the number is staggering. In addition you can program all character keys to be used with the Ctrl key for 52 more commands or macros and in addition to that you can establish macros on disk and call them by name. Lots of power, but complex as I stated before.

To conclude, power to spare if you've the inclination to spend the time to learn a most powerful and comprehensive word processing system. For the power word processing user, WORD PERFECT may just be your ticket to heaven, but for the occasional letter writer/memo maker type, WORD PERFECT may just be more trouble than it's worth. What with too much to think about in terms of function the program may tend to get in the way of your thoughts. I know that I could have written this piece in half the time with my "old" word processor, but that's not fair. I know how to use that one. After all, I read the documentation for that one. Or did I?

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May 4, 1986 - San Jose Mercury News
"For Sale: Your Used Computer"
Courtesy of Bob Brown

How much is your used computer worth?

Apple II+	48k 2dr mono.mon	1,530	210
Macintosh 512k	1 dr mon	2,795	880
Atari 800XL	64k 0dr no mon	279	60
Commodore 64	64k 1dr color mon	595	200
Compaq Port	128k 2dr mono.mon	2,199	1,105
Eagle PC II	256k 2dr mono.mon	1,595	639
Franklin Ace	64k 2dr color.mon	900	127
H-P Port 110	272k 2dr mon	2,295	890
IBM PC/XT	256k 2dr 10mb mono.mon	2,895	1,174
Kaypro 4	64k 2dr mon	1,195	515
Osborne 1	64k 2dr mon	995	173
R/S Color	64k 0dr no mon	199	50
R/S Model 4	128k 2dr mon	799	350
Tandy 1000	128k 1dr mono.mon	999	450
Victor 9000	256k 2dr mono.mon	2,900	995

Used computer prices are published in "The Brown Book" by Santa Barbara based publisher. \$375 - 18 month subscription.

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SEAdog Electronic Mail System Special Offer for FidoNet Sysops

System Enhancement Associates, the makers of the popular ARC file archive utility, are proud to announce the release of the SEAdog electronic mail system.

SEAdog is a PC-based electronic mail system which is fully FidoNet compatible. In addition to all the functionality of FidoNet mail, SEAdog adds the following:

- * User directory support, for automatic lookup of node numbers
- * Return receipts
- * Audit trails
- * Message forwarding, with or without a retained copy
- * Twenty four hour mail reception
- * High priority mail for immediate delivery
- * The ability to request files and updates of files from other SEAdog systems.

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* No route files needed!

* A full screen user interface that our beta test sites fell in love with!

SEAdog is NOT a bulletin board system, but it can be used as a "front end" for Fido (version 11q or later), allowing you to add the full functionality of SEAdog to your existing system.

SEAdog normally sells for \$100/node, but for a limited time only we are offering SEAdog to registered FidoNet sysops for only \$50! Orders may be placed by sending a check or money order to:

System Enhancement Associates
21 New Street, Wayne NJ 07470

Or by calling (201) 473-5153 (VISA and MasterCard accepted).

TRS-80 Files -- Available on our bulletin board

XMODEM.CMD	2048	FILE TRANSFER PRG FOR MODEL I,III
MODEM80.CMD	11264	TERMINAL COMM PRG FOR MODEL I,III
IBM.CMD	4224	MODEL I TRANSF IBM TO TRS(OR REVERSE)
IBMIII.CMD	4736	MODEL III XFR FILES FRM IBM-III(OR REVERSE)
TRS80PRG.TXT	11595	LIST OF TRS80 PROGRAMS
BOWLING.BAS	4992	(BIN) GAME OF BOWLING TRS-III
GOLF.BAS	7680	(BIN) GAME OF GOLF TRS-III
PERQUACK.BAS	13952	(BIN) WORD GAME - TRS-III
TRSPRG2	3456	2/15/86 LIST OF OFF-LINE FILES
TRSPRG.ARC	52736	collections of TRS80 prgs for Neal Curtin 3/3/86
GNUS.TXT	1536	Allwrite & ProLog by Joel Lee 3/6/86
GNUS	1536	SUPERLOG 4 DEFINABLE KEYS FOR THE 4
LU	39040	
MOD4-2S.DOC	2425	03/21/86 Model 4: Going to Double-sided drives
MODIFY.DOC	810	03/21/86 Modifications for the Model 4
XTERM.CMD	19200	Excellent Terminal program for the Model III 4/5/86
HANGMAN	6656	WORD GAME
DECATH	19200	OLYMPIC GAMES
DIR.BBS	128	
PRONTO.DOC	2176	An article about Model 4 "Pronto" program

From Fido newsletter

IT TAKES ALL KINDS

We get some odd customers in the shareware business.

I don't mean the private individuals who make donations. They're a blessing. There's nothing quite like being appreciated. I remember one letter; the guy went on for pages about how he liked our product, apologizing profusely that he couldn't send any more.

Some of the companies are a bit off-the-wall, though. Not all, by any means. Most companies are pretty good about it. Well, the ones who pay at all are generally pretty good. I gather a lot of companies simply don't understand shareware yet, but

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we're getting there.

But there's that small percentage that kind of makes you wonder.

I got a call just the other day from one of them. It seems his company was one subsidiary of a large conglomerate, and he wanted to use our program in his project. His problem was that each of the subsidiaries is organized as a separate company in a separate location. For example, he worked for one outfit in New York, but there's another outfit in California that has a different name and is organized as a different company, but both are owned by the same conglomerate. Are you with me so far?

Now, he had heard of our "unlimited site license", and he wanted to know if we would consider the two companies (along with about another twenty all over the world) to be one "site".

The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language defines a site as "The place or plot of land where something was, is, or is to be located." I would tend to feel that it's pushing things a bit to consider the entire inhabited surface of the Earth as ONE plot of land.

I'm sure he felt he was trying to do the right thing. After all, he could have just used it, and to Hell with us. We're hardly going to go out and sue twenty companies around the world for a few hundred bucks apiece. No, he saw his legal and moral obligations, and wanted to do what was right. He just didn't want to spend any money on it. I tried to explain to him that spreading any "normal" commercial package that widely would cost far more. His attitude was "Well, yes, but..."

What can I say? People like that are ASKING for copy protection. They have no one to blame but themselves if they get stuck with it.

Juan E. Jimenez, Micro Consulting Associates
DataFlex Fido / Modem Help West
103/511 - 1/110

½ How to get your IBM-PC/AT running DOS 3.2 to write 720k ½
½ of data onto a 360k disk using 1.2 meg disk drives... ½

Sanford Zerkovitz, Sysop of Fido 103/506 and president of Alpha Computer Service, has come up with a way to squeeze 720k into those 360k disks which you can now get for around \$0.69 in quantity. The solution is in the form of a program he has written called INTRCPT.COM. The program is memory resident and allows you to write 720k of data onto a DS/DD diskette using the 1.2 meg drives.

There are some limitations to the program:

- (1) You must be using an IBM-PC/AT
- (2) You must be running IBM PC-DOS version 3.2
- (3) You must have at least one 1.2 meg drive

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The program works in conjunction with a program distributed with PC-DOS 3.2 called "DRIVER.SYS". Complete instructions are included in the release ARCHive, including full MASM source code. You can obtain the file from my Fido at 714-675-7106, 300/1200/2400, 24 hrs; or from any other Net 103 Fido in the NET 103 area code.

I have tested the program with Norton's NU, DSBKUP and a few other programs, and it works like a champ! The only program that we know it will NOT work with is DISKCOPY.COM.

Dann Porter, 148/2

A QUESTION OF PRIVACY

As responsible SysOps, we have all, from time to time, had to delete a message or two for a variety of reasons. How often have you "killed" a message that made reference to copying or trading commercial software? Or zapped some feeble-minded user's profanity-riddled effort at discussing the current debate topic on your board? All part of the job, right?

Now think back to the last message you performed a bitectomy on. Was it a PUBLIC notice or a PRIVATE one? Maybe you didn't even pay attention to that detail. I'm sure no one would dispute our right to erase a PUBLIC message that falls into the category of "unacceptable", but what about PRIVATE ones?

Do we have the right to impose our moral or ethical standards on users that we are offering a service to? A service that we promote as being PRIVATE. I can't believe that we do.

SOME NEWS ABOUT YOUR NEWSLETTER

by Editor

I frequently compare DYNAMIC MEMORIES with other club newsletters that are wafted into my hands. Like the New York Times, like the Washington Post, DYNAMIC MEMORIES has its strengths and its weaknesses.

The proof reading and spelling is better here than in most. (I don't correct the spelling in the mail section--that would be an abridgement of your first amendment rights). The writing is generally better. There are no graphics because I use a daisywheel and have no talent for graphics anyway. Other newsletters are much stronger on technical material, usually from the software angle.

When I was studying Basic I got to the point where I wrote a program using sequential-access filing and thought I was a pistol. I rested on my laurels at that point, and it now appears that that rest will be eternal. Unfortunately very little material is forthcoming from the members of the club who are capable of writing technical articles, so we will probably continue as we have for the last year and a half.

UNCHAINED MAIL

#78 7 22 May 86 19:19:10 (RECV'D)
From: Ian Webb
To: Joel Lee

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Subj: Uzi

Do you also require that perusers pass through a metal detector and undergo a body search in case they have any ideas of hijacking your manuals?

I agree that both are of great interest! It is good to acquire them now before they become collectors items like the Model III ROM manuals did. I am surprised that you do not have a reply to my question about "Why buy Tandy." Perhaps I will be bombarded by verbosity in the next epistle entitled

"Dynamic Memories?"

This will be message #95

From: Joel Lee

REPLY To: Ian Webb

Private? [y,N]: N

Subject: EPISTLE TO THE BARBARIANS (SUCCINCTLY)

Enter your message, blank line to end.

Words will wrap automatically

1: Read the evaluation of the Tandy 3000 in INFOWORLD. Certainly no Tandyphiles they. Nevertheless they are competent (usually) reporters. Tandy's strength is the ubiquity of their repair facilities. They may mess up, as we all know, but they are there and you can get the job done in much less time than you can with any other microcomputer company including IBM. They also make good machines even though they sometimes come out with jumpers running from here to there looking like a not-very-good high school science project. Now you know, Ian. No thanks necessary.

#81 10 23 May 86 07:42:00

From: Ian Webb

To: All

Subj: FOR SALE

One of our members, Chet Kemp (Redwood City), has some boards for sale which might be of special interest to Clone and Tandy 1000 users.

He has an AST I/O board which has the clock/calendar, RS-232, game port option. It is a short board and is perfect for the Tandy 1000.

He has the original DMA board for the Tandy 1000. This allows you to expand from 128K to a maximum of 384K and is a necessity if you really want to be able to run most IBM programs.

He has the memory expansion board which allows expansion to the full 640K. With these boards installed in a bare Tandy 1000, you have a maximum size PC compatible machine with automatic clock/calendar and the port for the modem. Chet will talk about price and is willing to make you a good deal. Call him at (415) 368-1263, he can deliver to you.

#82 13 23 May 86 07:46:35

From: Ian Webb

To: All

Subj: CALL WAITING

Phil Ross has left a message on another board which says that sending *70 before dialing will TURN OFF CALL WAITING for THAT CALL ONLY. You can put this in a preliminary string, like the long-distance access codes in some of the modem programs. He has tried it with a Tandy 1000 and the Tandy internal modem and it works fine. Since Phil works for the phone company, he might be

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a good source of help if you are experiencing other problems with your modem/phone interface.

I believe he checks in on this BBS from time-to-time.

#83 11 25 May 86 14:00:50 (RECV'D)

From: Gerald McKee

To: Ian Webb

REPLY TO #76

Subj: TANDY

WHY NOT! The 1000 is the THE unit for the LOYAL TRS-80 Group! Kidding aside, you who are non-techies will find it is supoted by a service department which may give you some ease. It just CANNOT be beat for the tops in education in matters such as:

How to overcome the designed in incompatibility!

How to make it work with 'foreign' hardware, such as Hard Disk & Controller card. You won't find the Tandy folks admitting 20 MB Hard is possible!! They would have you go to 3000 for that!

Why do I still have one? Cause I'm proud to have solved these problems!

Cheers

Gerry Mc Kee

#87 5 27 May 86 09:48:14

From: Ian Webb

To: All

Subj: Slow drive

If you look at today's (Tuesday, 5/27/86) Mercury-News, page 5C, you will see an advertisement in the center of the page for a TeleCAT-286 with a 1.2 MINUTE diskette drive. Maybe we should all call the store and ask them if that is how long it takes to access data or if it is the time it takes to format the drive.

Someone doesn't proofread their ads very well!

#88 5 27 May 86 20:44:47

From: Ian Webb

To: All

SEE ALSO #89

Subj: CLUB *

What would the membership say to a new 2-pronged club mission?

1. Support Tandy computers all models
2. Support MS/PC DOS clone computers?

Maybe this would bring in some new blood and provide help in upgrading to clone/compatibles for owners of present 8 bit Tandy machines.

ALSO:

I think an interesting meeting would be to get Affordable Computers to bring a "Clone Kit" to a meeting and have an otherwise inexperienced member (or members) put it together without help with the rest of the membership looking over their shoulders.

Might be an interesting experience for some who have not been too close to the hardware. I suspect that "Manny" from the computer show on TV who now seems to be trying to sell clone kits like automobiles would go along with something like that.

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What are your feelings?
Is there anyone out there?
I SOMETIMES WONDER!!!!

This will be message #96
From: Joel Lee
REPLY To: Ian Webb
Private? [y,N]: n
Subject: PREGNANT IDEAS

1: ALL of Ian's ideas are good except when he criticizes the editor for
2: verbosity not recognizing true literary gems. (Observe the sparkle)
Certainly we need a fresh approach. I think this could be a good one
4: because it is timely, it is simple and it could be dynamic if it were
properly implemented.

#89 6 28 May 86 08:07:08 (RECV'D)

From: Don Rhodes
To: Ian Webb
REPLY TO #88 SEE ALSO #91
Subj: Sounds Good!

Sounds like a good idea: Clone kit assembly demo for SBUG meeting
Wonder if anyone besides you and me log on the board???

#90 5 28 May 86 10:39:15

From: Ed Hoover
To: All
SEE ALSO #92
Subj: CLUB EXPANSION

As I sit out here in the overwhelming numbers of Tandy 2000's it seems
sometimes that the club could expand to include wider interests. It
seems to me that the BES's can get a big play if they have lots of
software to download or some special other interest like flying, ham radio or
genealogy. The software could be put on disks and sold at meetings for cost
plus handling. Like hitting a mule with a 2 x 4 jst to get his attention
before communicating further. I have always enjoyed SBUG and its members very much,
but my interest sure dwindles when we lose some thread of commonality.
DON, I Downloaded POPCORN.ARC the other day and it is a nice program.
I appreciate your making it available and I also got something for my
dues. Its great and that illustrates my point somewhat if I can use my 230
lb. self as an Inch-worm!

#91 5 28 May 86 15:39:18 (RECV'D)

From: Ian Webb
To: Don Rhodes
REPLY TO #89 SEE ALSO #96
Subj: log-ons

I think this is our private bulletin board, Don.
All indications are that no one else ever calls here.
Challenge to all passive users.....r e s p o n d!!!

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That ought to attract some attention!

#92 6 28 May 86 15:42:29

From: Ian Webb

To: Ed Hoover

REPLY TO #90 SEE ALSO #94

Subj: your message

Wow! Someone else on this BBS!!!!

I too hate to see SBUG dwindling in function and interest.

It is understandable that some SBUG users will lose interest and go elsewhere with their support and interests. When the newness of things like computers wears off, those with only passing interests are lost to other things.

The old "CB" effect!

I agree with what you are saying.

Perhaps we ought to have some special sections on the BBS.

We could start with a special message area titled "SEX."

That ought to get a few people's attention!

Seriously, how about starting some special interest groups.

One I think we should all be getting into...at least those of us with MS/PCDOS machines and CP/M machines is TURBO PASCAL.

Maybe I am biased since I use it and teach it at school, but I think the old BASIC die-hards ought to expand a bit. I wonder if there is enough interest to start a SIG group. Maybe we could decide on a group programming project to develop something we could all use...Oh no!, not another disk catalog program!

I might suggest if there really were interest, that we could contact Borland and see if we could get a group buy. (The educational discount is 59% on Borland products...)

As a first step, I might suggest that we have some new special interest areas on the BBS. 1. PASCAL (Turbo) 2. Clones and their Hardware 3. Hard-drives hardware/software support and 4. ?????? etc.

I wonder if there is any way that a few areas could be opened to the general public? I would think the Clone section might be interesting to people.

If we are to re-vitalize, I think that we should be willing to suspend the dues/membership requirement to hook a few new interested people.

SUGGESTIONS, COMMENTS, IDEAS???

This will be message #97

From: Joel Lee

REPLY To: Ian Webb

Private? [y,N]: n

Subject: WEBB OF IDEAS

1: Once again good ideas marred only by the fact that he doesn't take sex seriously.

#94 1 29 May 86 07:16:13

From: Don Rhodes

To: Ed Hoover

REPLY TO #92 SEE ALSO #97

Subj: Club Expansion

SOUTH BAY USERS GROUP

Hi Ed, Please see the list of files "OFF-LINE". They are entitled INDEX0001, INDEX0002, INDEX0003. These files may be put on line at your request. To see what is in these files without downloading, you can enter a Fido command: T filename
This will Type out the file on your screen, use Ctl-S to pause the listing.
By the way Ed, your the one that strayed from the commonality of TRSDOS 1.3 or TRSDos 6.1, not us. (Humor!)
#98 6 29 May 86 10:13:43 (RECV'D)
From: Chet Kemp
To: Ian Webb
Subj: Misc

Finally got on the machine yesterday and read your message.
Unfortunately, I screwd up my CAPTURE.TXT file, so I don't remember all you said - but I do remember you suggested that we might get together sometime. Sounds great, but we leave for a week to a condo exchange at Tahoe on Saturday morning. So maybe we can work something out for after June 7th?
I would like to get going on a hard disk, but don't want to do it without your help. Still dickering with StrawFlower, but doubt that is the right way to go. One possibility is to trade in the 1000 on a 1200 - what would you think of that??
I'll get back on the board again right after we get back. Cheers!
#99 2 29 May 86 13:42:04 (PRIVATE)
From: Jim Gonsalves
To: Joel Lee
Subj: PICTURE(S)
JOEL, I HAVE SOME PICTURES FOR THE NEWSLETTER..WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THEM? OR ???
.....JIM GONSALVES 241-9347

From: Joel Lee
REPLY To: Jim Gonsalves
Subject: PICTURES

1: Please call me tonight at 926-399 so we can arrange to get the pictures in this month's newailetter which is now ready for press. Any hour is a good hour.

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