

The Making of The Code4Lib Journal

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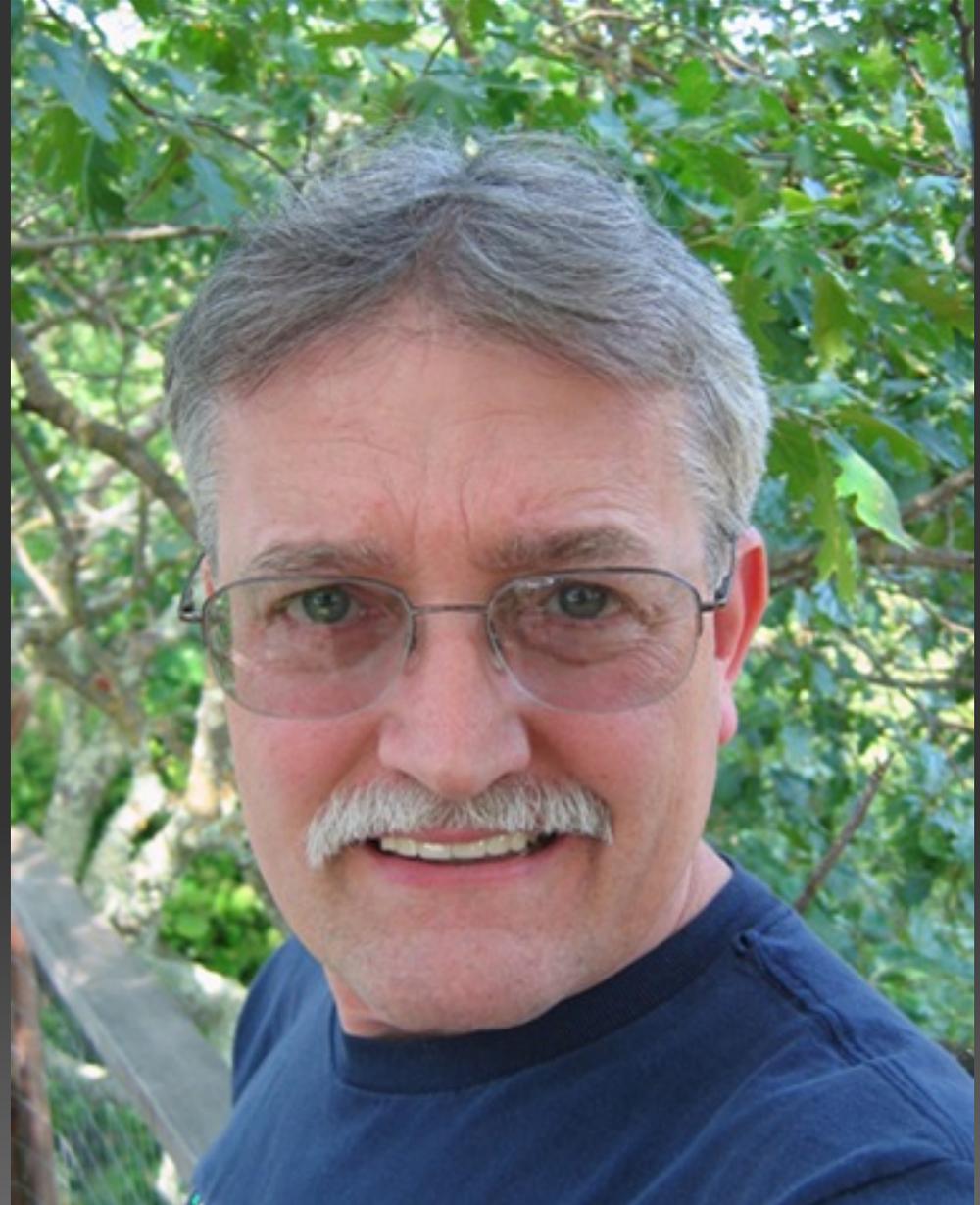
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A Short History

- As far as I can recall, first came up during a breakout session at Code4lib 2006
- The idea kicked around for a while with people offering to do certain parts
- Didn't take off until someone (Jonathan Rochkind) decide to take the ball and run with it

Roy Tennant on Code4lib

“If you want to participate, just do it. If you want to lead, just do it. Don't expect anyone to appoint you to anything, because we won't. If you see something that should be done, simply step forward and do it.”



Background

- Agile development' philosophy
 - Don't over-engineer complicated rules and procedures you might never need
 - Make it up as you go along
- Journal v. Blog

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Journal Operations

- Who's involved
- What tools do we use?
- Choosing, Editing, & Publishing Articles

Who's Involved?

- Authors
- Editors
 - Article Editors
 - Coordinating Editors
 - Technical Editors
- Public Listserv Readers
 - c4lj-discuss@googlegroups.com
 - <http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-discuss>
- Readers
 - <http://journal.code4lib.org/>
- You?

What tools do we use?

Editing & Publishing

- Articles received & edited
 - MSWord
 - html
 - Google Docs
- Publishing
 - WordPress
 - private posts
 - public posts
 - public pages
- Analysis/Statistics
 - Google Analytics
 - Feedburner
 - del.icio.us etc.

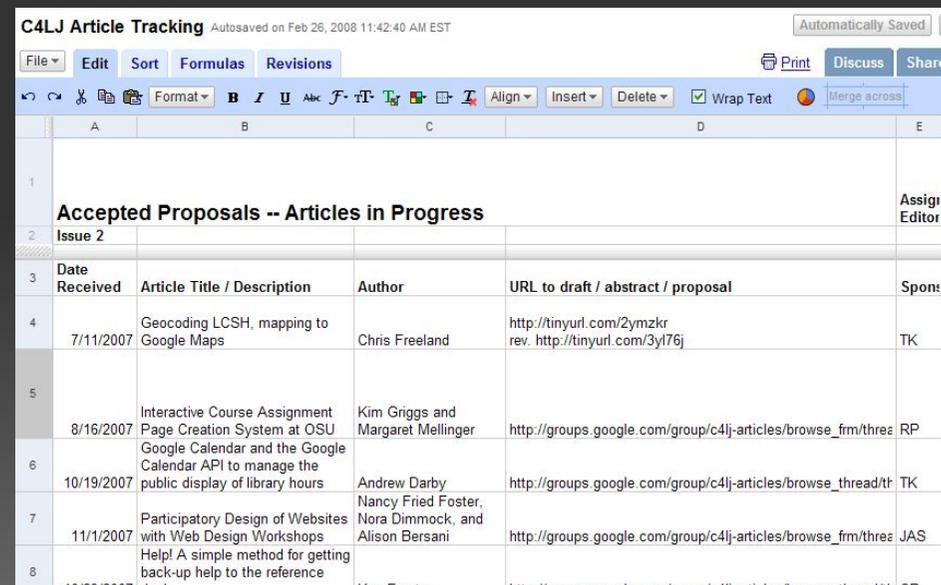
Other Business

- 2 Google groups
 - public: [c4lj-discuss](#)
 - private: [c4lj-articles](#)
- Google groups 'pages'
- WordPress private pages
- wiki pages
- irc

Choosing Articles

"The Code4Lib Journal exists to foster community and share information among those interested in the intersection of libraries, technology, and the future."

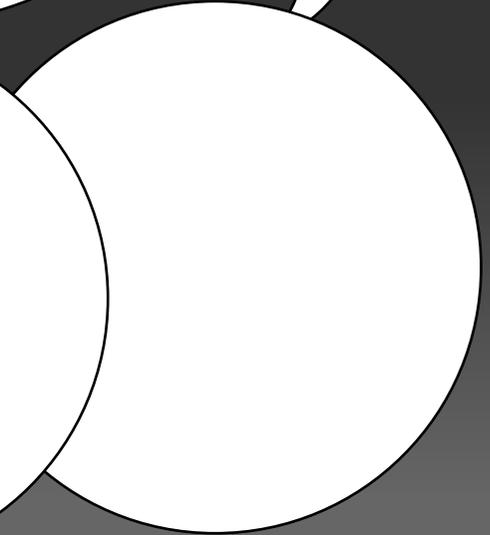
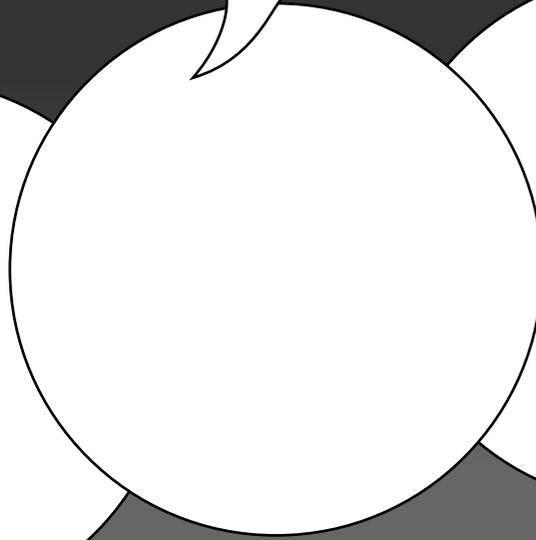
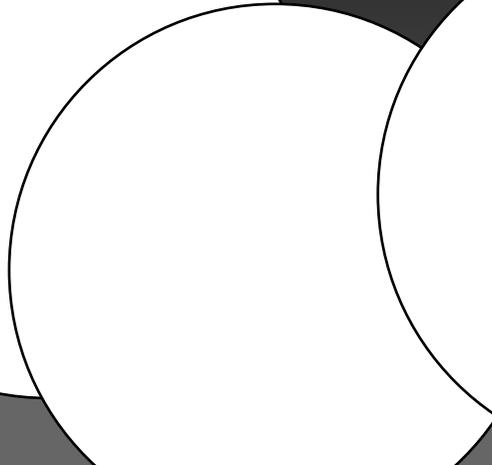
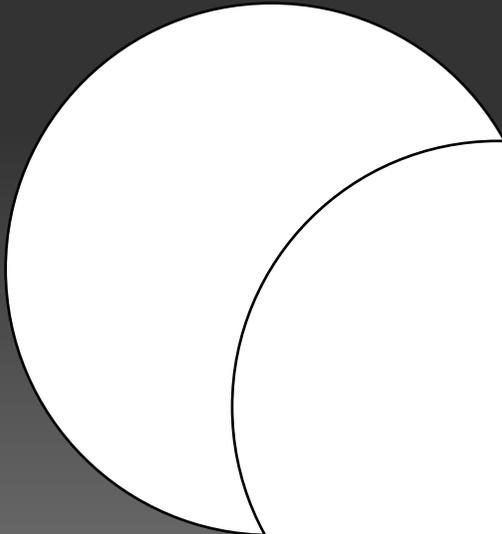
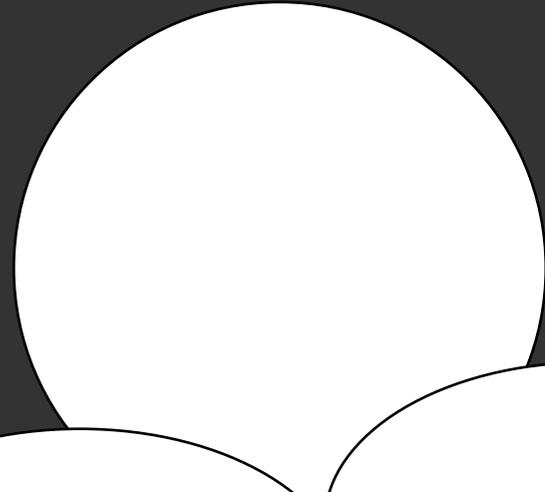
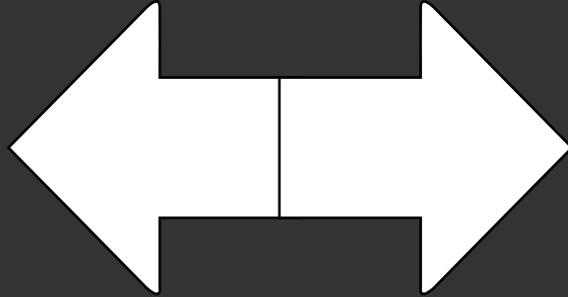
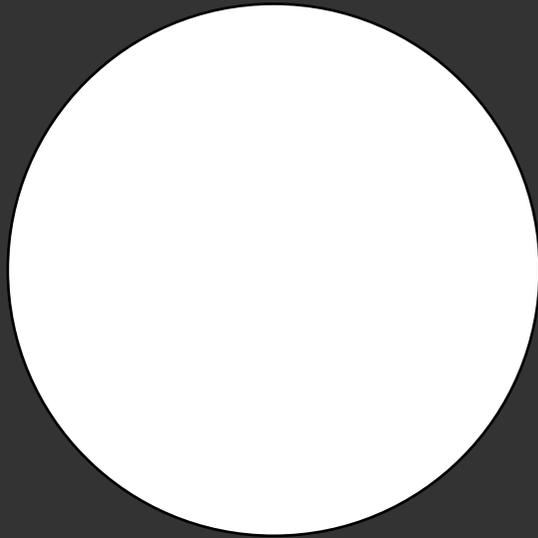
- Proposal received at c4lj-articles@googlegroups.com
- Coordinating editor sends acknowledgement
- Voting
 - Coordinating editor communicates rejections
 - Article editor communicates acceptance, deadline, ...



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Date Received	Article Title / Description	Author	URL to draft / abstract / proposal	Sponsor
7/11/2007	Geocoding LCSH, mapping to Google Maps	Chris Freeland	http://tinyurl.com/2ymzkr rev. http://tinyurl.com/3y176j	TK
8/16/2007	Interactive Course Assignment Page Creation System at OSU	Kim Griggs and Margaret Mellinger	http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-articles/browse_frm/thread/39e1b1e1e1e1e1e1	RP
10/19/2007	Google Calendar and the Google Calendar API to manage the public display of library hours	Andrew Darby	http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-articles/browse_thread/thread/39e1b1e1e1e1e1e1	TK
11/1/2007	Participatory Design of Websites with Web Design Workshops Help! A simple method for getting back-up help to the reference desk	Nancy Fried Foster, Nora Dimmock, and Alison Bersani	http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-articles/browse_frm/thread/39e1b1e1e1e1e1e1	JAS
10/29/2007		Ken Ewata	http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-articles/browse_thread/thread/39e1b1e1e1e1e1e1	CB

Editing



Editing

- Author
- Article editor
 - Communicates with author
 - Acceptance letter and deadline
 - Drafts (multiple revisions)
 - Communicates with committee
 - Shares drafts with committee
 - Collects comments from other editors
 - Recommends article for publication
 - Marks up article in WordPress for publication
- All editors
 - Vote on provisional acceptance
 - Vote on final acceptance

Making WordPress Work

- Don't look like a blog
- Don't get in the way
- Be helpful to our readers

Plugins - Basics

- Stop spam
 - Akimset
 - reCAPTCHA
- FeedSmith

Plugins - Metadata

- unAPI Server
- COinS Quicktags Button
 - <http://generator.ocoins.info/>

Plugins - Workflow

- Role Manager
- FCKEditor

Plugins - Presentation

- Syntax Highlighter
- Custom Category URLs
- Custom the `_author()`

Plugins - Custom Category URLs

```
if (preg_match('%' . $bloghome . $catbase . '/*/(.*?)$%i',  
    $namedcatpath)) {  
    $result = preg_replace('%' . $bloghome . $catbase .  
        '/*/(.*?)$%i', $bloghome . $catbase . '/$1',  
        $namedcatpath);  
}
```

Plugins Custom the_author()

```
global $post;  
$custom_author = get_post_meta($post->ID, "author", TRUE);  
$custom_author = str_replace('& ', '&amp;', $custom_author);  
return $custom_author;
```

Where?

- <http://journal.code4lib.org>
- DOAJ
- Ebsco
- A blog near you
- Reports that articles have been brought up in large libraries

Analytics Settings | View Reports: journal.code4lib.org

My Analytics Accounts: Code4Lib Journal

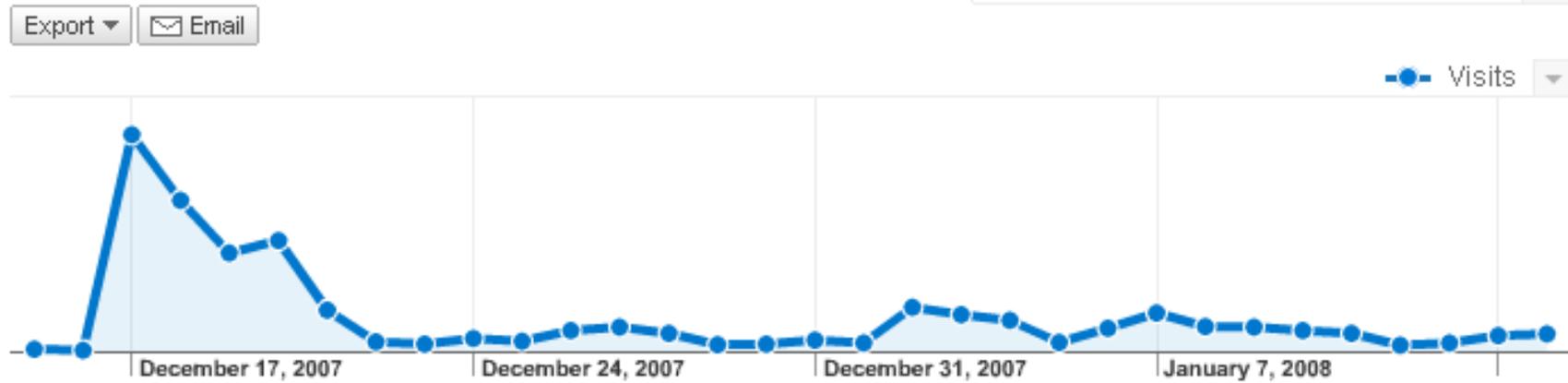
- Dashboard
- ▶ Saved Reports
- Visitors
- Traffic Sources
- Content
- Goals

Settings
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 - [Conversion University](#)
 - [Common Questions](#)
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Dashboard

Dec 15, 2007 - Jan 15, 2008
 Comparing to: Site



Site Usage

 8,903 Visits	 60.63% Bounce Rate
 19,115 Pageviews	 00:02:16 Avg. Time on Site
 2.15 Pages/Visit	 77.49% % New Visits

How to get involved?

- Read and comment
- Participate in public mailing list: <http://groups.google.com/group/c4lj-discuss>
- Submit a paper proposal (Issue 3 deadline: March 14)
- Apply to be an editor (Deadline: March 10)
- Apply to be a Web/Tech Administrator

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