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I'm an experienced solutions architect, application developer, and well rounded geek-of-all-trades. I'm a problem solver who would be the first to admit to being a good programmer, an excellent debugger, and a phenomenal Googler. I'm looking for an opportunity to bring my breadth of knowledge to a position that balances leadership, mentorship, experimentation, and innovation.

I make sure to solve problems with an adaptive approach: application development and prototyping, finding the right off-the-shelf product, or just help by breaking the issue down into more digestible pieces for a team. I love the DevOps culture and am obsessed with the human side of the DevOps challenge -- tools are the easy part, the culture shift is the hard part.

I will be honest and tell you "no" if a project or ask is not doable; I am not going to bury my team in work that isn't achievable. However, I will accompany that "no" with alternative solutions that will get you where you want to be and in ways you likely didn't consider. I choose the right tools for the right job and I'm not beholden to any one technology, language, or stack.

I love to mentor and gather a team together to learn. Every place I've worked I've started "Learn, Share, Misc" recurring gatherings so my team, other teams, and anyone at large in the company can come learn what we do, share something cool they think we should learn, and source ideas for what novel things we can do next.

I enjoy explaining technical concepts to non-technical people and spend a good deal of my time as a fluent Geek-To-English translator. This is why I have volunteered to mentor at Code Louisville, Developer Advocate for the Civic Data Alliance, and on the tech committee for ElderServe.

Recent interesting projects: helping to launch Glennis Solutions, a spin-off from Atria Senior Living to sell (and modernize) our back office software; developing a continuous learning program for our entire engineering stasff; re-architecting 3 of our applications to better suit the SaaS setup and lay the foundation down that the other apps in the suite will follow; teaching Jenkins and Azure Pipelines to various teams to help them on the CI/CD journey; automating many development processes and evangelizing a DevOps mentality; and building an Apache Solr application that has become the core of Atria's enterprise search that we plan to package up and sell via Glennis as well.

Currently on the list to tinker with: getting my 5 Raspberry Pi 4s clustered with Kubernetes in my homelab, setting up a ProxMox (or ESXi) cluster from some spare machines, home automation, chat bots, natural language processing, Apache Spark, and a list that keeps growing.

I'm at my best when I can both lead, mentor, and get hands-on to produce value directly.

I look forward to discussing this opportunity with you.

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Volunteering

Developer Advocate
Civic Data Alliance
Jun 2017 – Apr 2019
Developer Advocate of the Civic Data Alliance which is focused on being a force for open data, hosting hackathons, coding education, and civic engagement.

Technology Committee Member
ElderServe
Feb 2016 – Jul 2018
IT consultant and advisor for the Technology Committee which serves the Board of Directors of ElderServe.

Developer Mentor
Code Louisville
Jan 2016 - August 2016
Mentored Full Stack Javascript and Front End Development cohorts. Helping students work towards a final project for the semester with HTML5, the MEAN stack (Mongo, Express, Angular, Node), CSS and GitHub.

Youth Mentor
Hoosier Youth Challenge Academy
Jan 2015 – Jan 2016
Mentor for at-risk, troubled youth. Advice on life skills, sticking to the program, setting goals when the residence program ends and helping them plan their future out in small, manageable steps.

Awards

Partner In Civic Innovation
Louisville Metro Government
2017
Since their founding in 2014, the CDA has been a critically important partner and truly exemplifies what it means to be both citizen scientists and civic hackers.

Kentucky Colonel
2012
Kentucky Colonel is the highest title of honor bestowed by the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Commissions for Kentucky colonels are given by the governor and the secretary of state to individuals in recognition of noteworthy accomplishments and outstanding service to a community, state or the

Experience

Director of CloudOps / DevOps / MiscOps   Glennis Solutions
February 2021 - Present
Glennis is a start up spun out of the back office software created internally for Atria. I've helped modernize our SDLC, paved the way to moving the software to be cloud native, and am overseeing other teams as they transition their pieces of our suite as well.

I'm the pinch hitter and manage a team of the same. We slot in where necessary, pick up slack where it exists, and constantly bring others along with us. We're the go-to for miscellaneous experiments, proof-of-concepts, and prototypes.

Director of Emerging Technology   Atria Senior Living
May 2014 – February 2021
I worked directly with the CIO to evaluate and implement new technologies that could be leveraged for Atria's business growth. I was responsible for technology selection, solution development and participated in design, vendor evaluation, and management of multiple projects. From architecting the solution down to implementing it, I was there for every piece.

Technical Lead, Creative Services   Yum! Brands
Apr 2013 – May 2014
I brought my experience as a geek of all trades to every aspect of interactive projects: front-end development, responsive websites, mobile apps, databases, dashboards, analytics and social media apps.

My team and I built KFC.com, visualization tools for all brands (KFC, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut) for data science teams, internal corporate systems on WebSphere and SharePoint, and even physical museum-quality digital installations with custom hardware and software.

Geek in Charge   Current360, Developware, Qore Analytics
Dec 1999 – Apr 2013
Built an entire web and application development team for a formerly traditional ad agency, converting them to a full service digital agency when the web was still new.

While leading the team at the ad agency, I also co-founded two start ups with the owner. Developware was one of the earliest SaaS companies (founded 2002) and sold the software I built for ourselves to sell to other ad agencies. Qore Analytics was created to build satisfaction survey and net promoter score tracking specifically for the QSR industry.

Favorites

Language: Python
Framework: Flask (and Express, Slim, Sinatra, anything lightweight like these)
OS: Linux (servers), MacOS (desktop experience)
Database: PostgreSQL
Industry Book: The Phoenix Project (and closely DevOps Handbook)
Text Editor: VS Code
Hobby: My homelab experiments
Nerd News: Hacker News and Dev.TO
Food: Breakfast (pretty much all of it)
Movie Genre: Horror

nation.

Author: Neil Gaiman