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DayMaster For Windows

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'Helping You Master Today & Everyday'

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Introduction

This on disk manual is intended to get you up and running with DayMaster as quickly as possible. It documents every feature of the program. It assumes that you are somewhat familiar with the operation of Windows and Windows programs, so it does not dwell on selection of icon bars, push buttons, mouse cursors, etc.

Features

DayMaster is designed to start your day with a brief glimpse into history. It will provide you with historical Events, Birthdays and Anniversaries that occurred on that date. It also will provide you with historical information that is important to you personally. The program then lists any Reminders that you have entered for that date (in one of many formats), and give you a Quote for the day from either a stock library or one you have created. The program will greet you verbally and even provide you with a picture for that day (or a different one to draw your attention to significant Reminders).

DayMaster displays day, day of the week, month and year for the system date along with a scrollable listing of historical events and reminders for that day. Additionally, user is given a vocal greeting and has a picture for that day displayed.

Over 3000 historical events and 1000 quotes in stock libraries.

Allows User to add personal Events, Birthdays & Anniversaries, and Quotes from within the program.

User can choose to make the personal or stock library of Events have priority in the display.

User can add reminders on a Weekly/Monthly/Daily/Annual/Single or Range of dates basis.

If there are Reminders for that day, a special vocal text is played.

Krystal Ball feature allows User to view events for any date past or future without changing system date.

Toggles turn on/off Menus, Vocal Greeting, and Century.

User can change the Daily picture displays and the Reminder picture display.

User can choose Male or Female voice.

User can choose the order for items within the display.

Maintenance option deletes past Reminders.

Handles date formats from around the world

On line Help system.

and much MORE!

Getting Started

SETUP will place the following program files in a sub directory:

ADAT.DAY
BDAT.DAY
CDAT.DAY
DAYMSTR.CFG
DAYMSTR.DBT
DAYMSTR.EXE
DAYMSTR.HLP
DAYMSTR.OVR
DAYMSTR.WRI
DDAT.DAY
EDAT.DAY
FDAT.DAY
GDAT.DAY
HDAT.DAY
IDAT.DAY
JDAT.DAY
KDAT.DAY
LDAT.DAY
MDAT.DAY
NDAT.DAY
ODAT.DAY
PDAT.DAY
RDAT.DAY
WDAT.DAY
XDAT.DAY
ZDAT.DAY

It will also place the following documents there:

COMMENT.WRI
REGISTER.WRI
UPGRADE.WRI

Select the DayMaster icon to start the program.

Once the program starts you will be presented with the DayMaster display screen.

DayMaster Display Screen

When you first start the program, you will be given a verbal greeting for the time of day (Morning, Afternoon, or Evening). The DayMaster display screen will then appear. On the left side of the screen the month, day, year and day of the week will be displayed. This information comes from your system clock and calendar, so if it is incorrect the display will be too. Under the day of the week the picture for the day will be shown (see Pictures, below, to change). The right hand side of the screen has a scrollable box of events and reminders for that day, along with a quote for the day. The order that information is displayed in can be changed (see Display Order below). At the bottom of the screen will be two buttons, the Exit button ends the display and exits the program, the Menu button brings up the program's menu. The bottom line will show the Registered User's name or information on the Menu item selected.

NOTE: If the Menu toggle is on, the two buttons at the bottom of the screen will not be displayed, instead there will be a Menu at the top of the screen.

Starting DayMaster At StartUp

You can add DayMaster to your StartUp routine, by first Maximizing the StartUp window, then click on the DayMaster icon and dragging it onto the StartUp Window. The next time that you start Windows the program will run as part of Windows starting.

Libraries

There are two sets of libraries used by the program to display information: Stock, which is supplied by Unicorn Software Ltd. and can not be changed, and Personal, which is information you add to the program and can be edited.

Exit Menu

By selecting this, you will end the program's display and Exit back to Windows.

Entries Menu

This menu allows you to Add to or change the Personal libraries of the program. You can Add, Browse Events/Births/Anniversaries, Browse Reminders, and Browse Quotes.

Add: Allows you to Add Events, Birthdays and Anniversaries, Reminders or Quotes. Select the type of entry you wish to make and hit the OK button.

Event: Allows you to enter the date for the Event, then the event itself (up to two 60 character lines). The date format is user defined (see Date Format below)

Birthday/Anniversary: Allows you to enter the date for the Birth or Anniversary, then the event itself (up to two 60 character lines). The date format is user defined (see Date Format below)

Reminder: Allows you to select the type of Reminder you wish to enter: Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Annual, Single or Range. After selection is made the applicable screen for the Reminder will be displayed.

Daily: This type of reminder is one you want displayed every single day. You will have an entry box displayed to enter the Reminder.

Weekly: This type of reminder is one you want displayed on a particular day every week. You will have a drop Down box that will allow you to select the day desired and an entry box for the text of the Reminder.

Monthly: This type of reminder is one you want displayed once a month on a particular numeric day. You will have a box to enter the numeric date and an entry box for the Reminder text. NOTE: Avoid using 29, 30 & 31 as all months do not have these days.

Annually: This type of reminder is one you want displayed every year, only once a year, on the same date. You will enter the full date for the Reminder (the year will be the first year you want it displayed) and a box for the text of the Reminder.

Single: This type of reminder is only displayed once on a particular date. You will have an entry box for the date and the Reminder text. (Note: If you run MX after this date, it will purge the expired Reminder from the library).

Range: This type of reminder is one you want displayed every day between a set of dates. You will have an entry box for the Start and End dates (inclusive) and for the Reminder itself. (Note: If you run MX after the End date, it will purge the expired Reminder from the library).

Quotes: Allows you to enter a Quote into the personal library. The quote can be up to three lines, the third line displayed is for the originator of the Quote.

Browse Events/Births/Anniversaries: Allows you to look through the Events, Birthdays and Anniversaries in your personal library.

You have the option of editing the entry, by highlighting the desired entry and hitting the OK button, or deleting the entry, by hitting the Erase button. You will be asked for confirmation prior to deletion.

Browse Reminders: Allows you to look through the Reminders in your personal library.

You have the option of editing the Reminder, by highlighting the desired Reminder and hitting the OK button, or deleting the entry, by hitting the Erase button. You will be asked for confirmation prior to deletion.

Browse Quotes: Allows you to look through the Quotes in your personal library.

You have the option of editing the Quote, by highlighting the desired Quote and hitting the OK button, or deleting the entry, by hitting the Erase button. You will be asked for confirmation prior to deletion.

Browse Reminders: Allows you to look through the Reminders in your personal library.

You have the option of editing the Reminder, by highlighting the desired Reminder and hitting the OK button, or deleting the entry, by hitting the Erase button. You will be asked for confirmation prior to deletion.

Toggles Menu

This menu allows you to toggle on/off Menus, Century, and Voices as well as Change Voice and look into the Krystal Ball. A displayed check mark means the option is toggled on (with the exception of the Change Voice where a check mark means Male voice).

Menu Option: Turns on/off the upper menu display (the Menu will still popup if you select the Menu button on the DayMaster display screen.

Voice Option: Turns on/off the vocal greetings.

Century Option: This option allows you to have the Century displayed whenever a year number is displayed (i.e. 94 would be 1994). This helpful for entries prior to 1900 and after 2000.

Change Voice Option: Allows you to toggle between the male and female voice for the vocal greetings.

Krystal Ball Option: Allows you to view the display for a different date (one that you enter). After hitting the OK button the DayMaster display screen for that date will be shown.

Utilities Menu

This menu allows you to change Date Format, Display Order, and Pictures used by the program. It will also allow you to run MX and purge the stock libraries.

Date Format Option: You can set the date format to American, British, Italian, German or French style formats.

Display Order Option: Allows you to select the order of items for display on the DayMaster display screen. You can choose from Events, Birthdays & Anniversaries, Reminders, Quotes, or None.

NOTE: The original setting is: Reminder, Events, Birthdays & Anniversaries, and Quotes.

You can also choose which library has priority when being displayed (which library will be used first).

Pictures Option: Allows you to add or change pictures for each day of the week, as well as one for days when you have a Reminder. Once selected you will be shown a display screen with the existing picture shown, use the New button to select another picture. The title of the Window will show you the maximum space available for your screen for the picture (in pixels) the bottom line of the screen will display the size of the picture shown.

If you do not desire any picture, use the Delete button.

Press the Done button to complete your changes.

MX Option: This option purges out expired Reminders and resequences the file for maximum speed.

Purge Events: (Registered Version Only). This option deletes ALL Events, Birthdays & Anniversaries from the stock library.

Purge Quotes: (Registered Version Only). This option deletes ALL Quotes from the stock library.

Help Menu

This menu allows you to run the DayMaster Help file, display the About screen, and fill out the Registration form.

Help Option: Runs DayMaster Help.

Registration Option: (Unregistered Version Only) Calls up the form REGISTER.WRI in Windows Write so that it can be completed.

About Option: Displays legal and version information about the program.

Enjoy!

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Appendix A

Tips, Tricks, & Misc

Getting Voices To Play:

The Voices in DayMaster rely on the fact that you have properly installed and configured your sound card or PC Speaker to use the MCI Audio Driver. If you have not, the Voices will not work. Consult your sound card manual for details if the Voices do not work.

Speed Up Tips:

Turning off Voices and deleting all Pictures will speed program execution (and remove some of the fun) since the program will not have to load these files and run them.

The Voices:

The two voices used in the program, are also available in Unicorn Software's program SensuVoX 1. SensuVoX is a collection of over 500 WAV files from 5 different vocalists designed to work with speech programs within Windows. It allows you to give your PC a "Sensual Voice". The project has over 100 standard Window's commands, Solitaire commands, talking clock, and "TastyBits" (miscellaneous and provocative comments) from each of the vocalists. This set features four female (Ciara, Oceania, Linda & Sheree) and one male (Pete) vocalist. All WAVs are in English for this version.

The Vocalists used in DayMaster are Oceania and Pete.

The complete SensuVoX collection (all 5 vocalists) is available from Unicorn Software for \$29.95

Appendix B

OMNIDay

OMNIDay is the perfect companion program for DayMaster!

I wanted to use my computer to keep a diary of goings on in my life and to document my own personal history. I started using a word processor for awhile to write my opus but there are drawbacks: You have to name each file daily or search for the end of the file if you use a single file for a month, the disk space taken up by some word processors was bigger than it needed to be, I had to enter the date everyday manually, getting a print out was a pain of printing a bunch of individual files, and it was easy for someone else to get hold of my data disk and read it. So OMNIDay was born:

Program Features:

- * Handles up to 10 Users.
- * Optional encryption of data
- * 10,000 encryption possibilities (User defined)
- * PassCode entry to protect privacy
- * Automatic entry of text date line
- * Modifiable PassCodes & encryption options
- * Dynamic data file (only as large as entries)
- * Each page can be up to 2K, with 99 pages per entry
- * You name data file, screen colours, and path
- * Interfaces with Windows Notepad for Cut/Paste/Copy operations
- * Reminisce feature allows you to 'thumb' through entries
- * Works with spell check/thesaurus programs
- * Allows entry of default Spell Checker information
- * Prints out entire opus or selected dates
- * Output can be sent to an ASCII file or Printer
- * You name the opus and enter your name into program
- * Import and Export Text
- * User can set up/change WallPaper
- * Much more!

OMNIDay was the winner of the *SW Magazine* , Editor's Choice Award. Order both programs at a great discount. See REGISTER.WRI for details.

Appendix C

Technical Assistance & Latest Versions

Both registered and unregistered Users can obtain technical assistance by calling (816) 429-3558
NOTE: Unregistered Users will need to provide the name and address of where they obtained the software from in order to gain this assistance. This will let us go back to that company if they are distributing an older version and it helps us track who is distributing the program. The number is manned (by a human) from 6:00 to 9:00 PM CT, Sunday-Thursday.

Unicorn Software Support Conferences

The Kokomo BBS: 317-457-9100

The RoadHouse BBS: 317-784-2147 (FIDONET 1:231/290)

Both BBSs allow first time downloads and will always have the latest versions of Unicorn's software. Unicorn Software programs are available via "File Request" from The RoadHouse BBS (1:231/290). You can FREQ the magic name "UNICORN" from 1:231/290 for information on Unicorn Programs and their FREQable "magic" names.)

The Unicorn Distribution BBSs

RoadHouse BBS 317-784-2147 1:231/290 (Unicorn Support BBS) {9600 HST}

BIZyNet BBS 619-283-1721 1:202/1008 {9600}

RapidRiver BBS 715-435-3855 {9600}

JAPCUG BBS 517-789-7556 {9600 HST}

Kokomo BBS 317-457-9100 {9600}

Law & Order BBS 517-263-0273 {9600}

The Distribution BBSs will always have the latest versions within hours of release. Additionally, these BBSs have proven to be reliable and worth the cost of every minute of connect time. Even if you are not looking for our latest versions: Give Them A Call!

All of Unicorn's programs are also available through the Shareware Distribution Network (SDN), and may be downloaded from any SDN location.