

Southland Automation Inc. StPicture Family Photo Storage System Tips and Ideas

Introduction

This document contains tips and use ideas concerning the StPicture Family Photo Storage System. Presented here are things learned from using the product - some to be emulated, others to be avoided. This document will always be "in development". As new tips and ideas are developed and defined they will be added to the end of the document. Each topic will be dated and the new stuff will always be at the end. Check back often to get the latest tips and ideas on using this great product.

About Sequence Numbers -- August 29, 2002

The StPicture system arranges the pictures by date, sequence number, and title. Frequently there are a number of pictures taken on the same date, in this case sequence numbers will be used to arrange the pictures (from lowest to highest). When loading the pictures it is a good idea to skip a few numbers between pictures (ie. 05 10 15 20 etc.) The program doesn't care about the gaps in the numbering sequence. But the gaps do allow you to easily re-sequence the pictures by using the "Change Picture Name" function to change the sequence numbers to numbers in the gaps.

Know your CD Burner -- September 1, 2002

Some CD Burners (the hardware and software combination) don't allow as many characters in a file name as others. The StPicture system builds the picture file names by combining the date, the sequence number, and the title (plus a few dashes), this can produce long file names. It is a good idea to find out exactly how many characters your CD Burner will allow in a file name. This can be determined by using the "Change Picture Name" function to change the picture title of one of the sample pictures to a very long string of "x"s - then burn the file to a CD - then look on the CD and count the number of characters in the file name. Knowing this number before hand can save having carefully thought-out picture titles cut off in the middle.

Got a Tip or Idea that You want included?

If you come up with a good Tip or Idea concerning using the StPicture Family Photo Storage System and want to share it here, send it in an email to "Ann_502@SouthernThoughts.Com" she will consider having it included.

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