

Font to Document Printer

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An Easy Font Viewer

I guess there is some truth in complaints. This macro **FontToDocPrinter** has been so difficult and frustrating to do that I really can't get too enthusiastic about now regaling you with some of my mis-adventures with people and computers. I even can hear a "Phew!" and a sigh from the back of the room as you, (you know who you are) relax knowing that you don't have to wade through some wacky story about some of my wackier friends. Nope, **FontToDocPrinter** needs no story, it can stand on its own two little feet!

I say that with some obvious pride (and relief) as there were several points in writing **FontToDocPrinter** where I had to give up and do something else. **FontToDocPrinter**, the blankety blank thing, wouldn't work. The WordBASIC book had no (well let's say I couldn't find them) examples on the stuff I was trying to do. Fortunately I reread a very nice piece by Kate Edson one of the Sysops on the CompuServe Word Forum. That text and code piece opened a small door in my mind. Like Alice in Wonderland I squeezed through that little door into a fantasy world of Event Driven programming filled with Dialog Boxes, Arrays, PushButtons and other weird but fascinating tools. I had been on the other side of the looking glass looking in, not seeing but looking in. Now at least some of this stuff is coming together even though it still reminds me of the Mad Hatters tea party with strange language and stranger Error messages.

What This Program Does

How many font do you have on your computer that are loaded in your C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM directory? Ten, twenty, thirty, or like me more than seventy? Do you use them? Do you have any real idea what the fancy little symbols that exist in each font look like and would you like to see them? Would you like to erase a lot of those fonts that get put there by programs like "New PrintShop" or "ShareWare Fonts are Us" or you name it? Would you like to print out to a neatly boxed and formatted page all the "WingDings," "Symbols," "Inter," and other fonts with a legend that gives you the number of each one so that you can use this stuff more easily than squinting at tiny symbols on a pull down menu? Would you like to paste these symbols into your document as **text** and not as a field code so that you don't see formulas when you display the fields? Well if any of the answers is "Yes!" this little macro may be useful for you as well as fun to run. It **is** fun to run.

How to Run the Program

Bitmap of Dialog Box for **FontToDocPrinter**

The macro **FontToDocPrinter** opens a new document window to print the fonts to that document; if you have nine (9) documents open, WinWord will throw up an error box telling you that you need to close a document. But except for that, nothing could be easier to run than this program; just single click on the little red OK button, and read the built-in help file that is included **inside** the macro . . . a real built-in help file, just like a real computer program!

Bugs 'R Me

I have tested **FontToDocPrinter** and all the other macros that I upload as best I can "from here." What that means is that WinWord 2.0 is very smart and will load files and macros from one directory to another making me think that my macros will work even on the moon. But obviously that is not true. If you find that these macros do not perform correctly, please leave me a message on CompuServe and I will walk you through them, all of them if necessary. In your message to me, please include the following information:

1. **Name** of the macro.
2. What **name** and **number** of **Error Message** appeared.
3. What were you trying to use the macro to do?
4. The **Template name** the macro came in and the **date** at the top of this template file.

Copy the Macros

The macro **CopyAMacro** will search for the directory that contains your templates and will give up if it can't find a WIN.INI option that lists this path. **CopyAMacro** will then look for the option "programdir" in WIN.INI. If it fails again, then it will recommend the directory C:\WINWORD which is the usual place most people keep their global, default template NORMAL.DOT. But, if you want to copy all these macros from FONTPRTR.DOT to any other template, you may.

CopyAMacro is a one way copier, **from this template** to any other template. This version of **CopyAMacro** does not allow you to select macros one at a time. Most of the complaints from the accidental and inadvertent "De Palma Beta Testers" have been in typing in the macro names

or in using earlier versions of this macro. This one has been tested fairly thoroughly, but as usual, give me a call if you have any trouble.

When you click on the Macro Copy bug below, FONTPRTR.DOT will close after all the macros are copied to NORMAL.DOT. If you have not opened a document with NORMAL.DOT, no document will be open when you finish, this is "normal." Again, if you use it to copy to NORMAL.DOT, the document related to NORMAL.DOT will remain open otherwise **CopyAMacro** closes both templates.

MacroCopy Bug

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