

OUR GANG

by Clifton Karnes

(Originally published in January 1991 issue of "COMPUTE" magazine.)

Ever wonder who really developed *Windows 3.0*?

Well, just between you and me, there's a secret key sequence that displays the *Windows Gang Screen*, a list of all the *Windows 3.0* developer's names. Here's how to get it.

First, minimize all your applications, including the Program Manager. Next, hold down F3 and type *win3*. (be sure to hold down the F3 key while you're typing F3.) Last, release F3 and press the backspace key.

Your wallpaper will be replaced with a screen of the *Win 3* development team. If the names look a little strange, it's because they're the developers' computer log-ons. Under DADS, for example, you'll see billg for Bill Gates. Click a mouse button or press a key to make the gang screen disappear.

If this whets your appetite for more and you have *Microsoft Word for Windows*, here's how to get that program's gang screen, which includes background fireworks. This is a little involved, so hang on.

Choose *Format* from the menu bar and *Define Styles* from the pull-down menu. Click on *Options*. In the *Based On* combo box, select *Normal*, (be sure *Next Style* is *Normal*). You'll get an error message. Click on *OK* in the dialog box and *Cancel* in the *Define Styles* box.

Next, choose *Help* from the *Word for Windows* menu bar and *About* from the pull-down menu. When the dialog box appears, press your Caps Lock key. Now for the big moment: Press and hold the keys O, P, U, and S. The dialog box will be replaced with multi-colored fireworks, and the names of the *WinWord* developers will scroll by. Be sure to notice the names under *Penguin Trainers*. I'm still wondering exactly what they did...

END