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NEWSLETTER NEEDS HELP BADLY !!!

We need a newsletter editor or maybe a co-editor anyways and lots of help from a committee of volunteers.

!!! PLEASE !!!

TI National FORTH Information Center

Our group is now the Official FORTH Information Center for TI. We are in the process of collecting, collating and disseminating public domain tutorials, updates, debugs, enhancements and FORTH screens of games, utilities, routines and what-nots. We naturally welcome any additional submissions. To cover costs we are asking \$3 per disk and 10 cents per tutorial page.

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BONKERS

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10 DIM RN(36)
11 CALL CLEAR
12 RANDOMIZE
13 CALL COLOR(10, 2, 8)
14 CALL COLOR(11, 2, 9)
15 CALL COLOR(12, 2, 11)
16 CALL COLOR(13, 2, 13)
17 CALL COLOR(14, 2, 14)
18 CALL COLOR(9, 2, 4)
19 CALL COLOR(15, 2, 10)
20 CALL COLOR(16, 2, 6)
21 CALL CHAR(45, "FFFAASSAABAAABAAAB")
22 CALL CHAR(96, "3061BAFFFAAF16003")
23 CALL CHAR(100, "0C0865DFF5CBF0600")
24 CALL CHAR(104, "F1111111FF8888888")
25 CALL CHAR(108, "8F8888F81F111F1")
26 CALL CHAR(112, "C163361C3B6CC683")
27 CALL CHAR(116, "0C0CCBF81F13E030")
28 CALL CHAR(120, "007E5AFF7E3C2466")
29 CALL CHAR(124, "00FF7E5ABC7EC081")
30 CALL CHAR(128, "36468A90A04C8201")
31 CALL CHAR(132, "6062510905324D80")
32 CALL CHAR(136, "E7A5A5FF187E4242")
33 CALL CHAR(140, "FF99FF183C242424")
34 CALL CHAR(144, "7E5A7E2424664242")
35 CALL CHAR(148, "3C66FFEAC0D5FF7E")
36 CALL CHAR(152, "3C66FFEAC0D5FF7E")
37 CALL CHAR(156, "3D66FFF5703ABFF7E")
38 FOR X=1 TO 36
39 RN(X)=INT(15*RND)+1
40 NEXT X
41 V=1
42 FOR X=2 TO 22 STEP 4
43 FOR Y=6 TO 26 STEP 4
44 CALL HCHAR(X,Y,92+4*XRN(V))
45 CALL SOUND(20, 110+5*(X+Y), 3)
46 CALL HCHAR(X+2,Y+2,96+4*XRN(V))
47 CALL SOUND(30, 220+5*(X+Y), 3)
48 V=V+1
49 NEXT Y
50 CALL SCREEN(X/2+2)
51 NEXT X
52 V=0
53 PRINT TAB(7); "**** BONKERS ****"
54 GOSUB 119
55 PRINT " SCIENTIFICALLY DESIGNED.."
56 GOSUB 119
57 PRINT " TO DRIVE YOU..-----"
58 GOSUB 119
59 FOR X=1 TO 10
60 PRINT TAB(1.5*RN(X)+.5); "BONKERS"
61 CALL SOUND(100, 200+20*X, 3)
62 CALL SOUND(100, 400-30*X, 2)
63 CALL SCREEN(X+1)
64 NEXT X
65 FOR X=11 TO 20
66 PRINT TAB(1.5*RN(X)-.5); "BONKERS"
67 CALL SOUND(50, 300+25*X, 2)
68 CALL SOUND(150, 500-15*X, 1)
69 CALL SCREEN(X-5)
70 NEXT X
71 CALL SOUND(500, 110, 50)
72 CALL SOUND(1000, 110, 0, 120, 2, -2, 5)
73 PRINT " * BONKERS**BONKERS**BONKERS**"
74 GOSUB 119
75 PRINT TAB(11); "COPYRIGHT 1984"
76 TAB(6); "ARCADE ACTION SOFTWARE"
77 TAB(10);
78 " Gene Hitz"
79 GOSUB 119
80 CALL CLEAR
81 PRINT " AS I DROP BONKERS" ; " FRO
82 HI ON HIGH." ; " YOU CAN CATCH THEM" ;
83 " IF YOU
84 TRY."
85 PRINT " USE YOUR LITTLE" ; " BONKE
86 RS NET." ; " ONLY THREE MISSES" ; " DO
87 YOU GET
88 INPUT " JOYSTICKS ? (Y/N) " ; J
89 IF J<>"N" THEN 172
90 PRINT " USE THE ARROW KEYS" ; " TO
91 MOVE THE NET" ; " UP, DOWN OR SID
92 EWAYS"
93 AND KEYS <W> & <CR> FOR MOVING
94 UP DIAGONALLY."
95 PRINT " THE SPACE BAR, ALSO" ; " BRINGS
96 IT DOWN." ; " YOU CAN MOVE
97 UP TO 4
98 SPACES" ; " ON EACH TURN."
99 INPUT " NAME PLEASE " ; NS(6)
100 R=0
101 L=1
102 CALL CLEAR
103 CALL HCHAR(24, 1, 43, 32)
104 N=0
105 WHO
106 Y=Y+E/4
107 FOR V=2 TO 8
108 CALL COLOR(V, 2, 16)
109 NEXT V
110 CALL HCHAR(19*RND+3, 23*RND+4, 4*V+
111 FOR V=1 TO 12
112 CALL HCHAR(19*RND+3, 23*RND+4, 4*V+
113 C(A)=INT(RND*(17+2*L)+9-L)
114 H(A)=H(A-1)+2
115 M(A)=BB+B*A
116 CALL HCHAR(H(A), C(A), M(A))
117 NEXT A
118 IF J<>"N" THEN 166 ELSE 175
119 FOR X=1 TO 200
120 NEXT X
121 RETURN
122 CALL SOUND(100, 550, 3)
123 W=W+B*L
124 WS=STRS(W)
125 FOR Q=1 TO LEN(WS)
126 CALL HCHAR(2, 10+Q, ABC(BEGS(WS,Q,1)))
127 NEXT Q
128 N=N+1
129 H(A)=0
130 IF N>8 THEN 220
131 B=B+1+(B>7)
132 N=0
133 IF B>8 THEN 105
134 L=L+1+(L>4)
135 GOTO 105
136 CALL SOUND(300, -6, 0)
137 R=R+1
138 CALL HCHAR(H(A), C(A), 32)
139 IF R<3 THEN 129
140 PRINT " Score " ; W ; " Points "
141 M=NS(6)
142 SC(6)=W
143 FOR V=4 TO 2 STEP -1
144 IF SC(V)<=SC(V-1) THEN 152
145 BB=SC(V)
146 SC(V)=SC(V-1)
147 SC(V-1)=BB
148 B=NS(V)
149 NS(V)=NS(V-1)
150 NS(V-1)=B
151 NEXT V
152 NS(V)=M
153 NS(6)=M
154 SC(6)=0
155 PRINT " TODAY'S HIGH SCORES ARE:
156 FOR V=1 TO 5
157 LN=LEN(NS(V))
158 PRINT TAB(14-LN); NS(V); TAB(17); SC
(V)
159 NEXT V
160 PRINT ""
161 PRINT "WANT TO TRY AGAIN ? "
162 CALL KEY(0,K,S)
163 IF S<1 THEN 162
164 IF (K=89)+(K=121) THEN 85
165 PRINT "ANYONE ELSE ? "
166 CALL KEY(0,K,S)
167 IF S<1 THEN 166
168 IF (K=89)+(K=121) THEN 84
169 PRINT " THE ALL-TIME HIGH SCORE
170 IS 3115, KEYBOARD" ; " & 4323, JO
171 YSTICK
172 " BY GENE HITZ"
173 GOSUB 119
174 GOTO 222
175 CALL CLEAR
176 PRINT " MOVE YOUR BONKERS-NET" ; " IN
177 ANY DIRECTION" ; " WITH JOYSTICKS.
178 P TO 4 SPACES / TURN."
179 GOTO 84
180 FOR Z=1 TO 4
181 CALL JOYST(1,E,F)
182 IF (E=0)+(F=0)==2 THEN 209
183 CALL HCHAR(X,Y,32,3)
184 Y=Y+E/4

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180 X=X+Y/4
181 Y=Y+(Y>329)->(Y<32)
182 X=X+(X>1233)->(X<133)
183 CALL HCHAR(X,Y,43,3)
184 NEXT Z
185 GOTO 209
186 FOR Z=1 TO 4
187 CALL KEY(O,M,S)
188 IF S=0 THEN 209
189 CALL HCHAR(X,Y,32,3)
190 IF K=68 THEN 198
191 IF K=87 THEN 200
192 IF K=69 THEN 206
193 IF K=83 THEN 202
194 IF K=80 THEN 204
195 IF (K=88)+(K=32)=0 THEN 207
196 X=23
197 GOTO 207
198 Y=Y+1+(Y>248)
199 GOTO 207
200 Y=Y-1-(Y<33)
201 GOTO 206
202 Y=Y+1+(Y>248)
203 GOTO 206
204 Y=Y-1-(Y<33)
205 GOTO 207
206 X=X-1-(X<4)
207 CALL HCHAR(X,Y,43,3)
208 NEXT Z
209 FOR A=1 TO 8
210 IF H(A)=0 THEN 220
211 CALL GCHAR(H(A),C(A),V)
212 CALL GCHAR(H(A)+1,C(A),Q)
213 IF (V=43)+(V=32) THEN 198
214 CALL HCHAR(H(A),C(A),32)
215 IF Q=43 THEN 122
216 D=D
217 H(A)=H(A)+1
218 CALL HCHAR(H(A),C(A),M(A)+2+B)
219 IF H(A)>22 THEN 134
220 NEXT A
221 IF J="N" THEN 186 ELSE 178
222 END

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TRY THIS

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100 CALL INIT
110 FOR A=1 TO 255 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,-A):: NEXT A
120 FOR A=1 TO 255 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,A):: NEXT A
130 FOR A=1 TO 255 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,A):: NEXT A
140 FOR A=1 TO 255 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,-A):: NEXT A
150 FOR A=1 TO 255 STEP 4 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,-A):: NEXT A
160 CALL SOUND(100,110,0)
170 FOR B=1 TO 2
180 FOR A=1 TO 275 STEP 4 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,A):: NEXT A
190 FOR A=1 TO 255 STEP -5 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,A):: NEXT A
200 CALL SOUND(1,110,0)
210 FOR A=1 TO 255 :: CALL LOAD(-31744,-A):: NEXT A
220 NEXT B
230 CALL SOUND(1,110,0)
240 END

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Our official User Group T-shirts are finally here !!!
 These are all first quality U.S. made original design 2 color
 silk-screened T-shirts, even available with choice of sayings.
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 'I Love My T.I.'
 'Programmers Do It In Groups'
 'Texas Instrument Orphan'

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Membership to the Milwaukee Area 99/4A Users Group is open to anyone who is interested in using and/or programming the Texas Instruments 99/4A Home Computer, and is willing to share his/her fellowship with other members. Annual dues for individuals - \$10.00, Family membership - \$15.00. This fee helps to defray the expense of the publication of this newsletter and provide a library to members for their enjoyment.

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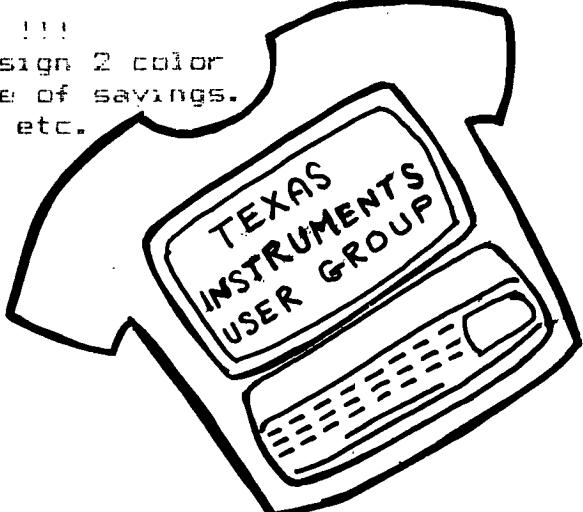
Meetings of the Milwaukee Area 99/4A Users Group are held on the SECOND SATURDAY each month in the lower level of Wauwatosa Savings and Loan, located at 7500 W. State Street in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. Meeting times are from about 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, depending on the content of the meeting for each particular month. Users are encouraged to bring their computers and/or related hardware and software to any of the meetings to assist members in utilizing their own equipment.

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FORTH AUTO-DECIMALING

by GENE

If you've ever worked with FORTH and tried loading, listing, editing or printing out a screen and got a bunch of gibberish or an altogether different screen, it takes a minute before you realize how you goofed. Yeah, you just happened to be in HEX mode !! Well it's happened to me a number of frustrating times, so I decided to do something about it. Below are my Auto-Decimaling routines for screen-calling commands. Since screen 21 is normally automatically loaded from boot screen 3 and has lots of empty space on it, I inserted it there. The words that are there can be crunched as shown in lines 1-4 Lines 6-10 are the routines. Lines 12-14 redefine the resident words, and listed below are the other screen calling words' redefinitions. When auto-booting the system, you get the "ISN'T UNIQUE" error message for the three resident words redefined, but if you include screen 21 in your BSAVED version, you eliminate that too.

Now when you call any screen, it auto-decimals and you get that screen !

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0  ( SCR # 21 revised )
1  : <CLOAD> CONTEXT @ @ <FIND> IF DROP DROP O= IF BLK @ IF R> DROP
2  R> DROP ENDIF ENDIF ELSE -DUP IF LOAD ENDIF ENDIF ;
3  : CLOAD [COMPILE] WLITERAL STATE @ IF COMPILE <CLOAD> ELSE
4  <CLOAD> ENDIF ;
5
6  : Y> 256 /MOD 100 * SWAP 16 /MOD 10 * + + ;
7  : ?> BASE @ DECIMAL 16 = ;
8  : ?>1 ?> IF Y> ENDIF ;
9  : ?>2 ?> IF Y> SWAP Y> SWAP ENDIF ;
10 : ?>3 ?> IF Y> ROT Y> ROT Y> ROT ENDIF ;
11
12 : LOAD ?>1 LOAD ;
13 : CLEAR ?>1 CLEAR ;
14 : LIST BASE->R ?>1 LIST R->BASE ;
15 IMMEDIATE .

SCR # 29
2 : EDIT ?>1 EDITOR2 O EDT ;
SCR # 38
14 : EDIT ?>1 EDITOR1 O VED ;
SCR # 39
9 : SCOPY ?>2 OFFSET @ + SWAP BLOCK 2- ! UPDATE FLUSH ;
10 : SMOVE ?>3 >R OVER OVER - DUP O< SWAP R MINUS > + 2 = IF OVER
OVER SWAP R + 1- SWAP R + 1- -1 ^ AD ! ELSE I ^ AD ! ENDIF
R> O DO OVER OVER SCOPY AD + SWAP AD + SWAP LOOP DROP DROP ;
SCR # 72
11 : TRIAD ?>1 O SWAP SWCH 3 / 3 * DUP 3 + SWAP
DO I ?ASCII IF 1+ I LIST CR ENDIF LOOP
-DUP IF 3 SWAP - 14 * O DO CR LOOP
OF MESSAGE OC EMIT ENDIF UNSWCH ;
SCR # 73
1 : TRIADS ( FROM TO --- ) ?>2
3 / 3 * 1 + SWAP 3 / 3 * DO I TRIAD 3 +LOOP ;
3 : INDEX ( FROM TO --- ) ?>2 1+ SWAP
DO I DUP ?ASCII IF CR 4 .R 2 SPACES I BLOCK 64 TYPE ELSE DROP
ENDIF PAUSE IF LEAVE ENDIF LOOP ;
SCR # 83
2 : BSAVE ( From screen-no ... ) ?>1 FLUSH
etc etc

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TIPS FROM THE TIGERCUB

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The entire contents of Tips from the Tigercub Nos. 1 through 14, with more added, are now available as a full disk of 50 programs, routines and files for just \$15.00 postpaid!

Nuts & Bolts is a diskfull of 100 (that's right, 100!) XBasic utility subprograms in MERGE format, ready for you to merge into your own programs. Contents include 13 type fonts, 14 text display routines, 12 sorts and shuffles, 9 data saving and reading routines, 9 wipes, 8 pauses, 6 music, 2 protection, etc., and now also a tutorial on using subprograms, all for just \$19.95 postpaid!

And I have about 140 other absolutely original programs in Basic and XBasic at only \$3.00 each! (plus \$1.50 per order for cassette, packing and postage, or \$3.00 for diskette, PPM) Some users groups charge their members that much for public domain programs! I will send you my descriptive catalog for a dollar, which you can then deduct from your first order.

Folks, I just can't afford to keep mailing out these Tips if you don't BUY something once in awhile! I am hearing from more and

more groups who want to get on my mailing list, but I am having to cut back. I am dropping those groups which don't give any indication that their members ever get to see the Tips, and I'll have to cut further. If you do send me an order, or even ask for my catalog, mention your users group so I'll know there is someone still alive out there!

If you know of any schools in your area, especially elementary schools, that have TI-99/4As in the classroom, won't you please give me their address? I'll send them a free catalog.

Danny Michael has improved his graphics screen dump to include rotate and double size! It is in assembly, very fast, and runs out of XBasic, E/A module or Mini Memory. He has also written an assembly Neatlist program which lists an XBasic program to a printer in single line statements, indented, expanded, etc., very useful for debugging, setting up pre-scan, etc.

These are freeware, pay if you want and whatever you want. Just send an initialized disk for either one, or two disks (or SSDD or floppy) for both, in a returnable mailer with ENOUGH RETURN POSTAGE, to

Danny Michael,
Rt 9 Box 460
Florence, AL 35630.

John Hamilton of the Central Iowa Users Group will send you his 22-page booklet of "99 Tips" for the TI-99/4A, for just \$4.00. The address is

John Hamilton,
4228 E. Clinton, Des Moines IA 50317.

I have been experimenting

TI-Writer, and this issue of the Tips is being printed in 4 columns, right justified directly from the printer. Here's how -

Use TI-Writer, editor mode, in any line length you want. The first line should be .RM 27;FI;AD but don't use any other formatter codes. Don't indent paragraphs. Use some other character as a temporary substitute for any ^, @, & or \$ in the text. Don't include any program listings, yet.

Save the file as DSK1.TEXT. Print an edit copy. Then go into formatter mode. Select DSK1.TEXT to be printed, but instead of your printer spec, type DSK1.TEXT2. Your file will now be in 28-column format and right justified, and indented.

If the text is to include any program listings, run them through my 28-Column converter (see Tips #18), using the Editor option of that program.

Go back to TI-Writer editor and load DSK1.TEXT2. Merge in the program listings. Then PF to print file, but instead of a printer spec, type C DSK1.TEXT3. When it has printed to disk, LF the DSK1.TEXT3 and you will find that all control characters are gone.

Now for a bit of editing. Delete the 3 blank lines at the beginning, and the 6 blank lines that have appeared after every 60th line. Center the title by erasing with the space bar and retyping - do NOT use FCTN 2! Also replace any temporary characters with the ^, @, & or \$. You will print 4 columns of 60 lines per page, so the total lines in your file must be a multiple of 240. Add enough blank

lines to the end of the file to reach that count.

Save that file back to disk as DSK1.TEXT3. Now go into XBasic, key in this program and RUN!

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100 OPEN #1:"DSK1.TEXT3",INP
UT :: OPEN #2:"PIO",VARIABLE
255 :: PRINT #2:CHR$(15);CH
R$(27);CHR$(69):: DIM B$(240)
)
110 FOR A=1 TO 2 :: FOR B=1
TO 240 :: LINPUT #1:B$(B):: NEXT B
120 FOR C=1 TO 60 :: PRINT #2:
TAB(10);B$(C);TAB(41);B$(C
+60);TAB(72);B$(C+120);TAB(1
03);B$(C+180):: NEXT C :: PR
INT #2:CHR$(27);CHR$(97);CHR
$(6):: NEXT A :: CLOSE #1 :: CLOSE
#2 :: END
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The A loop is for a 2-page printout of 480 lines, of course.

You can modify this routine to print in 2 or 3 columns, adjust the margins, change the type font or size, rewrite for your own printer, etc. And the column width can be anything you want, just change that .RM 27 in the first line of the text (don't forget that the left margin is set at 0, not 1).

If you want a 2-column page, you can dump the file back to disk instead, and then print it out of TI-Writer editor. Use this routine, modified as you wish.

```
100 !Opens a file TEXT3 of 2
40 lines 35 char long and co
nverts it into a file which
can be printed out of TI-wri
ter Editor as 2 pages in 2 c
olumns
110 OPEN #1:"DSK1.TEXT3",INP
UT :: OPEN #2:"DSK1.TEXT4",O
UTPUT :: DIM B$(120)
120 FOR A=1 TO 2 :: FOR B=1
TO 120 :: LINPUT #1:B$(B):: NEXT B
130 FOR C=1 TO 60 :: PRINT #2:
"&B$(C)&RPT$(" ",38-
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LEN(B$(C))&B$(C+60):: NEXT
C :: FOR D=1 TO 6 :: PRINT #
21" " :: NEXT D :: NEXT A :: CLOSE #1 :: CLOSE #2

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It is best to run a program to set up your printer, and leave it turned on, before printing that file out of the Editor. It is not at all easy to embed control characters in the file, because they affect the line in all columns and also shift the lines out of alignment.

I understand that there a couple of kids who wait every month for their dad to key them in a bit of nonsense from the Tigercub, so -

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100 !KEYZAP - by Jim Peterso
n
110 DISPLAY AT(6,11)ERASE AL
L;"KEYZAP" :: DISPLAY AT(12,
1)::" Zap the Zprite by typ
ing the key in the correspon
dingposition on the keyboard
."
120 DISPLAY AT(24,10)::"Press
any key" :: CALL KEY(0,K,S)
:: IF S=0 THEN 120
130 RANDOMIZE
140 CALL CHAR(47,"817EA5B199
A5423C")
150 CALL CLEAR :: T=0 :: CAL
L FLASH(T)
160 CALL KEY(3,K,ST):: IF ST
#0 THEN 180
170 C=C+1 :: IF C=101 THEN 1
90 ELSE CALL KEYBOARD(K,T)
180 CALL MOTION(#1,25*RND-25
*RND,25*RND-25*RND):: CALL C
OINC(#1,#2,16,A):: IF A=0 TH
EN 160 ELSE CALL FLASH(T):: GOTO 160
190 CALL DELSPRITE(ALL):: DI
SPLAY AT(12,9)::"GAME OVER" :: DI
SPLAY AT(14,9)::"SCORE":T
:: DISPLAY AT(16,9)::"PLAY A
GAIN?"
200 CALL KEY(3,K,S):: IF S#1
THEN 200
210 IF K=89 THEN C=0 :: GOTO
150 ELSE END
220 SUB KEYBOARD(K,T)
230 IF FLAG=1 THEN 250 :: FL

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AG=1
240 KEY$="1234567890=QWERTYU
IOP/ASDFGHJKL;"&CHR$(13)&"ZX
CVBNM,."

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250 IF (K=47)+(K=61)+(K=13)T
HEN SUBEXIT ELSE X=POS(KEY$,
CHR$(K),1):: Y=ABS(X)1)-(X)
22)-(X)33)+1 :: R=Y86 :: C=(X
+(Y)1)*(Y-1)*11)*83)
260 CALL SPRITE(#2,42,16,R88
-7,C8-7):: CALL COINC(#1,#2
,16,N):: IF N=0 THEN SUBEXIT
270 CALL FLASH(T):: SUBEND
280 SUB FLASH(T):: FOR W=1 T
0 10 :: CALL SCREEN(16):: CA
LL SCREEN(W):: NEXT W :: CAL
L SPRITE(#1,47,2,1,1):: T=T+
1 :: DISPLAY AT(1,20)::T :: S
UBEND

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And here's another -

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100 ! QUICK & DIRTY DOODLER
by Jim Peterson

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Use joystick #1. Press fire button to change color or pattern, Enter to clear the screen.

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110 DATA FFFFFFFFFFFFFF,FF
,01010101010101,0000000000
0000FF,B0B0B0B0B0B0B0,01020
4081020408,8040201008040201,
FFB1B1B1B1B1FF
120 CALL CLEAR :: FOR J=1 TO
8 :: READ CH$(J):: NEXT J
130 FOR CH=32 TO 136 STEP 8
:: FOR CN=CH TO CH+7 :: X=X+
1 :: CALL CHAR(CN,CH$(X))::
NEXT CN :: X=0 :: NEXT CH :: CALL
CHAR(J2,"0")
140 CALL SCREEN(16):: FOR S=
2 TO 14 :: CALL COLOR(S,S+1,
1):: NEXT S :: R=12 :: C=16
:: CH=33
150 CALL HCHAR(R,C,CH):: CAL
L FASTJOY(C,R,Q):: IF Q#18 T
HEN CH=CH+1+(CH=143)*110
160 CALL KEY(0,K,S):: IF K=1
3 THEN CALL CLEAR :: GOTO 15
0 ELSE 150
170 SUB FASTJOY(C,R,Q):: CAL
L JOYST(1,X,Y):: CALL KEY(1,
Q,S):: X=SGN(X):: Y=-SGN(Y)
:: C=C+X+(C=32)-(C=1):: R=R+Y
+(R=24)-(R=1):: SUBEND

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And a pretty one -

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100 CALL CLEAR :: CALL SCREE
N(2):: FOR S=2 TO 8 :: CALL

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COLOR(S,15,1):: NEXT S :: DI
SPLAY AT(12,7)::"KALEIDOSQUAR
ES" ! by Jim Peterson

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110 FOR CH=40 TO 136 STEP 8
:: FOR L=1 TO 4 :: RANDOMIZE
:: X$=SE6$(#0018243C425A667
E8199A5B0C3DBE7FF",INT(16*RN
D+1)*2-1,2)
120 B$=B&X$ :: C$=X$&C$ :: N
EXT L :: CALL CHAR(CH,B$&C$)
:: B$,C$=NULL :: NEXT CH
130 FOR S=2 TO 14 :: X=INT(1
5*RND+2)
140 Y=INT(15*RND+2):: IF (Y-
X)+(Y=8)THEN 140
150 CALL COLOR(S,X,Y):: NEXT
S
160 AR,R,AVR,VR=1 :: AC,C,AH
C,HC=4 :: TT=24 :: XX,XT=13
170 FOR L=1 TO 12 :: T=TT :: XT
=XX :: R=AR :: VR=AVR :: C=AC
:: HC=AHC
180 FOR J=1 TO XT :: X=INT(1
3*RND+2)*8+24 :: CALL HCHAR(
R,HC,X,T):: CALL HCHAR(25-R,
HC,X,T):: CALL VCHAR(VR,C,X,
T)
190 CALL VCHAR(VR,31-C,X,T):: T
=T-2 :: HC=HC+1 :: VR=VR+
1
200 NEXT J :: AR=AR+1 :: AVR
=AVR+1 :: AC=AC+1 :: AHC=AHC
+1 :: TT=TT-2 :: XX=XX-1 :: N
EXT L
210 IF INT(2*RND)<>0 THEN 23
0
220 FOR S=INT(12*RND+2) TO 14
:: CALL COLOR(S,1,1):: NEXT
S
230 FOR J=1 TO INT(20*RND+1)
:: S=INT(13*RND+2):: X=INT(1
5*RND+2):: Y=INT(15*RND+2):: CALL
COLOR(S,X,Y):: NEXT J
240 CALL SCREEN(INT(15*RND+2))
:: ON INT(5*RND+1) GOTO 130
,160,220,230,240

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The challenge in Tips #16 was - how can you store a hundred or more values of any size, positive or negative, integer or non-integer, even in exponential notation, without dimensioning an array or opening a file, and then link to another program with a RUN statement and recover those values - not by reading them from the screen? I had just one

reply! Was it too easy, too hard, or doesn't anyone care? Anyway -

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20591 SUB CHARSAVE2(CH,N):: N
$=STR$(N):: N$=RPT$("0",16-
LEN(N$))LN$:: 20592 IF POS(N$,".",1)=0 THE
N 20593 :: N$=SE6$(N$,1,POS(
N$,".",1)-1)&"A"&SE6$(N$,POS
(N$,".",1)+1,LEN(N$)):: 20593 IF POS(N$,"+",1)=0 THE
N 20594 :: N$=SE6$(N$,1,POS(
N$,"+",1)-1)&"B"&SE6$(N$,POS
(N$,"+",1)+1,LEN(N$)):: 20594 IF N<0 THEN N$=SE6$(N
$,1,POS(N$,"-",1)-1)&"F"&SE6$(N
$,POS(N$,"-",1)+1,LEN(N$)):: 20595 CALL CHAR(CH,N$):: SUB
END

```

And to recover the values -

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20596 SUB READCHAR(CH,N):: C
ALL CHARPAT(CH,CH$)
20597 IF POS(CH$,"A",1)=0 TH
EN 20598 :: CH$=SE6$(CH$,1,P
OS(CH$,"A",1)-1)&"."&SE6$(CH
$,POS(CH$,"A",1)+1,LEN(CH$)):: 20598 IF POS(CH$,"B",1)=0 TH
EN 20599 :: CH$=SE6$(CH$,1,P
OS(CH$,"B",1)-1)&"+"&SE6$(CH
$,POS(CH$,"B",1)+1,LEN(CH$)):: 20599 IF POS(CH$,"F",1)<>0 T
HEN CH$="-"&SE6$(CH$,POS(CH$,
"F",1)+1,LEN(CH$)):: 20600 N=VAL(CH$):: SUBEND

```

Here's a jewel of a routine from Danny Michael, to avoid those lockups and other foul-ups that occur when you CALL INIT after you have already CALLED INIT - CALL PEEK(8198,A):: IF A<>17
0 THEN CALL INIT

The best way to edit a program is to type NUM and the first line number, then Enter will take you through line by line with no danger of accidentally deleting a line. The edit functions will still work, and FCTN 4 gets you out of the NUM mode.

MEMORY FULL!

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