

Q4

Mail List Manager

I need to write an interface program between our Pascal based business system that can read and convert Mail List Manager data files to files I can work with... does any body know the data file declarations for Mail List Manager, and if you do, will yo please post them here? I am an ATUNC member, but can not come to meetings because I live and work in NYC... help would be appreciated

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Thanks!

Tom Betz

A4 part a

I don't have the specific information you are asking for, but I have dealt with the situation by printing my complete mail list to a text file on disk, and then writing a program in Business Basic to sort out the lines the way I want them to be listed. This program then saves it as another text file which can then be read by any data base program such as /// EZ Pieces. I got carried ne to recognize different types of name entry and leave all names in a standard format.(last, first middle title). The problem then became one of time, requiring 40 seconds per record to process therefore a disk with a 1000 names would require 11 hours to process. I'm now trying to do it in COBOL which is compiled like Pascal, and has some terrific verbs inherent in the language. Try me at my work number during the day if you're interested in my approach to the problem, 415-431-4350.

Wayne Schotten

A4 part b

I have a line on the declarations (if I remember to call this person on a Sunday) and will post them here if successful... I thought of your solution, but it is much tooo slow to be practical for me... (11 hours... SHEEESH!)

Tom