

# Date and Time for the CP/M

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Nearly all computer systems must know the date and the time of day. The software described here provides an interface between the CP/M operating system from Digital Research and the COMPU/TIME board manufactured in Huntington Beach, California. Since CP/M is hardware independent, I will not go into the details of that system.

The code shown in the listing titled SETIME.PRN provides the ability to set the date and time on the board. When the board is purchased, some software routines are provided. I have taken these and added the wants and needs of CP/M along with my own preferences. Particularly important is that the board accepts invalid dates and times and then hangs up with no indication that there is a problem. Instead of writing all of the code required for input validity checks, I have chosen to warn the user and provide a program abort capability.

Some code in this program is duplicated (READ DATE and READ TIME sections). Initially, this program was written for the purpose of lifting sections of code that could "stand alone" to be used in other programs. This method has worked well for me since hardly any change is required after the initial development. The program checks to see if there is a board in the system, and if there is none, it writes eight zeros into the output buffer. When a board is present, the date and time are set and held. The user is then prompted to strike a key for ZERO SECONDS SYNC, allowing the clock to be set accurately using a known time source. The complete setting procedure takes approximately two minutes and forty seconds. This means that you should input a time that is about two minutes later than the current time. If the program has not prompted for ZERO SECONDS SYNC after about two minutes, you should abort the mission by striking any key and check your input. Please note that all of the listings provided are full of comments that can answer many of your questions. An actual setting is shown in Figure 1.

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A>SETIME
INPUT MONTH, DAY,HOURS,MINUTES
IN THE FORM MM,DD,HH,MM (MUST BE TWO DIGITS EACH)
INVALID INPUT IS NOT CHECKED AND WILL HANGUP THE BOARD
02,27,12,48
STRIKE ANY KEY TO ABORT THIS PROGRAM AND RETURN TO CP/M

STRIKE KEY FOR ZERO SECONDS SYNC
NOW CHECK THE SETTING
DATE 02/27/78 TIME 12:48:00
A>

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FIGURE 1 "SETIME" EXAMPLE

The program titled TIME.PRN shows the software that displays the date and time on the console device. The appropriate routines were taken from the SETIME program. Figure 2 shows a request and the result.

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A>TIME
DATE 02/27/78 TIME 13:02:31
A>

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FIGURE 2 "TIME" EXAMPLE

TIMESUBS.PRN is a listing of the READ DATE and READ TIME software set up as subroutines which I have stored in PROM beginning at E000H. This allows the user to call for the date or time from a running program.

The calling program must point at the starting address of an 8-byte buffer with the D and E registers. The routines will return an eight byte ASCII date or time.

Now that the date and time can be set and the results can be displayed on the console, we can look at some applications. First, CP/M should display the date and time during a cold boot and a warm boot. These modifications dictate the need for the source code of BIOS. Since the TIMESUBS software is located outside of BIOS, I set aside two vectors in the ENTRY POINT TABLE. Thus, no changes to applications software will be required if TIMESUBS has to be relocated. I left room for expansion in the ENTRY POINT TABLE before establishing my vectors.

I have the IMSAI supplied Version 1.33 of CP/M, and the modifications I have made work very well. If you do not have the same version, you should have no problem incorporating the changes into your BIOS, assuming you have the source code for BIOS and have some insight as to its relation to the CP/M system.

My vector for DATE is at the beginning of BIOS + 45H, and my vector for TIME is at BIOS + 48H. Both vectors point to the TIMESUBS entry points at E000H and E003H. Figure 3 shows the vectors and all of the code that can be placed anywhere in BIOS. The code in Figure 4 must be placed such that it will be executed each time there is a jump to the WARM boot entry point.

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BD00 C38DBF ENTAB: JMP COLD      ;COLD START RETURN
BD03 C36EBF   JMP WBOOT    ;COME HERE FOR REBOOT (VIA 0)
BD06 C3F2BD   JMP CONSTAT
BD09 C30A8E   JMP CONIN
BD0D 3188E   JMP CONOUT
BD0F C326BE   JMP LIST
BD11 C316BE   JMP PUNCH
BD15 C302E   JMP READER
BD18 C3CBBD   JMP HOME
BD1B C354BD   JMP SELDSK
BD1E C3D1BD   JMP SETTRK
BD21 C3D6BD   JMP SETSEC
BD24 C20BBB   JMP SETDMA
BD27 C392BD   JMP READ
BD2A C39CB0   JMP WRITE
BD2D C350BF   JMP NXM      ;FOR RESTART 7: GIVE ERR MESSAGE
BD30 C395BF   JMP WARM     ;WARM BOOT RETURN - FINISH INIT
BD33 DS 1B      ;ROOM FOR EXPANSION VECTORS

;ANY CHANGES TO THESE VECTORS RELATIVE TO THEIR POSITION
;IN THE 'ENTRY POINT TABLE' AFFECT THE LIST PROGRAMS
;AND ANY OTHER PROGRAMS THAT USE THESE VECTORS FOR DATE & TIME
;

BD45 C300 GDATE: JMP DATE      ;8 BYTE DATE MM/DD/YY
BD48 C303E0 GTIME: JMP TIME      ;8 BYTE TIME HH:MM:SS
;SIGN-ON MESSAGE, TYPED AFTER RETURN FROM BOOT
BD4B 0D0A34384BMESSAGE: DB CR,LF,'48K CP/M EXPERIMENTAL VERS 1.33.3 ',0
;DATE & TIME MESSAGE
;

BD71 0D0A44154DATEMESS: DB      ;CR,LF,'DATE'
BD78 58582F5858RDATES: DB      ;'XX/XX/XX' TIME '
BD87 58583A5858TIMES: DB      ;'XX:XX:XX',CR,LF,'$'


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FIGURE 3 "BIOS" ADDITIONS

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;COLD:           ;"BOOT" RETURNS HERE AFTER COLD START
LXI H,MESSAGE:COLD START SIGN ON
CALL CONMSG
MVI C,0          ;COLD STARTS FROM DRIVE ZERO
WARM:           ;"BOOT" RETURNS HERE AFTER WARM START
;GET TIME & DATE AND PRINT IT
;

BP8D 214BB0      PUSH B      ;PRESERVE IOBYTE & SELECTED DISK
BP90 CD4B8F      LXI D,DATES ;GET THE DATE
BP93 0E00        CALL GDATE
;GET THE TIME
BP95 C5          LXI D,TIMES
BP96 1178BD      CALL GTIME
BP99 CD48BD      LXI D,DATEMESS
BP9F CD48BD      CALL DATESMESS
BPA2 1171BD      MVI C,9
BPA5 0E09        CALL ENTRY
BPA7 CD0500      POP B       ;PRINT IT
BFAA C1          RET


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FIGURE 4 "BIOS" MODIFICATIONS

# Disk Operating System

When these modifications have been incorporated into the system, the date and time will be displayed on the console device each time either a cold boot or warm boot is initiated. Anytime you want the date and time you need only to warm boot (control C). This means that you no longer need the TIME program described earlier. Figure 5 is an example of a cold boot and a warm boot.

Everyone involved in software development is plagued with keeping track of the latest listing of the program under development. Many times, I have thrown away the wrong listing and ended up having to get a new listing just to be sure. Having the date and time along with the name of the program at the top of each page of a listing will save a good deal of time.

```
48K CP/M EXPERIMENTAL VERS 1.33.3
DATE 02/27/78 TIME 13:08:56
A>

"COLD BOOT"

^C
DATE 02/27/78 TIME 13:09:10
A>

"WARM BOOT"
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**FIGURE 5 CP/M COLD BOOT AND WARM BOOT EXAMPLES**

Incorporating the date and time into a LIST program is also a good application for my new software. The LIST program I use was provided by IMSAI and since it bears a copyright message, I won't supply the listing. If you have Version 1.3 of LIST, you can incorporate these changes directly. If you do not have this Version, you can apply the techniques and some of the code. The code in Figure 6 is self-explanatory and can be placed anywhere in the program. Figure 7 shows TITLBUF in its original form, and Figure 8 shows the changes to make and the addition of the storage area DATEBUF. Figure 9 shows the calls to DATE and TIME which are placed at C1B9 and the two statements that must be added to the PAGE NUMBER routine. The code in Figure 10 can be inserted anywhere where it won't be executed since it is used as a subroutine. This code determines the size of the CP/M system that is currently running and then jumps to the proper place in the ENTRY POINT TABLE of BIOS. This method can be used anytime a program uses the ENTRY POINT TABLE directly. The program listings included in this article were prepared using my list program with date and time.

```
; LOCATIONS 1 & 2 CONTAIN THE ADDRESS OF THE WARM START VECTOR
0001 = LOC1 EQU 1 ;LOCATION CONTAINING THE ADDRESS OF BIOS+3
;OFFSET IN BIOS FOR DATE & TIME VECTORS
;BECAUSE WE CAN ONLY DETERMINE THE START OF BIOS+3
;THE BELOW MUST BE ADJUSTED BY 3
;
0042 = DADDR EQU 42H ;ACTUALLY IT'S 3 MORE
0045 = TADDR EQU 45H ;Ditto
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**FIGURE 6 "LIST" ADDITIONS**

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0386 00 TITLBUF: DB 0 ;SAYS NO TITLE HERE YET
0387 DS 100H ;REST OF TITLE BUFFER
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**FIGURE 7 ORIGINAL "TITLBUF"**

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TITLBUF:
03D9 DS 100H ;TITLE BUFFER
04D9 0D0A204411 DB CRC,LPC,/ DATE XX/XX/XX TIME XX:XX:XX,CRC,LPC,0
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**FIGURE 8 CHANGES TO "TITLBUF" AND ADDITION OF "DATEBUF"**

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C1B9:
;GET TIME & DATE
;
01A0 11E104 LXI D,DATEBUF+8
01A3 CD3E01 CALL DATE
01A6 11F004 LXI D,DATEBUF+23
01A9 CD4801 CALL TIME
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;PAGE NUMBER
033A 3A3B01 LDA PAGNUMELAG
033D B7 ORA A
033E CA6003 JZ NOPAGNUM
;SPACE TO COLUMN
0341 3E20 PAGN1: MVI A,' '
0343 CDB8C02 CALL LSTCH ;MINIMUM ONE SPACE
0346 3AF504 LDA COL
0349 DF41 SBI PAGNUMCOL
034B FA4103 JM PAGN1
;"PAGE" TEXT
034E 217C03 LXI H,PAGETXT
0351 CDB8203 CALL LSTRING
;NUMBER
0354 2AF704 LHLD PAGE
0357 CDB8E03 CALL DECPR
;
;THE NEXT TWO STATEMENTS WERE ADDED TO GET DATE & TIME
;AT THE TOP OF THE PAGE
035A 21D004 LXI H,DATEBUF
035D CDB8203 CALL LSTRING
```

**FIGURE 9 "LIST" ADDITIONS**

```
;DATE & TIME ROUTINES-DETERMINES WHERE BIOS IS LOCATED
;AND VECTORS APPROPRIATELY
;
013E D5 DATE: PUSH D ;
013F 114200 LXI D,DADDR;
0142 2A0100 LHLD LOCL ;
0145 19 DAD D ;
0146 D1 POP D ;
0147 E9 PCHL ;JUMP TO BIOS+DADDR
0148 D5 TIME: PUSH D ;
0149 114500 LXI D,TADDR;
014C 2A0100 LHLD LOCL ;
014F 19 DAD D ;
0150 D1 POP D ;
0150 F9 PCHL ;JUMP TO BIOS+TADDR
```

**FIGURE 10 "LIST" DATE AND TIME SUBROUTINES**

## PROGRAM LISTING 1

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; RDIGIT:
    0208 7A      MOV A,D ;SELECT DIGIT
    0209 D5C4    OUT ADATA ;
    020B DBC4    IN  ADATA ;RESET INTERRUPT
    020D DBC5    DWAIT IN ACNT ;TEST FOR DIGIT PRESENT
    020F E8E0    ANI 80H ;ANYTHING THERE?
    0221 CAD021  JZ  DWAIT ;LOOP UNTIL INTERRUPT
    0224 DEC4    IN  ADATA ;READ A DIGIT
    0226 E8E7    ANI 0FH ;MASK ZONE
    0228 F539    ORI 30H ;SET ASCII
    022A C5      RET

; RFAD FOUR DIGITS ROUTINE
    022B 1A82    READ4: MVI D,0 ;SET TO SELECT FIRST DIGIT
    022D CDC022  NXFT: CALL RDIGIT ;DELAY ONE DIGIT SCAN
    022E CD5F03  CALL RSDIG ;READ & STORE DIGIT
    0230 32E5    MVI A,0 ;
    0231 32E9    CPI 0AH ;TEST IF 2 DIGITS DONE
    0232 32E9    CPI 20H ;SKIP A PLACE
    0235 C09023  JNZ SKIP ;SEE IF TIME OR DATE
    0239 79      MOV A,C ;
    023A F1A0    CPI 0 ;DATE
    023C C04022  JNZ COLOR ;IT'S FOR TIME
    023F 32F    MVI A,0 ;IT'S FOR DATE
    0241 C0F022  JMP DOIT ;DO IT
    0243 32E5    COLON: CALL SDIGIT ;SET ALL
    0246 C09023  DOIT: CALL SDIGIT ;TEST FOR ALL DIGITS DONE
    0249 7A      SKIP: MOV A,D ;
    0250 F1A0    CPI 40H ;ALL 4 DONE
    0252 C6      RZ  ;GET ANOTHER DIGIT
    025D C3D022  JMP NEXT ;STORE A DIGIT ROUTINE

; STORE A DIGIT ROUTINE
    0300 77      SDIGIT: MOV M,A ;STORE A DIGIT
    0301 23      INX H ;INCR H&L
    0302 C9      RET

; READ DATE ROUTINE
    0303 CD6503  DATE: CALL BOARD ;IS THERE A BOARD
    0306 C4A403  JZ  NOBOARD ;NOPE
    0309 CAD022  CALL CLKINT ;INITIALIZE THE BOARD
    030C 32E0    MVI A,0 ;SET DATE DISPLAY MODE
    030E D3C6    OUT BDATA ;
    0310 0200    MVI C,0 ;TELL READ4 THIS IS DATE
    0312 C0D022  CALL READ4 ;GET 4 DIGITS
    0315 32F    MVI A,0 ;
    0317 C09003  CALL SD1617 ;SET TENS OF YEARS
    0318 32F    MVI A,0 ;
    0319 C09003  CALL SD1617 ;SET UNITS OF YEARS
    031F 32E8    MVI A,8 ;SET UNITS OF YEARS
    0321 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0324 C9      RET

; READ THE TIME
    0325 CD6503  TIME: CALL BOARD ;CHECK FOR BOARD PRFSNFT
    0326 C4A403  JZ  NOBOARD ;NOPE
    0328 CAD022  CALL CLKINT ;INITIALIZE THE BOARD
    032E 3140    MVI A,40H ;SFT TIME DISPLAY MODE
    0330 D3C6    OUT BDATA ;
    0332 0201    MVI C,1 ;TELL READ4 THIS IS TIME
    0334 C0D022  CALL READ4 ;GET 4 DIGITS
    0337 32E4    MVI A,0 ;
    0339 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;STORE A DIGIT
    033C C09003  CALL RSDIG ;READ & STORE A DIGIT

; READ AND STORE A DIGIT
    033F CDC0802  RSDIG: CALL RDIGIT ;
    0342 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0345 C09003  MVI A,0 ;
    0346 C010    ADD I 10H ;STEP TO NEXT DIGIT
    0348 57      MOV D,A ;
    0349 C9      RET

; NO BOARD IN THE SYSTEM
    NOBOARD: MVI A,'0' ;STUFF 8 ZEROS
    034C C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    034F C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0352 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0355 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0358 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    035B C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0364 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0367 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    036A C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    036D C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0370 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0373 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0376 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0379 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0382 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0385 C09003  CALL SDIGIT ;
    0388 82      ADD D ;
    0389 57      MOV D,A ;
    038A C19A03  CALL CHKABORT ;CHECK FOR ABORT WANTED
    038D C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;READ A DIGIT
    0390 5F22    TEST: ANI 20H ;TEST BIT 5(1=HRS/MON;0=MIN/DAYS)
    0391 0201    MVI D,0 ;SET D TO ZERO IF BIT 5=1
    0392 1600    JMP HCALL ;SET D TO 20H IF BIT 5=0
    0393 C09003  CALL HWAIT ;SETUP FOR ABORT
    0394 C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;CHECK "TENS" DIGIT
    0395 C27903  INC NZCALL ;LOOP ON NO MATCH
    0396 3110    MVI A,10H ;
    0398 82      ADD D ;STEP TO UNITS DIGIT
    0399 57      MOV D,A ;
    039A C19A03  CALL CHKABORT ;CHECK "UNITS" DIGIT
    039D C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;
    039E C26003  JNZ TEST ;SET TIME HOLD MODE
    0395 3146    MVI A,46H ;
    0397 D3C6    OUT BDATA ;
    0399 C9      RET

; SET SECONDS SYNCHRONIZATION ROUTINE
    036A D3C6    OUT BDATA ;CLOCK SET MODE
    036C 5F22    TEST: ANI 20H ;TEST BIT 5(1=HRS/MON;0=MIN/DAYS)
    036D 0201    MVI D,0 ;SET D TO ZERO IF BIT 5=1
    036E C09003  CALL HCALL ;SET D TO 20H IF BIT 5=0
    036F C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;READ A DIGIT
    0372 1600    JMP HCALL ;CHECK FOR ABORT WANTED
    0375 C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;CHECK "TENS" DIGIT
    0378 C27903  INC NZCALL ;LOOP ON NO MATCH
    0379 3110    MVI A,10H ;
    0382 1600    JMP HCALL ;SETUP FOR ABORT
    0383 C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;CHECK "UNITS" DIGIT
    0386 C27903  INC NZCALL ;LOOP ON NO MATCH
    0387 3110    MVI A,10H ;
    0388 82      ADD D ;STEP TO UNITS DIGIT
    0389 57      MOV D,A ;
    038A C19A03  CALL CHKABORT ;CHECK FOR ABORT WANTED
    038D C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;
    0390 5F22    TEST: ANI 20H ;TEST BIT 5(1=HRS/MON;0=MIN/DAYS)
    0391 0201    MVI D,0 ;SET D TO ZERO IF BIT 5=1
    0392 1600    JMP HCALL ;SET D TO 20H IF BIT 5=0
    0393 C09003  CALL HWAIT ;SETUP FOR ABORT
    0394 C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;CHECK "TENS" DIGIT
    0395 C27903  INC NZCALL ;LOOP ON NO MATCH
    0396 3110    MVI A,10H ;
    0398 82      ADD D ;STEP TO UNITS DIGIT
    0399 57      MOV D,A ;
    039A C19A03  CALL CHKABORT ;CHECK "UNITS" DIGIT
    039D C09003  CALL RDIGIT ;
    039E C26003  JNZ TEST ;SET TIME HOLD MODE
    0395 3146    MVI A,46H ;
    0397 D3C6    OUT BDATA ;
    0399 C9      RET

; CHECK FOR ABORT WANTED
    CHKABORT: PUSH B ;SAVE THE REGISTERS
    039A C5      PUSH H ;
    039B F5      PUSH D ;
    039C D5      PUSH D ;
    039D 0203    MVI C,11 ;SEE IF A KEY HAS BEEN DEPRESSED ON CONSOLE
    039F C0500    CALL ENTRY ;
    03A2 1F      INC GOAHEAD ;NO ABORT WANTED
    03A3 C09003  INC GOAHEAD ;NO ABORT WANTED
    03A4 C19A03  INC GOAHEAD ;NO ABORT WANTED
    03A5 11R503  XI  D,APMESS ;
    03A9 0209    MVI C,9 ;
    03A8 C0E000  CALL ENTRY ;PRINT ABORT MESSAGE
    03A9 C35401  JMP DISPLAY ;DISPLAY THE ABORTED MFSS

; GOAHEAD:
    03B1 D1      POP D ;
    03B2 F1      POP H ;
    03B3 D5      POP B ;
    03B4 C9      RET ;

; READ A DIGIT ROUTINE
    03B5 C09003  DB CR,LF,'PROGRAM ABORTED DURING SET-RESULTS UNCERTAIN ',CR,LF,'$'
    03B6 C09003  ; STORAGE AREA

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03E7 0D0A444154FDATF DB CR,LF,'DATE
03E8 555E MON DB 'XX' ;MONTH
03E9 DS 1 ;
03F0 DAY DB 'XX' ;DAY
03F1 555P DS 3 ;
03F2 TIME DB ,TIME,
03F3 HOUR DB 'XX' ;HOURS
03F4 DS 1 ;
03F5 MIN DF 'XX' ;MINUTES
03F6 DS 1 ;
03F7 SEC DB 'XX' ;SECONDS
0405 2D0A24 DB CR,LF,'$'
0406 0D00 TBUFF DB 13,0
0407 MONI DS 2
0408 DS 1
0409 DS 2
040F DS 1
0410 HOURI DS 2
0411 DS 1
0413 DS 2
0415 OLDSP DS 2
0417 DS 100H
0517 20 STACK: DB 0

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## PROGRAM LISTING 2

THIS PROGRAM WILL READ & DISPLAY THE TIME AND DATE FROM A COMPUTE/TIME BOARD MANUFACTURED AT 8532 HAMILTON AVE., HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA., 92646, (714)536-9967.

THE BOARD MUST BE ADDRESSED BEGINNING AT 'C0' OR YOU MUST CHANGE THE PORT ASSIGNMENTS BELOW.

THIS SOFTWARE EXECUTES ON THE CP/M OPERATING SYSTEM

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2100 ORG 100H

;SET UP THE STACK

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LXI H,0
DAD SP
SHLD OLDSP
LXI SP,STACK

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;ASSIGNMENTS

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0005 = ENTRY: EQU 5
0006 = OF: EQU 0DH
0008 = LF: EQU 0AH
0005 = ACOUNT: EQU 0C5H ;PORT A CONTROL
0007 = BCOUNT: EQU 0C7H ;PORT B CONTROL
0004 = ADATA: EQU 0C4H ;PORT A DATA
0006 = BDATA: EQU 0C6H ;PORT B DATA

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;DISPLAY DATE & TIME

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LXI D,MON
CALL DATE ;GET IT
LXI D,HOUR
CALL TIME
LXI D,DATE ;DISPLAY THE WHOLE THING

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0119 0E09 MWI C,9
011B CD8500 CALL ENTRY

;RETURN TO CMP THRU CCP

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011E 2A0602 LHLD OLDSP
0121 F9 SPHL
0122 C9 RET

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;READ A DIGIT ROUTINE

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0123 7A RDIGIT: MOV A,D ;SELECT DIGIT
0124 D3C4 OUT ADATA ;
0126 D5C4 IN ADATA ;RESET INTERRUPT
0128 D5C5 DWAIT: IN ACOUNT ;TEST FOR DIGIT PRESENT
0129 B5C0 ANI 00H ;ANYTHING THERE?
012C CA2F01 JZ DWAIT ;LOOP UNTIL INTERRUPT
012F DBC4 IN ADATA ;READ A DIGIT
0131 FE0F ANI 0FH ;MASK ZONE
0133 FE30 ORI 30H ;SET ASCII
0135 C9 RET

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;READ FOUR DIGITS ROUTINE

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0136 1E00 READ4: MWI D,0 ;SET TO SELECT FIRST DIGIT
0138 CD2301 NEXT: CALL RDIGIT ;DELAY ONE DIGIT SCAN
013B CD9C01 CALL RSDIG ;READ & STORE DIGIT
013E 7A MOV A,D
013F F120 CPI 20H ;TEST IF 2 DIGITS DONE
0140 C25401 JNZ SKIP ;SKIP A PLACE
0144 F140 CPI 0 ;SEE IF TIME OR DATE
0145 F140 CPI 0 ;IT'S FOR TIME
0147 CA2F01 JNZ COLON ;IT'S FOR TIME
014A 3E2F MWI A,'/'
014C C35121 JMP DOIT ;
0151 CD5B01 DOIT: CALL SDIGIT ;
0154 7A SKIP: MOV A,D ;TEST FOR ALL DIGITS DONE
0155 F140 CPI 40H ;
0156 FF40 RJZ NEXT ;ALL 4 DONE
0158 C9 JMP NEXT ;GET ANOTHER DIGIT

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;STORE A DIGIT ROUTINE

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0159 77 SDIGIT: MOV M,A ;STORE A DIGIT
015C 22 INX H ;INCR H&L
0160 C9 RET ;

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;READ DATE ROUTINE

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0161 CDC201 DATE: CALL BOARD ;IS THERE A BOARD
0161 CAA761 JZ NOBOARD ;NOPE
0162 CDC721 CALL CLKINT ;INIT THE BOARD
0163 XCHG CPI 0 ;PUT DESTINATION OF DATE IN H&L
0166 3F02 MWI A,0 ;SET DATE DISPLAY MODE
016A D3C6 OUT BDATA ;
016C 0F02 MWI C,0 ;TELL READ4 THIS IS DATE
016E CD3F01 CALL READ4 ;GET 4 DIGITS
0171 3F2F MWI A,'/' ;
0173 CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
0176 C9400 MWI A,0 ;SET TENS OF YEARS
0178 CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
0179 3F38 MWI A,'G' ;SET UNITS OF YEARS
017D CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
0180 C9 RET

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;READ TIME & READ AND STORE DIGIT ROUTINES

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0181 CDC201 TIME: CALL BOARD ;CHECK FOR BOARD PRESENT
0184 CAA761 JZ NOBOARD ;NOPE
0187 CDC721 CALL CLKINT ;INIT THE BOARD
018A FB XCHG CPI A,40H ;SET TIME DISPLAY MODE
018D D3C6 OUT BDATA ;
018F 0F02 MWI C,1 ;TELL READ4 THIS IS TIME
0191 CD3F01 CALL READ4 ;GET 4 DIGITS

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0194 3F3A MWI A,'.' ;
0196 CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
0199 CD9C01 CALL RSDIG ;
019C CD2301 RSDIG: CALL RDIGIT ;
019F CD5B01 MOV A,D ;
01A2 7A ADI 10H ;
01A3 CE10 MOV D,A ;
01A5 57 RET ;
01A6 C9 ;NO BOARD IN THE SYSTEM
01A7 3F30 NOBOARD: MWI A,'0' ;STUFF 8 ZEROS
01A9 CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
01AC CD5B01 CALL RDIGIT ;
01AD CD5B01 OUT BDATA ;
01AE CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
01BB CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
01BF CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
01EF CD5B01 CALL SDIGIT ;
01C1 C9 RET ;

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;SEE IF BOARD PRESENT

BOARD: IN ADATA ;

01C2 DBC4 CPI 2FHF ;

01C4 FFFF RET ;

01C6 C9 ;OUT ADATA ;

01C7 3F70 CLKINT: IN A,7DH ;IN ADATA ;

01C9 3F44 OUT A,7DH ;OUT ADATA ;

01C9 3F77 MWI A,7DH ;OUT BDATA ;

01D0 D3C6 OUT A,14H ;ACONT ;

01D1 3F35 MWI A,04H ;ECONT ;

01D5 DCC7 OUT RET ;

01D7 C9 ;

;STORAGE AREA

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01D8 2D0A444154FDATF DB CR,LF,'DATE
01D9 555E MON DB 'XX' ;MONTH
01E1 DS 1 ;
01E2 555P DAY DB 'XX' ;DAY
01E4 DS 3 ;
01E7 2005449ADPTIME DB ,TIME,
01E8 555E HOUR DB 'XX' ;HOURS
01E9 DS 1 ;
01E8 555P MIN DB 'XX' ;MINUTES
01F1 DS 1 ;
01F4 555F SEC DB 'XX' ;SECONDS
01F5 2D0A24 DB CR,LF,'$'
01F6 2D00 TBUFF DB 13,0
01F7 MONI DS 2
01F8 DS 1
01F9 DS 2
0200 DS 1
0201 HOURI DS 2
0203 DS 1
0204 DS 2
0205 OLDSP DS 2
0206 DS 2
0207 2D0E 100H
0208 20 STACK: DB 0

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## PROGRAM LISTING 3

THESE SUBROUTINES GET THE DATE & TIME FROM A COMPUTE/TIME BOARD MANUFACTURED AT 8532 HAMILTON AVE., HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA., 92646, (714)536-9967.

THE BOARD MUST BE ADDRESSED BEGINNING AT 'C0' OR YOU MUST CHANGE THE PORT ASSIGNMENTS BELOW.

THE ADDRESS OF THE DESTINATION OF THE DATE & TIME MUST BE IN THE DS1 REGISTER WHEN THESE ROUTINES ARE CALLED

A CALL TO TIME RETURNS HH:MM:SS (8 ASCII BYTES)  
A CALL TO DATE RETURNS MM/DD/YY ( DITTO )

THIS SOFTWARE EXECUTES ON THE CP/M OPERATING SYSTEM

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F000 ORG 0E00H

;ASSIGNMENTS

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F005 = ACOUNT: EQU 0C5H ;PORT A CONTROL
F007 = BCOUNT: EQU 0C7H ;PORT B CONTROL
F004 = ADATA: EQU 0C4H ;PORT A DATA
F006 = EDATA: EQU 0C6H ;PORT B DATA
F000 C341E0 JMP DATE ;GET THE DATE
F003 C364E0 JMP TIME ;GET THE TIME

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;READ A DIGIT ROUTINE

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F005 = ACOUNT: EQU 0C5H ;PORT A CONTROL
F007 = BCOUNT: EQU 0C7H ;PORT B CONTROL
F004 = ADATA: EQU 0C4H ;PORT A DATA
F006 = EDATA: EQU 0C6H ;PORT B DATA
F000 C341E0 JMP DATE ;GET THE DATE
F003 C364E0 JMP TIME ;GET THE TIME

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;READ A DIGIT ROUTINE

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F005 = RDIGIT: MOV A,D ;SELECT DIGIT
F007 D3C4 OUT ADATA ;

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F009 DBC4 IN ADATA ;RESET INTERRUPT

F00B DBC5 DWAIT: IN ACOUNT ;TEST FOR DIGIT PRESENT

F00D F0E0 ANI 0FH ;ANYTHING THERE?

F00F CA2F02 JZ DWAIT ;LOOP UNTIL INTERRUPT

F012 DBC4 IN ADATA ;READ A DIGIT

F014 FE0F ANI 0FH ;MASK ZONE

F016 FC32 ORI 30H ;SET ASCII

F018 C9 RET ;

;

;READ FOUR DIGITS ROUTINE

F019 1E00 READ4: MWI D,0 ;SET TO SELECT FIRST DIGIT

F019 CD5B01 NEXT: CALL RDIGIT ;DELAY ONE DIGIT SCAN

F019 CLKINT: CALL RSDIG ;READ & STORE DIGIT

F021 7A MOV A,D

F022 F120 CPI 20H ;TEST IF 2 DIGITS DONE

F024 C237E0 JNZ SKIP ;IT'S FOR TIME

F026 FF40 CPI 0 ;DATE

F028 C252E0 JNZ COLON ;IT'S FOR TIME

F029 7A CPI A,0 ;

F02F C334E0 DOIT: CALL SDIGIT ;

F031 CD3F02 SKIP: CALL RDIGIT ;

F037 7A CPI 0 ;TEST FOR ALL DIGITS DONE

F038 FE40 CPI 40H

F03A C9 RJZ NEXT ;ALL 4 DONE

F03B C31E0 JMP NEXT ;GET ANOTHER DIGIT

;

;READ A DIGIT ROUTINE

F035 77 SDIGIT: MOV M,A ;STORE A DIGIT

F037 22 INX H ;INCR H&L

F040 C9 RET ;

;

;RFAD DATE ROUTINE

F041 CAA761 DATE: CALL BOARD ;IS THERE A BOARD

F044 CA8A7F JZ NOBOARD ;NOPE

F047 F9 XCHG CPI 0 ;PUT ADDRESS OF DESTINATION IN H&L

F048 CDA4F2 CALL CLKINT ;INIT THE POARD

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FF4P 3FFF          MVI   A,0    ;SET DATE DISPLAY MODE
FF4D E0C0          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF4F F1F0          MVI   A,1    ;TELL READ4 THIS IS DATE
FF50 F1F0          CALL  R4D4   ;GET 4 DIGITS
FF51 312F          MVI   A,'1'  ;
FF52 CD3FF0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF53 312F          MVI   A,'2'  ;SET TFNS OF YEARS
FF54 CD3FF0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF55 312F          MVI   A,'3'  ;SET UNITS OF YEARS
FF56 CD3FF0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF57 C9              RET   ;

;READ TIME & READ AND STORE DIGIT ROUTINES
FF58 CTAAE0          TIME: CALL  BOARD  ;CHECK FOR BOARD PRESENT
FF59 CASAE2          JZ    NOBOARD ;NONE
FF60 FA              XCHG  H     ;PUT ADDRESS OF DESTINATION IN H &L
FF61 CDAAE2          CALL  CLKINT ;INIT THE BOARD
FF62 3140          MVI   A,48H  ;SET TIME DISPLAY MODE
FF63 3140          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF64 C1F1          MVI   A,1    ;TELL READ4 THIS IS TIME
FF65 C1F1          CALL  R4D4   ;GET 4 DIGITS
FF66 CD19E6          MVI   A,'1'  ;
FF67 333A          MVI   A,'2'  ;
FF68 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF69 CD7FF0          CALL  RSDIG  ;RDIGIT
FF70 CD2E80          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF71 CD35FF          CALL  RSDIG  ;RDIGIT
FF72 7A              MOV   A,DH  ;
FF73 CE16          ADI   10H   ;
FF74 57              MOV   D,A  ;
FF75 C9              RET   ;

;NO BOARD IN THE SYSTEM
NOBOARD:
FF76 A3E3          MVI   A,'0'  ;STUFF 8 ZEROS
FF77 CD3FF0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF78 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF79 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF80 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF81 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF82 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF83 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF84 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF85 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF86 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF87 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF88 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF89 CD3FE0          CALL  SDIGIT;
FF8A C9              RET   ;

;SEE IF BOARD PRESENT
BOARD:
FF8B DEC4          IN    ADATA  ;
FF8C FFFF          CPI   OFFH  ;
FF8D C5FF          RET   ;
FF8E 31F0          CIKINT: MVI   A,76H  ;
FF8F 31F0          MVI   A,77H  ;ADATA
FF90 31F0          MVI   A,77H  ;
FF91 31F0          MVI   A,77H  ;
FF92 D3C6          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF93 31F4          MVI   A,14H  ;
FF94 D3C6          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF95 31F4          MVI   A,14H  ;ACONT
FF96 D3C6          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF97 31F4          MVI   A,84H  ;
FF98 D3C7          OUT   EDATA  ;
FF99 C9              RET   ;

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Many users prefer to employ a higher level language to communicate with their systems. Once the TIME-SUBS software has been added and the modifications have been made to BIOS, you can get the date and time from BASIC or FORTRAN or any other language you use, as long as you have the ability to interface with assembly language routines. I have used the date and time with both BASIC and FORTRAN, but since there are so many versions, I won't go into the details.

In conclusion, I believe that no system is complete without date and time. The uses are only limited by the need. I'm sure many of you have the need for date and time, and I urge you to try the software I've described. □



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