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Introduction to Time & Chaos

Time and Chaos

Time and Chaos is intended to be an alternative to the abundant supply of overly complex Personal Information Manager's (PIM's). Having adopted the use of Microsoft Windows several years ago; I left the world of VANILLA DOS behind. I never want to see a black and white screen with a **C:>** ever again!....AND I hate leaving my Windows world to fall back a decade to use inconsistent DOS Applications.

I have purchased 3 major highly rated, very high priced PIM's; I am still frustrated with their over engineered complexity for my requirements. I need a Calendar, a TODO list and a Telephone Book AND I need them shown to me in an obvious intuitive manner.

Further...I don't sit in front of my PC all day - so, I need the ability to print my calendars to take them with me.

I didn't think that my requirements were all that unique. Many of you obviously agree from all of the correspondence that we have received. **I thank you for the insight..the idea's..even the complaints! It has helped tremendously. Please keep those cards and letters coming.**

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Revision History

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Changes in this version:

User Selected Fonts for Printing
Day Titles
Appointment Alarms
Autodial Features
User selectable Telephone Listing
Clock Display
INI File now resides in Windows Directory
General Bug Fixes as reported

Future Enhancements Planned:

Telephone Book Anniversaries Field -> TODO
Jr. Size Printouts
User Selectable Colors
Drag and Drop Repeat
Ability to Delete all repeated app'ts
One user defined telephone field

Main Screen Instructions

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As you start TChaos.exe the main screen appears displaying a Perpetual Monthly Calendar, Your Daily Appointments, Your Daily Todo List and Your Personal Telephone Directory.

The Perpetual Monthly Calendar:

Providing your system's clock is set properly the calendar will be the current month and today's date will be highlighted.

There are 3 buttons as possible choices.

Previous: Rolls calendar to the month immediately prior to the month shown.

Next: Rolls calendar to the month immediately next to the month shown.

Today: Regardless of which month or year you are currently viewing, Today will check your systems clock and return you to the current date.

Single Clicking on any single calendar date will go to that day, check for your appointments and todo items for that day.

Daily Appointments Display List:

Day Titles will appear over the appointment list area (next to the clock)..see menu instructions for more details.

ADD: Will call a dialog box for you to complete with details regarding your forthcoming appointment to be scheduled on the date highlighted on the Perpetual Monthly Calendar.

Double Clicking on any appointment in this display area will recall that appointment as it was entered. You may edit the appointment, delete it or cause it to repeat as appropriate.

TODO List Display:

Add: Will call a dialog box for you to complete with details regarding your forthcoming todo item for the current day highlighted on the perpetual monthly calendar. Items entered here will roll over from day to day until they are deleted or you have marked them as completed.

DOUBLE CLICKING on any todo listed will recall the to do as it was entered. You may now edit it or delete it as appropriate.

Telephone Book Display:

Add: Will call a dialog box for you to complete with the telephone details regarding your contact. In the first box, you should the name as you wish it to appear in the telephone display list area. You may choose to list a phone book entry by a company's name rather than by Last name,First name format. Should you be upgrading from a previous version of Time and Chaos, some minor editing may be required, however I think you will find the flexibility worth the effort.

SINGLE CLICKING on any telephone book entry listed will recall the Telephone Numbers associated with the entry

DOUBLE CLICKING on any telephone book entry listed will recall the entry as it was entered. You may now edit the entry or delete it as appropriate.

AUTODIALER: The Autodialer is currently only set to work with your modem as COM1. If you find this a major inconvenience please drop me a line and let me know. It's pretty easy to

allow user selectable choice here. I did not go ahead and add this now because I am starting to get concerned with the size of the TChaos.exe file size and other memory related issues. Everything we add takes more room. Basically to operate, all you need to do is Click on the button next to the telephone number that you wish to dial.

Also once the Telephone List has the focus you can type the first letter of the name you are seeking and it will jump immediately to the first entry that begins with that letter. Subsequent keypress of the same letter will find the next and the next and so on.

Menu Commands

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File

File Menu

Setup Time and Chaos:

Will allow you to specify the default times of day that you wish to schedule your appointments. Either in 15,30 or 60 minutes intervals. You may also select your typical days start time and end time. This can be changed at any time, should any exception occur. This will generate an updated TCHAOS.INI file in your Windows directory.

You may also select a default typeface for your printer to use for calendar/ todo/ phonebook printouts. You may have to experiment a bit to determine which font works best for you. (Windows almost provides device independence but not quite yet!)

You may also choose how early you would like to be notified of upcoming appointments. Enter this in minutes only from 0 to 999. Time and Chaos will beep to remind you and provide a display note as well.

Printer Setup:

Will bring up your printer setup to allow for easy modifications, for the various calendar printouts.

Exit:

Ends Time and Chaos and returns you to Windows.

Appointments

Appointments Menu

Add Appointments

Provides an alternate to clicking the ADD button, also a shortcut key Ctrl A will invoke Add Appointment Data Entry Screen.

Add Day Title

This was a great idea from a user. When you have a special day ie) XMAS ... you use this option to associate it with the day with no time specified. Wife's Birthday ... Travel Day etc... Also prints on Calendar without associated times.

Print Calendar

Your choice, Monthly or Weekly

Print Weekly

This option will print in Landscape Mode. It generates a weekly calendar for the week that is currently highlighted on the main calendar. Even if Wednesday (for example) is highlighted then Print Weekly Calendar will generate your weekly plan beginning on the Sunday prior and concluding Saturday of that week. **Once again, particularly on Laser Printers you will need either a font cartridge or a Windows Font Package capable of generating tiny typefaces.**

Print Monthly

This option will print a 8.5" x 11" portrait printout of your appointments for the month. **Particularly on Laser Printers you will require the use of a Font cartridge or Font Package that supports windows in order to print tiny typefaces. Thats alot of data to fit on one page.**

ToDo

ToDo Menu

Add TODO Item

Provides an alternate to clicking the ADD button, also a shortcut key Ctrl T will invoke Add TODO Data Entry Screen.

Delete Old "Done" TODO Items

This selection will Delete all completed "X" TODO items and remove them from the file. This should be done periodically to maintain system performance.

Print "Outstanding" TODO Items

Will print in Portrait Mode, a 8.5" x 11" formatted list of your daily TODO items. The particular day is selected by highlighting that date on the main calendar. If printing is not the correct size. **I recommend the use of a 3rd Party font package for Windows.**

Telephone Book

Telephone Book Menu

Add Telephone Book Entry

Provides an alternate to clicking the ADD button, also a shortcut key Ctrl P will invoke Add Telephone Book Data Entry Screen.

Print Telephone Book

Will print in Portrait Mode, a 8.5" x 11" formatted list of your Telephone Contacts. If printing is not the correct size. **I recommend the use of a 3rd Party font package for Windows.**

Search

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Find

Allow you to search appointments for the month selected, your todo list and your telephone book. It will search quite well with just a key of a few letters. For example if you wanted to know when your next appointment is scheduled with BOB SMITH, typing only SMI would probably find the appointment you are seeking. Subsequent searches (find next) are available with a single keystroke F3.

