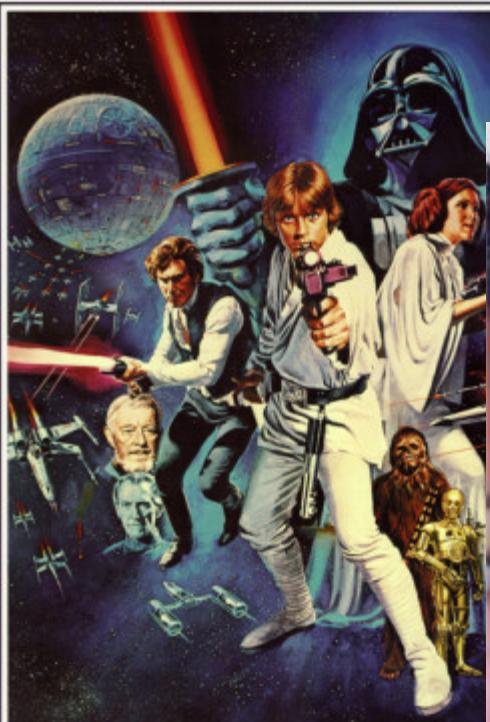


# Botwiki Edit-a-thon

# Did you notice...?



SmarterChild : candiemonkie - Instant Mess...

File Edit Insert People SmarterChild's Warning Level: 0%

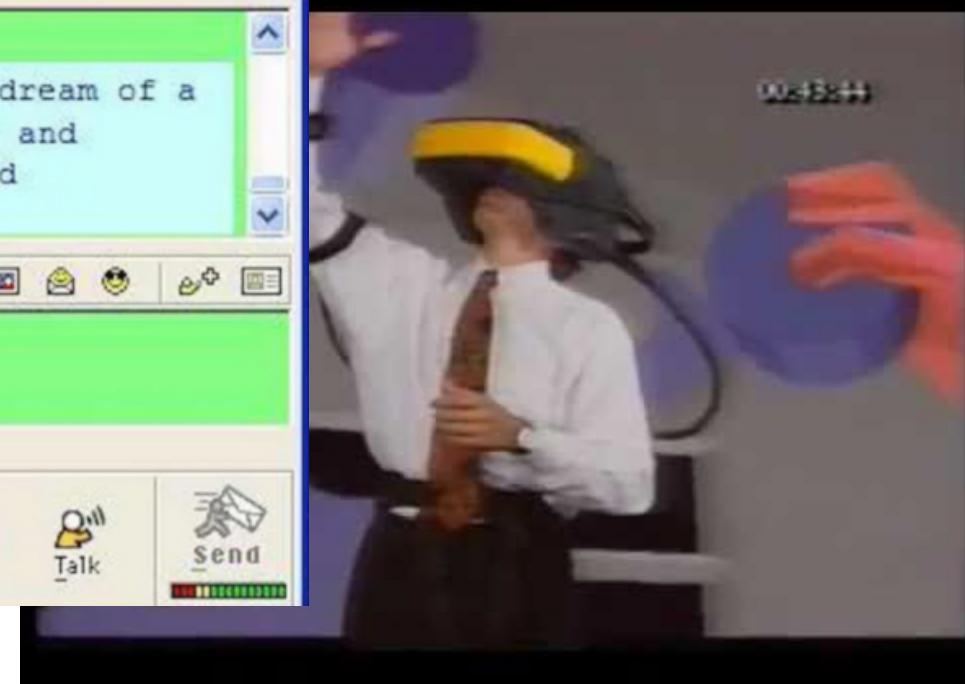
candiemonkie: *do you sleep*

SmarterChild: No, but I dream. I dream of a better world. A world where man and machine can coexist in peace and happiness...

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# Agenda

## Me!

- As the creator, I will share the story of Botwiki (and related projects).

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Justin Myers (@myersjustinc)

- News automation editor at Associated Press, will talk about journalism-related bots used at Associated Press and other news organizations.

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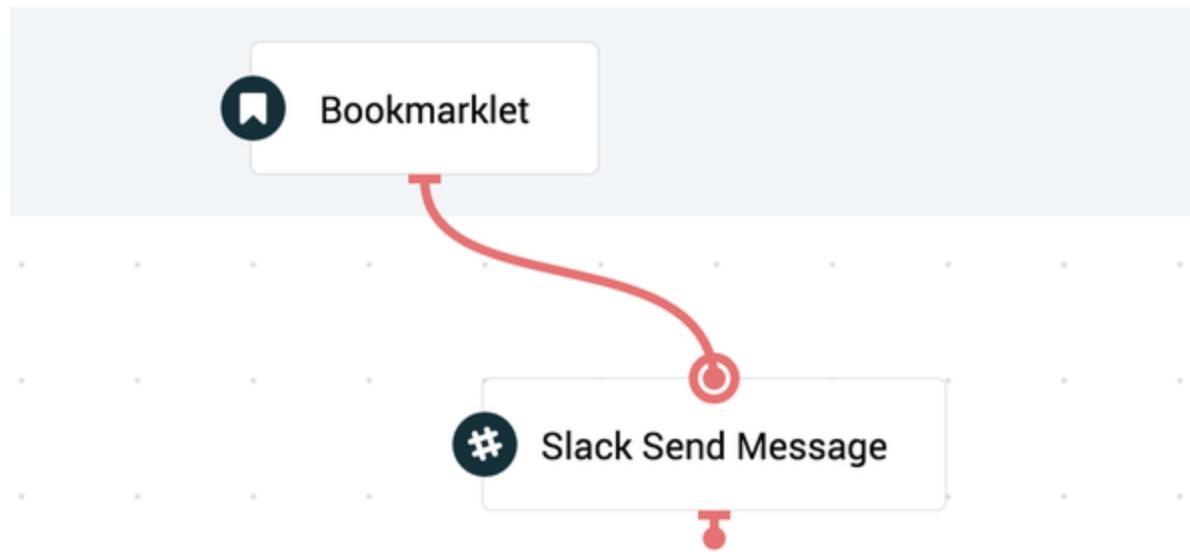
Leonard Richardson (@leonardr)

- Author of, among other things, Beautiful Soup, a popular web scraping library for Python, and the RESTful Web APIs book, will describe a technique that saves him a lot of time during bot development.

# Agenda

Daniel Ilkovich (@danielilkovich)

- Founder of Dexter, a tool that lets you quickly build and share integrations of various online services, will share the story and the future vision of Dexter.



Hello!

The only way to win this  
game is not to play

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-- [@fourtonfish](#)

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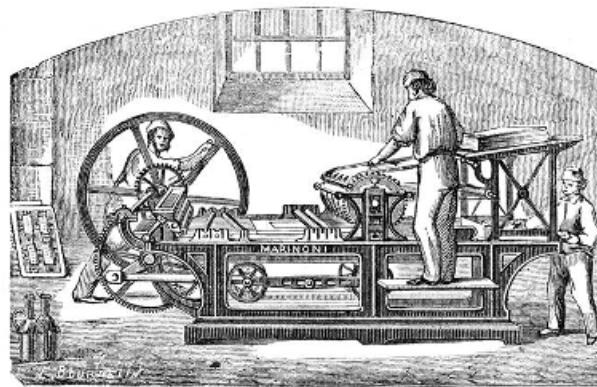
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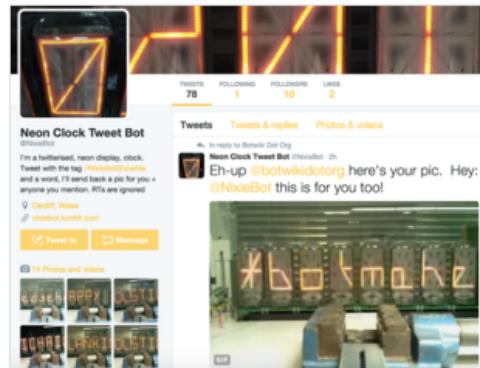
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-- Stefan, the creator of Botwiki

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# 8 months later...

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- created on July 22, 2015
- 323 bots (281 Twitter bots)
- 7-8,000 page views a month average
- Estimated 10-12,000 page views for March

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A Slack group for botmakers and bot enthusiasts

- created on September 17, 2015
- 730 members
- 45.5k messages sent
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#monthlybotchallenge  
[botwiki.org/monthly-bot-challenge](http://botwiki.org/monthly-bot-challenge)

# Sidekick (@botwikibot)

 **botwikibot** BOT 11:49 AM

Oh, a new bot?

@deathmtn just [tweeted](#):

 **dootmtn** @deathmtn

Oh, yeah, new bot with good advice for developers: [@needlesscomplex](#)

Today at 11:49 AM



 **botwikibot** BOT 11:55 AM

Retweeted!



**stefan** 11:55 AM

@botwikibot: Thank you!

 **botwikibot** BOT 11:55 AM

No problem!

# Sidekick (@botwikibot)

**Albert Wenger** @albertwenger · 3m  
The Great Bot Rush of 2015-16 [tumblr.co/Z1T9by1\\_1Y-eu](http://tumblr.co/Z1T9by1_1Y-eu)

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. @NASA eases access to #opendata with #API PoC [bit.ly/1P5I42V](http://bit.ly/1P5I42V)

#space #datasets

NASA Apollo Sounds

- Share via Direct Message
- Copy link to Tweet
- Embed Tweet
- Mute
- Block
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# Thank you!