EOF Needed to run this application.

README; ¬Converse Version 1.0

This is my first independent program since Next Training (http://www.next.com/Services/Training/OLS/OLS_10wk.html). Actually, I started this program while I was still in training. I am really liking and enjoying this "new" (to me) environment. I wish I had found it long ago. :-)

This program is my attempt to fill an application void identified by my team at Revco D.S., Inc. We want a way to send messages to others, and the other person to get immediate notification. Something like "popup" in the Novell network environment. While filling this void, I am also learning how to implement a number of new programming areas. I am using Distributed Objects, shared-preference panels (view swapping), the defaults database, a splitView, and different memory zones. I also want to add help. I feel ambitious!

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This is the beginning. This application will allow a NeXT user to send a message to multiple other users (using Distributed Objects). The user enters a message into the Input area, selects a User Address, and sends. Messages received, as well as a copy of all outgoing messages appear in the gray Log area. A list of User Addresses can be maintained individually or shared. Help is available

Version 2.0 (future possibilities)

- -add drag-and-drop on the file fields in Preferences, and maybe between Address Lists.
- -maintain multiple connections, vs connecting only to send messages then disconnecting. -provide scanning of network for receiving machines.
- -Addressing: put "enter arrow" on add button, and remove when not the key window.

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