Welcome To GeoNav

This trial version of GeoNav will only browse the neighborhood of FashionAvenue in GeoCities. To get the full version you will need to send 1 US dollar along with your email address to:

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The full version will arrive in your email! If you send a Postal address the cost will be 3 US dollars, to cover the cost of mailing disks.

GeoNav was designed for people who like viewing other people's personal web pages! In many ways it is similar to an Internet browser, like Microsoft's Internet Explorer. However, GeoNav is not anywhere near that complex.   GeoNav was not made for browsing the Internet in general, it was made for browsing GeoCities personal web page collections.

GeoCities is a vast collection of communities in which you can find thousands of personal web pages related to various ideas. There are more than 500,000 personal web pages contained in the GeoCities communities and prior to GeoNav, there wasn't any easy way to browse through them! With GeoNav you can browse GeoCities web pages without even knowing where they are, GeoNav knows. You can go from page to page to page for thousands of pages. You don't even need to know what the Internet is! GeoNav will do all the work for you!

To Start using GeoNav all you need to do is:
Start the program.
Select a Neighborhood.
And click Open, or Next.
You could also select AutoNav from the file Menu (after selecting a Neighborhood) this will Start navigating GeoCities personal web Pages automatically.

System Requirements

Microsoft Internet Explorer

<u>A Dial Up Internet Connection</u>

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GeoNav uses Microsoft Internet Explorer's Dynamic Link Library files (DLL's) to operate. [SHDOCVW.DLL, and MSHTML.DLL]

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You need a way to access the Internet!

The GeoNav Interface

Click on the menu items, buttons, labels, etc. of GeoNav's image below to get an explanation of the item.

GeoNav

The File Menu

The file menu has two commands: **AutoNav**, and **Exit**.

AutoNav

Clicking on AutoNav toggles auto navigation of Geocities web pages. If checked AutoNav is ON, if unchecked AutoNav is OFF.

AutoNav is short for Auto-Navigation. In any given GeoCities Neighborhood, or Suburb of a Neighborhood, there can be up to nine thousand nine hundred and ninety nine (9999) personal web pages. To browse that many web pages is a lot of Work, to say the least, consequently, GeoNav allows you to Auto-Navigate (AutoNav). Which means that after a certain number of seconds, set by you on the settings menu, GeoNav will automatically move to the next web page in the Neighborhood or Suburb which you are currently viewing.
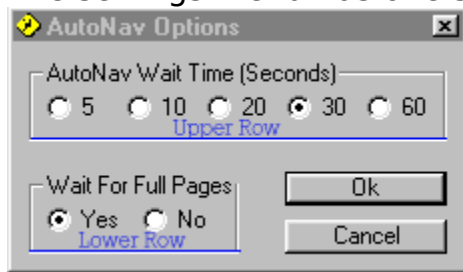
For Example:

If you are in the Southbeach Neighborhood on house number 1178 and you check AutoNav GeoNav will automatically move from 1178 to 1179 then 1180, 1181, etc..

You can also toggle AutoNav On or Off by running the mouse over the browser title bar to drop down the GeoNav popup menu and clicking Autonav.

The Settings Menu

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The Options menu allows you to choose the way AutoNav operates.

The **upper row** of option buttons is where you select the Wait Time for AutoNav. The Wait Time is how many seconds AutoNav will wait before automatically moving to the next page.

The **lower row** of two option buttons is where you select whether AutoNav should download each web site completely before waiting however many seconds you selected above or not.

If you select **Yes** AutoNav will wait for each web page to be completely downloaded (graphics and all).

If you select **No** Autonav will go by the timer only and will move to the next web page when the timer's setting is reached, regardless of whether the web page was completely download.

The Help Menu

The help menu has two sub menus, the **Help** menu, and the **About** menu.

Help
Clicking help gets you the help file you are viewing.

About
Clicking about gets you the program version and copyright information.

The Neighborhood Selection Box

When you start GeoNav for the first time you will have to select a Neighborhood from the Neighborhood drop down combo box before you will be able to do anything else with GeoNav. On subsequent program runs Geonav will have saved your previous Neighborhood, etc. and will automatically load it.

What is a Neighborhood?
A Neighborhood on GeoCities, like a Neighborhood in real life, tries to have a certain character. Which is to say that in a given Neighborhood most web pages will be related to the character of that Neighborhood (defined by GeoCities).

In GeoNav, when you select a Neighborhood from the drop down combo box the main label is updated with the character of that Neighborhood (as defined by GeoCities.Com)

The Suburb Selection Box

Many GeoCities neighborhoods have suburbs. You can view the suburbs of any Neighborhood by clicking and scrolling the suburb drop down combo box.

The Neighborhood Label

The Neighborhood label, which is just to the right of the Neighborhood drop down combo box, shows the number of web pages in this Neighborhood.

It can be important to note the number of houses, web pages, in a given Neighborhood because AutoNav, Next, etc. will go beyond that number and you will be viewing pages that do not exist. This is not changed because in the future there may be web pages in those regions and GeoNav will be able to browse them.

The Suburb Label

The Suburb label, which is just to the right of the Suburb drop down combo box, shows the number of web pages in this Neighborhood's Suburb.

The House Number Selection boxes

There are four digits to any GeoCities house address. To simplify your access to the 9999 web pages which usually exist in Neighborhoods and in Suburbs I have divided the house address number into two fragments. The first two digits, and the second two digits. By selecting house numbers you are trying to create a whole address which will consist of four digits, consequently you will need to select the first two digits from the first house number drop down combo box and then select the second two digits from the second house number drop down combo box.

For Example:

Selecting   45 from the first house number drop down combo box, and then selecting 13 from the second house number drop down combo box will result in a GeoCities house address of 4513.

The Saved Link Button

GeoNav allows you to save the addresses of web pages from GeoCities so that you can return to them. If a Neighborhood is selected then the Save Link command button will be enabled. Clicking the Save link command button pops up a small memo box for you to enter a memo. The text in the memo box, which will be the same text you entered the last time you saved a link or the default text. You attacked the same memo to each new saved link by simply clicking OK without editing. Or you can enter new text for the new saved link. The Saved Link Selection Box, when clicked, will display the memo text that you wrote for that saved link. The links that GeoNav saves are written to a file named Geolinks.InI in the same directory as GeoNav.ExE.

The Delete Saved Link Button

The Delete Saved Link Button will be enabled when you are viewing a saved link. By clicking it you remove the saved link from GeoNav's saved link file Geolinks.InI.

The Saved Link Selection Box

When you click on The Saved Link Selection Box you will be able to view the links that you have saved, if you have saved any links.

If you select a link from The Saved Link Selection Box the Neighborhood, Suburb, first house and second house numbers, will be changed to reflect the saved link's web address. And the Next, Previous, and Open buttons will all function relative to the newly selected saved link's address.

If you should choose to select a saved link and then delete that link by clicking on the Delete Saved Link Button, GeoNav will restore your previous Neighborhood, Suburb, first and second house number settings to what they were prior to selecting a saved link.

The Address Box

The Address Box will display the complete Internet address of the site which you are now browsing, unless you have elected to browse links contained on a web page.

If you navigate to a web site using GeoNav and then choose to browse from links found on that page to other sites GeoNav will not reflect the addresses of the outside links in the Address Box. The title bar of the browser window will show those addresses. GeoNav does not browse outside of GeoCities, although you can choose to do so.

The Open Button

The Open Button opens the site which is currently shown in the Address Box.

The Back Button

The Back Button will be enabled after you have browsed at least one web page. It will send you back to the previously viewed web page, whether it is in GeoCities or not. It uses the IE pages viewed history to navigate back to the previous site so there must be pages in that history list before it will function. You can also select to go back in the browser window by right clicking and selecting Back from the IE menu, or running the mouse over the browser title bar to drop down the GeoNav popup menu and selecting Back from it.

The Previous Button

The Previous Button, if clicked, will open the house number which is one less than the house number which is currently shown in the Address Box of GeoNav.

For Example:
If the Address Box shows:

http://www.geocities.com/FashionAvenue/1100/

and you click on the Previous Button, then you will open the following site:

http://www.geocities.com/ FashionAvenue/1099/

and the Address Box will show this new Address.

The Next Button

The Next Button, if clicked, will open the house number which is one more than the house number which is currently shown in the Address Box of GeoNav.

For Example:
If the Address Box shows:

http://www.geocities.com/ FashionAvenue/1100/

and you click on the Next Button, then you will open the following site:

http://www.geocities.com/ FashionAvenue/1101/

and the Address Box will show this new Address.