OSX Leopard Server: School server, Soup to nuts in 45 minutes

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Goals:

- 1. Understand what is new about OSX Leopard Server
- 2. Determine which of these fits your needs in education
- 3. Learn what other add-on programs can make this even better
- 4. See the complete recipe, start to finish

Mac Servers: a brief history

- AppleShare 1.0-the preCambrian era
- AppleShare IP (ASIP) 5.0 is still running in some schools
- OSX server 1.0 (a.k.a. NEXT): routed appletalk, ca. 1999
- OSX server-the real deal
 - @10.0 Cheetah-use at your own risk
 - 10.1 Puma-much more stable ("Cheetah SP1")
 - 310.2 Jaguar-stable, improved mail
 - @10.3 Panther-included a VPN server
 - @10.4 Tiger-stable, more network resources, Intel support
 - 310.5 Leopard-RADIUS included, weblogs improved, many more...

Mac OS X Server

Features Setup and Admin iCal Server Wiki Server Podcast Producer Spotlight Server iChat Server File Sharing Mail Services Web Hosting Directory Client Management Networking and VPN

Leopard Server-Notice anything new?

Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue:

- AFP
- **S** FTP
- Web-add Rails
- QTSS
- mySQL
- Open Directory
- ARD Remote Desktop
- iChat server
- **OVPN**
- Firewall/NAT/ DHCP
- Webmail
- Spam/virus
- Xgrid
- NTP
- swupd
- netboot/install
- **O** LPR
- App servers

- Wiki
- RSS server
- Podcast producer
- Time Machine server

- Weblogs (blojsom)
- RADIUS (freeRADIUS)

- Windows/SMB
- Spotlight
 Server

Your campus: The Leopard Era

- Leopard Server:
 - Weblogs and Wikis now truly professional looking
 - iChat Server allows for Video Teleconferencing intramural and extramural (mura means wall in latin)
 - iCal server: school schedule on laptops, iPhones, any webDAV calendaring device
 - Home page streaming: allows streaming of lectures, projects, interviews
 - Podcast Producer: allows for real time production of lecture archives from any ichat camera (e.g. laptop)
 - Webmail: great access, built-in spam and virus filters
 - Software update server: update all local machines from one server
 - Web server: supports Ruby and other new protocols
 - VPN server: allows safe connection from home/wireless access
 - about 20 other cool things you can use to improve how we educate our students
 - http://www.apple.com/server/macosx/features/

- Student users:
 - Student portfolios in html, shared documents as pdf
 - Weblogs (see http://facstaff.hpa.edu/weblog/bwiecking/) now improved with attachments, lists, formatting (more on this later)
 - AFP for shared folders: Faculty to faculty, student to student, others
 - Webmail and Wikis for collaboration
 - WebDAV makes collaborative web pages possible (see google apps)
 - Podcast producer makes recording and streaming student presentations much easier
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- iChat server for professional development

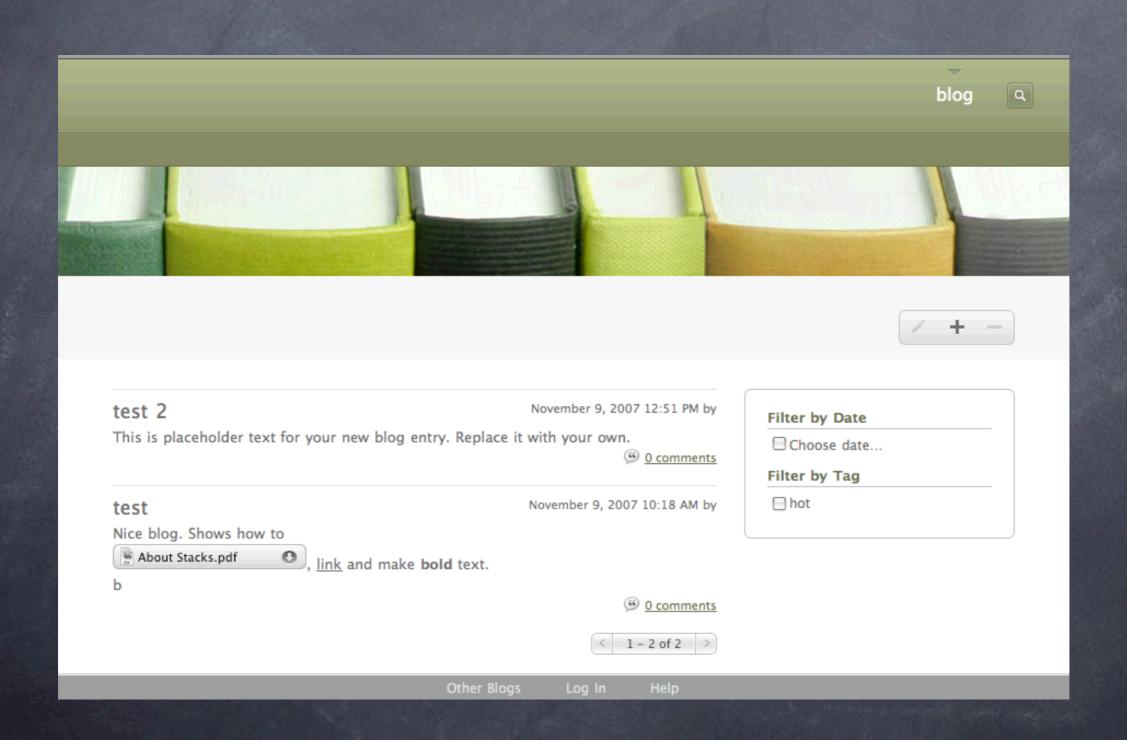
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- sysadmin users:
 - Mail server runs Postfix now for increased stability
 - **ODNS** server as master or slave
 - LPR server for printer pools, remote printing
 - iChatAV for collaboration, help desk
 - ® RADIUS for central admin of wired and wireless access
 - mySQL server for SIS
 - Open Directory for master/clone directory info
 - NAT/Firewall and DHCP for internal network security
 - Time Machine server for collected data backup

weblogs

Weblogs: Leopard Server

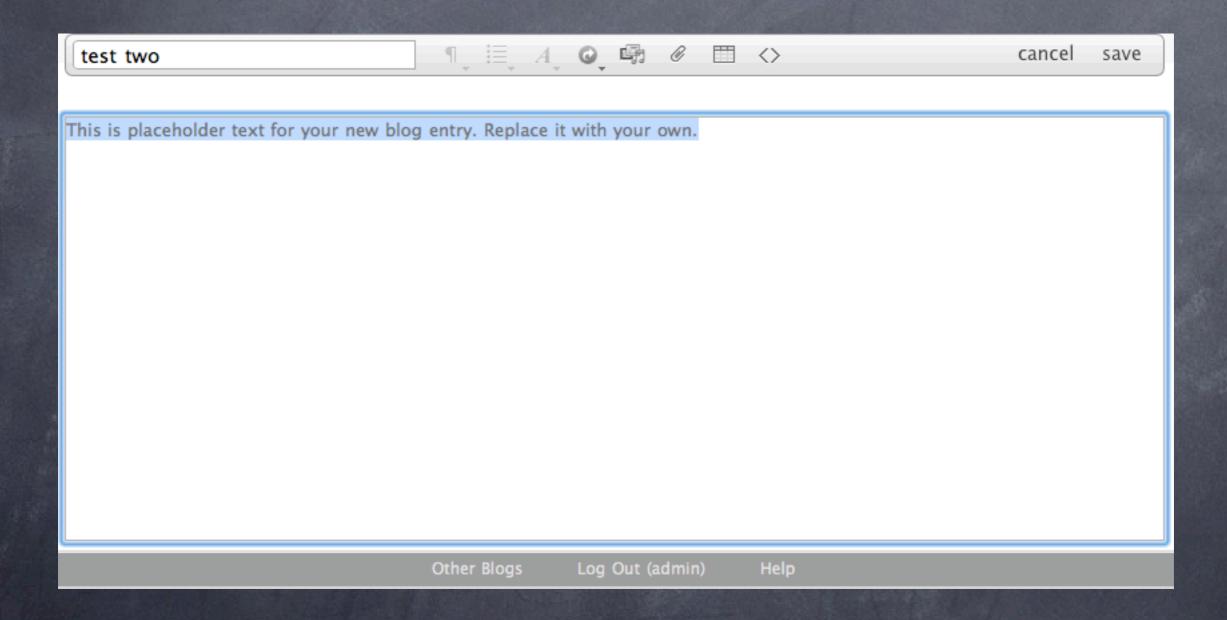
Extension of the Blojsom open source weblog system



weblogs

Weblogs: Leopard Server

Many more options under Leopard: attachments, fonts, media, urls, html view, tables, bullets, outlines.



Podcast Producer

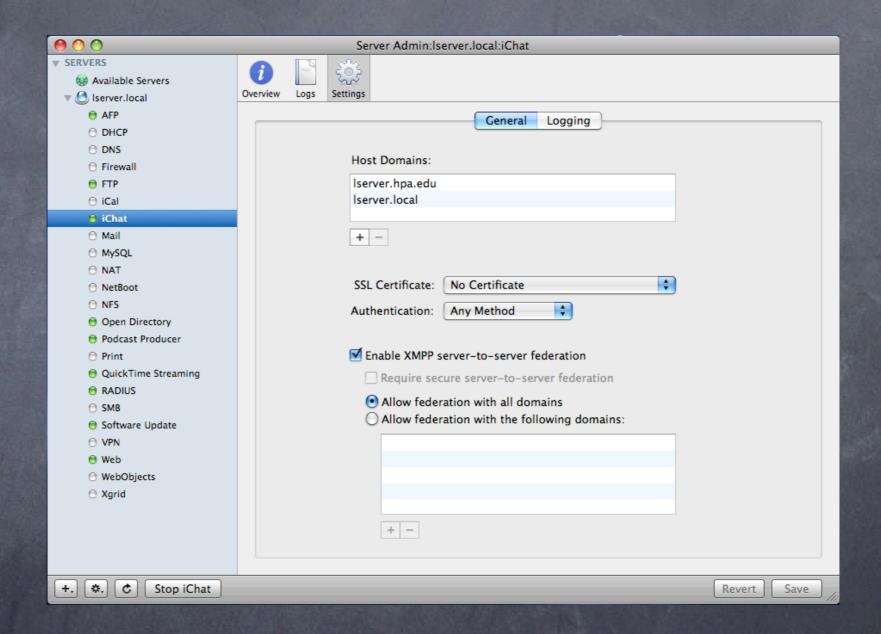
© Can aggregate streams from many computers, using Xgrid to process in realtime for instant access to media streams from the server



iChatAV server

iChatAV jabber server

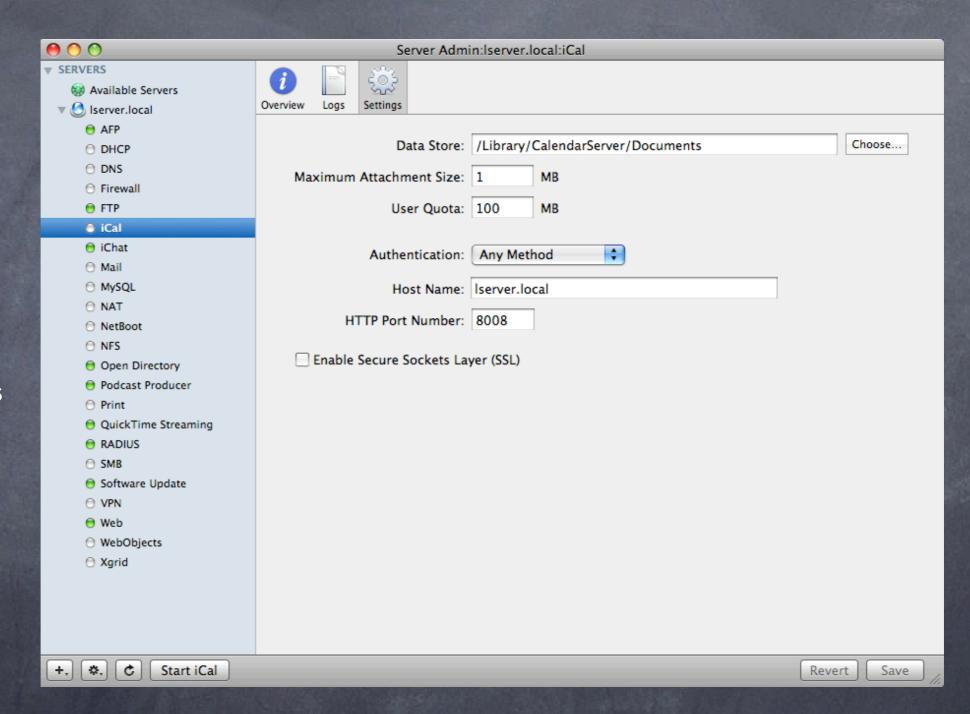
- Hosts jabber users internal and external
- Use VPN for outside clients to share
- Logging utilities can log chats, conferences for future archives



iCal server

iCal Webcal server

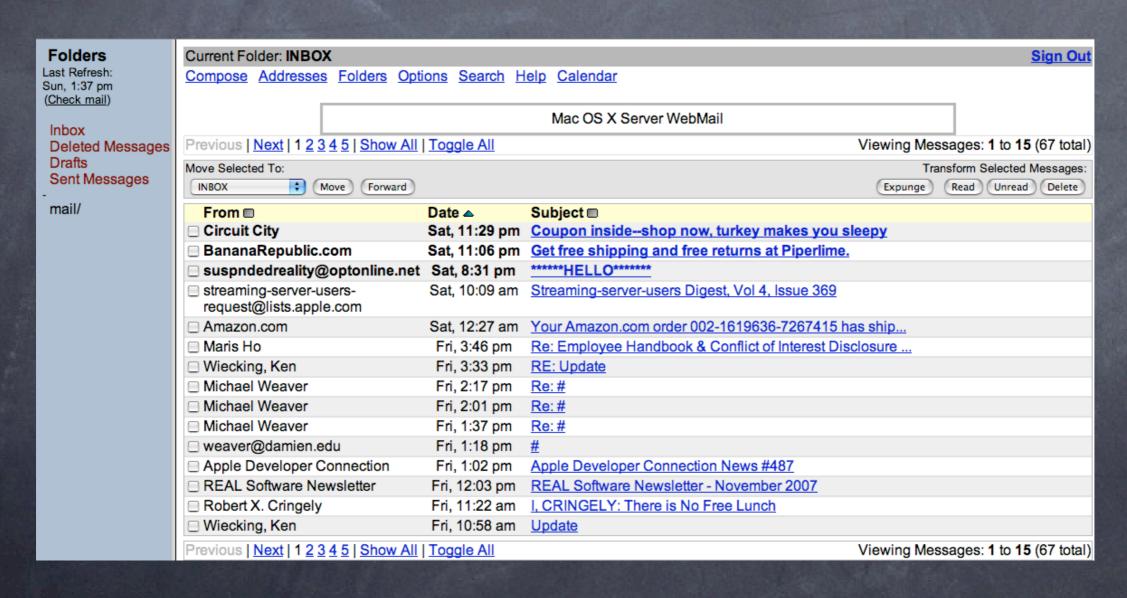
- works with any webdav calendaring system
- Format: webcal://
 ical.mac.com/
 hawaiiprep/daily.ics
- o If no Leopard server, this can be done on any webDAV server (see Tenon documents)



Webmail

Webmail: Leopard Server

- Needed some config under Tiger (see Schoun Regan's excellent book on this: Mac OSX Server Essentials)
- Config is simple under Leopard server
- Many plugins/addons are available



Leopard Server add-ons

- Timbuktu 8.7
 - 🚳 allows for remote access and file transfer over IP, rendezvous, skype, dialup
 - legacy support back to v.4.8
 - Great for a pied a terre then run ARD locally
- Apple Remote Desktop
 - Great for managing groups of computers
 - File copying is slow/impossible
 - Unix Command Line broadcast is indispensible
- Gradekeeper
 - Teach your teachers to use it, students and parents love to see updated grades online
 - @ Easy to use, integrates with many SIS systems
- SNMP tools
 - Intermapper:network monitor
 - Cybergauge: traffic monitor
 - Whistle Blower: checks services, reboots if needed

Recipe: Soup to nuts with OSX server

- What to get:
 - Leopard server
 - Intel machine (laptop, mini, tower, xserve-depends on load)
 - Airport Extreme n access points
- What to setup: The essentials
 - AFP for student and faculty users
 - DNS local at least ("slave") if not master
 - Web for local documents, more if public, including weblogs and wiki
 - LPR for printer capture
 - Software Update server for local updates (broadcast this address to clients w/ARD)
 - RADIUS and WPA2 for wireless clients-works with Airport Extreme unit above
 - NAT/DHCP/firewall if you are physically firewalling using the server
 - If you have external access or NAT running, setup VPN for your home users

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- Optional installations
 - @ iCal server for iCal and other webCal clients
 - iChat server for local and remote jabber chats, collaboration
 - Mail server with antivirus and antispam services running
 - FTP only if needed
 - Open Directory for roaming users
 - SMB if needed for windows users
 - QTSS and Podcast producer work with Xgrid for media production
 - Time Machine server
 - Spotlight server

Recipe: Soup to nuts with OSX server

- Things you should really add:
 - Passenger for account and password generation/import/export
 - Timbuktu for remote access/control/file sharing
 - Apple Remote Desktop installed for computer administration
 - @ Gradekeeper for grades, faculty upload to the server in their Sites folder
- Things that will make your life easier:
 - Intermapper, at least the limited version for monitoring the network
 - IPNetMonitor-excellent network tool, for diagnosis, testing
 - Cybergauge or other SNMP traffic tool
 - WhistleBlower, restarts services if they fail

Case Studies/Scenarios

- Small school
- Medium school
- Large campus
- District