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June 1,

>Gene Plantz BBS/1-2-3 Users  
>SYSOP  
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>City, ST. ZIP

>RE: 123 Macros & Symphony

>Dear 123 Users:

|I've always become frustrated when I try to use 1-2-3 to write  
|short business correspondence. I find it a hassle each time to have  
|to set the range, left and right margins, and headers, footers,  
|and setup string if necessary. After all that half of my letter  
|would print on the print roller and half on the paper. Then I  
|would need a typewriter to address the envelope!

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|So I made this short file with a menu and some simple macros to  
|print my letters and envelopes. I use both a PC with a NEC  
|Spinwriter (letter quality) and an XT with an MX-80 (dot matrix).  
|The NEC has a cut-sheet feeder. For some reason beyond me, the NEC  
|manual instructs me to insert paper with the left margin at one half  
|the width of the paper (i.e. Paper 8.5" wide would be inserted  
|at 4.25).

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|I use 123 Release 1A and my macros make use of the /xc & /xr  
|commands. If you're using an early version of Lotus, you can  
|replace the /xc's and /xr's with /xg's and range names you add.  
|However, you will need three separate menus for choosing the printer  
|type: one each for pages 1,2, & 3. The /xr's need to be replaced





- |3) @LENGTH -- Returns the length of a string.
- |4) @LEFT -- Returns specified # of char. starting at the left.
- | @MID -- Returns specified # of char. starting at the middle
- | @RIGHT-- Returns specified # of char. starting at the right
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- |5) @UPPER Converts a string of characters to upper or
- | @LOWER lower case
- |6) @VALUE -- Converts a label like "7/8" to a numeric value, 0.875

|Exploded pie and high-low-open-close charts are available. A  
|graph setting sheet has been added to simplify setup & modification.

|The database generates its own left-aligned data entry form from  
|field names and lengths you supply.

|Word processing includes insert/delete, search/replace, move/copy,  
|line spacing setup, justification, and tabs. Mail merge is possible  
|thru a combination of database, spreadsheet, and WP.

|Symphony's word processor is easy to use but "it's not Wordstar."  
|Not available is the ability to count the number of words and/or  
|characters, hyphenation, foot-noting, index generation, spelling  
|checker, or multiple fonts.

|"On the other hand, including a section of a spreadsheet...in the  
|middle of a report with Wordstar takes...some real file-manipulation  
|magic."

|Communication includes automatic dial-up, logon, ability to dump  
|downloaded data into a spreadsheet or database, transfer files, and  
|store multiple sets of parameters, etc. for different databases.

|The article sums up by stating that the spreadsheet has noticeable  
|enhancements over 1-2-3; yet the other applications, when compared  
|against stand-alone word processors or databases, fall short.

|For the user who needs to easily integrate all types of data,  
|Symphony is "uniquely powerful and compelling" and should suffice  
|for a wide range of users' needs.

|Before I forget, the menu in this file is available thru [Alt]-Z.  
|After you print this, you can erase the text by choosing "Erase"  
|from the menu and begin using it for your own correspondence.

|Also, page 1 is shorter because I use it with letterhead paper.

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Michael

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{home}  
/xmmenu1~

Type.  
Begin typing a new document  
{goto}n/a~  
/xq

/xmprinter\_menu~

Letter Quality (NEC)  
Insert paper into NEC printer ;  
/ppoml34~mr104~mt0~

Cell J13 qq  
above has /xr

the Range  
Name

| "Printer"  
| which is called  
| from the  
| /xc command above.  
| This inturn calls  
| up the "printer\_menu" allowing the choice of print  
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| The "/xr" command returns macro execution to the  
| the /xc which called it, (whether it be from the pri  
| Page 2 or Page 3 in Menu1).

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Print Page 1

Choose type of printer and pri

{goto}page1~{left}

/ppcarpage1~q

/xcprinter~

/ppagpq

{home}

/xmmenu1~

Page 2

Choose type of printer and pri

{goto}page2~{left}

/ppcarpage2~q

/xcprinter~

/ppagpq

{home}

/xmmenu1~

Page 3

Choose type of printer and pri

{goto}page3~{left}

/ppcarpage3~q

/xcprinter~

/ppagpq

{home}

/xmmenu1~

Dot Matrix (MX-80)

Set paper perforation even wit

/ppoml4~mr76~mt2~mb1~

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/xr

Quit

Return to previous menu

/xmmenu1~

/xq

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3 cell below

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Envelope	Erase	Save
Print Envelope...Insert envelope	Erase current letter	Save the current letter to disk
/ppcrn/a~	/reerase1~	{home}
oml65~mr104~mt2~	/reerase2~	/fsletter~r
p24~q	/reerase3~	/xmmenu1~
ll	{goto}n/a~	
agpq	/xmmenu1~	
/xmmenu1~		

Quit  
Leave this menu