LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IPv6 Article Covers All the Bases

Cheryl Walton wrote an extremely thorough and very informative article on Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) addressing. “IPv6: At the Starting Line” (NetWare Connection, May 1999, pp. 6-17) covered all of the elements of IPv6 addressing in a comprehensive manner. Walton certainly did her IPv6 homework, and I’m looking forward to more articles about IPv6 from her.

Joe Schrenghorst

Novell’s FTP Service Online Documentation

The April issue contained a very good article on enabling FTP services on a NetWare 4.11 server (“Enabling FTP Services on a NetWare 4.11 Server,” NetWare Connection, April 1999, pp. 32-35). I found the article especially interesting because I am getting ready to build a Linux FTP server. Building an FTP server with NetWare 4.11 will result in less administration headaches and better control with Novell Directory Services (NDS).

The only hitch that I have found is the following: The author states that Novell’s online documentation has information about managing Novell’s FTP Service. Unfortunately the URL printed is no longer valid. Can you please provide the correct address?

Thank you,

Robert Lucas

EDITOR’S NOTE

Several months ago, Chip DiComo, who is part of the NetWare Connection editorial committee, suggested that we write an article about running Java applications on NetWare 5. We’d like to thank Chip for his suggestion. Not only did we learn a lot about running Java applications, but we think you will as well. A letter some investigation and some time in the lab, Cheryl Walton found that although Java is largely cross-platform, there are still some issues that programmers should address when creating an application for multiple platforms. If programmers don’t address these issues, you must.

For example, if an installation program is written to install files in a Windows directory, the installation program will not be able to locate this directory on a Linux server or on a NetWare 5 server. You can find out what steps you must take to solve these types of problems by reading “Wake Up to Server-Side Java” (see p. 6).

A letter you know how server-side Java applications work and how to install them on NetWare 5, you may want to find out how the Novell corporate events team is using Java applications on Novell Connecting Points (NCP). This behind-the-scenes network provides trade show and conference attendees with services such as messaging, Internet access, and network faxing. In “Novell Connecting Points,” Cheryl explains how the Novell corporate events team uses Java applications to improve NCP’s performance and to provide attendees with personalized services (see p. 20). Cheryl also describes how the events team uses NDS to control access to NCP services.

When you’ve had enough Java, find out how NDS can save your company time and money by integrating the Human Resources (HR) department and the IT department (see “NDS Integration for PeopleSoft: Bridging the Gap Between Human Resources and IT” on p. 28). If saving time and money are high priorities for your company, you should also read “Z.E.N. works 2: Managing Applications and Desktops Through NDS” (see p. 36). This new version of Novell’s application delivery solution includes significant improvements that make rolling-out new applications across your company’s network even easier.

We hope you enjoy the articles in this issue. And if you, like Chip DiComo, have a suggestion for an article, please send an e-mail message to editors@nwconnection.com.

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