Printer Output Redirection

A very unique function of Best Friend is its ability to capture printer output into a disk file. This function allows you to store program reports on disk so that they can be edited and printer later whenever desired. Not only can printer output from programs be captured, but also printer output generated by pressing the "Print Screen" key.

Input/Output Options

The Input/Output Options function of Best Friend provides a full screen menu that allows you to quickly specify what port(s) your printer(s) are connected to. Unlike normal DOS operation which only allows one printer at a time to print, Best Friend allows you to use two printers at once. One printer can be specified as the normal system printer, while a second printer can be set to spool (print) files in the background. Besides specifying printers to ports, the Input/Output function of Best Friend also allows you to set the baud rate, parity, stop bits, and word length parameters for your computer's serial ports. This feature is great for those who use modems and serial printers as the complex DOS "MODE" command need never be used again.

ASCII Table

Programmers will appreciate the built-in ASCII table that Best Friend can display whenever desired. All 256 ASCII characters are displayed along with their corresponding decimal and hexadecimal values

Novice and Expert User Modes

In novice mode Best Friend will provide you with a menu selection for each item of information required for an operation. Thus, novice mode uses more prompts, but requires no special knowledge of the user. Expert mode, on the other hand, is for DOS experts who prefer to type in long responses in order to more quickly-accomplish a task. Therefore, no matter what s level of expertise, Best Friend is designed to make things easier and faster.

File Locator

Using the "Where's File" selection of the Best Friend File Services function you can quickly locate files that may have become lost because they were hidden away in some obscure subdirectory. This feature is especially useful for hard disk users.

Screen Save Feature

Best Friend monitors the activity at your computer. If after 5 minutes no key has been pressed or nothing has happened at the screen. Best Friend will clear your screen so as to maximize the lifetime of your monitor. The screen will reappear as it was when activity resumes at the computer.

Set DOS Execute Path

Best Friend allows you to change the "path" followed in searching for programs to be executed by Best Friend.

Spool Queue Maintenance

Best Friend allows you to specify a list of files to be spooled (printed) while other tasks are being done. The queue of files to be spooled can be modified at anytime during the spooling process.

System Requirements

Best Friend can be obtained as one memory efficient program (uses 126K) or any one function may be obtained as a stand ne program. Best Friend and Family will operate on an IBM-XT. AT, or true PC compatible that uses DOS 2.0 or higher. In addition, the File Services and Printer Output Redirection functions are available for most computers using CP/M-80, CP/M-86, and MSDOS

Installation

None required. Best Friend is not copy protected, and it does not require special device drivers. Best Friend automatically works with both monochrome and color monitors. If you have a color monitor, Best Friend makes beautiful and functional use of color. If you don't have a color monitor. Best Friend still looks great as highlighting and windows are used extensively.

Demonstration Disk

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If you would like to evaluate Best Friend in further detail a functional low cost demonstration disk is available. The demo is just like the full version of Best Friend with the exception of certain limitations. The File Services features are all active with the exception of the copy, delete, rename, and file attribute change selections. The calculator functions are active with the restraint that numbers larger than 1,000 may not be used. The printer output redirection feature and the spool file feature work with the restraint that only 512 bytes of printer output can be spooled or captured in a disk file. The Typewriter and the Disk Services functions are accessible, but not operable in the demo version as there is no way to allow limited operation of these features. However, the I/O Options function and the pop-back feature of Best Friend are fully operable. While not quite the same as having the full version of Best Friend, the demo version is still very ful for evaluating how Best Friend works.

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Three different estimating programs are available: BidDay. Estimator, and PICKUP. Estimator is a very simple generic program suitable for estimating tasks of all sorts. BidDay is a comprehensive estimating program specific to various disciplines of the construction industry. PICKUP is a unique materials estimating program that performs estimates directly from AutoCad drawing

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Printer Output Redirection

Electronic Typewriter

BEST FRIEND

Pop-Back Feature . Scientific/Business Calculator



Makes PC-DOS™ Easy to Use!

Best Friend Overview

Best Friend™ is a menu driven program that makes your IBM-PC or compatible computer easier to use by replacing cryptic DOS commands with single key menu selections. Everyday chores such as copying and deleting files, formatting and cog disks, making and removing sub-directories; all such tasks become fast and easy to perform with Best Friend. Besides making your computer easier to use, Best Friend also makes your computer more productive to use by providing powerful and unjufu functions such as a Scientific /Business calculator, electronic typewriter, and the ability to redirect printer output to a disk file. Alwass a kewstoke away. Best Friend is there when you need it.

File Services

- . Copy, Delete, Move, and Rename Files
- •Find, View, and Print Files
- Change File Attributes (Make hidden files)
 Sort files using up two sort keys
- Determine size of sub-directories and files
- Tag files for group copy and delete operations

Disk Services

- •Format, Copy, and Compare Disks
- Make and Remove Sub-directories
 Change Disk Volume Label Names

Scientific/Business Calculator

- Scientific/ Dusiness Care
- •Over 50 math functions included
- Printable on-screen tape display
- Can be moved to reveal all screen areas
 Can return results to your program

Input/Output Options

- ·Specify Printer to any Port
- •Set Serial Port Parameters
- Specify one printer as the system printer and have a second printer "spool" files in the background.

Electronic Typewriter

- •Straight type-thru and line edit modes
- Automatic word wrap and margin controls
- Centering and underlining options

Printer Output Redirection

 Capture the printer output (even "Print Screen" data) from any program into a disk file. Great for creating custom reports that can be printed whenever desired.

Pop-Back Feature

 Use Best Friend even while running another program.
 "Pop-Back" to Best Friend from all your favorite programs including Lotus 1-2-3, WordStar, dBASE, BASIC, and many more. Return to your program just as you left it, or let Best Friend return a filename to your program.

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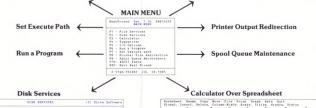
BEST FRIEND SCREENS

File Services with Commands Summary

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LENAME		SIZE	ATT			SUMMARY	GENERAL INFO
ANSI	SYS		ARC	A -	Retag files	V - View file	VERIFY ON
ASSIGN	COM		ARC	C -	Copy file	W - Where's file	COMMAND MODE
BACKUP	COM	3687		D -	Delete files	I - I-pert mode	SINGLE
BASIC	COM	16256			Execute file		USER MODE
BASICA	COM	25984	ARC	F -	Find file	I - Set verify	MOVICE
CHEDSE	COM	6400	ARC	G -	Disk space) - Move files	DISK SIZE
COMMAND	COM	17864			extended Dir	/ - Sort dir	179712
COMP	COM	2523	ARC	1 -	Invoke prog	* - Set Pattern	B OF FILES
DISECOMP		2074	ARC	L -	Log disk/dir	Time & Date	25
DISECOPY		2444		н -	Mode change	Tes file	TAG SILE
EDLIN	COM	9608	ARC	P -	Set path	Unteg file	0
FDISK	COM	6177	ARC	9 -	spool Queue	1 - List tag or	QUEUE SIIE
FIND	SIE	5888	ARC		maintenance	untes files	0
PORMAT	COM	6016	ARC	8 -	Rename file	ESC-ABORT KEY	SPOOL FILE
GRAPHICS	COM	789	ARC	5 -	Spool file	BREAK - Return	- NO FILE -
IBMBIO	COM		RHS	T -	Tag file	filename to	PILE PATTERN
IBMDOS	COM	17152	RHS	U -	Untag file	application.	22222222.222
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File Services with Time and Date Information









I/O Options

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STSTEM PRINTER : SPOOLING PRINTER :	EPT1	LPT2 LPT2	LPT3 C	000 CO		OFF	
r COM1 CONFIGURATION							
BAUD RATE :	300	600	1200	2400	4800	9600	
PARITY	NONE	000	EVEN				
STOP BITS	1 2						
WORD LENGTH :	7 8						
r COM2 CONFIGURATION							
BAUD RATE		600	1200	2400	4800	9600	
	NONE	ODD	EVEN				
	1 2						
WORD LENGTH	7 8						
Move option pointer	with 1	L and	select	with (-	-> and	ESC to	exit.

Electronic Typewriter

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File Services

The File Service function of Best Friend provides nearly 30 menu selections for performing file operations. These single key "lections allow you to copy, rename, delete, move, "tag" (mark

s), view, spool (print), sort (using up to three keys), find and sexcute files. Other selections allow you to return a filename to a program, display and edit the time and date, obtain the free disk space on each drive, list tagged or untagged files, set file at tributes, and display files with complete time and date information. Of all the File Services selections, the "tag' selection is the one you will like most because it allows you to specify any combination of files, no matter how dissimilar, for group copy and delete operations.

Disk Services

The disk services function of Best Friend provides six easy to use menu selections that are used to compare disks, format disks, copy disks, make sub-directories, remove sub-directories, and edit the volume label of a disk. Best Friend lets you perform these everyday tasks without entering cryptic commands to the appropriate DOS program.

Scientific/Business Calculator

The calculator function of Best Friend allows you to use your computer as a full featured lectronic calculator with over 50 math functions and 25 memory registers for business, finance, statistics, and engineering applications. Arithmetic functions include the standard add, subtract, multiply, divide operations as well as all trig functions (with inverses and hyperbolics), all log, exponential, and power functions, and square, cube, and "nith root functions. Business functions are provided to compute the standard five business values of payment amounts, number of payments, interest rates, future values, and present values. The he-wisness functions also solve "treattive" problems involving any

bination of the five business values. Statistical functions provide linear regression, forecasting, calculation of the standard deviation and mean values of samples, two variable statistics, and more.

Other calculator features include the ability to move the calculator on screen so that all areas of the screen can be revealed, the ability to make the calculator smaller or larger, the option to display and print a "tape" of the calculator results, and the ability to return calculator results to an application program. Even with all this power the calculator is clearland easy to use with on-screen function definitions and built-in help available by pressing the "F" key.

Electronic Typewriter

The typewriter function of Beat Friend allows you to use your computer's keyboard and printer as a full featured electronic typewriter complete with margin and lab controls, automatic centering and word wrap, underlining, line editing, and straight type through capabilities. As with all functions of Beat Friend the typewriter can be used while running other programs or it can be used as a stand alone program. The typewriter function is great for when you need to type an address on an envelope, a short office memo, or any correspondence.