



Roanoke Valley SharePoint User Group

# WSS and the “Fantastic 40”

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# Upcoming Events

- Thursday 2/7 6:00 pm: RV.NUG  
3.5 .NET Framework
- Wednesday 2/27 6:00 pm: RVSPUG  
SharePoint Examples
- Saturday 3/1 8:00 – 5:00:  
Roanoke Code Camp 2008  
20 sessions, 4 tracks: 1 being SharePoint  
[www.rvnug.org/codecamp.aspx](http://www.rvnug.org/codecamp.aspx)



# Agenda

- Types of WSS Templates
- Out of the Box Templates
- Create a Custom Template
- Fantastic 40
  - What Are They?
  - See Them
  - Install Them
- Create a Site from a Custom Template



# Types of WSS Templates

- Site Templates
- List Templates
- Library Templates



# Out of the Box Site Templates

## Collaboration

Team Site	Blank Site	Document Workspace	Wiki Site	Blog
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## Meeting

Basic Meeting Workspace	Blank Meeting Workspace	Decision Meeting Workspace	Social Meeting Workspace	Multipage Meeting Workspace
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# Sample Site Templates

- **Team Site**
  - **LISTS:** Announcements, Calendar, Links, Tasks, Team Discussion
  - **LIBRARIES:** Shared Documents
- **Basic Meeting Workspace**
  - **LISTS:** Agenda, Attendees, Objectives
  - **LIBRARIES:** Document Library
- **Wiki Site**
  - **LISTS:** *None*
  - **LIBRARIES:** Wiki Pages



# Create a Custom Site Template

- Create a Sample Site
- Include List and Library content
- Click "Site Actions" → "Site Settings"
- Click "Look and Feel: Save Site as Template"



We want more!



FANTASTIC 40

RVSPUG



# What is the Fantastic 40?

- Custom solutions tailored to address the needs and requirements of specific business processes or sets of tasks within organizations of any size

- 20 Site Admin Templates

- 20 Server Admin Templates

- 1 Application Template Core

(must install once before installing Server Admin Templates)



# Server Admin Templates

- aka "Site Definitions"
- File extension: .wsp
- Requires Server Administrator to Install
- Differs from Site Admin Template
  - More Enhanced Functionality
  - Built-in Workflows, Heavily Customized Lists and Libraries, and Advanced Data Views
  - Multi-lingual
  - Stored as Multiple Files on Web Server



# Server Admin Templates

Absence Request and Vacation Schedule Management	Bug Database	Change Request Management	Contacts Management	Event Planning
Help Desk	IT Team Workspace	Knowledge Base	Physical Asset Tracking and Management	Room and Equipment Reservations
Budgeting and Tracking Multiple Projects	Call Center	Compliance Process Support Site	Document Library and Review	Expense Reimbursement and Approval Site
Inventory Tracking	Job Requisition and Interview Management	Lending Library	Project Tracking Workspace	Sales Lead Pipeline



# Site Admin Templates

- aka “Custom Templates”
- File Extension: .stp
- SharePoint Site Administrator Uploads to the Template Gallery  
(Server Administration Access Not Needed)
- Stored in a WSS Database



# Site Admin Templates

Board of Directors	Case Management for Government Agencies	Clinical Trial Initiation and Management	Discussion Database	Employee Activities Site
Employee Training Scheduling and Materials	Integrated Marketing Campaign Tracking	New Store Opening	Request for Proposal	Team Work Site
Business Performance Rating	Classroom Management	Competitive Analysis Site	Disputed Invoice Management	Employee Self-Service Benefits
Equity Research	Manufacturing Process Management	Product and Marketing Requirements Planning	Disputed Invoice Management	Timecard Management



# Preview the Fantastic 40

- See Them Online

<http://www.wssdemo.com/application/default.aspx>

- Try Them Online

<http://www.sharepointexperts.com/v3demo.htm>

<http://www.cjvandyk.com/blog/WSSTemplates/default.aspx>



# Where to Get the Fantastic 40

<http://www.microsoft.com/sharepoint/templates.mspx>

- Application Templates  
(aka Fantastic 40)
- Also on this site:
  - Role-based Templates for SharePoint My Sites
  - Sample Master Pages
  - GroupBoard Workspace 2007
  - Community Kit for SharePoint



# Preparing for Installation

- Select Template(s) to Download
  - Free
  - Requires Registration
- Run AllTemplates.exe
  - 21 \*.wsp files
  - 20 \*.stp files
  - Readme.txt for WSP
  - Readme\_stp.txt for STP \*
    - Readme\_stp.txt contained instructions for wsp as of 1/20/2008



# Site Admin Templates Installation

- Permissions Required
  - Administrator of Site
- Installation Steps
  - Click "Site Actions" → "Site Settings"
  - Click "Galleries: Site Templates"
  - Click "Upload"
    - Browse and Open \*.stp File
  - Click "OK"



# Server Admin Templates Installation

- Permissions (I used)
  - Administrator Rights to WSS site
  - Administrator Rights to root of server
  - dbo\_owner rights to SharePoint\_AdminContent\_xxxxx database
  - Administrator Rights to Central Server Administration
- Install ApplicationTemplateCore once
- Run stsadm command
  - addsolution
  - deploysolution



# Creating a Site

- Click "Site Actions" → "Create"
  - Click "Web Pages: Sites and Workspaces"
- Select a Template
  - "Custom" Tab for Custom Templates
  - "Custom" Tab for Site Admin Templates
  - "Application Templates" Tab for Server Admin Templates



# Summary

	<b>Custom Template</b>	<b>Fantastic 40 Site Admin Template</b>	<b>Fantastic 40 Server Admin Template</b>
<b>Create a Site</b>	Custom Tab	Custom Tab	Application Tab
<b>Install a template</b>	Site Owner	Site Owner	Server Administrator
<b>File extension</b>	stp	stp	wsp



# References

- Microsoft SharePoint Products and Technologies Team Blog

<http://blogs.msdn.com/sharepoint/default.aspx>

- Application Templates for WSS 3.0

<http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/sharepoint/bb407286.aspx>

- Robin's blog

[www.geekswithblogs.net/redwards](http://www.geekswithblogs.net/redwards)



Questions?

Thank You!