WinASCII

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What it does

 This program simply collects any readable information from any file and displays it
with Notepad (which came with Windows 3.0) or any Windows or DOS file viewer you
specifiy. This is good for finding extra information about a program, looking for
possible trojan or virus messages, and snooping around in general.

Installation

 Copy WINASCII.INI to your Windows' direcotry (NOT the system directory).

 Copy WINASCII.EXE to any directory in your path.

Options

 Include file statistics: This will place information about the file
                    at the end of the output file.

 Minimize output file: The ouput file will load in a minimized state.

 Minimize when processing: WinASCII will minimize itself while it
                            processes the selected file. It will not
                            restore itself when file processing is
                            completed. This options does not yet work
                               while processing from the command line.

 Auto-Exit when finished: WinASCII will terminate itself when
                            processing is completed.

 Sound: To beep or not to beep.

 Compressed file warning: You will be alerted to a file compressed
                              with PKLite(tm), LZE(tm), or RIXEPACK(tm). You
                           will also be alerted if you try to open an
                           archive (ZIP, ARC, LZH, ARJ).

 Viewer: Enter the name of your favorite Windows or DOS file viewer
          here. It must be in your PATH. A default extension of EXE is   assumed.

 Minimum valid line length: The minimum line length works almost like
                              a signal to noise filter. If it is set too
                              low, there will be so much garbage that you
                                will have a hard time finding anything of

value. If it is set too high you will get
little or no information at all.

Save options: Saves the selected options for current and future use.

Save window position: Saves the current window position. The next
time you start WinASCII it appear where you last
left the window.

Verbose mode: Verbose mode displays extra information while
processing. Such as an estimated time to completion.

Command line use

 WinASCII can be used from a Windows command line interface such as 4WIN,
PSHELL, etc... Format is: WINASCII [filename[.ext]]

 When used in this way, WinASCII uses the options stored in WINASCII.INI. It also
Auto-Exits when used in this way.

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Shareware

 If you use this utility and find it to be useful please send $5 or more.

 If you send $10, I will mail you the latest version when available. (5.25" DD or 3.5"
DD)

 If you send $20 or more, I will include the Turbo Pascal for Windows source code. If
you don't feel that this program is worthy of registration at least send in your
comments please. Actaully, please send in your comments regardless. Thank you.

The Future

 I want this program to have it's own editor instead of relying on
NOTEPAD.

 I would like to implement decompression of files compressed
with PKLITE, LZE, DIET and/or any other file compressors.

I want to adopt the "Borland" windows and dialog style.

I will shortly be including a Windows' help file.

Warranty

 There is absolutely no warranty of any kind. Use at your own risk.