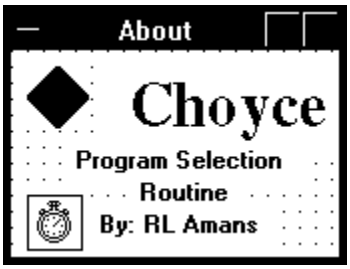

CHOYCE ... GIVES YOU A CHOICE WHEN YOU CLICK ON A FILE

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CHOYCE.WRI - CHOYCE documentation
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INTRODUCTION:

Microsoft Windows gives you the ability to invoke a program based on an association with a data file's extention. However, it is not rare that the file association Windows assigns is not valid for your particular purpose. Sometimes you have a problem deciding which of your text editors should handle a given .TXT file, or which graphics package should handle a .PCX file. Worse ... when you click a .BAT file or .PIF file do you want to execute the file or edit it? CHOYCE gives you the opportunity to decide what to do with file associations. It gives you a choice. CHOYCE lets you associate multiple processes with a single file extension. This includes executables such as .BAT and PIF files.

CONFIGURING CHOYCE:

To configure CHOYCE, manually edit your WIN.INI file with an editor such as "notepad". Once in the editor, move to the [Extensions] section. For suffixes which should associate with multiple application programs, replace the command field of the [Extensions] parameters with CHOYCE.exe instead of the usual application program. For example,

```
[Extensions]
doc=CHOYCE.exe ^.DOC
txt=CHOYCE.exe ^.txt
ini=CHOYCE.exe ^.ini
prn=CHOYCE.exe ^.prn
bat=CHOYCE.exe ^.bat
sys=CHOYCE.exe ^.sys
bat=CHOYCE.exe ^.bat
pif=CHOYCE.exe ^.pif
```

Save your WIN.INI file, exit Windows, and re-enter Windows for the configuration to take effect. No other changes to the WIN.INI file are required.

Next create a CHOYCE.INI file and add the file association you wish to have as shown in the following lines.

```
Sys/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe Edit .SYS files with WinEd
doc/View/C:\utility\view.com View .DOC files with View
doc/Edit/c:\utility\DpEd.exe  Edit .DOC files with DpEd
doc/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe Edit .DOC files with WinEd
doc/Word/d:\word\winword.exe       Edit .DOC files with WinWord
txt/View/C:\utility\view.com  View .TXT files with View
txt/Edit/c:\utility\DpEd.exe    Edit .TXT files with DpEd
txt/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe   Edit .TXT files with WinEd
txt/Write/d:\win\write.exe     Edit .TXT files with Write
ini/View/C:\utility\view.com   View .INI files with View
ini/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe   Edit .INI files with WinEd
prn/View/c:\utility\View.Com View .PRN files with View
prn/Edit/c:\utility\DPED.Exe  Edit .PRN files with DpEd
prn/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe  Edit .Prn files with WinEd
bat/View/c:\utility\View.Com View .BAT files with View
bat/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe  Edit .BAT files with WinEd
bat/Execute/                       Execute .BAT files
pif/execute/                       Execute .PIF files
pif/PIF Ed/win\pif.exe          Edit .PIF files with PIF Ed
```

The CHOYCE.INI file statement format is a follows:

extension/command button name/executable function

Therefore, the statement above

Sys/WinEd/D:\VB\WinEd.exe

means that a .SYS extension will be associated with the editor known as WinEd.EXE located on the D drive and VB subdirectory. Notice there are four associations to .DOC files, four associations to .TXT files, two associations for .INI files, three associations for .PRN files, three associations for .BAT files, and two association for .PIF files.

USING CHOYCE:

As usual, double click on a filename displayed by MS-DOS or File Manager. The CHOYCE command buttons will appear. The command buttons are based on the associations provided to windows in the CHOYCE.INI file. Click on (or tab key to) the desired command button. On a successful selection, CHOYCE shells to your selection and then immediately exits. If a problem occurs, CHOYCE displays a windows error message.

WINDOWS RELEASES SUPPORTED:

CHOYCE runs under Windows 2.03, 2.1X, and 3.0 in real, standard, and 386 enhanced modes.

LIMITATIONS:

None known.

TRADEMARKS:

MS-DOS, Windows -- Microsoft Corp.

CLOSING:

Pay special attention to the Readme.Txt file for update information.

Thanks for your support and registering of this software package.

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