Subject: Re: HELP with systime()
Posted by safier on Wed, 11 Feb 1998 08:00:00 GMT

>>>> > "Mark" == Mark Elliott <mark@mail.mmrrcc.upenn.edu> writes:

    Mark> Is there a way to convert a binary time value like the one
    Mark> returned by

    Mark> timeval = systime(1)

    Mark> into a date string like

    Mark> DOW MON DD HH:MM:SS YEAR ?

    Mark> I've found bin_date() but it accepts only the
    Mark> ascii_time format for input. I'd like to convert the number
    Mark> of seconds since 1/1/1970 into the month,day,year,... that
    Mark> it corresponds to.

If you are on a unix system, you can use spawn and the Unix date
command:

  spawn('date',mydate)

The output of date will be in mydate.

Hope this helps...

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 Department of Astronomy | choice between truth and repose.
 U. of Maryland at College Park | Take which you please--you can
 phone: 301-405-1531; fax: 301-314-9067 | never have both." R. W. Emerson