The Icon Newsletter

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Icon Documentation on the Web

The Icon Newsletter now is available on the World Wide Web. To view it, connect to the Icon home page:

http://www.cs.arizona.edu/icon/www/

and select the link to the Icon Newsletter. You’ll find the current newsletter and recent back issues.

From the Icon home page, you’ll also find links to other useful information, such as an Icon tutorial provided by John Shipman at New Mexico Tech, a FAQ (frequently asked questions), ordering information, an order form, access to FTP for downloading, and information about the Analyst.

Information about the Analyst includes a sample copy, contents of past issues, and a permuted index of topics.

When future newsletters are available, we will post notices to the comp.lang.icon newsgroup and our own icon-group mailing list.

Incidentally, one benefit of publishing the Newsletter on the Web is that we can provide color images. Check out the images of student programs from the graphics programming course described in Newsletter 47 and the kaleidoscope application in Newsletter 46.

Recent newsletters, a sample copy of the Analyst, and some other documents are also available in Adobe’s portable document format in our FTP area. Look for the suffix .pdf in the doc directory.

Icon Newsletter Subscriptions

This is the 48th issue of the Icon Newsletter that has been sent, free-of-charge, to anyone who asked for it.

The cost of preparing, printing, and mailing the Newsletter has been supported, in large part, by sales of Icon material.

As more and more persons have acquired access to on-line material, downloads have soared, but sales have dropped off.

We’ve reached the point where we no longer are able to provide printed copies of the Newsletter free of charge. As described in the previous article, we’ve put the Newsletter on the Web in hopes that most current subscribers can get it that way.

For those who can’t get the Newsletter on the Web or who just prefer a paper copy, there now is a nominal subscription charge. To minimize bookkeeping, we’re providing an on-going subscription to the Newsletter for a one-time charge of $20.
You also can get these files by anonymous FTP to ftp.cs.arizona.edu; cd /icon/beta/windows.

Feedback about Windows Icon should be addressed to its implementor, Clint Jeffery, at jeffery@ringer.cs.utsa.edu.

**Icon for the Macintosh**

Charles Richmond has taken over the Macintosh implementation of Version 9 of Icon that was started by one of Clint Jeffery’s students.

It’s too early yet to predict when something will be ready for release.

**Icon Program Library**

Version 9.1 of the Icon program library now is available and can be downloaded via anonymous FTP to ftp.cs.arizona.edu; cd /icon/library and get the READ.ME there.

*Note: Some graphics applications in the 9.1 library require Version 9.1 of Icon.*

**News and Notes**

**CBI Web Site**

The Web site for the Charles Babbage Institute has changed. It’s now

http://cbi.itdean.umn.edu/cbi/welcome.htm

**SNOBOL and Icon Archives at CBI**

We have sent CBI more of our archives related to the SNOBOL and Icon programming languages,
and we’ll continue to send more as we have time. If you’re interested in this material, contact the CBI archivist, Bruce Bruemmer:

Bruce@fs1.itdean.umn.edu
612-624-5050

**Icon USENET Readership**

According to Brian Reid’s USENET Readership Survey, an estimated 16,000 persons worldwide read the comp.lang.icon newsgroup.

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**Technical Support**

Our capacity for providing technical support is limited. It will help us if you use the appropriate resource when you need assistance. Please keep the following list handy for reference.

**Ordering Icon Material**

*mail:* Icon Project  
Department of Computer Science  
The University of Arizona  
P.O. Box 210077  
Tucson, Arizona 85721-0077  
U.S.A.  
*fax:* (520) 621-4246  
*voice:* (520) 621-6613  
*e-mail:* icon-orders@cs.arizona.edu

**Getting On-Line Information and Material**

*ftp:* ftp.cs.arizona.edu (cd /icon)  
*e-mail:* ftpmail@cs.arizona.edu  
Send a message consisting of the word help.

**Assistance with Installing Icon**

*e-mail:* icon-project@cs.arizona.edu

**Bug Reports**

*e-mail:* icon-project@cs.arizona.edu  
*fax:* (520) 621-4246

**Assistance with Programming Problems**

*e-mail:* icon-group@cs.arizona.edu  
*news:* comp.lang.icon

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**Uploading Files**

*ftp:* ftp.cs.arizona.edu (cd /incoming)  
After uploading, send e-mail to icon-project@cs.arizona.edu.

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**Thank You**

We would like to thank all of you who have made contributions to support the Icon Project. These contributions have kept us afloat.

We hope you will continue to contribute from time to time. Small contributions add up; don’t hesitate to add just a dollar or two when ordering Icon material.

All contributions receive an acknowledging letter of appreciation.
View from the Icon Project

The Icon Project is the name we use to identify Icon-related activities in the Department of Computer Science at The University of Arizona. It’s not an actual organization, just a useful label.

The Department of Computer Science occupies the seventh floor of the Gould-Simpson building. The building, built in 1986, is named after two famous University of Arizona scientists, Laurence Gould, a geologist and Antarctic explorer, and George Gaylord Simpson, one of the founders of modern evolutionary theory.

The photograph above shows the view to the north from the Department of Computer Science—looking out over the campus to the Santa Catalina mountain range in the distance.

Graphics Credits

The photograph above was taken by Vint Blackburn and enhanced in Adobe Photoshop.

The graphics on the last page and on the back of this Newsletter were done in Adobe Photoshop using Kai’s Power Tools.

Icon on the Web

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Ordering Icon Material

See the latest *Newsletter* for current ordering information.