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' SimpleTCPNetwork  
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The following four events can be seen by the program and indicates when specific events occur

newTCPConnection - when a client connects to a server
(contains an id that can be used to identify this client)

closeTCPConnection - when a client (or server) shuts down the connection
(contains id that is now gone)

tcpConnectionFailed - if client cannot connect to the remote system
(no connection was made, hence no remote id)

newTCPMessage - when any connection now has new data ready for it
(contains an id that indicates who now has new data)

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Event newTCPConnection(ByVal conn As Integer)  
Event closedTCPConnection(ByVal conn As Integer)  
Event tcpConnectionFailed()  
Event newTCPMessage(ByVal conn As Integer)
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status() - Allow read access to the debug message

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ReadOnly Property status() As String
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serverRunning - True/False

Indicate if the server is running and ready for connections

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ReadOnly Property serverRunning() As Boolean
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numConnections

Return the number of connections to other systems
(most useful for server applications)

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ReadOnly Property numConnections() As Integer
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StartServer

Start listening for clients to connect to a specific port
(port is 8080 by default)

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Sub StartServer(Optional ByVal port As Integer = 8080)

    StopServer

    Stop listening for new connections

Sub StopServer()

    StartClient

    Connect to a server, given it's hostname and port
    (defaults to connecting on the server on the same system)

    Technically, the system can be a client and a server at the same time

Function StartClient(Optional ByVal host As String = "localhost", _
                    Optional ByVal port As Integer = 8080) As
Boolean

    SendMessageToAll

    Send a single string to all remote systems

Sub SendMessageToAll(ByVal str As String)

    SendMessageToAllExcept

    Send a message to all other systems except one specific one
    (say like for a repeater application)

Sub SendMessageToAllExcept(ByVal str As String, ByVal who As Integer)

    SendMessageTo

    Send a string to a specific connection (given by an id)

Sub SendMessageTo(ByVal str As String, ByVal who As Integer)

    CloseConnection(id)

    Given an id, close that specific connection

Sub CloseConnection(ByVal who As Integer)

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CloseConnection()

If passed with no arguments, close ALL of the connections
(name is "closeConnection" to make sense for client mode)

Sub CloseConnection()

GetMessage(id)

Retreive the next message in the queue for a specific connection

Function GetMessage(ByVal who As Integer) As String

GetMessage()

Get the next message from any client
(note: always searches from the first client, so you could starve the
later ones)

(this function is more for client mode than server

Function GetMessage() As String

GetMessage(name)

Get the next message from any client and return the name of client
at the same time

(note: always searches from the first client, so you could starve the
later ones)

Function GetMessage(ByRef name As String) As String

GetMessage(str,id)

Get the next message from any client and return the id of client
at the same time

(note: always searches from the first client, so you could starve the
later ones)

Sub GetMessage(ByRef str As String, ByRef who As Integer)

Name(id)

Return a string representing the name of the client
(Returns an empty string if the id is invalid)

Function Name(ByVal who As Integer) As Boolean

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HasMessages(id)

Returns true if there are incoming messages waiting to be retrieved
for the connection with "id"

(Returns false if id is not valid)
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Function HasMessages(ByVal who As Integer) As Boolean
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HasMessages()

Indicate if ANY connection has a message that needs read
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Function HasMessages() As Boolean
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myipaddr(#)

Given a number, return a string representing the corresponding ip
address
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Function myipaddr(ByVal entrynum) As String
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myipaddr()

Return a string representing (one of) my ip address

Make sure that it is an IP address (and not IPv6 or some other proto)
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Function myipaddr() As String
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mydnsname

Return a string representing the name of my system by using DNS
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Function mydnsname() As String
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