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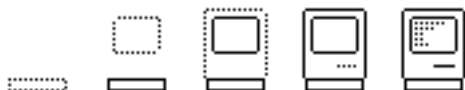
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## Whither MacDeveloper

This is a special short issue of MacDeveloper to let everyone know what's happening. The issue consists only of this editorial and a list of Macintosh oriented BBS phone numbers.

First of all, the results of the questionnaires are pretty much in — more returns continue to dribble in, but the rate is much lower than it has been. I want to thank everyone who sent in their questionnaires, and put a curse on all of you who didn't. The responses were very positive over all, and there were some very good suggestions.

All together, I've received 154 questionnaires. Adding up the "How many people get a copy from you?" answers yields 783 to 1,141 (people often gave ranges), with the average at 971. About half of this, however, was from a few questionnaires representing people who put MacDeveloper in a user's group library.

This level of return does not make MacDeveloper an immediate commercial success. As a result, I'm shelving the idea of advertiser-supporting the magazine, at least for now — perhaps it's an idea a little ahead of its time...

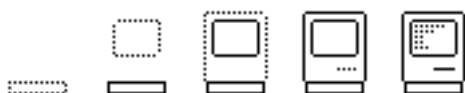
Instead, MacDeveloper will now become user-supported in a slightly different sense — it being much too much fun to discontinue entirely. I will act as editor so long as people send in articles, and MacDeveloper will serve as a widely distributed media for Mac programmers to help each other and share information. Because it finds its way into user's group libraries and onto networks such as UseNet, MacDeveloper gets quite a wide distribution when compared to most individual publications or channels of communications.

Several people have indicated interest in writing articles. Go for it! I'll be publishing MacDeveloper bi-monthly from now on, but will make it more or less frequent based on the amount of material I receive.

The magazine not being commercial opens things up in several ways: Less formal articles will be considered, although I plan to continue with the high standards already established as to content (after all, people have to download all this stuff). And some distribution channels previously closed because of advertising in the magazine will re-open.

Finally, I'd like to make an open request to user's groups: MacDeveloper can also serve as a good media for sharing articles written for local group newsletters — many of which are of excellent quality. Just as I now reprint Outside Macintosh, I'd like to reprint user group publications. Any user's groups who are interested in this approach, send me your newsletters and permission to reprint. You already have my permission to distribute MacDeveloper on disk to your members.

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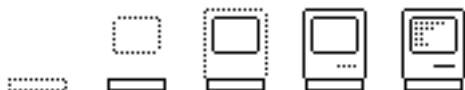
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But it can also be sent electronically to any of the following:

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The first issue describes the format and layout to be used — if you don't have the first issue, don't worry: I'll edit it into the right format.



## Errata, Oversights, and Outright Errors

Dear Harry Chesley:

Enjoy your MacDeveloper. Almost wish I had not started Mac programming until you had a goodly amount of publications out, might have saved myself a lot of hair pulling.

Your article in #2 6/7/85 seems to disagree both with my experience and Inside Macintosh. (Neither of which I would hang my reputation upon of course...). I refer to your article "What Every Application Should Know." In regards to handling Mouse Events:

1. case: **inDrag**. You say that before calling DragWindow, the application must check if this window is FrontWindow etc. Refer to Window Manager page 19, "If it pressed [sic] in the drag region of any window, call DragWindow, which will pull an outline of the window across the screen, move the window to a new location, and if the window is inactive, make it the active window (unless the Command key was held down)." This seems to indicate that it is unnecessary to explicitly make the window Front.

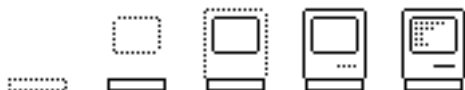
2. case: **inContent** or **inGrow**. Again, you suggest that if the window is not the FrontWindow, the application should explicitly make it so. Page 19 of the Window Manager distinguishes between content region of an inactive window and grow region of the active window. My understanding is that inContent includes the inGrow if the window is inactive, i.e. when clicking in the inGrow region of an inactive window, the window becomes active but then the user must again click to accomplish any sizing. If the inGrow case is returned, we know we are dealing with the active window.

Please let us know if this understanding is incomplete. It seems to be supported by our current programs.

Looking forward to #3, and keeping in mind that you need articles (*Ed: Yes, I do!*),

Sincerely, J.M. Driver

Both points above are exactly right. The code given in the article will not, in fact, match the Inside Macintosh user interface guidelines. Many thanks for pointing it out. The fix should be easy to work out, and is left as an exercise to the reader...



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# Macintosh Oriented Bulletin Board Systems

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The next several pages contain the phone numbers of over 150 suspected Macintosh oriented electronic bulletin board systems. Close to 50 of these have been definitely verified as functioning, open-to-the-public BBSs — as you can imagine, verifying the complete list is a major task, still underway.

For those of you not familiar with bulletin board systems, they are run by extremely altruistic people known as Sysops, who, as one reporter put it, spend thousands of dollars on equipment that everyone else can use but that they can't.

Basically, BBSs are computers with one or more dial-up line, offering electronic mail (public bulletin or notice type mail, and often private mail as well) and file transfer. They are a fantastic resource of free public domain software, information, help with anything ranging from how to turn on the computer to how to redraw the screen during the vertical blanking interval, and just friendly fellow Mac users.

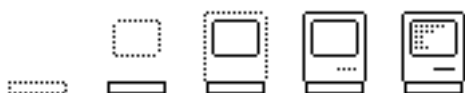
To use a BBS, just call it up with a modem and a program such as MacTerminal or FreeTerm (distributed with the latest Software Supplement). If the BBS doesn't start talking as soon as you get carrier, try typing a few carriage returns (often used to let the BBS determine what speed you're talking at). After that, follow the instructions — there are too many different types of BBS software to give a user's guide here.

In addition to the list included here, I have a Microsoft File document containing this plus much more information about the BBSs (not more BBSs, just more information about each one). I will upload that document to the same places I upload this issue of MacDeveloper.

If you have any more information about any of these BBSs or know of another BBS with a Macintosh orientation, please let me know at any of the following addresses:

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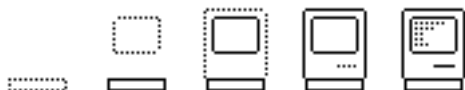
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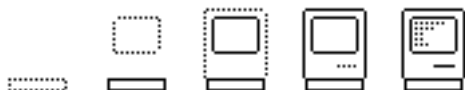
Disclaimer: The following is a collection of BBS phone numbers collected from a variety of other sources. I have attempted to verify the numbers, but have not been able to check out each and every one. If you find that one of the numbers listed below is a voice line rather than a BBS, **please** be nice to the people there — they're probably getting a lot of very annoying phone calls...

<u>Phone</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Called</u>
<u>Status</u>	<u>MacD</u>			
201-256-2067	The Jailcell			8/4/85
No answer				
201-747-8814	Developers Exchange	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
203-234-0742	Firesign Theatre	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up	1, 2, 3			
203-442-2411	The Computer Lab	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
203-453-4114				8/3/85
No answer				
203-453-5317	Mouse Hole BBS			8/3/85
No answer				
203-748-5146	Silver Screen System	3, 12	0-2400	
206-236-2246	Watchman's Tower	3	0-2400	8/4/85
Up				
206-459-9595	S. Puget Sound MUG BBS		Evenings	
206-694-1833		3, 12	0-2400	
206-872-2245				8/4/85
Voice				
207-443-4657	CLP-Fido	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
212-222-9536	Bitz 'N Bytes			8/3/85
Voice				
212-534-3716	NYMUG	3	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
212-925-4630	BMUG/East BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
213-273-8489	St. Elsewhere			8/4/85
No answer				
213-397-8966	LA-MUG BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
213-536-2651	BYTE BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/4/85
Up	1,2,3			
213-732-9131				8/3/85
Voice				
214-564-6282	Board Europa	3		8/4/85
Modem only				
214-892-1476	Ground-zero BBS	24	Evenings	
215-334-1630				8/3/85



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Disconnected				
216-784-1558	AkroMac		2200-0800	
Busy				
301-340-1376	LINDA BBS	3,12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up	1, 2, 3			
301-587-2132	MacUSA	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
302-731-1583	The Mousetrap			8/4/85
Voice				
302-737-7788	Mouse Trap	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
303-469-7541				
305-344-0655	MacuServe Info. Service	3, 12		8/3/85
No answer				
305-444-7088			Evenings	
305-472-1900	The Apple Tree	3, 12	0-2400	8/4/85
Up				
305-589-5422	S.H.A.P.E. (1)	3, 12	Weekday evenings	
305-589-8950	S.H.A.P.E. (2)	3, 12	Weekends	8/3/85
Voice				
309-348-3498	Tri-Delta BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
309-348-3684				
309-454-5477	Mackey BBS	3, 12	Evenings & weekends	
Busy				
312-295-6926	MACropedia	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
312-452-0333		3, 12, 24	0-2400	
312-649-3039	Spine Fido		2100-0530	
312-941-3179	Pete's Place			
313-259-2115	Mac Trade Center	3, 12	0-2400	
313-856-3804	Crystal Cave	3	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
314-428-8057		3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
315-458-5983	Upstate Computer			8/3/85
No answer				
315-768-8338	Upstate Computer Shop			8/3/85
Up				
319-395-3986	Mouse College	3, 12	1800-0730 M-F,	8/3/85
Up				
			0-2400 S&S	
401-521-2626	MacLink	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
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405-355-3103		12	Evenings	

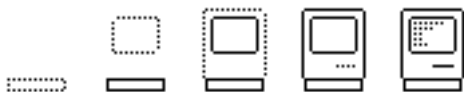




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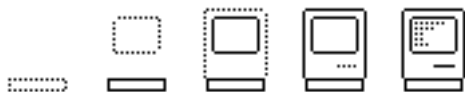
405-793-7562

408-268-9051	The Dialog Box			8/4/85
Up				
408-988-6693	A32 BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
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<u>Status</u>	<u>MacD</u>			
408-996-MACS	Wargames -- Mac			8/4/85
Disc.				
409-637-2286	Mindbender			8/3/85
No answer				
413-243-0436				8/3/85
Voice				
414-632-3983	RAM BBS	3, 12	0-2400	
415-332-6106	The W.E.L.L.	3, 12	0-2400	8/20/85
Up				
415-563-2491	T39 BBS	3, 12	0-2400	7/28/85
Temp. down				
415-621-7561	Bay Connexion	3, 12	0900-2100	7/30/85
Up				
415-775-2384	The Bay BBS	3	0-2400	
Up				
415-849-2684	BMUG BBS	3, 12	0-2400	7/30/85
Up	1, 2, 3			
416-226-9260	FidoNet - Canada_1	3,12,24	0-2400	
503-233-6583	MacSystem/NW	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
504-291-6339				
504-834-2544	Connection BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
504-851-1236	TCP BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
512-477-4747				8/3/85
No answer				
515-224-1334	MouseHole	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
516-367-8619				
516-868-8326	NY Mac BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
518-563-1679	U-Compute		Evenings	
602-774-5105	Computer Room			8/3/85
Voice				
602-885-8850	MacCircles/Unity	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
604-368-5931	Neon Light BBS		0-2400	
604-688-0049	Simran MUBBS	3, 12	0-2400	



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605-665-5179	Manzana BBS	3	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
606-341-4747	MacCincinnati	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up	1, 2, 3			
609-228-1149	TIES	3	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
617-231-2810	Mass. Mac & Electric	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up	1, 2, 3			
617-262-9167	Mac Boston	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
617-769-9358	Microcom			
617-863-0677	Buckman's Tavern	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
617-891-1349	The Chest			
619-284-8328				8/3/85
No answer				
619-462-6236	Tele-Mac	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
619-565-1634	Cabbie BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
619-582-9557	Computer Merchant	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
703-471-0610				
703-471-1378	The Macintosh BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
703-476-9459	Master Link			
703-560-7803	Washinton Networks	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
703-663-2613	Master Link	3, 12	Weekends	8/3/85
Modem only				
704-332-5439				
704-537-1304	PC-BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
713-527-9161	Magellan News Service	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Private				
713-580-3286	Computer Country			8/3/85
Voice				
714-491-1003	Desktop	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
714-493-0256	Dana Point BBS		Days & weekends	8/3/85
No answer				
714-494-6629	Mac-UCI			
714-495-7281	Hitchhiker's Guide			
714-533-6967	The Roadhouse			
714-537-1693	The Fireworks Co			

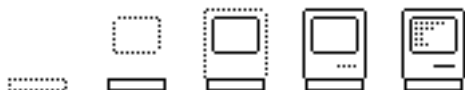


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714-538-3103 Tavern

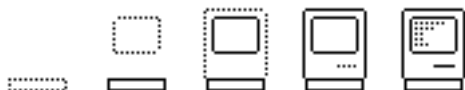
714-541-6225 Tavern (2nd line)

Phone	Name	Speed	Hours	Called
<u>Status</u>	<u>MacD</u>			
714-557-6483 No answer	Chem. Energy			8/3/85
714-557-8467	High Society			
714-558-7979 Voice	Sunrise Express			8/3/85
714-671-0467	The Thieves Guild			
714-772-8868	*IF* Magazine PMS			
714-775-2560	Electric Warehouse			
714-776-7223	The Secret Service			
714-830-0400	Ancient Rome II			
714-856-1029	CompuTrends BBS			
714-859-5857	Ancient Rome			
714-895-6041	Mac Orange BBS			
714-921-2252	The Mousehole			
714-921-2255	Public Mousehole			
714-974-1650	Graphic Violence			
714-990-2756	Computique	3		
716-375-4617 No answer	Blumenthal's			8/3/85
716-654-7663	Apple Manor			
717-766-2539 No answer				8/3/85
718-643-1965 Voice	NY Mac BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
800-231-3158				
801-378-4991			Evenings	
801-967-8967	MouseTrapp			
803-548-0900 Up	Fort Mill	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
803-656-5244 Up	Causeway	3, 12	1800-0700 M-TH,	8/3/85



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803-786-6120	CSC BBS	3, 12	0-2400 S&S Evenings, Sun.	
803-787-6886				8/3/85
Disconnected				
803-788-8926	Macintosh BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Busy				
805-688-6276	J. C. International			8/3/85
Voice				
806-742-2917				8/3/85
Busy				
806-797-8467	Coffee MUG			
808-456-1610	Hawaii BBS			
813-955-6181		3, 12		8/3/85
Up				
816-474-1052	WilloughbyWare			8/3/85
Modem only				
817-540-4894	Computer Emporium			8/3/85
Voice				
817-634-7727	Apple Cart	3, 12	0-2400	
818-355-7641	San Gabriel MUG			8/3/85
Busy				
818-716-0817	Smooth Talker			
818-798-6819				8/3/85
No answer				
818-810-7464	Computer Connexion	3, 12		8/3/85
Modem only				
818-919-5459	Apple Bus			
818-967-5534	Magic Slate			8/3/85
No answer				
901-755-8472				8/3/85
Voice				
901-757-6867	Mac Memphis	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
????				
902-425-1087	Macky BBS		MWF evenings	
904-244-8675	Gulf Coast			8/3/85
No answer				
904-421-0152	Sierra Club	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Voice				
904-725-8925	BBS Central	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
907-596-3923	Alaska Museum			
913-233-5554	Computer Patch	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
No answer				
913-299-8597	Prairie Goat BBS	3, 12	1800-0800 M-F,	8/3/85
No answer				
			0-2400 S&S	



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Phone	Name	Speed	Hours	Called
<u>Status</u>	<u>MacD</u>			
913-462-8285	Hacker's Nest			
914-356-1643	Timescape	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
914-737-6770	Cut-throats	3	0-2400	8/3/85
Up				
914-967-9560	M-BBS	3, 12	0-2400	8/3/85
Temp. down				
914-986-7905	Sybnotic			
916-758-2314	Aves			

Speeds: 3: 300  
 12: 1200  
 24: 2400

Called: When the BBS was last called; the status at that time is reported in the next field.

Status: Up: operating normally  
 No answer: phone was not answered after several rings  
 Voice: phone was answered by a person — may indicate inaccuracy in either phone number or hours of

operation

Busy: phone was busy, in most cases after several redials — may

Disc...: just indicate a popular BBS  
 got a "number disconnected" recording  
 Modem only: modem answered, but no BBS — may have been a temporary

????: problem  
 something really odd, like repeated "call cannot complete"

Private: recordings  
 not for public use — please don't call  
 Temp. down: down but not out — should be back before long

MacD: Which issues of MacDeveloper are on-line there.

Note: My own BBS (415-563-2491) is temporarily down, but will be back eventually.

