



National Museum of the American Indian Wiki Based Intranet

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Project Drivers

- Communication was not flowing well between our 3 locations (New York, Washington, DC and Suitland, MD). A survey showed that staff was storing information in emails, hard copy files, on tapes, and "in their heads."
- Old Intranet was not working well the content was 75% out of date and the system was not flexible to meet people's needs
- Limited Resources There was only one "webmaster" for the Internet and the Intranet. We did not have any FTE support for design, programming.

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Project Challenges



- Time: Short-timeframe to get something done (Less than 6 months.)
- Cost: Limited funds (Less than 80K), Limited resources
- Scope: Redesign the Intranet
- YIYE!



In Our Favor



- Migration: With most documents out of date, there was not a lot of information to migrate
- Old Intranet: Not dynamic, not much information, hard to post documents, application that no one really liked so it would be easier to get them to like the new one
- Move from Novell to AD (email) with limitations on mailbox size



Goals

- 'Empower staff with easy-to-use content creation tool
 - Users directly add, edit and replace content
- Facilitate collaboration between program units in DC, Maryland, and New York
- Improve communication within the Museum and central resources
- Establish a portal to other applications
 - Digital Asset Management (DAM), Meeting Room Manager (MRM), HEAT, GovTrip, Peoplsoft, etc.
- Integrate with other systems
 - SI Active Directory, Webtrends, DAM, MRM, etc.
- Reduce workload on web office



Timeline, Cost, Maintenance

- 'Ohana was deployed December 2006 after 4 months of development and testing (approximate cost = \$55,000)
- A revised version was launched April 2007.
- Ongoing Operational Resources
 - 1-2 staff persons working part-time (together they average 20 hrs/week)
 - 1 contractor working part-time (average 15 hours/week)
 - as needed graphics support from NMAI web staff



The Philosophy behind this Intranet

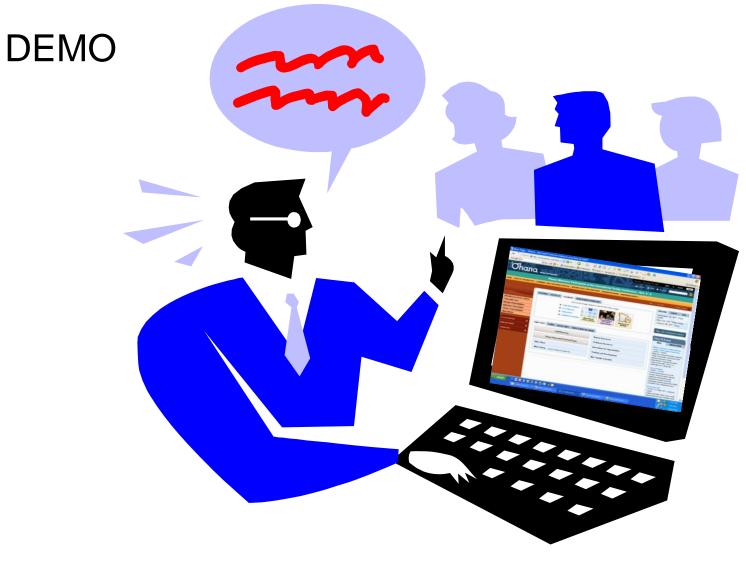
- Participation not Publication All staff can directly contribute content to the site without needing authorization.
- Secure Authenticated accounts, locked/hidden pages, and testing areas. New content/upload alerts sent to the project manager. Recoverable.
- Constant iterative functional changes on a daily basis –develop on a test server, test and deploy. Done at the programmer level (no QA team, no configuration manager). If there is a problem, fix it.
- The Intranet gets better the more people provide content and seek content



Technology



- Mediawiki Open source, flexible, light, cost-effective. NMAI added customization.
- OS Windows Server 2003
- PHP (server-side)
- XHTML, CSS, Javascript, and AJAX (client-end)
- MySql (database)



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	FEATURED PROJECTS CALENDARS MANAGEMENT DA	ASHBOARD	WEATHER TRAFFIC RAIL		
***************************************	NMAI Conservators Host Textile Conservation Wo	rkshops	Washington, DC: 50°F, Fair and		
USEUM ASSOCIATES COUNCIL	Textiles are among the most fragile of materials. Textile cons	pervators are challenged with the teak of	Windy		
AFF DIRECTORY	balancing the inherently conflicting tasks of both preserving a		New York: 49°F, Partly Cloudy		
JILDING PHONE NUMBERS	exhibitions. This week as part of the North American Textile		Suitland, MD: 49°F, Sunny		
IERGENCY PROCEDURES	are sponsoring four workshops at the Mall museum and the C	CRC.			
AVEL & PROCUREMENT	Shelly Uhlir, NMAI Mount Maker, will present a workshop M	Nannequins & Mounting Accessories, Shelly	Idea for a feature story		
MAILIBRARY	will share the processes, methods, and solutions developed f				
	workshop will cover theories and realities of designing safe m	nounts for garments and their accessories.	News & Events		
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HANA HELP D			Textile Conservation Conference		
	Git-Hoan Dancers Electrify GGHC Audiences at Culturef	Fest Juanita Velasco, Cultural Ambassador Extraordinaire !	11/06/07 - 11/09/07 NMAI will co-sponsor the North Americ		
	2007		Textile Conservation Conference?s 6th		
		» More Feature Stories	biennial conference, Facing		
			Impermanence: Exploring Preventive Textile Conservation: NATCC, in		
	EMPLOYEES FORMS NATIVE LINKS WHAT IS NEW ON	COHANA	Washington, D.C. along with		
			Eugenics as Indian Removal:		
	Staff Directory	Human Resources	Sociohistorical Processes and the		
			De(con)struction of American Inda in the Southeast		
	'Ohana Users and Personal Pages	SI Human Resources	11/09/07; 12:00-2:00; NMAI Mall Board		
	Unana Users and Personal Pages		Room, videoconference at CRC (Jame Bond)		
		Interesting Job Opportunities	Research Unit Brown Bag		
	Who's New	Training and Development	Classical Hative		
	Who's Away (Login to update your away info)		11/08/07 - 11/11/07		
		MSC Shuttle Schedule	For the second year in a row, the		
			museum welcomes Native classical composers and musicians, plus		
			distinguished soloists and three		
			outstanding chamber groups?the VERG		

Project	Project Manager	Chartered	Opens	Closes	Status	Updated
Anchorage Loan	Betsy Gordon	N/A	2010-04-01	2015-04-01	- All funding via Anchorage Museum February- March 2007- Case prototype deliver to MSC- P	2007-09-27
Listening to Our Ancestors Community Rotations	Betsy Gordon	Approved by MAC 8/16/2006	2008-10-01	2011-01-01	MAC approved up to \$50k per community	2007-09-27
Potomac	Betsy Gordon	Not chartered	0000-00-00	0000-00-00	- 6/07- First all team kick off meeting 6/07- Visitor surveys begin: Entrance/Exit experi	2007-09-27
Remix (GGHC)	Betsy Gordon	- Planning Charter 2/21/2007. Im	2008-05-00	2008-09-00	2/07- Planning Charter 4/07- Initial design walk-through wJoe Baker and GGHC sta	2007-09-27
Fritz Scholder (DC/NY)	Machel Monenerkit	- Planning Charter 4/5/2008. Imp	2008-10-01	0000-00-00	Book - new photography completed in NM & AZ, researcher working on rights and permissions, fi	2007-09-26
Mall Sculpture Design Competition	Machel Monenerkit	Approved by MAC 2005	2007-09-21	0000-00-00	Completed on time, on budget and on schedule!	2007-09-26

To make reservations on the Mall or at CRC, go to; Meeting Room Manager

Next 30-day Mall room reservations by date/time Next 30-day Mall room reservations by room Next 30-day CRC room reservations by date/time Next 30-day CRC room reservations by room

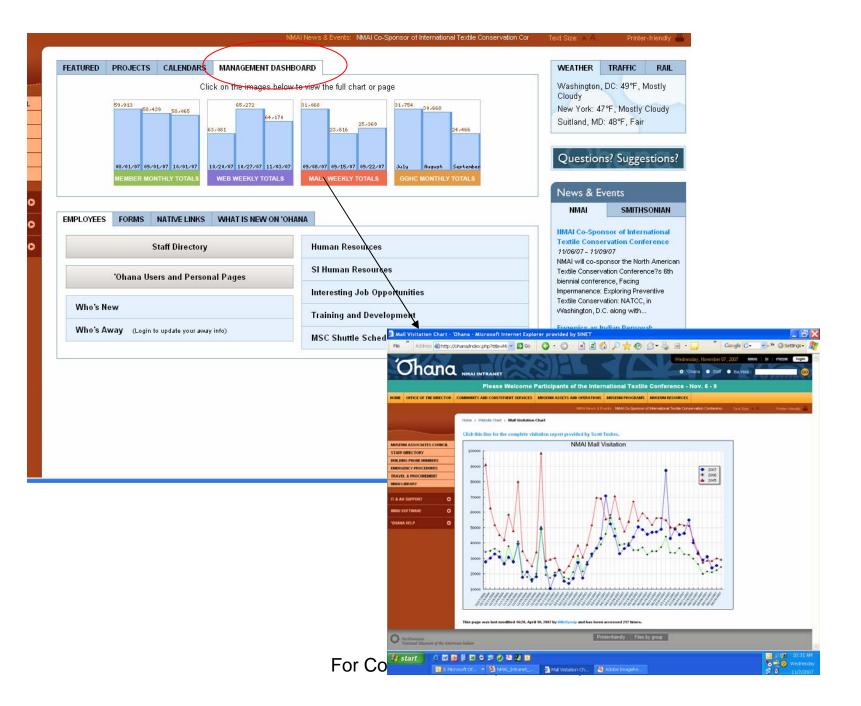
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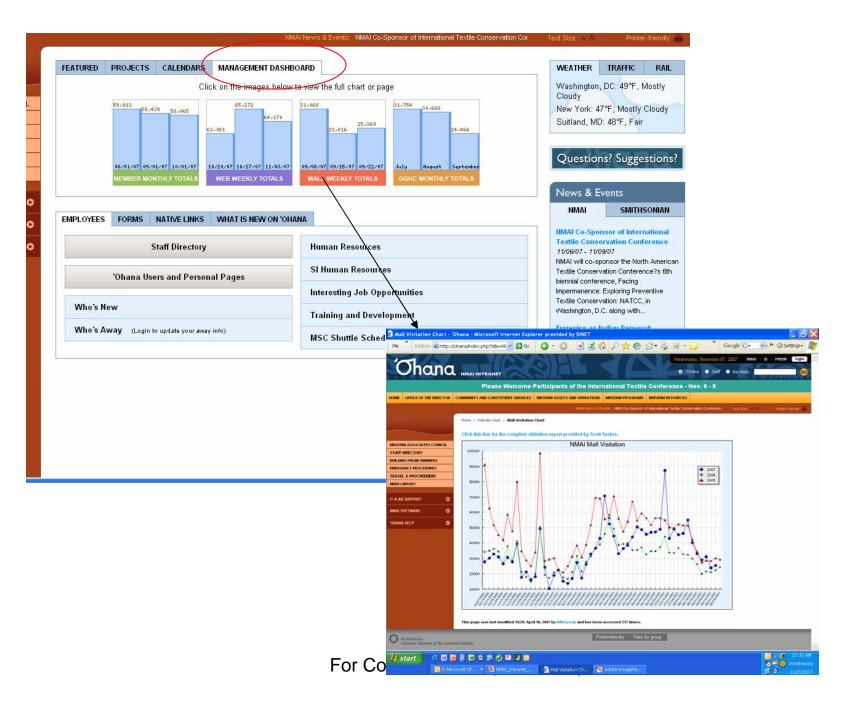
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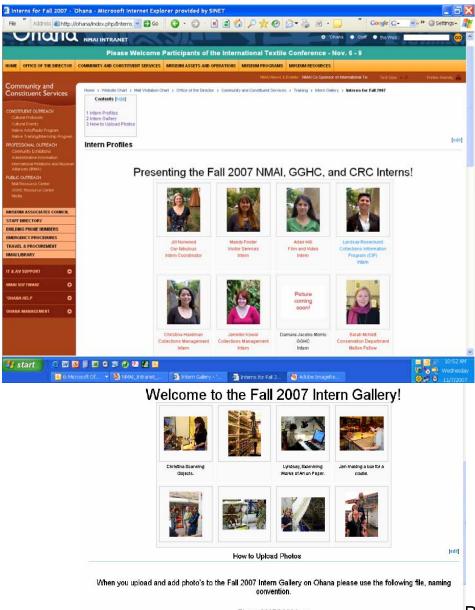
Room	Start	End	Event	Contact
1012-RasmusonGreenRoom	08:00:00	18:00:00	"Connections", Native storytelling and song, featuring Steven Alvarez for Discovery Theater. Follow	Gina Jacks
5012-EagleRoom	08:00:00	09:00:00	Staff Call	Travis Helms
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5012-EagleRoom	09:00:00	12:00:00	Procurement Meeting	Travis Helms
5019-TlingitRoom	09:00:00	10:00:00	Visitor Services staff meeting	Travis Helms
5048-BoardRoom	09:00:00	10:00:00	Maggie B	Travis Helms
3018-RCClassroom	09:30:00	14:00:00	Baby Shower for Scott Tucker	Gina Jacks
4018-MeetingRoom1	09:30:00	16:30:00	NATCC conference workshops for exhibition materials, disaster recovery, and museum lighting	Gina Jacks
4019-MeetingRoom2	09:30:00	16:30:00	NATCC conference workshops for exhibition materials, disaster recovery, and museum lighting	Gina Jacks
5019-TlingitRoom	10:00:00	11:00:00	Special Events Staff Meeting	Gina Jacks
5048-BoardRoom	10:00:00	11:30:00	Development	NMAI Receptionist
5056-RavenRoom	10:30:00	12:00:00	Syminars & Symposia	NMAI Receptionist
5048-BoardRoom	11:30:00	13:30:00	Research Unit Brown Bag	NMAI Receptionist
5019-TlingitRoom	12:30:00	15:30:00	research unit meeting	Travis Helms
5048-BoardRoom	13:30:00	15:00:00	Treaties	Travis Helms
5012-EagleRoom	14:00:00	15:30:00	FVC All Staff meeting	Travis Helms
5056-RavenRoom	14:00:00	16:00:00	PA Review	Travis Helms
3rdFloorOverlook	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
4thFloorOverlook	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
Changing Gallery	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
Lelawi Theater	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
OurLives	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
OurPeoples	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
OurUniverses	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks
Potomac	19:00:00	22:00:00	NIGA Reception	Gina Jacks

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I am a member of the NMAI IT Applications Unit where I currently support the development and deployment of the Interactive Learning Center (ILC) in the NMAI Resource Centers, the 'Ohana website, the NMAI Contact Management System, and the A'aninin (Gros Ventre) Tribal Archives Project.

I have a master's degree in Anthropology from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee. In 1977 I was a NSF intern at the Field Museum in Chicago where I developed a system of improved storage for ethnogaphic textiles and clothing. In 1978 I had the opportunity to inventory the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History North American ethnographic collections and develop strategic plans for the relocation of the anthropology collections to the Museum Support Center (MSC) in Suitland. I came to NMAI in 2002, after spending many years working for the Director of the MSC. My career in museums includes the areas of collections management, textile conservation, facilities management, information architecture, and database design and support.

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Lessons Learned

- It takes time to break employees resistance to change they cling to the old ways of managing information and communicating
 - mass email with attachments,
 - use of public drives for document sharing
- There is still a need for someone to provide oversight
- We will need to address the lack of page and file naming conventions.