
Subject: PARIS FORUMS now open!

Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 04:57:39 GMT

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Thanks, and enjoy!

- Kerry

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Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 05:17:25 GMT

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PS: check and see if your email address is already registered as an account before you create a new one. If it is, you can always auto-request a new password, set it to one you'll remember (PLEASE don't use your ATM pin code or the "password you use for everything" or something crucial like that - I don't think this forum's easy to hack but I *still* don't want that

responsibility) and then set your user name to whatever you like.

- K

On 2/27/09 8:57 PM, in article 49a8c92e@linux, "Administrator"
<kg@kerrygalloway.com> wrote:

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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 06:37:01 GMT
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Outlook express doesn't show this option in HTML send properties.... only in plain text mode. How do we handle OE attachments with HTML ?
The option are none, quoted printable and base 64.

AA

Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sat, 28 Feb 2009 10:14:16 GMT
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I'm not sure, AA - I think I read once that OE, particularly older versions, uses UUEncode by default unless you select a different one. Want to try attaching a small pic and seeing if it makes it to the forum OK?

Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Sun, 01 Mar 2009 00:35:10 GMT
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Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sun, 01 Mar 2009 00:38:33 GMT
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Aaron Allen wrote on Sat, 28 February 2009 19:35Kerry, is there a way to 'not' center format the text in the web interface?

AA

Yeah, I can try not to screw up the formatting when I edit the forum templates

I'll have that fixed ASAP, it's pretty awkward-looking.

- K

Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [kerryg](#) on Sun, 01 Mar 2009 00:56:36 GMT
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Aaron Allen wrote on Sat, 28 February 2009 19:35 Kerry, is there a way to 'not' center format the text in the web interface?

AA

The problem was only showing up on OE, not Safari or Firefox; I spotted it last week using OE on someone else's computer, but couldn't fix it from there and promptly forgot about it ("can't see if from my place!"). I suspect it was a hanging "center" tag in the header and I've closed it off now, but I don't have OE running - does it look different now?

edited to add: I also closed a div align=center, we'll see if it fixes itself between those two tweaks.

Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Sun, 01 Mar 2009 09:25:00 GMT
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Sorry for the late response, I had a Mardi Gras show tonight...

check... testing OE6 send....

1 2 3

AA

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news:49a9e22c\$1@linux...

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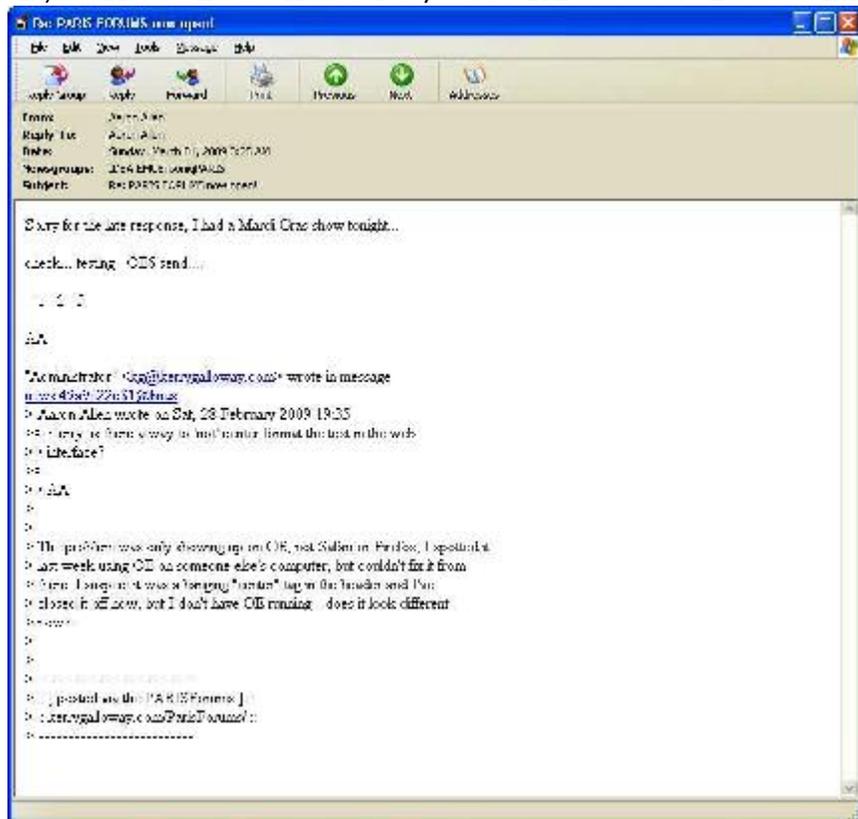
Subject: Re: PARIS FORUMS now open!
Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Sun, 01 Mar 2009 09:41:22 GMT
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Ok, attached is what it looked like when I sent it. Pretty close, but the spacebar hits I registered before the 1 2 3 went away in the php version.... any coolio tweak for that on your end?

AA

File Attachments

1) [What I Sent.JPG](#), downloaded 135 times



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Unfortunately I've got nothing right now except for the observation that OE is an absolute abomination - you should see the php code for the software installs I've been doing, both for this forum and things like phpFreeChat - there are comments all through them saying //this line fixes a bug in OE// etc.

The new guy who's taken over development of FUDForum (the platform this forum's running on)] is a guy called Frank Naude. That name's perfect - he's more than a bit like Mike Audet insofar as he's taking software that others had written off and kicking its butt. He's been a gem - for example I asked for some code to integrate phpFreeChat into FUDForum and he had it written and posted on the wiki in a couple of hours. So I've got high hopes that if I can't fix it myself he'll see the importance of the issue and code around it pretty quick
