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Welcome to VB Icon Extractor!   VB Icon Extractor is your icon copy machine!   Everybody likes icons and this program will scan through a variety of file formats looking for icons to copy.   Icons are copied to a specified directory as standard individual .ICO files. Icons can even be saved as bitmap (.BMP) files! Duplicate icons can easily be erased by pressing a button!   VB Icon Extractor is a great companion program for <u>VB ICON BROWSER</u>!

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DRIVES LIST

Select which drive to make active by clicking on the down arrow symbol and selecting the appropriate drive.   If you select a floppy drive, insert the disk before making your selection. The DIRECTORIES LIST is used to change the directory.

DIRECTORIES LIST

If the **All Files check box** is checked, the selected directory will be used as the starting point for copying icons and any directory that is under the selected directory will also be read.   To select a directory, you must double-click on it.   If the **All Subdirectories check box** is not checked and the **All Files check box** is checked, then the files that are displayed in the FILES LIST will have their icons copied to the path specified in the COPIED ICONS DESTINATION FIELD when the . COPY ICONS BUTTON is pressed.   The DRIVES LIST is used to change the drive.

FILES LIST

This displays the files that icons will be copied from. There are three file formats that icons can be copied from (Windows programs (.EXE), Windows dynamic link libraries (.DLL), and Windows icons (.ICO)).   You can specify which file format(s) to copy icons from by checking/unchecking the appropriate file format check boxes.   At least one file format must be checked.   The DRIVES LIST is used to change the drive and the DIRECTORIES LIST is used to change the directory.

FILE FORMATS TO READ CHECK BOXES

These check boxes determine which file formats VB Icon Extractor will copy icons from.   EXE files are program (executable) files.   DLL, ICL, and NIL files are libraries which may contain several icons.   ICO files are individual icon files which is the same type of file that VB Icon Extractor creates.   Additional file formats that are specified in the READ ADDITIONAL FILE FORMATS DIALOG BOX are read by having the ??? check box turned on.   Each check box is turned on or off by simply clicking on it. An "x" will be displayed in the check box which indicates that icons will be copied from that file format.   The initial default is to copy icons from the EXE and DLL file formats, plus the file formats specified in the READ ADDITIONAL FILE FORMATS DIALOG BOX.

FILE FORMAT TO WRITE RADIO BUTTONS

These radio buttons determine which file format VB Icon Extractor will copy icons to.   ICO files are individual icon files which can be used by any program that works with icons.   BMP files are individual bitmap files which can be used in most programs that work with Windows graphics including word processors, painting programs, presentation programs, and help files.   Clicking on one of these radio buttons will turn the selected button on and turn the other radio button off.   A filled circle will be displayed in the radio button which indicates that icons will be saved to that file format.   The initial default is to save icons to ICO files only.

SCOPE TO READ CHECK BOXES

These check boxes determine how many files VB Icon Extractor will copy icons from.   When the **All Files** check box is checked, VB Icon Extractor will copy icons from each appropriate file, otherwise, VB Icon Extractor will only copy icons from a single file that you select or double-click on.   When the **All Subdirectories** check box is checked, VB Icon Extractor will copy icons from the current directory as well as every subdirectory, otherwise, only the current directory will be read from. Each check box is turned on or off by simply clicking on it.   The initial default is to copy icons from all files in the current directory and subdirectories.

DIRECTORY FOR COPIED ICONS FIELD

Specifies the drive and directory where icons will be copied to.   The default is "c:\extract", however, you can type in any path you prefer.   VB Icon Extractor will remember the path when the program is used again.

COPY ICONS BUTTON

When pressed, if the **All Files check box** is not checked, then icon(s) will be copied from the file that is selected in the <u>FILES LIST</u>.   If the **All Files check box** is checked and the **All Subdirectories check box** is not checked, then all appropriate files that are in the selected directory will have their icon(s) copied. If the **ALl Files check box** is checked and the **All Subdirectories check box** is checked, then all appropriate files that are in the selected directory as well as all appropriate files that are in the subdirectories will have their icon(s) copied.

HELP BUTTON

Displays the <u>TABLE OF CONTENTS</u> for VB Icon Extractor's on-line help.   Helpful information about the object that is currently active can be displayed by pressing the F1 key.   Use the tab key to change the object that is currently active.

INFO BUTTON

Displays the <u>INFO DIALOG BOX</u> that contains copyright information and information about other Valley Programming products that are available.

INFO DIALOG BOX

Displays copyright and credit information for VB Icon Extractor and a button for showing information about other Valley Programming products that are available.   If you are using an unregistered copy of VB Icon Extractor, press the REGISTRATION INFO button for information about how you can order a personalized registered version of VB Icon Extractor.

EXIT BUTTON

Exits VB Icon Extractor and frees up resources used by the program.

ORDER FORM BUTTON

Displays the PRINT ORDER FORM DIALOG BOX for printing out an order form to order a registered copy of VB Icon Extractor and other registered versions of Valley Programming software.

PRINT ORDER FORM DIALOG BOX

Press the PRINT button to print an order form that can be used to register VB Icon Extractor and order other registered Valley Programming software.   If you like, you can choose the font to use for the order form.   Pressing the CANCEL button aborts the order form printout.

OTHER PRODUCTS BUTTON

Displays the OTHER PRODUCTS DIALOG BOX that lists other software by Valley Programming.

OTHER PRODUCTS DIALOG BOX

Lists other Valley Programming software.   Press each button for information about each program.   Press the PRINT ORDER FORM button to print an order form.   Press the CREDIT CARD ORDERS button for information about how to order by credit card.   Press the COMPUSERVE button for information about how to order on CompuServe's GO SWREG shareware registration service.

ERASE DUPLICATES BUTTON

Displays the ERASE DUPLICATES DIALOG BOX that allows you do delete any duplicate icon and/or bitmap files.   This function should be used with caution.

ERASE DUPLICATES DIALOG BOX

This function should be used with caution.   When you press the OK button, any duplicate icons and/or bitmap files that are in the **Directory to Remove Icons from** path will be deleted.   When the **Remove Duplicate Icons** check box is checked, any duplicate .ICO icon files will be erased.   When the **Remove Duplicate Bitmaps** check box is checked, any duplicate .BMP bitmap files will be erased.   Press the CANCEL button if you don't want to remove duplicate files.

1-800-2424-PSL (orders only)

Call Public Software Library at **1-800-2424-PSL or 1-713-524-6394 or FAX 1-713-524-6398** to order a **registered** copy of VB Icon Extractor and order other registered Valley Programming software using your credit card.   When ordering, you must **specify the product number** .   PSL is a credit card order taking service only and does not provide technical support.

VB Icon Extractor $19.95*, product number 10598

VB Icon Browser $19.95*, product number 10597

Font Heaven $19.95*, product number 10854

LAN/BBS Tournament Golf $24.95*, product number 10599

VB Icon Browser and VB Icon Extractor $29.95*, product number 10600

VB Icon Browser, VB Icon Extractor, Font Heaven, and LBGolf $49.95*, product number 11025

*Add $2.00 for normal s&h.   Add $4.00 for overseas s&h.

Orders are normally shipped within 48 hours!

COMPUSERVE'S SHAREWARE REGISTRATION SERVICE

On CompuServe, type **GO SWREG**   and use **Author ID 72630,1022** to get a list of all currently available Valley Programming software that you can order **registered** copies of on-line using your CompuServe account.   Simply select the product to order and follow the prompts.

Orders are normally shipped within 48 hours!

VB ICON BROWSER

VB Icon Browser is a must-have for any Windows icon collector!

Use VB Icon Browser to view, print, and organize your icons.   View 36 icons at once and quickly scroll through all icons in a directory.   VB Icon Browser is one of the few programs that can print icons.   You can print hundreds or even thousands of icons per page. Organize your icons by copying/renaming/deleting icons using the drag and drop method.

VB Icon Browser makes is very easy to identify icon file names for changing Program Manager icons!

Includes hundreds of icons and complete Visual Basic source code!

FONT HEAVEN

Font Heaven displays and prints a sample of each font to make selecting the best font for the job easy.   Rather than going through fonts one at a time (which is time consuming), Font Heaven prints **several** font samples in a window or on a page in single or multiple column formats in any size you wish.   Font Heaven is a very useful utility for those that have many fonts.

LAN/BBS TOURNAMENT GOLF

LAN/BBS Tournament Golf is great fun on bulletin board systems and networks as well as playing stand-alone on and off the Windows desktop.   Six courses are included and have a variety of difficulty levels.   If you don't know how to play golf, this is a great way to learn! If there is not a BBS in your area that has LBGolf, be sure to order a copy and get a local sysop to put it up!

USING .ICO ICON FILES

1) Change a Program Manager desktop icon by:

    A) Select the Program Manager icon to change
    B) Click File menu item
    C) Click Properties... menu item
    D) Click Change Icon... button
    E) Click Browse... button
    F) Select directory where icons are and double click on an icon file.
    G) Click OK button

VB Icon Browser makes it very easy to identify the icon file name for changing Program Manager icons.

2) Modify using an icon editor

3) Using VB Icon Browser, view, print, and organize icons.   View 36 icons at once, print hundreds or even thousands of icons per page, and use the drag and drop method for copying, renaming, and deleting icons.

4) VB Icon Extractor can also save icons to bitmap (.BMP) files which word processing, painting, presentation, and other applications can work with.

PROGRESS METER DIALOG BOX

This dialog box shows you the following information:

The current file and directory icons are being copied from.

The percentage of completion on the current file.

The number of icons found so far.

The number of icons copied so far.

The number of icons that were already copied so far.

The number of icons in the current file.

Press the **SKIP FILE**   button to stop copying icons from the current file.   Press the **SKIP DIRECTORY**   button to stop copying icons that are in the current directory.   Press the **STOP**   button to stop the process.

READ ADDITIONAL FILES DIALOG BOX

This feature gives you the ability to add additional file formats to copy icons from.   If you are aware of any file format other than EXE, DLL, ICO, ICL, or NIL that may contain icons, you can simply type the file specification in the Additional Files to Read field.   For example, if you wanted to copy icons from files that have an extension of IL, you would simply enter "*.IL".   Multiple file specifications can be entered by separating them by semicolons.   Not all files contain icons that can be copied by VB Icon Extractor.

SET ??? FILES BUTTON

Displays the <u>READ ADDITIONAL FILES DIALOG BOX</u> where files to copy icons from other than .EXE, .DLL, .ICO, .ICL, and .NIL files are specified.