Jim Anderson

## “More work now for less work later!”



**Info:**

* Age: 25
* Employed full time
* Lives with parents

**Tech. Background**:

* Works as server admin
* Maintains a rather large digital media collection

**Interests:**

* Computers
* Movies
* Golf

About

Jim Anderson is 25 years old and has been working full time at Alpha Pen Technologies for 2 years; which focuses on providing cloud storage for many of the local businesses. Through out his childhood, Jim had always maintained an interest in computers, and attributes his computer proficiency to his father—who, in Jim’s early childhood, was always bringing new computers home for them to play around on. Jim discovered his enjoyment for watching movies after finishing a long and tedious shift at work, and needed a passive activity to cool down with before falling asleep. His movie watching ritual eventually became a nightly event, and as such, his movie collection has started to expand. When Jim gets off work early, he usually heads to the driving range to practice up for his weekly golf game he partakes with his parents, and discusses his recent movie watching’s with them, who also are avid movie watchers.

Background:

Since Jim had acquired a rather large collection of movies, he decided to start digitalizing them. In combining his love for computers and movies, Jim, built a media center to attach to his living room T.V. with an accompanying media server to stream his movie collection from. Excitedly, Jim showed his parents the new setup. While impressed at the ease of use of the new setup, Jim’s parents noted that he did not have some of the movies they liked, and would eventually like to watch. Over the weeks of having the media center up and running, Jim was having problems fulfilling his parents’ requests; post-it notes were going missing and Jim was forgetting which movies he had already added. After a bit of online searching, Jim discovered a personal media center database which not only could list the movies on his server in a nice format, but also had a built in request system. Intrigued, Jim installed it immediately.

The Experience:

After the smooth installation, Jim ran the built in scanning tool on his media server to populate his movie database. Jim found the database interface much more appealing than looking at the raw file system, and was quite excited about the many search options. Jim figured if he could easily search up which movies were on the server, so could his parents. Once the scan had finished, he brought in his parents and created them accounts on the server. Jim then showed his parents how to access the database through their web browser on their own computer, and then how to access and fill out the request form. The next day, Jim logged into his database using the admin account, and checked the request page. His parents had already submitted a few movies, which were also not already in the database, indicating that the system was working. During his free time, Jim happily acquired the newly requested movies, and then promptly marked the requests as fulfilled. After repeating the routine for a few days, Jim already began to notice the amount of nagging he received drastically decreased. Jim felt a wave of relief knowing he didn’t have the stress of trying to remember the requests of his parents. With his new superior movie catalogue, and less stress towards maintaining his movie collection, Jim felt that he could finally enjoy his media center to its fullest potential.