

AIM Chat with dryambor, jonnyoosting.

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Jeff Tatanus: take two?

dryambor has joined this chat.

jonnyoosting has joined this chat.

dryambor: THANKS!

dryambor: ok...so other groups...

dryambor: everyone is still fine so far. other groups are having probs, though...

Jeff Tatanus: kims group is gone, isnt it?

dryambor: voltron found its idea online just last week, so they're starting over.

dryambor: yes, kim's is still gone.

Jeff Tatanus: jon, did you get the pdf?

dryambor: i meant those who are left are still fine.

Jeff Tatanus: what was voltron's idea?

jonnyoosting: yes, opening it now.

dryambor: dunno...i'd have to go dig.

dryambor: even though this is all "undisclosed," the casual rhetoric guards those ideas well.

Jeff Tatanus: marjorie, let me send you an interesting article in today's paper.

dryambor: ok.

dryambor: can you send email instead? chat is being blarfy.

Jeff Tatanus: it says it is sending

dryambor: ok...i'm impatient, but i'll wait...i'm at 25% now!!!

Jeff Tatanus: the PDF is way bigger than it should be, but oh well

dryambor: no prob. pidgin's gettin' all up in it!

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Jeff Tatanus: one interesting thing i found on the site mentioned in the article is the local 911 logs

dryambor: got it. let me look.

jonnyoosting has left this chat.

dryambor: what about local 911 logs?

dryambor: i like "digital deliverance." clever.

dryambor: i'm such a sucker for alliteration.

Jeff Tatanus: <http://www.monroecounty.gov/safety-map.php?incid=CTYP072013210>

Jeff Tatanus: 911 logs with maps too

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jonnyoosting has joined this chat.

dryambor: interesting.

jonnyoosting: sorry. when I tried to open the pdf I froze up. I'm going to wait on it. Summation?

Jeff Tatanus: www.rocmen.com

dryambor: GQ for news info via the web. 😊

Jeff Tatanus: haha definitely a GQ or esquire feel

dryambor: news geared toward men (or individual MAN) delivered via the web. couldn't resist the gq thing...

dryambor: news ala metrosexual?

dryambor: metroinformational?

jonnyoosting: it doesn't look very sexy though. kind of an ugly page.

Jeff Tatanus: i suppose... although in the title of the site they refer to it as "your home for all things manly"

Jeff Tatanus: im not a fan of that

dryambor: 😊

dryambor: yeah, you'd subscribe instead to "mischievous man"

Jeff Tatanus: ha.

dryambor: what were your thoughts on this as they relate to your project? and did you guys decide: geotags or cells?

Jeff Tatanus: ?

Jeff Tatanus: what do you mean?

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jonnyoosting: stickin with the tags - focusing more on citizen input - creating layers for our map

dryambor: well...geotagging had gone forward, but then the cell phone issue came up...

dryambor: ok...

Jeff Tatanus: i just thought i would point it out as a new presentation of local news.

dryambor: cool.

dryambor: did you guys get far on tuesday night?

jonnyoosting: so, I looked into the mySQL stuff and posted. I agreed with your response jeff. the lamp layers are definetely recommended.

Jeff Tatanus: and the fact that 911 info is available online would be nice for the geo site

jonnyoosting: *we did pretty well. divided things up to move forward.

jonnyoosting: not all 911 is available. its a matter of the local dispatch being online.

jonnyoosting: i think.

Jeff Tatanus: right. but just the fact that it CAN be locally available

jonnyoosting: sure sure.

Jeff Tatanus: megan did her work, sent out an email with everything

jonnyoosting: what section did you look into again?

Jeff Tatanus: me? just the editorial review section

jonnyoosting: gotcha. so whachu got

Jeff Tatanus: and there isnt a whole lot for that. just gotta edit the article's grammar and stuff

jonnyoosting: sure - but how do you envision the interface for the editor?

Jeff Tatanus: well i would envision it being able to find similar articles and showing them onscreen

Jeff Tatanus: in order to eliminate duplicate stories

jonnyoosting: do you think that's a major concern?

Jeff Tatanus: a very easy all-in-one-screen interface for the editor

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Jeff Tatanus: yes, if the stories are user-submitted, dupes are an issue

Jeff Tatanus: (note digg)

jonnyoosting: ok - so are you thinking people could submit stories from other newspapers? I was thinking it would just be their own cit journ - and I double we'd have more than a couple of duplicates there.

jonnyoosting: doubt not double

dryambor: 😊

Jeff Tatanus: really?

jonnyoosting: really what

Jeff Tatanus: what is keeping multiple people from submitting the same story they witness?

jonnyoosting: I just double tons of people will be doing it.

Jeff Tatanus: aka "lots of people at harry potter party at barnes and noble..." and "potter fans flock to

borders..."

dryambor: an interjection: what's you deal with "double"?

jonnyoosting: 200 fans there - how many actually write a story. I doubt very many.

jonnyoosting: I don't know - fingers doing the thinking.

dryambor: how long do you expect it will take between cit submission and the story posting online?

Jeff Tatanus: as it gets more popular, there will be more submitters

jonnyoosting: well - it depends on the editor. they'll be ready for submission almost instantly - but need a human to ok them.

Jeff Tatanus: i mean, if rochester is already having separate niche sites... then there must be a decent number of web users

jonnyoosting: Do doubt I would hope it got more popular. I'm fine with building in that feature.

jonnyoosting: I don't know how it would work though.

Jeff Tatanus: digg shows similar stories

Jeff Tatanus: i dont know how that works tho

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jonnyoosting: yeah. but again - those are usually just links to real articles - people aren't investing the time and energy it would take to produce cit journ

Jeff Tatanus: true

jonnyoosting: and we're thinking a smaller, local audience here

jonnyoosting: Again, I'm fine with the feature - it just never crossed my mind that it would be an issue.

Jeff Tatanus: and i suppose if the editor has a map interface also, he/she could see if a story is already placed there

dryambor: makes sense.

Jeff Tatanus: which works fine.

Jeff Tatanus: and i would imagine the editor would need a map interface in order to correct the map placement if necessary

jonnyoosting: no doubt - and maybe select what teaser info to place in the marker tab(s)

jonnyoosting: with a link to the full story

Jeff Tatanus: yep

Jeff Tatanus: are we gonna allow multimedia citizen journalism?

jonnyoosting: absolutely

Jeff Tatanus: so photos, video, etc

jonnyoosting: we've got to

dryambor: and we're sure sure this doesn't already exist yet, right?

jonnyoosting: I've not seen it with the user submitted layers

dryambor: ok...

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dryambor: good deal.

Jeff Tatanus: yeah, i definitely have not seen the full product

jonnyoosting: I would think videos - unless produced into a full package - would require a bit of text explanation as well. photos too.

Jeff Tatanus: right. some sort of a summary

jonnyoosting: mmm hmmm

Jeff Tatanus: jon, what did you discover with mysql, etc?

jonnyoosting: well, I'm pretty confident it can do what we want it to.

jonnyoosting: I think forcing a company to adopt linux for the lamp layers is a bit unrealistic, but would be ideal.

jonnyoosting: That said, we can run mySQL as a standalone database, it just might not be as fast.

dryambor: ok...what do you want it to do? i have a computer scientist sitting next to me who writes this stuff for a living.

Jeff Tatanus: yeah, mysql can be used with windoze, but most servers are linuxy these days

jonnyoosting: i don't know about that

jonnyoosting: I mean - I don't know.

jonnyoosting: Well, we're just curious about building an app that lives on the web. all info should be submitted, stored and retrieved in an online database.

dryambor: mysql runs on linux too.

jonnyoosting: mySQL will do that for us.

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Jeff Tatanus: oh definitely

jonnyoosting: mm hmm

dryambor: uh-huh.

jonnyoosting: yuppers

dryambor: right-o.

Jeff Tatanus: si.

dryambor: 😊 you guys rock.

jonnyoosting: 😊

Jeff Tatanus: haha thanks

dryambor: what else?

Jeff Tatanus: i dunno... i want to get off to my own harry potter party soon

Jeff Tatanus: 😊

Jeff Tatanus: next time is... tues?

jonnyoosting: I don't know. I think it's pretty clear mySQL is what we want to use for the behind the scenes stuff.

dryambor: it seems the best choice, from what i know.

jonnyoosting: yeah - let's think about developing the three interfaces (submission-editing-display). Let's think design, functionality, etc...

Jeff Tatanus: i think interface is a bigger concern than the behind the scenes stuff

jonnyoosting: yeah - I think the tech is possible and exists. so let's brainstorm interfaces for next time.

Jeff Tatanus: do you want me to photoshop one or more interfaces together for then?

dryambor: ok...we have less than two weeks to pull together your presentation.

jonnyoosting: sure - a mock up would be cool.

jonnyoosting: and would help towards a presentation

dryambor: although i suggested a standardized template for presentation, the faculty rejected the idea in favor of free form.

dryambor: another team is literally shooting a video--from what i've heard--for their presentation.

Jeff Tatanus: interesting.

jonnyoosting: I'm going to start a rough presentation outline - totally flexible for change - but just to start thinking about what info we want to include

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dryambor: the point: you can do anything you want as far as bells and whistles to distract from the core idea.

Jeff Tatanus: although i wouldnt mind having a version we can just hit play on

dryambor: weak. lame. boo-stank.

jonnyoosting: yeah- I don't want to sweat up there again

jonnyoosting: how about interpretive dance?

dryambor: sweat is good for you. it's fuel for a future where no one can *#^@ with you.

Jeff Tatanus: since we dont have time to rehearse as a group.

Jeff Tatanus: which also sucks.

dryambor: that's another thing: we may provide you time when you arrive to get together and do just that.

jonnyoosting: that's be good.

dryambor: the problem i see is this:

Jeff Tatanus: i wouldnt even mind recording a voiceover to play with the presentation

dryambor: the schools that stayed together in a cozy inbred situation are already doing this, putting the other teams who went for an adventure

dryambor: at a disadvantage.

Jeff Tatanus: yup

Jeff Tatanus: completely

dryambor: sucks.

jonnyoosting: no doubt. no point crying over spilled milk though. we'll get it together.

dryambor: so, we'll see how the agenda comes together. may arrive, have dinner, give you guys the night, and then present next morning

dryambor: no crying. just...watching.

Jeff Tatanus: honestly, most groups will just take that time to go out drinking tho

Jeff Tatanus: haha

dryambor: true.

jonnyoosting: who says you can't plan while drinking! Idea juice! j/k

Jeff Tatanus: haha

jonnyoosting: usually bad ideas

Jeff Tatanus: idea juice...

Jeff Tatanus: i wont be old enough for that here in the US. but in canada... haha

dryambor: so, what do you need from me? i'm crazy stuck on the sidelines here, but if there is some way i can assist indirectly, let me know.

jonnyoosting: ok. plan design etc... meet tues?

Jeff Tatanus: sounds good to me

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dryambor: time?

jonnyoosting: 9 p.m.?

dryambor: fine.

jonnyoosting: aight. that's a wrap.

dryambor: i have just a couple of administrative ???

jonnyoosting: ok

Jeff Tatanus: sure thing

dryambor: have you guys been chatting at all on your own, or just with me?

Jeff Tatanus: just with you.

dryambor: ok...other groups are meeting every day, i'm told.

jonnyoosting: just with you. been doing blog posts though.

Jeff Tatanus: its difficult enough to schedule group meetings like this

Jeff Tatanus: and then nobody shows up...

dryambor: and everyone's supposed to be posting a couple of times a week. i haven't seen that with everyone...right?

jonnyoosting: well, i'll try and be online most nights from now on - just in case we need some quick collaboration.

Jeff Tatanus: yep. jon and i seem to be the main bloggers.

Jeff Tatanus: jon moreso than myself

dryambor: any idea why everyone says this time is good and NO ONE SHOWS???

Jeff Tatanus: nope

dryambor: truly, why lie?

Jeff Tatanus: and we even send people emails.

jonnyoosting: megan emailed, philip no

dryambor: nothing from ryan?

Jeff Tatanus: ryan sent me an IM last night at 9pm, asking of there was a chat then

Jeff Tatanus: i was gone

dryambor: yeah...i read megan's points...seemed little more than what's covered in an intro reporting class?

Jeff Tatanus: which is what we are going fort

Jeff Tatanus: *for

Jeff Tatanus: we want the web user to know what to submit

dryambor: ?

dryambor: ok.

dryambor: well, then...until tues. at 9?

Jeff Tatanus: her assignment was the user submission interface

jonnyoosting: yup. peace.

jonnyoosting has left this chat.

dryambor: g'nite.

Jeff Tatanus: yeah, sounds good... i'll get this transcript up at some point tomorrow

dryambor: cool. thanks for doing that.

Jeff Tatanus: no prob

dryambor: cheers!

dryambor has left this chat.