
Subject: Archives available

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Hi all -

There was some discussion last week about an archive of files from the newsgroup. I dug out the last 7 months worth and put them on my ftp site. Let's just say they're guaranteed to have some deficiencies. Early on in the daily collection I had somehow appended several days worth of files to one file. In other words, there really was not over 1 MB of text written about Building GUI's last October, despite what the archive indicates. Also, I was saving them off by subject name, so you'll encounter a lot of spaces and no extensions in the filenames. Filenames were truncated, as well as renamed to avoid duplicates pulled from multiple archives. The bottom line is, it's UGLY, but available, kinda like my sister :-)

I'm working with my ISP to set up a newsfeed to handle this properly. Once I get that running, I'll write something to import the files into a database and serve that from the web, as well as make the monthly listing more useful as an FTP-able file.

The archives are broken down by month and average about 300 KB each after compression. GTE has still not updated my connection speed, so anyone with a fast connection will need a lot of patience. It appears that 8K/sec is the max outbound speed at the moment. Faster than a modem, but not much.

Let me know of any problems beyond the ones I already mentioned.

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