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Bonus! Hundreds of Free Recipes from Micro Cookbook 4.0

Look in the BONUS directory on the CD-ROM to find our flavorful favorites from our best selling title, Micro Cookbook 4.0 for Windows. Look for file \BONUS\MCB4RCPS.OTM.

Hints and Tips

While you'll love the simplicity of CookWorks-ON THE MENU, here are some quick tips that will make using ON THE MENU even easier.

DRAG-AND-DROP

You can drag-and-drop items with your mouse to create a meal plan, shopping list or add items to the calendar. From the Recipe List or View windows, select a recipe, press and hold down the left mouse button, drag the recipe onto the Meal Plan, Shopping or Calendar toolbar button, and then release the mouse button. You can also drag-and-drop recipes and meal plans from the Contents window and Meal Plan List and View windows.

RIGHT MOUSE BUTTON

Click your right mouse button in the Recipe and Meal Plan List and View windows to quickly bring up the Tools menu.

RELATED ITEMS

Often a selected recipe will have menus or other recipes associated with it. When this is the case, the Related toolbar button becomes available. To view the items, choose the Related toolbar button and select an item from the menu. Choosing the Back button will return you to the recipe you originally selected.

INFO BUTTON

After selecting a recipe, choose the Info button (if available) to see quick preparation tips and new variations to try. The information appears in the window on the right side of your screen. When the Info button is completely gray, no additional information is available.

CONTENTS WINDOW

To quickly find a recipe or menu by name, choose the Contents toolbar button. You can also see a list of all categories or all meal plans from the Contents Window.

GRAY ICON BUTTONS

Gray icon buttons are the program's way of letting you know that a particular option is not currently available for selection.

Troubleshooting Ideas Durring Setup

If you receive an error message during installation of ON THE MENU, the following hints may help you.

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Unable to Install ODBC

The Setup program is unable to install ODBC if any application uses ODBC before you run Setup. These applications include Microsoft Word 6.0, Microsoft Excel 5.0 and Microsoft Access, among others.

The first thing you should try, is restarting Windows and running ON THE MENU setup immediately after starting. Ensure that you do not have a program in your Startup Group which will run a program that uses ODBC.

If the Setup program is still unable to install ODBC, you can manually install ODBC from the ODBC directory on the CD.

To install and configure ODBC

1. Exit to a DOS prompt.
2. Type D: (or the letter of your CD-ROM drive) and press Enter.
3. Type CD\ODBC and press Enter.
The prompt changes to D:\ODBC>.
4. Type COPY *.* C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM and press Enter.
Note: If Windows is not located on drive C: substitute that letter in the above line.
All the files from this directory are copied to your \WINDOWS\SYSTEM directory.
5. Type CD\INI and press Enter.
The prompt changes to D:\ODBC\INI>.
6. Type COPY *.* C:\WINDOWS and press Enter.
Note: If Windows is not located on drive C: substitute that letter in the above line.
All the files from this directory are copied to your \WINDOWS directory.
7. Return to Windows.
8. Start On the Menu.
Your program should now operate properly.

Unable to Install Video for Windows

If the Setup program is unable to install Video for Windows you may install it separately.

To install Video for Window

1. From the Program Manager, select File and choose Run.
The Run window appears.
2. Type **D:\VFW\SETUP** (where D: is the drive letter for you CD-ROM).
3. Choose the OK button.
Follow the on-screen prompts.

Replacement Program Managers

If you have a replacement program manager such as PC TOOLS FOR WINDOWS or NORTON DESKTOP the setup program may not be able to properly install this README.TXT file under the Notepad icon. The replacement desktops do not always have an ACCESSORIES group. Because of this, the Media Player may be installed incorrectly. The Media Player included with ON THE MENU is a replacement for the one that ships with Windows 3.1 and later. It is included here as an adjunct to Microsoft Video for Windows.

Using the DAC BSR-680-MX CD-ROM Speedup Utility

The DAC CD-ROM speedup utility has shown itself to be incompatible with Microsoft Setup which ON THE MENU uses to install itself. Remove the speedup software and try again.

NOTE: Video display performance is degraded on a single speed CD-ROM.

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Open Window Appears When You Start ON THE MENU

If the Open window appears when you start ON THE MENU, then you must tell ON THE MENU where the cookbook database file is located. Cookbook databases always end with the extension .OTM.

The cookbook included with ON THE MENU is called FAVORITE.OTM and is located in the FAVORITE directory under the OTM directory. Double-click on the FAVORITE directory and then double-click again on the FAVORITE.OTM file. The program will start normally and will remember which cookbook it was using.

Permission Denied Message

If you receive the message "Permission denied," this indicates that SHARE.EXE is not properly configured for use with ON THE MENU.. Add the following line to the beginning of your AUTOEXEC.BAT file:

SHARE /L:500 /F:5100

You must REBOOT YOUR COMPUTER before the change will take effect.

Note: SHARE.EXE must be in the DOS path or you must specify the path (drive and directory)to SHARE.EXE in the above line.

Unable to Create File Buffer Message

The "Unable to create file buffer" message indicates that the ON THE MENU's ODBC database is unable to create temporary files.

Check the following:

1. Make sure that you have at least 5 MB of free disk space before you run ON THE MENU.
2. Make sure that you have a TEMP environment variable set in your AUTOEXEC.BAT file. It should look something like this:

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SET TEMP=C:\TEMP
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Once you have established that the TEMP variable is being set, you must make sure the TEMP directory exists. Using the example above, you must have a directory called C:\TEMP as well as the TEMP variable.

If you add the SET TEMP=C:\TEMP line to your AUTOEXEC.BAT file, you must REBOOT YOUR COMPUTER before the change will take effect.

Call to Undefined Dynalink Message

The "Call to Undefined Dynalink" message when you start ON THE MENU indicates that Video for Windows v1.1 is not correctly installed on your computer. You can easily reinstall Video for Windows v1.1 from the ON THE MENU CD-ROM.

If you have been able to use ON THE MENU previously, it is likely that you installed a multimedia application which uses an older version of Video for Windows. Many multimedia applications do not check to see if they are installing over a newer version of Video for Windows.

To reinstall Video for Windows v1.1

1. From the Program Manager, select File and choose Run.
The Run window appears.
2. Type **D:\VFW\SETUP** (where D: is the drive letter for you CD-ROM).
3. Choose the OK button.
Follow the on-screen prompts

