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Introduction

The IDEAL Calendar allows the user to insert an unlimited amount of occasions. The program displays a dialog and plays a sound on the occasions the user wants to be notified of. The program runs in the system tray and contains several other options. The excellent options and user-interface make this program truly ideal.

Check the IDEAL Calendar home page frequently for new updates.
http://www.dallas.net/~idealcs/davon/calendar/home.html

We hope you enjoy our product and thank you all for the great suggestions!

Helpful tips

- If the calendar program is always crashing (which should never happen), go to the directory where the program is located and delete the configuration file. (calendar.cfg)

- Do not place an IDEAL Calendar shortcut in the Startup folder. Choose the first setting in IDEAL Calendar to load it when Windows begins. Also, if you have a previous version of IDEAL Calendar, be sure to remove the shortcut from the startup directory.

- The current setup will not complete correctly, unless IDEAL Calendar is removed from the system tray.

- If you want to remove this program, go to the control panel and select IDEAL Calendar in the Add/Remove programs dialog. Do not delete the folder until you do this.

Calendar Options

- Load this program when Windows begins - IDEAL Calendar is automatically loaded into the system tray after Windows begins.

Calendar Settings

- Display the calendar when the program opens - The calendar part of the application is displayed when IDEAL Calendar begins.

- Allow recurring events - This adds a "Monthly" tab to the calendar. Insert occasions on this calendar page to be notified of them on every month of the year.

- Highlight the current day - Highlights the current day of the year. If you click on the "Highlight" text in the settings dialog, the current day is outlined instead of highlighted.

- Weeks begin on <Day> - This option allows you to choose the day the week begins.

- Year to view - The year in the edit box is load into the calendar to be viewed.

- View the current year - The current year is displayed instead of the last year selected.

- System tray tip format - Contains the information that is displayed when the mouse is moved over the IDEAL Calendar icon in the system tray. Formatting codes are used to display information concerning the date and time. See <u>Format options</u>

Event Settings

- Display a notification dialog when an occasion occurs - A dialog is displayed on any occasion that has the notification option enabled.

- Play a sound - Plays a sound when an event occurs. To select a sound click on the file button.

- Play a sound after the dialog is open every X minutes - When the notification dialog is open, the sound selected is played, in intervals of the selected number of minutes, until the dialog is closed

Occasion Options

Display on all months

Displays the selected options on every month.

Monthly occasions -   This will display recurring monthly occasions on every month. All monthly occasions will contain a prefix 'M:'. (Unless the option is disabled.)

Weekly occasions - This will display weekly occasions on every month. All weekly occasions will contain a prefix 'W:'. (Unless the option is disabled.)

Occasion Colors

The occasion colors are the colors that are displayed when displaying the type of occasion instead of the occasion message. Press the button beside the colors to select a new color. Press the "Use Default Colors" button to return all the occasion colors back to their original color.

Calendar Tiles

This gives you the option to display the calendar occasion types or message in the calendar tiles. When the option to display the occasion message is selected, 3 different font sizes can be chosen.

Display occasion prefix - The calendar displays what type of occasion the occasion is. Month (M:), Annual (Yearly) (Y:),   Weekly (W:)

Remove All Occasions

All the occasions in the month and year chosen is removed from the database. Annual events are not deleted. This option does not remove yearly occasions. **There is no way to undo this option.**

Extended Options

- Display the calendar every day at - The calendar automatically displays itself at a certain time every day.

- Display notifications in advance and on their current day - If this option is not selected, the program will notify you in advance and not on the current day.

- Display notifications in between the current day and in advance - You will be notified of the occasion during all the days in between the selected day in

advance and the day of the occasion.

- Use 24-hour time - All time is switched to 24-hour time.

- The current date on the calendar is displayed is two different ways.

- Select the text and HTML program you would like to use for viewing occasions.

- You are notified on the current day of the occasion and notified in advance.

Programs

Select the programs that you would normally use for a diary, to-do list, or an address book.

Click on the 'X' to clear the program path.

Calendar Instructions

Note: Right-click on any day to see the available options.

Adding occasions

To add an occasion, click on a day or right click on the day and choose "Add an occasion" from the pop-up menu.

Note: To add an occasion that occurs every day, add an event by selecting the "Daily Events" menu item in the system tray menu.

"0 days in advance" means that you do not want to be notified in advance.

View occasions

To view an occasion, right click on the day and choose "View Occasions" from the pop-up menu.

Removing occasions

Right-click on the day that contains the occasion you want to remove. Select the "Remove occasions" option.

The window will list the all the occasions in the selected day. All the occasions with a "Y:" in front of it is an annual occasion.

Occasion tips

To display an occasion tip for occasions that are too long to fit in the calendar tile. Move the mouse over the occasion that cannot be fully seen. This only works if more than one occasion is on the day.

Occasions prefixes

Occasions on the calendar that are not specifically for that day of the month have prefixes on the messages. (Only if the option is selected in the settings.)

'Y:' =   Annual occasions
'M:' =   Monthly occasions
'W:' = Weekly occasions

Comments box

The text box at the bottom of the calendar may be used for errands, horoscopes, etc…

Version Information

Version 3.0

Additions
- Common holidays appear on the calendar.
- The ability to add new holidays.
- Any font type can be selected.
- Occasions can also occur every year or weekly.
- The calendar can appear at a certain time every day.
- Output occasions to a text file or an HTML file.
- Display months and days in other languages.
- Maximize the calendar to fit the entire screen.
- Tools tips are displayed for messages that do not fit in the calendar days.
- 24-hour time enabled.
- Notifies in advance when an occasion will occur.
- Integrate other programs commonly used. (To-do list, address book, diary, etc…)
- Recurring occasions can be display on every month of the calendar.

Revisions

- Corrected bugs that occur when invalid characters are entered in edit boxes
- No flicker when adding occasions or removing occasions.
- The program updates itself more often.
- Correctly inserts the directory path of the program into Internet Explorer.
- Touched up the interface.
- The occasion type added is remembered.
- The notification dialog contains a remove option.
- The message in the notification dialog is display while a sound is played.
- Corrected all other known bugs.

Version 2.0

Additions
- Automatically loads when Windows begins.
- The ability to change occasion colors.
- Remove all occasions in a month at once.
- Highlight or outline the current day.
- Select the day the week begins on.
- Display occasion messages inside calendar tile.

- Customize tool tip for system tray.
- Can be used in Internet Explorer 4.0 under Profile information.
- Help files.

Revisions

- The notification dialog appears before a sound is played.
- Changed the view occasion static box to a text box.

Version 1.0

- Alert Feature
- Calendar Occasions
- Can display the occasions on the calendar and be notified of occurrence
- Display the calendar when the program opens.
- The program is loaded in the system tray.
- Load the current month on startup.
- Allow recurring events.
- Display a dialog when the occasion occurs.
- Play a sound when the occasion occurs.
- Continue to play a sound after the notification dialog is open every x minutes.

Do You Have a Question or a Suggestion?

If you have any questions or suggestions, you can mail them to:

IDEAL Calendar
652 Thad Dr.
Irving, TX 75061

Or you can email us at:
idealcs@dallas.net

We usually respond to email within a day.

Order IDEAL Calendar

We hope that you enjoy IDEAL Calendar. We have attempted to create a calendar program that will satisfy the needs of all users. And if there are a lot of requests for another option, we will try to include it in the next version.

If you like this calendar and plan to continue using it, please order this program to support the future versions of this product and an extremely high college tuition.

The registered version of IDEAL Calendar is $15.00. Upgrades will _always_ be free for registered users.

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http://www.dallas.net/~idealcs/davon/calendar/home.html

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(Optional) Do you have any comments or suggestions?
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IDEAL Calendar
652 Thad Dr.
Irving, TX 75061
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Thank you for all your support.

Format Options

These are based on commonly used format codes.

%%　　　　Percent sign
%a　Weekday name abbreviated
%A　Full weekday name
%b　Month name abbreviated
%B　Full month name
%c　Date and time representation appropriate for locale
%d　Day of month as a number
%D　Total days
%H　　　　Hour in a 24 hour format
%I　Hour in a 12 hour format
%j　Day of year as a number
%m　　　　Month as a number (01 – 12)
%M　Minutes in the current hour
%p　Current locale's A.M./P.M. indicator for a 12-hour clock
%S　Seconds in the current minute
%U　Week of year as a number, with Sunday as first day of week (00 – 51)
%w　Weekday as a number (0 – 6)
%W　　　　Week of year as a number, with Monday as first day of week (00 – 51)
%x　Date for the current locale
%X　Time for the current locale
%y　Year without century, as a number
%Y　Year with century, as a number
%z, **%Z**　Time-zone name or abbreviation; no characters if time zone is unknown

Output Occasions

To select the months that are to be viewed, select the "Months" radio button and enter the months you would like to view. Separate each month with a comma.

Example
3, 5, 11

The days are handled the same way.

You are also given the option to deselect any occasion types you do not want to view.