



## GUI in Minutes

**I**f You Only Load And Look At One Thing On This Issue's CD, Make Sure It Is Our New File Maintenance Utility, the first in a line of rapid application development (RAD) tools for our GUI development suite of products. Packaged with Visual PRO/5® (and therefore to be available with BBJ™), this free utility delivers a powerful, graphical interface to a legacy application with only a few minutes of configuration time and no writing of code.

Literally.

The File Maintenance Utility is a callable utility that reads a data dictionary or a template file and applies that information to an intelligent grid design, allowing access to the respective data. You can use all of the functionality of the BASIS Grid Management Library (GML), included as part of Visual PRO/5, to access your data without having to write any code. The administration module allows a developer to build a preferences/configuration file, which the utility treats as a parameter set when the utility is called. All an end user sees is the data displayed in a grid.

This is only the first in a set of special RAD utilities BASIS is developing to make true graphical interfaces quick and easy to implement. There's more to come...