

**DALLAS TI HOME COMPUTER GROUP**  
Educational - Entertaining - Social Activities  
A Non-Profit Organization

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Meetings: 7:00pm, 3rd Friday each month  
At Northlake College, Room B-206, Irving, Texas

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**LAST MONTH** We had our first meeting at North Lake College. The facilities were really first class! Thank You North Lake College Administration for your generosity!

Doyle Kelley brought us a demonstration of several fine Music and Graphic Programs. And what music! Each piece was a great example of the music possible with the TI 99/4A. Doyle explained the rather unusual programming that the author used to achieve a high level of sophistication with only three music voices and a noise generator. The graphics were well done even though there was not much action. We hope that these programs will be released soon and will be only the first of many more.

Also we had a large showing of interest for upcoming Programming and Application Workshops. The ones with the most interest were: Basic and TMS-9900 Assembly Programming, TI-Writer and File Use Applications. If you are interested in these workshops, either as a participant or as a volunteer instructor, please make avail of yourself to Doyle Kelley or Bill Kauth at the Meeting.

**THIS MONTH** we will have several items of interest: A Demo of MED ALERT! by Futura; A further investigation of Multiplan; a Discussion of Computer Camps and the Learning Process, "What's in it for me?". And our usual prodding and poking of the minds in attendance who can answer our questions and alleviate the current pain of our problems.

Be sure to attend! This Friday, June 17th at 7pm.

We wish our friends at the TI Store-Prestonwood good luck as they go on to better things. The Last TI Store in this area will close for good after June 18th. We will miss them and their always ready attitude to serve and being just good friends. Go get em Janie!

ARTS FEST - The Irving Arts Board and the Cultural Affairs Council will hold an All Day Arts Fest, Saturday, July 2, to celebrate the opening of Irving's first Community Cultural Center. Plenty of food and drink will be on hand, as well as strolling musicians, mime, actors, Bert and Ernie of Sesame Place, the Irving Community Theater, the Irving Ballet Company, the Irving Symphony Orchestra, and you guessed it THE TEXAS INSTRUMENTS TI-99/4A HOME COMPUTER, courtesy of the Dallas TI Home Computer Group. The Public is invited to attend this Gala Event, and it should be well worth attending. Bill Kauth will be on hand to demonstrate some of the Music and Graphic capabilities of the TI-99/4A. If YOU would like to help out or bring that special Music or Graphics Program you've been working on, Please See Bill Kauth (at the meeting). The location is the Northgate Plaza Shopping Center on North MacArthur Blvd, Irving, Texas.

REVIEW By Whiz Kids

Van Holland and John Bender

Burger Builder (By Software Specialties Inc. Denver Co.) is a copy of the arcade game "Burger Time", which involves a small man in a chef's hat trying to build a burger by walking across the various parts of the burger, causing them to fall to the next lowest level. This goes on until four complete burgers are at the bottom of the screen. Meanwhile, hot dogs, eggs, pickles, chips, and other goodies chase you. One thing that the arcade game has that the TI-99/4A version does not is the "pepper" button. On the arcade game, pressing this button causes a cloud of pepper to come out and hit the "Junk Food" causing them to be temporarily paralyzed. Another difference on the arcade game is that when the parts of the burger fall it will knock the part below it down to it's next level, creating a "chain-reaction" effect. However in the TI-99/4A version you must make sure that nothing is below the lettuce, or whatever part that you are trying to drop. In all, we feel that Burger Builder is a very enjoyable game, it has excellent graphics, good sound, and great "playability" but it is not quite as exciting, or fun as the original arcade version.

Strategy: The best strategy seems to be to step on the lower parts first, and then to avoid the parts on the level that you are on, but to wait to step on a part until a "Junk Food" is beneath you, causing a burger part to fall on a food item gives you bonus points, so it is advisable to get as many as possible. A good score is above 5,000.

Ratings: (1-10, 10 is high)

Graphics.....8	Speed.....8
Difficulty...5	Originality.....3
Excitement...4	Lasting Interest..3

Overall Rating: 6

Language: TMS 9900 Assembly (Must be run with Extended Basic) 32K Memory Expansion, One Disk Drive are required. Joysticks are Optional.