

Davis Zope/Plone Users' Group

April 18, 2007 Agenda

- Welcome – Grab some pizza!
- Roundabout/Introductions
- Topic for the next meeting?
- News/Announcements
 - Beta testing the Plone 3 Installer
 - Upcoming boot camp
 - Evening social event
- Presentation
- Q&A/Open discussion
- After the meeting: help preparing for the boot camp

UCDPloneSkin 2.0 and Stuff

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History / Background Info

- Decided to use and skin Plone before the campus template was released
- Started implementing the campus template shortly thereafter
- Realized that other departments would find it useful
- Showed it off at a zugod meeting and the rest is history

New Features in 2.0

- Two rows of portal tabs
- New "In this section" left navigation
 - Now compatible with PloneHelpCenter
 - Wish list: current item should show bold font and workflow state color
- Favicon

New Features in 2.0

- Live search
- Logo, header background image
- Links to privacy statement, accessibility-info in footer
- Various bug fixes

Has anyone tried it yet?

The Development Process

- Initially created in the portal_skins/custom folder
- Created a product using qPloneSkinDump
- Have been working on the file system ever since
- Committed to svn by CSE

Behind the Scenes

- Rearranged main_template.pt
 - Added tons of styles to ploneCustom.css
 - I ♥ the Firefox Web Developer extension!
- Navigation
- Added to the installer generated by qPloneSkinDump
- Configlet
 - Validation and action scripts handle the configlet form

Common Issues for Departments

- Authentication (CAS)
- Importing users
 - Added Memberdata fields
 - Populate from an existing MySQL db
- Structured user pages
- Person directory
- Different types of events, extra fields
- Intranet

Custom Products for Sociology

- UserHomePage
- PersonDir
- PortalHomePage
- DepartmentEvent

Import User Script

for each user in database:

- create account if needed

- create member folder

- create user home page

- add user to group

else if account already exists:

- update user memberdata

Other Products Used

- PloneFormGen
- PloneHelpCenter (in progress)
- windowZ
- Clouseau

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