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Intro Movie
Event

Fall 2007



Agenda

- Club Intro
- Order food
- Movie

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Who are we?

- Officer intros

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Who are you?

- Never been at club event?
- Freshmen?
- Non-undergrads?
- CS?
- ECE?
- Non-technical majors?
- Worked on guts of a computer before?
- Used Linux?
- Know Linux well / use it a lot?



What is the club?

- *The* student-run computing organization at CMU

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What does the club do?

- Host services for campus.
 - Contributed webserver: www.contrib.andrew.cmu.edu
 - Tartans wiki: www.tartanswiki.org
 - Wikis for student organizations (coming soon!)
 - Usenet server, Jabber IM server, FTP software archives, ...



What does the club do?

- Hold social events
 - Movies (like this one!)
 - Retro games nights
 - Demo nights
 - Watch for an announcement in mid September
 - ...ideas??



What does the club do?

- Advocacy/education/outreach
 - Give away Linux CDs & encourage people to use free software
 - Host lively, if impenetrable, discussions on amusing contemporary issues
 - (Aspire to) act as voice of student opinion on CMU computing policies
 - (Aspire to) host/give talks on fun/useful/obscure topics
 - By students, or companies trying to recruit
 - ...ideas??



What does the club do?

- Historical preservation
 - Ancient machines can be fun to play with
 - They don't make them like they used to...
 - No, we don't use them to do actual work!
 - We have a lot of DEC Alphas, VAXen, Suns, 1980s Apples, an SGI Indy...
 - Yes, many of these of these are still running
 - Might just be the last machines on the net running various OSes
 - ...anyone heard of the Robert Tappan Morris bug/worm?

Major recruiting effort

- Very few new students in recent years
 - We suck at recruiting
 - Focus of club unclear
- Current membership can barely maintain services, let alone plan events
- *A single* person could make an immense difference!
 - This could be YOU



We need people for...

- Sysadmin stuff
 - Wanna hack on 40+ machines?
 - Maintain existing services
 - Add new features
 - Implement new ideas



125 amps!

We need people for...

- Developing, planning, running:
 - More social events
 - Talks
 - A Stuco course?



We need people for...

- Design stuff
 - Our website could use a facelift
 - Our logo is boring
 - As you can see, we can't design posters or make presentations



We need people for...

- Any new ideas!
 - Anything computing-related you wish there was an organized campus group to talk with about?



FAQs

- Q: Do I need to be an expert on ___ to join the club?
 - A: No! Expertise in various areas we desperately need help with is always nice, but anyone is welcome to join and help shape the club
- Q: How do I join? Are there dues?
 - A: No dues. Just come to meetings! We can make you an account on our systems so you can poke around and see how it all works

FAQs

- Q: Do you guys build computers a lot?
Can you teach me how to do it?
 - A: We don't spend much time actually building systems, but if people want to talk/learn about this kind of thing, we can start something



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- Questions?
- How to find us:
 - Machine room hour
 - 6pm Saturdays in Cyert B6
 - Stop by, get a tour and an account
 - Weekly discussion meetings
 - 5:00pm Tuesdays in Cyert atrium

