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Mingling and Pot Luck

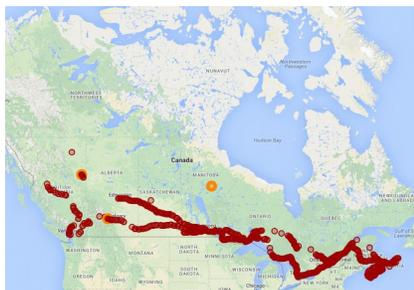
As 2014 draws to a close, MUUG has decided to continue our new tradition of turning the December meeting into more of a social event.



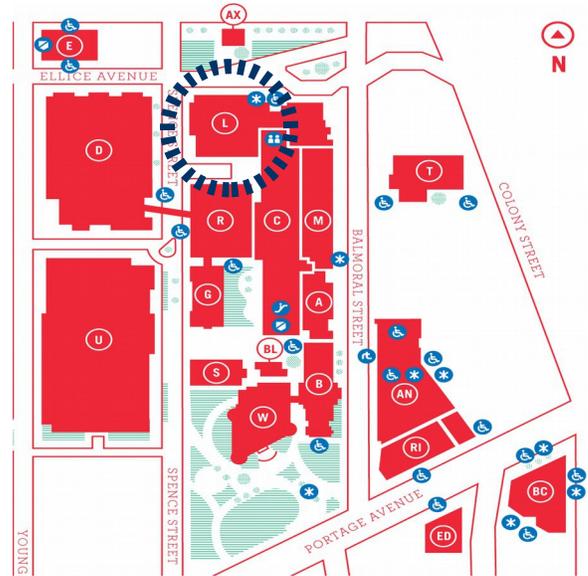
This will be a totally pot-luck event. Cookies and pop will be provided by MUUG, but members are encouraged to bring their own food to sample and share. Feel free to bring your own drink as well if you want something particular – just remember (Bad Brad) that we don't have a liquor license!

Real Time Mapping with *ouchDB

After the mingling and munching Robert Keizer will be presenting how he setup a very simple real time map using an Android phone and some JavaScript. The talk will focus on separating the data layers and some of the nice features in *ouchDB.



Where to Find the Meeting



Meetings are held in the University of Winnipeg's Lockhart Hall (marked "L" on the map), at the south-east corner of Spence Street and Ellice Avenue. We can normally be found in room 1L08, but occasionally get relocated to nearby rooms. If there is a change, it should be conveyed via a sign on the door to 1L08. Parking is available on the surrounding streets. Please see <http://www.uwinipeg.ca/maps> for further information about parking and access to the campus.

Food Bank Donations Requested

As in previous years, we are combining our pot luck with a food drive for Winnipeg Harvest.



We would love it if each member would bring at least 1 non-perishable food item for donation to the food bank!

Here are the 10 most currently needed items:

1. Canned fish and poultry
2. Canned fruit and vegetables (packed in own juice)
3. Canned stew, chili, brown beans
4. Peanut Butter
5. Baby Food
6. Whole grain pasta/whole wheat pasta
7. Rice – brown, converted or parboiled
8. Canned spaghetti sauce or tomatoes
9. Cereal – high fiber, non-sugar coated
10. Canned soup – lentil, pea, vegetable



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Meet Your New Board

The MUUG Board for the 2014-2015 year was elected by acclamation at the November general meeting.

Your board now consists of 10 members:

1. Trevor Cordes
2. Gilbert Detillieux
3. Michael Doob
4. Robert Keizer
5. Kevin McGregor
6. Katherine Scrupa
7. Paul Sierks
8. Adam Thompson
9. Brad Vokey
10. Wyatt Zacharias

A big thank you to all the nominees who let their names stand for election, an extra-special welcome to **Paul Sierks**, and a welcome-back to **Katherine Scrupa**.

Board Positions

The new board held their first board meeting on November 24th, and elected the following executive officers for the current year:

- President:** Wyatt Zacharias
Vice-President: Trevor Cordes
Secretary: Gilbert Detillieux
Treasurer: Brad Vokey

Adam Thompson assumes the role of Past President. The board also appointed a banking committee made up of Brad Vokey, Gilbert Detillieux and Kevin McGregor.

The new board looks forward to serving you over the next year. If you have any questions or requests, feel free to send an email to [<board@muug.mb.ca>](mailto:board@muug.mb.ca).

MUUG Mugs

Going, going, gone!

MUUG now only has 14 of our new coffee mugs left!



Cobalt blue and deep laser-etched with our age old, lovable logo for only \$15. They are quality mugs, made in the USA, and have a fairly large volume capacity.

Want a mug but can't make meetings? Ask on the mailing list and more than likely a board member can deliver one to you within Winnipeg.

Share Your Thoughts

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



Please email MUUG with your comments and suggestions regarding the newsletter and the meetings. Whether it's criticisms or commendations, we want to hear from you. Specifically, what sort of material would you like to see and or hear/about.

Also, if you have a How-To or any other idea (and aren't ready to give a presentation at MUUG), an article is a great alternative! If you can write better than the editor(s), that's terrific; if you can't, submit it anyway and we'll get it into shape for publication. We know that many of you have some great ideas and lots of knowledge. Why not share?

Send an email to: editor@muug.mb.ca.

Spread The Word!

Do you have a friend or co-worker that has shown an interest in Unix, Linux, BSD, etc?

Bring them along to a meeting or at least tell them about us. The more the merrier!

MUUG Annual Financial Statements

Here are your 2013-2014 annual financial statements. You may notice we have posted a deficit for the first time since 2006-2007! Interestingly, 2006-2007 was also the last time we hosted a lecture and sure enough last year we we hosted Theo's talk.

There will probably be more deficits to come over the next few years as your MUUG board is slowly and carefully using our built up surplus to better serve the *nix community here in Manitoba.

Our new server this year is a perfect example!

As per our bylaws (11.(h)) *"The books and records of MUUG may be inspected by any member at the Annual Meeting or at any time upon not less than fourteen days notice in writing to the Executive."*

MUUG Balance Sheet

as at 2014-10-31

Assets	
Bank and Cash Accounts	
Chequing (Bank of Montreal)	\$ 15,099.03
Cash on Hand	\$ 20.00
Total Bank and Cash Accounts	\$ 15,119.03
Investment Accounts	
BMO Term Investments	\$ 3,249.13
Total Investment Accounts	\$ 3,249.13
Other Assets	
MUUG Mugs Inventory (<i>see note 1</i>)	\$ 224.84
Computer Equipment (<i>see note 2</i>)	\$ 2,398.66
Total Other Assets	\$ 2,623.50
Total Assets	\$ 20,991.66
Liabilities	
Owed to Members	
Trevor Cordes	\$ 37.67
Bradford Vokey	\$ 26.37
Total Owed to Members	\$ 64.04
Total Liabilities	\$ 64.04
Net Worth	\$ 20,927.62

Notes:

Note 1 - 14 MUUG mugs left in inventory.

Note 2 - Our new server has been recorded at cost and will be straight line depreciated over the next 5 years. Still to be added is the cost of the drives.

MUUG Income and Expenses

2013-2014 Season (2013-11-01 through 2014-10-31)

Income Categories	
Investment Income	
Bank Interest	\$ 0.52
GIC Interest	\$ 206.06
Total Investment Income	\$ 206.58
Membership Dues	
Current Year (2012/2013)	\$ 900.00
Previous Years (2008) (<i>see note 1</i>)	\$ 20.00
Total Membership Dues	\$ 920.00
Merchandise Sales	
MUUG Mugs (<i>see note 2</i>)	\$ 240.00
Total Merchandise Sales	\$ 240.00
Total Income Categories	\$ 1,366.58
Expense Categories	
Bank Charges	
Credit Card charges	\$ 4.73
Total Bank Charges	\$ 4.73
Cost of Merchandise Sold	
MUUG Mugs (<i>see note 2</i>)	\$ 257.02
Total Cost of Merchandise Sales	\$ 257.02
Meeting Expenses	
Board Meeting Snacks & Drinks	\$ 159.03
Regular Meeting Snacks & Drinks	\$ 178.91
Presenter Prizes (<i>see note 3</i>)	\$ 80.30
Special Event Catering (<i>see note 4</i>)	\$ 444.16
Supplies (<i>see note 5</i>)	\$ 163.70
Total Meeting Expenses	\$ 1,026.10
Newsletter Expenses	
Postage	\$ 297.11
Preparation	\$ 300.00
Printing	\$ 19.12
Total Newsletter Expenses	\$ 616.23
Other Expenses	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 1.25
MUUG Name Registration (<i>see note 6</i>)	\$ 247.59
Other Printing	\$ 9.30
Post Office Box Rental (<i>see note 7</i>)	\$ 390.60
Total Other Expenses	\$ 648.74
Total Expense Categories	\$ 2,552.82
Total Deficit	-\$ 1,186.24

Notes:

Note 1 - Dues from Previous Years were received in 2008.

Note 2 - MUUG mugs are sold at a loss of \$1.06 each.

Note 3 - Presenter prizes consist of 5 MUUG mugs.

Note 4 - Special Event Catering for Theo de Raadt's talk.

Note 5 - Supplies consist of cups, plates, napkins, sanitizer, cabling, name badges, and 1 MUUG mug door prize.

Note 6 - MUUG Name Registration includes registering muug.mb.ca until 2023 and muug.ca until 2024.

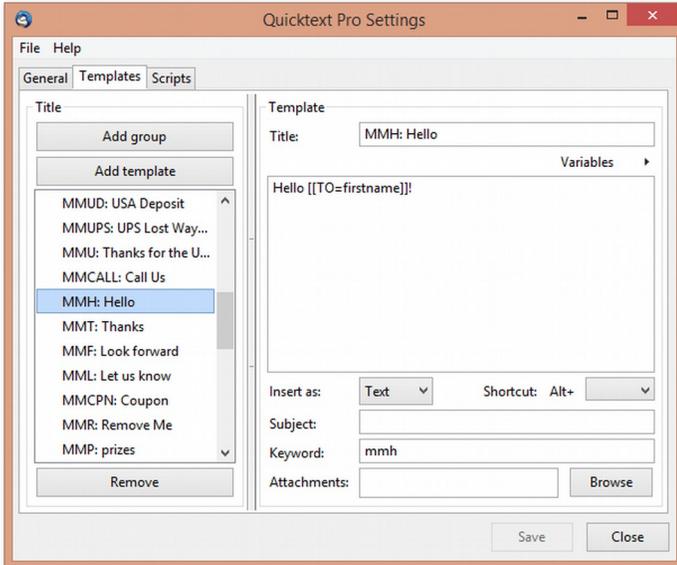
Note 7 - PO Box rental is good until 2015-08-01 and will not be renewed next year.

Quicktext Thunderbird Extension

a recommendation by Bradford C. Vokey



Do you ever find yourself typing routine, repetitive emails? Are you using Thunderbird (*the free email application from mozilla.org*)? Then install the free Quicktext extension! It has saved me hundreds of hours of typing, cutting, and pasting over the years and I would be lost without it.



Quicktext lets you create templates that can be easily inserted into your emails using keyboard shortcuts or keyword phrases. Quicktext performs both simple and complex tasks, including programmable scripts.

I have created numerous templates over the years, and I create a new one anytime I find myself typing the same phrase more than once or twice.

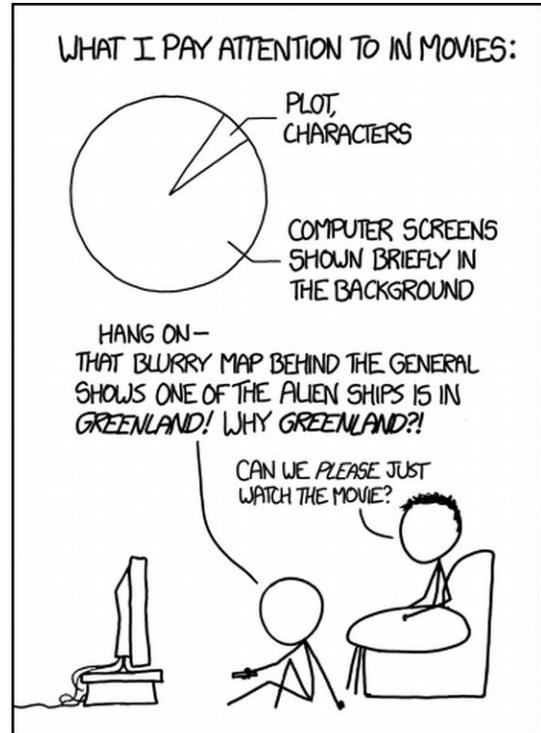
The one I use most often is just to say a personal hello at the beginning of my emails. I simply type a keyword (I use `mmh[tab]`) and Quicktext automatically inserts "Hello firstname!" (actually grabbing the first name from the TO: email field and putting it in my email body).

The basic extension is free but I purchased the Pro version for 9.00 € (euros) which allows me to store my scripts on my server and share them with all my Thunderbird installations. Give it a try!

<https://addons.mozilla.org/en-us/thunderbird/addon/quicktext/>

What We Pay Attention To In Movies and TV Shows

This editor's wife (an ICU trained nurse) always comments on the hospital monitors. I (and I assume many of you) always examine the code on the computer screens. Sigh...



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