Camps Development Platform

"The Search For A Silver Bullet"

Introduction

- Not a programmer
- Linux
- Started with Interchange 2001/2002
- Taurus...
- Moving along nicely

- 2008 things get complicated
- Growing competition
 - Easy to have a basic site
 - PHP carts
- Little or no loyalty on web
 - Price

- SEO is getting complex
 - Duplicate content
- Need new features
- Development strategy?

Development Options

- Live Edits
 - Bad Idea
- VM's
 - Resources
 - Time to configure
 - Managing code base

- Has to be a better way
- We need a silver bullet!
- I'm calling Endpoint
 - Ron Phipps
 - Sorry Sam BUT..

The Silver Bullet?

- Camps (icdevgroup.org)
 - Git version control
 - Separate web server, database, IC, etc
 - Lightweight/fast
 - Multiple projects/developers
 - Git version control
 - Perl based
 - Ethan Rowe and Jon Jensen

How It Works

- Git project minus config files
- Set values in local-config

```
dns_domain:westbranchangler.com
hostname: __CAMP_NUMBER__.camp.__CAMP_DNS_DOMAIN__
```

Tokenize config files for all services

```
ServerName ___CAMP_HOSTNAME___
```

How It Works

- Local copy of production db dump
- Camps pulls source into users camp
- Writes configs, populates db and starts all services. YES!



How It Looks

```
-- ~camp/
  `-- angler/
     `-- angler.git/
     |-- local-config
     |-- camp-config-files
     |-- mysql/
        `-- my.cnf
         |-- tmp/
         |-- angler.sql
     |-- etc/
        `-- interchange/
         |-- interchange_local.cfg
```

Simple Easy Perfect.....Not Exactly

- Not simple to setup
- ALL environment details and paths

Simple Easy Perfect.....Not Exactly

Must be very thorough.
 Example snip of bin/interchange

```
#!/bin/sh
.....
icroot=__CAMP_PATH__/interchange
pidfile=$icroot/var/run/interchange.pid

export MINIVEND_ROOT=$icroot
export INTERCHANGE_OTHERLIBS=$icroot/
custom/lib
exec $icroot/bin/interchange.bin \
-pidfile $pidfile \
PIDfile=$pifile \
"$@"
```

Good News

- Once setup easy to reuse camp "template"
- Development environment is available in minutes.

Good News

- Taking risks isn't a problem #rmcamp --number=12 #mkcamp -comment"This is easy"
- Not true with VM.

Experiences

- Camps use single local Perl. /usr/local/bin/perl.
- Test a more modern Perl on a camp?
- Racke/NITESI the quest for Interchange 6
 - Dancer should have perl 5.14+
 - Nginx/Plack running local on Centos 5 perl 5.8
 - Interchange running on 5.10

Experiences

- CentOS 6 5.10.1 BAD
- Endpoints CentOS 6 repo 5.14.1 BETTER
- Modern Perl needs modern tools
- Can't we all just get along?

Assumptions

- Carton Perl module dependency manager
 - http://search.cpan.org/~miyagawa/Carton/
- Perlbrew: admin-free perl installation management tool.
 - http://perlbrew.pl/

Perlbrew

- Perlbrew = Perl environment flexibility
- System Perl nice and clean.
- Multiple Perls easy

[camp@c1]\$ perlbrew list * perl-5.10.1 perl-5.14.4

Perlbrew

Changing Perl is simple

```
[camp@c1]$ perlbrew switch perl-5.14.4 perl-5.10.1 * perl-5.14.4
```

Perlbrew + Camps

- Install Perlbew in camp home
- Define environment in .bashrc

export PERLBREW_ROOT=/home/camp/perl5 source \${PERLBREW_ROOT}/etc/bashrc

Perlbrew + Camps

- Make shebangs flexible #!/usr/bin/env perl
- This isn't magic set your %ENV

Perlbrew + Camps

```
#!/bin/bash
## clear
unset PERL5LIB;
## set perlbrew env
export PERLBREW ROOT='/home/camp/perl5';
export PERLBREW_HOME="$HOME/.perlbrew";
source ${PERLBREW_ROOT}/etc/bashrc;
## set camp perl here
perlbrew switch perl-5.14.3;
## set local libs
export PERL5LIB=/home/sam/camp50/interchange/custom/lib"${PERL5LIB:+:$PERL5LIB}";
export PERL5LIB=/home/sam/camp50/interchange/lib"${PERL5LIB:+:$PERL5LIB}";
export PERL5LIB=/home/sam/camp50/local/lib/perl5"${PERL5LIB:+:$PERL5LIB}";
```

Carton + Perlbrew

- We have Perl now we need the modules
- Carton to the rescue
- In the camp home give Perlbrew users Carton #perlbrew install-cpanm #cpanm Carton

Carton + Perlbrew + Camps = 8-)

Create module list camp12/cpanfile

```
requires 'HTTP::Parser::XS', '0.007';
requires 'HTTP::Server::Simple';
requires 'HTTP::Server::Simple::PSGI';
requires 'Hash::Merge';
requires 'Hash::MultiValue';
requires 'Image::Magick';
```

Carton + Perlbrew + Camps = 8-)

- Build routine install carton?
- Wow look at how long it takes my camp to build...

```
Successfully installed Scalar-List-Utils-1.32 (upgraded from 1.23)
```

Successfully installed namespace-clean-0.24

Successfully installed Type-Tiny-0.026

Successfully installed Exporter-Tiny-0.026

Successfully installed PadWalker-1.96

Successfully installed lexical-underscore-0.001

Successfully installed Scalar-Does-0.201

Successfully installed Params-Validate-1.08

Carton + Perlbrew + Camps = 8-)

- Better options? Yes
- #carton bundle bundles cached tarballs
- locate vendor/cache in ~camp then sumlink into camp?
- Add vendor/cache to git?
- install –cached

Camp Domination

- Full independent services instead of sharing system apache.
- Compile services Nginx, Plack
- Control of all services, init.d scripts
- Test current stable versions

Camp Domination

Master.pm

```
sub run camp scripts {
  my ($c_number) = @_;
  warn "Reading camp install file though already initialized...\n" if $initialized;
  my $file = File::Spec->catfile( type path(), 'camp-install-scripts', );
  open(my $INSTALL, '<', $file) or die "Type-specific config file missing: $file\n";
  while( my $line = <$INSTALL>) {
  my @args = ( "bash", "-c", "/home/$camp user/camp$c number/$line" );
  system(@args);
  close $INSTALL or die "Error closing $file: $!\n";
```

Camp Domination

Example install-services.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
## This script installs services during camp creation
cd __CAMP_PATH__
# let carton install all proper modules
carton install
# lets make sure we are using the right perl
source CAMP PATH /etc/perlbrew config.sh
CONFIGURE_PARAMS="--prefix=__CAMP_PATH__/etc/nginx --without-http_rewrite_module -blah blah blah
NGINX SRC=" CAMP PATH /src/Nginx"
cd ${NGINX SRC}
make clean
echo "Configuring Nginx..."
./configure ${CONFIGURE PARAMS}
```

What's Next?

- Camps as production deployment. Camp-hq?
- https://github.com/sbatschelet/interchange-camps
- Camps + Interchange and Josh Lavin's new strap template https://github.com/interchange/interchange
- https://github.com/devcamps/camps
- https://github.com/perusion/strap
- Could use some input/help ⁽²⁾

Conclusion

- Even basic carts should have a development environment
- Camps is very scalable and just plain awesome.
- Camps should be part of Interchange get developers started out of the box.
- Backcountry uses it, Jon Jensen and Ethan Rowe wrote it.

Questions?

