CEDAR VALLEY 99'ER USER GROUP
NEWSLETTER

NEWSLETTER TOPICS

****NEXT MEETING REMINDER****

The November meeting will be <u>Monday, Nov. 11</u>, 7:00 P.M. at the JA building, 330 Collins Road N. E. The November meeting highlights our second annual **SWAP MEET**. Be sure to bring anything you no longer use and some small change to buy the things you have been wanting!
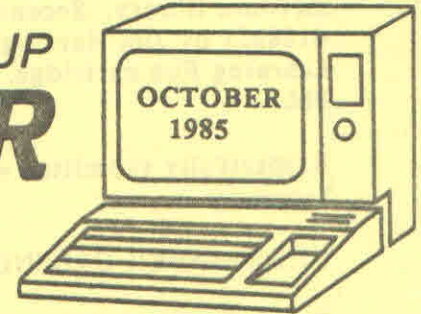
****MINUTES FROM OCTOBER MEETING****

The October meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by President Jim Green. There were 30 people in attendance. The minutes of last month's meeting were approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Old Business: The Freeware listing that was mentioned in last month's newsletter was accidentally omitted; copies were handed out, and this list will also be included in next month's newsletter. **Memory expansion:**

Printed circuit board layout on hold due to illness of person doing the layout, we are seeking someone that can do layout work for completion of this project. **Magazines:** almost sold out of all back copies; only two were left. **Classes:** Forth class is imminent, we need names and commitments for Jim Trainor. A show of hands resulted in 8 people interested. We always need articles for the newsletter; a review of new software, any programming hints, or any short subject on the TI will be welcome. Contact Dan Davis. Tee shirts are on order from the Milwaukee UG.

New Business: Next month is membership renewal: November 11. A swap meet will be held, and renewal and new members are requested to fill out an application and questionare. A new Triton catalog should have been received by all members; if you haven't received one, contact Jim Green for their toll free phone number. An update to the software library listing will be available next month. It was mentioned that the early Speech Synthesizer can use the same plug-in cartridges as the Speek and Spell units. An IBM parallel thermal printer is available at Emerson salvage on SW side for $96. Discussed dues; there was no real need to adjust them at this time, so they stay the same: $8 per year per family. The Austrailian Graphix package is available at M & T Software in Michigan. If 5 or more are ordered at a time, there is a price break. Contact Ed Hayek if interested.

The evening's program consisted of 3 word processors: Navarone's Homework Helper presented by Dave Dalton, 99 Writer II by Jerry Canady, and Typewriter by Jim Green. The

TIPS FROM THE TIGERCUB

#21

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I thought that my 28-Column Converter, as published in Tips #18, was finally foolproof, but someone found a way to print a program incorrectly with it!

I'm sure you know that characters 127-143, and on up to 159 in Basic, can be redefined and used in graphics. You probably also know that these redefined characters can be put into PRINT or DISPLAY AT statements, by holding down the CTRL key as you type them. If you load a program containing such redefined characters and LIST it, they will appear as blanks. If you RUN the program, so that they are redefined by the CALL CHAR statements, and then LIST it again, they will show up in their redefined form - but if you print out the program on your printer, they will still appear as blanks. So, before you publish a program, it's a good idea to RUN it and LIST it, and look for any of those gremlins.

If you do want to publish such a program, this fix will take care of it by underlining all characters that must be typed with CTRL down (except that lower case v is typed with FCTN down). It's slow, so only use it when you need to.

```
190 IF W$="E" THEN 195 :: PRINT #2:".TL 126:94;" :: PRINT #2:".TL 123:64;" :: PRINT #2:".TL 125:38;" :: PRINT #2:".TL 124:42;" :: PRINT #2:".TL 92:46;" :: PRINT #2:".NF"
195 PRINT "Does the program contain":"redefined characters above":"ASCII 126? (Y/N)"
196 ACCEPT AT(24,1)VALIDATE("YN"):Q0$
282 IF Q0$="N" THEN 290
283 FOR J=1 TO LEN(L$)
284 A=ASC(SEG$(L$,J,1)):: IF A<127 THEN L2$=L2$&CHR$(A):: GOTO 288
285 IF A=127 THEN A=118 ELSE IF A=128 THEN A=44 ELSE IF
```

A=155 THEN A=46 ELSE IF A=156 THEN A=59 ELSE IF A=157 THEN A=61 ELSE IF A=158 THEN A=56 ELSE IF A=159 THEN A=57 ELSE A=A-64

```
286 L2$=L2$&CHR$(27)&CHR$(45)&CHR$(1)&CHR$(A)&CHR$(27)&CHR$(45)&CHR$(0)
288 NEXT J :: L$=L2$ :: L2$=""
```

That should do it, unless the number of added control characters stretches the line beyond 80 characters. Such is the case with the following, which I had to type in manually (it also contains low ASCII characters which the printer misinterprets as controls).

TIGERCUB CHALLENGE

```
100!The Unprintable Unkeyable Program!
110!To shuffle the numbers 1 to 255 into a random sequence without duplication
120!The strings contain the ASCII characters 1 to 127 and 128 to 255
130!Most of the ASCII characters below 32 or above 159 cannot be input from the keyboard
140!So how was this program programmed?
150 M$="
      !""#$%&'()*+,-./0123456789:;<=>?@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ[\]^_`abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz{|}"
160 M2$="
170 M$=M$&M2$
180 L=LEN(M$):: RANDOMIZE :: X=INT(L*RND+1):: N=ASC(SEG$(M$,X,1)):: M$=SEG$(M$,1,X-1)&SEG$(M$,X+1,LEN(M$))
190 PRINT N;:: IF LEN(M$)=0 THEN STOP ELSE 130
```

GROCERY SHOPPING LIST

Are you desperate for some way to convince your wife that your computer and PEB and printer and all are not just a too-expensive plaything? Maybe this will do the job.

The first thing to do is to prepare a file of the grocery items she might want to buy. It will be especially useful if you can list the items in the sequence in which she will come to them in the aisles of her favorite store. This little program will set up the file. Type END when you are finished.

```
100 OPEN #1:"DSK1.BUYLIST",OUTPUT
110 INPUT A$
120 IF A$="END" THEN 150
130 PRINT #1:A$
140 GOTO 110
150 CLOSE #1
```

If you have TI-Writer, you can also use that to create the file, edit it and add to it - but BE SURE to delete all the carriage return symbols and any blank lines at the end. Save it under the filename BUYLIST.

Next, this program will hopefully get your wife to actually sit down at the keyboard and try out your computer. It will go through the list and ask if she wants to buy. If she types in any quantity other than 0, it will output the item name and quantity to the printer. At the end, she will be given the opportunity to add any other items.

```
100 CALL CLEAR
110 OPEN #1:"DSK1.BUYLIST",INPUT
120 OPEN #2:"PIO"
130 LINPUT #1:A$
140 IF EOF(1)THEN 210
```

Because I needed a way to process my computer tapes, I have investigated the way the TI 99/4A records programs on tape.

All logic in the computer is ones or zeroes; electronically this will be a square wave. The ones will be the flat tops of the waveform while the zeroes are the bottoms. Because cassette recorders do not record square waves well, the waves are differentiated into spikes for recording. On playback, the spikes will be rounded and distorted somewhat but they are good enough for the computer to process into square waves again.

If a tape has a drop out, one or more of the spikes will be reduced to a level too low for the computer to recover. I reclaim these by amplifying the level of all the spikes to about ten times their original value and then clamping them to the correct level and finally respiking them.

The circuit in Figure 1 shows the differentiating network the computer uses to spike the waveform for the record mode. If you have the computer schematic, this network is on page 22 and is between U300 - 28 and J400-5. The output waveform shown is for the tone at the beginning of the recording.

The circuit in Figure 2 shows the one I built to reprocess drop outs. The levels and time durations are critical. I used twenty percent resistors but had to hand pick them somewhat. The rise time of the spikes seems to be the least critical value.   John Johnson (319) 366-4541
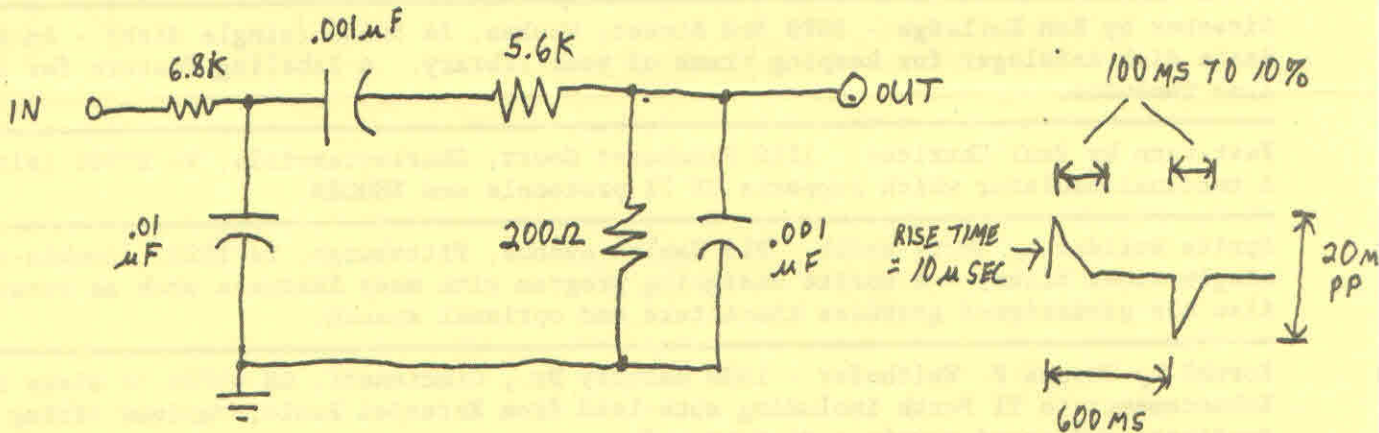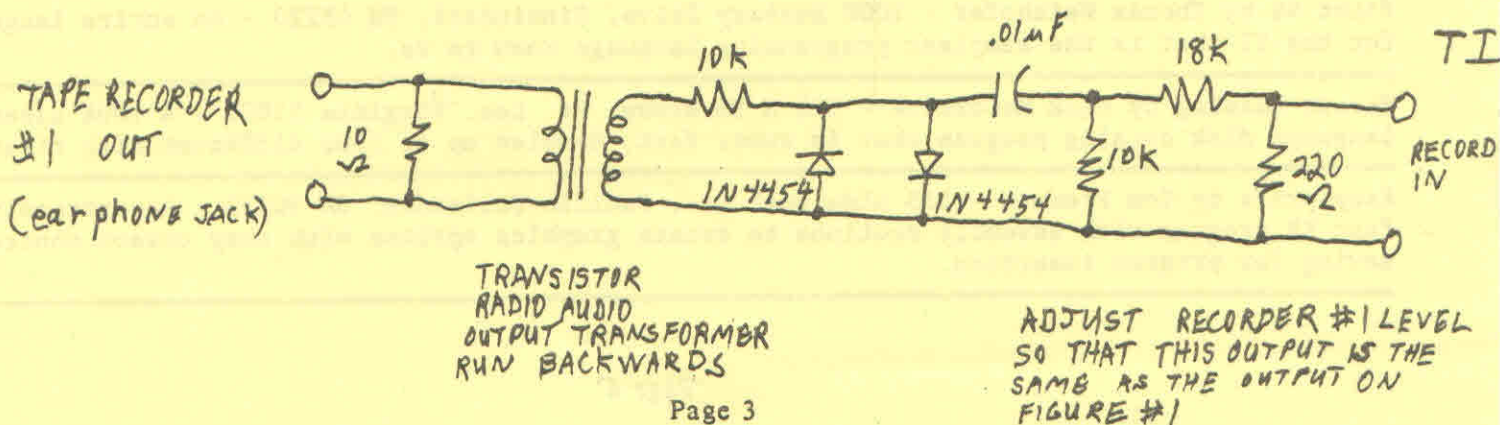
FIGURE #1

FIGURE #2

TAPE RECORDER #1 OUT (earphone JACK)

TRANSISTOR
RADIO AUDIO
OUTPUT TRANSFORMER
RUN BACKWARDS

RECORD IN

ADJUST RECORDER #1 LEVEL
SO THAT THIS OUTPUT IS THE
SAME AS THE OUTPUT ON
FIGURE #1

By accident, the following freeware listing was left out of last month's newsletter. Sorry about that!

Cape Cod Golf by Harry P. Richard - 18 Fruitwood Drive, Burnt Hills, NY 12027 (Cassette Only) - 9-hole golf simulation game written in console basic. Control of swing and direction with joysticks.

DM1000 by Bruce Caron - Ottawa Users Group (no address available) - A disk manager which rivals CorComp's manager; it can replace Disk Manager II.

Masscopy by Stephen Lawless - 2514 Maple Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19808 (single disk) - A sector disk copier that will copy to two disk drives at once. Will copy in three passes or one pass with a 128K card. Also has an ititialization feature.

TK Writer by Tom Knight - 7266 Bunion Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32222 - A loader program that will let you use TI Writer without the cartridge.

Neatlist by Danny Michael - Route 9, Box 460, Florence, AL 35630 (single disk) - A utility program for the serious programmer. It will provide a listing of an Extended Basic program with only one statement per line.

Screendump by Danny Michael - Route 9, Box 460, Florence, AL 35630 (single disk) - Assembly screendump program that loads into the lower 8K of memory. Will dump a screen from a cartridge with the installation of an interrupt switch.

Director by Ron Rutledge - 1020 3rd Street, Waukee, IA 50363 (single disk) - An Extended Basic disk cataloger for keeping track of your library. A labeling feature for disk labels is also included.

Fast-term by Paul Charlton - 1110 Pinehurst Court, Charlottesville, VA 22901 (single disk) - A terminal emulator which supports TE II protocols and XMODEM.

Sprite Builder by Marty Krill - 218 Kaplan Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15227 (double-sided or 2 single-sided disks) - A sprite designing program with many features such as rotation, etc. Also has predesigned graphics characters and optional speech.

Forth2 by Thomas P. Weithofer - 1000 Harbury Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45224 (2 disks required) - Enhancements to TI Forth including auto-load from Extended Basic, various string manipulation routines, and sound routines to name a few.

X_Diasm by Fred Hawkins - 1020 N. 6th St., Allentown, PA 18102 - An Extended Basic based disassembler with as many or more features than most.

Super Disk Duplicator by Tom Knight - 7266 Bunion Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32222 - A sector copier which lets you specify the starting and stopping sectors.

Pilot 99 by Thomas Weithofer - 1000 Harbury Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45220 - An entire language for the TI that is the simplest programming language know to us.

Master Catalog by Mack McCormick - 215 A Yorktown, Ft. Lee, Virginia 23801 - A 100% assembly language disk catalog program that is super fast; handles up to 2000 different disk files.

Easysprite by Tom Freeman - 515 Alma Real Dr., Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 - An extremely fast XB program with assembly routines to create graphics sprites with easy cursor control saving for program insertion.

Disassembler by Marty Kroll - 218 Kaplan Avenue, Pittsburg, PA 15227 - Super fast disassembler, 100% assembly and full featured.

Techie BBS by Monty Schmidt - 121 N. Blair, Madison, WI 53703 - Freeware BBS system for the 99/4A.

Compactor & Uncompactor by Monty Schmidt - 121 N. Blair, Madison, WI 53703 - Assembly language programs that take an uncompressed D/F80 AL program and will compress to about 2/3 the disk space and yield faster load times. As the names imply, one program does the compacting and the other program does the uncompacting.

PRO 99er BBS by Mark Hoogendoorne - 21 Long Street, Burlington, MA 01803 - TI BBS system with true TE II transfer capabilities.

Disk Manager by Todd Kaplan - 5802 N. Western Apt. 3S, Chicago, IL 60659 - Incredible disk manager - forget TI's DM2

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Now for the old business -

I was mortified to find an error in the Unprintable Unkeyable Program in Tips #22. The last line should end with ELSE 180, not ELSE 130. In the Grocery Shopping program in Tips #21, your wife will never get to the zucchini unless you delete line 140 and change line 200 to -
200 IF EOF(1)<>1 THEN 130

Sorry about that. And the update to the Menu Loader in Tips #22 will not list all listable files, just D/V80 files. I now have a version to really list all listable files, I think, plus show protection,

dump the catalog to the printer, rescan, etc., but am not sure all the bugs are out so will publish it next month.

Folks have been asking why their orders for TI-WRITER COMPANION, mentioned in Tips #22, were being returned unopened, so I called Bill Browning. He said he found he was going broke selling it for $2.50, but he is now prepared to supply it for $6.50. Still a bargain, in my opinion.

Barry Ensley warns that when FCTN V is used for a blank in a filename, as mentioned in Tips #25, it is not recognized by the Disk Manager.

In Tips #21, I said that the special characters available on the Gemini printer could not be accessed from TI-Writer. I have since learned that Star Micronics hid a valuable feature of their printer in a paragraph of gobbledegook computerese in the manual. See "Other Function Codes", ESC ">", ESC "=" and ESC "0". In plain English, you can access these codes by CTRL U, FCTN R, CTRL U, SHIFT >, then type the character with an ASCII 128 less than the character you want. In other words, if you want CHR$(160), hit the space bar (ASCII 32), etc. To get back to the normal character mode, use CTRL U, FCTN R, CTRL U, SHIFT 0. Many thanks to David Aragon (San Antonio Area 99ers newsletter, Aug. 1985), who described how to do the same by transliteration.

In Tips #25, I said that a program which had been converted to I/V 254 format by adding REM lines could be converted back to program format by deleting

the REM lines and reSAVing. Well, it usually can - but not always!

I have been receiving inquiries as to whether my programs published in the Tips are public domain programs which can be placed in user group libraries and on BBS's. Well, the copyright notice on this newsletter is really only intended to keep anyone from reprinting it for personal profit. I have always thought that programs published for the purpose of being keyed in should be OK to copy, and I don't intend to claim that "you must own the magazine"! However, a peculiar situation has developed. The short programs which I wrote to give away to promote my other programs, have become the bread and butter of my business! If it was not for the sales of the Tips disk and the Nuts & Bolts disk, I would long ago have gone out of business. So, I would appreciate it if you would exercise some restraint in putting my Tips programs in your libraries or in downloadable form on your BBS.

And I do consider my two Tips disks, as complete collections of programs, to be copyrighted material which should not be placed in libraries for copying.

In the Automatic Mouse Maze in Tips #23, you can improve the maze by adding these lines -
475 IF (C>20)*(X<10)THEN 500
515 X=X+1
555 X=X+1
595 X=X+1
1325 X=0

And the last word - I think - on the challenge to quickly scramble the numbers 1 to 255. Ian Swales sent me, from Belgium, two

routines which beat everyone else - and then sent me two more which beat his first ones! His PEEK version -

```
100 DIM A(255),C(255):: FOR K=255 TO 1 STEP -1 :: RANDOM
IZE :: CALL PEEK(-31808,B)::
J=INT(B*K/256+1):: C(K)=MAX
(J,A(J)):: A(J)=MAX(K,A(K)):
: NEXT K
```

And see if you can unravel the logic of this truly elegant bit of code!

```
100 DIM A(255):: RANDOMIZE :
: FOR K=255 TO 1 STEP -1 ::
J=INT(RND*K+1):: T=MAX(J,A(J
)):: A(J)=MAX(K,A(K)):: A(K)
=T :: NEXT K
```

So, on to new business -

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   To give you an idea of Barry Traver's knowledge of our computer, try this one. I've figured out the why, but I'll have to ask Barry to explain the why of the why!

```
100 ! LINPUT PUZZLE/BUG by
     B.A. Traver
110 ! QUESTIONS? Send SASE
     to Barry Traver
120 ! 552 Seville St.
     Phila. PA 19128
130 CALL CLEAR :: PRINT "LIN
PUT PUZZLE/BUG":"BY BARRY TR
AVER"
140 PRINT "Can you figure ou
t why your computer will not
obey?"
150 PRINT "Why won't it stop
```

when you tell it to?": : :

```
160 LINPUT "Want me to stop?
(YES/NO)":W$
170 IF W$="YES" THEN STOP EL
SE 160
180 END
```

   It seems that many of you still haven't heard of Super 99 Monthly, published monthly (and on time!) by Bytemaster Computer Services, 171 Mustang Street, Sulphur, LA 78663, for $12 per year. The May issue contained a Word Processor Dump, to dump a graphics/text screen into a D/V80 file which can be printed out of the TI-Writer Formatter - that program alone is worth the annual subscription price!

   I've said it before, there is more than one way to skin that poor cat. This is my routine to alternate between the #1 and #2 joysticks.

```
Z=Z+1+(Z=2)*2 :: CALL (JOYST
(Z,X,Y)
```

Compact, isn't it? Now, the Reading-Berks 99ers publish a newsletter called "A Byte of Info", which is hardly more than a byte long, but the August byte was a mouthful! Check this -

```
100 Z=2
110 Z=1/Z*2 :: CALL JOYST(Z,
X,Y)
```

And this! Elegant!

```
Z=Z=0 :: CALL JOYST(Z+2,X,Y)
```

   Here is another of those programs that write a program. This one will read a screen of graphics and/or text and convert it into a RUNable program of DISPLAY AT statements which will recreate the screen.

   First, we need a file of the hex codes of all the normal characters, to check against to see if any have been redefined. Rather than key in all 95 of the 16-digit codes, let's write

a program to write a program of them -

```
110 OPEN #1:"DSK1.HEXCODES",
VARIABLE 163 :: LN=30000 ::
FOR D=32 TO 124 STEP 8 :: FO
R CH=D TO D+7 :: CALL CHARPA
T(CH,CH$)
120 D$=D$&CHR$(179)&CHR$(200
)&CHR$(16)&CH$ :: NEXT CH
130 PRINT #1:CHR$(INT(LN/256
))&CHR$(LN-256*INT(LN/256))&
CHR$(147)&SEG$(D$,2,LEN(D$))
&CHR$(0):: LN=LN+1 :: D$=""
:: NEXT D
140 PRINT #1:CHR$(255)&CHR$(
255):: CLOSE #1 :: END
```

   RUN that to create a MERGE format program of DATA statements. Now, key in the GRAFWRITER program -

```
31000 SUB GRAFWRITER
31001 OPEN #1:"DSK1.PG",OUTP
UT,DISPLAY ,VARIABLE 163
31002 RESTORE 30000 :: L=300
00 :: GOSUB 31018
31003 FOR CH=32 TO 127 :: CA
LL CHARPAT(CH,CH$):: READ A$
:: IF CH$=A$ THEN 31004 ELS
E GOSUB 31019 :: GOSUB 31018
31004 NEXT CH
31005 FOR CH=128 TO 143 :: C
ALL CHARPAT(CH,CH$):: IF CH$
=RPT$("0",16)THEN 31006 ELSE
GOSUB 31019 :: GOSUB 31018
31006 NEXT CH
31007 PRINT #1:L$&CHR$(157)&
CHR$(200)&CHR$(5)&"CLEAR"&CH
R$(0):: GOSUB 31018
31008 FOR R=1 TO 24
31009 M$=L$&CHR$(162)&CHR$(2
40)&CHR$(183)&CHR$(200)&CHR$
(LEN(STR$(R)))&STR$(R)&CHR$(
179)
31010 FOR C=3 TO 30 :: CALL
GCHAR(R,C,G):: CALL HCHAR(R,
C,42):: IF F=0 AND G=32 THEN
31013
31011 F=1 :: IF FF=1 THEN 31
012 ELSE CC=C-2 :: FF=1
31012 A$=A$&CHR$(G)
31013 NEXT C :: IF CC=0 THEN
CC=1 :: A$=" "
31014 PRINT #1:M$&CHR$(200)&
CHR$(LEN(STR$(CC)))&STR$(CC)
&CHR$(182)&CHR$(181)&CHR$(19
9)&CHR$(LEN(A$))&A$&CHR$(0)
31015 L=L+10 :: F,FF,CC=0 ::
M$,A$="" :: GOSUB 31018 ::
NEXT R
31016 PRINT #1:L$&CHR$(134)&
```

```
CHR$(201)&L$&CHR$(0):: GOSUB
31018
31017 PRINT #1:CHR$(255)&CHR
$(255):: CLOSE #1 :: SUBEXIT
31018 L1=INT(L/256):: L2=L-2
56*L1 :: L$=CHR$(L1)&CHR$(L2
):: L=L+10 :: RETURN
31019 PRINT #1:L$&CHR$(157)&
CHR$(200)&CHR$(4)&"CHAR"&CHR
$(183)&CHR$(200)&CHR$(LEN(ST
R$(CH)))&STR$(CH)&CHR$(179)&
CHR$(199)&CHR$(16)&CH$&CHR$(
182)&CHR$(0):: RETURN
31020 SUBEND
```

   Next, Enter MERGE DSK1. HEXCODES to merge in those DATA statements. Then save the program by SAVE DSK1.GRAFWRITER,MERGE

   Now, load any program which has a screen you would like to copy. Run the program to the point where the screen display is ready, then break it with FCTN 4. Put in a temporary line going to itself, such as 1001 GOTO 1001, and run the program again to be sure you found the right place. Then replace that temporary line with CALL GRAFWRITER :: STOP

   Put in the disk containing the Grafwriter program and enter MERGE DSK1.GRAFWRITER. Then RUN the program. When it stops, type NEW, then MERGE DSK1.PG and then RUN!

   Now for a Tigercub chall- enge that I can't answer! Can one of you assembly programmers tell me how to PEEK out of Extended Basic for screen color and charac- ter set colors, so I can reproduce them in that program?

   And, thanks to Jerry Glaze in the Southern Nevada UG newsletter, by way of the Tidewater newsletter - you don't need SIZE with DISPLAY AT - just a semicolon!

```
100 DISPLAY AT(12,1):RPT$("*
",28):: DISPLAY AT(12,1):"SE
E?";
```

MEMORY FULL! - Jim Peterson

****SURVEY TIME****

It's again time to evaluate the computing power of our membership, and we ask that each of you take time and answer the questions below. Your answers for the following questionaire should be marked on the enclosed membership renewal form and returned to the club officers at the next meeting. For those of you who will not be able to attend the meeting, we suggest you fill out the questionaire and mail it, with your membership dues, to either Jim Green or Ed Hayek. Each input is IMPORTANT! Thanks for your help!!

1. I own the following hardware:
   a. Speech Synthesizer f. Modem
   b. PE Box   g. Disk drive &
   c. Expanded Memory   controller
   d. RS-232 Interface   h. Additional disk
   e. 99/4A Console   i. Printer

2. I own the following utility software:
   a. Extended Basic   e. Multiplan
   b. TE II   f. Logo
   c. Mini-Memory   g. E/Assembler
   d. TI Writer or equiv h. None of these

3. Most of my computer time is used for (one only):
   a. Education   e. Data Storage/
   b. Games   Handling
   c. Word Processing   f. Programming
   d. Other (Specify)

4. The second most common use of my computer is (one only):
   a. Education   e. Data Storage/
   b. Games   Handling
   c. Word Processing   f. Programming
   d. Other (Specify)

5. List the computer magazine you subscribe to/read regularly:
   a. HCM   d. Byte
   b. Family Computing   e.
   c. Compute   f.

6. I do/can do my own program writing:
   a. Yes
   b. No
   c. Not interested in programming

7. I would be interested in attending an 8-12 week programming course:
   a. Yes, Basic
   b. Yes, Extended Basic
   c. Yes, Forth
   d. Yes, Assembly
   e. No

8. I would be glad to help with the following committees:
   a. Library   d. Software
   b. Newsletter   e. Education
   c. Technical/Hardware f. Not interested

9. My PRIMARY reason for attending the monthly meeting is:
   a. To learn about available software.
   b. To learn about available hardware.
   c. To learn about additional uses for my computer.
   d. To learn how to get started with my computer.
   e. To socialize.
   f. To win a great door prize.

10. My second most important reason for comming to the group meeting is:
   a. To learn about available software.
   b. To learn about available hardware.
   c. To learn about additional uses for my computer.
   d. To learn how to get started with my computer.
   e. To socialize.
   f. To win a great door prize.

11. List the computer books you own and would be willing to lend to another member:
   a.   c.
   b.   d.

12. My intentions toward the 99/4A are best summarized by:
   a. I will spend money to upgrade my system.
   b. I will spend money to acquire a different home computer.
   c. I will use my system as it is.
   d. I probably won't use my home computer much.

13. If I could plan a monthly meeting, I would schedule a program about:

****MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM****

Bring the completed membership renewal form (attached at the end of this newsletter) to the November 11th meeting, or mail it to Jim Green or Ed Hayek by November 30. Old memberships will expire December 1, 1985.

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Yes! I want to enjoy the benefits of membership in the Cedar Valley
99'er User's Group for another year, including monthly meetings,
monthly newsletters, group purchases, library and software
privileges, and dissemination of information. I am enclosing my 1986
dues of $8.00.

Name:_____

Address:_____

City, State, Zip:_____

Phone:_____

Additional Family Members:_____

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REMINDER: THE NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11!

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